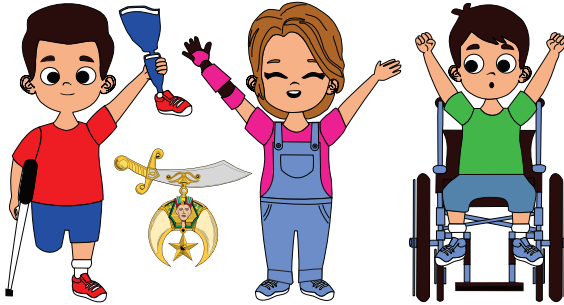


TEHRAN SHRINERS BULLETIN



January 2025

HELP KIDS THRIVE



IN 2025



David Pitts
Potentate

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Congratulations

Newly Elected & Appointed
2025 Divan, Board Members & Directors

Potentate	David Pitts
Chief Rabban	Randy Forester, PP
Assistant Rabban	Jason Weiner
High Priest & Prophet	Nathan Williams
Oriental Guide	Michael Graham
Treasurer	Bob Murdoch
Recorder	Orron Dougherty
1st Ceremonial	Patrick Biggins
2nd Ceremonial	Rowland Trent
Director General	Mark Dawson, PP
Marshal	Tim Hooyenga
Captain of the Guard	Khay Pettway
Outer Guard	Ron Manfredi
Temple Attorney	Nicholas Phillips
Temple Membership	Wayne Schwartz
Temple Parliamentarian	Wayne Schwartz
Temple Hospital Chair	Ronald Obernolte, PP
Temple Chaplain	Mark Allen
Temple Photographer	Julian Degado
Chief Aide	Tom Crossland
Assistant Chief Aide	Craig Constance
Purveyor	Gordon Keeton
Chief Registrar	Rowland Trent
Assistant Registrar	Mike Nella, PP
Assistant Registrar	Ron Manfredi

Blue Lodge Ambassadors

Mark Allen	Chris Guillen	Tim Hooyenga
Khay Pettway		Steve Presant
Erik Skidmore		Skyler Summers

From the Desk of: Potentate David Pitts



Greeting Nobles, Ladies and Friends,

Let me begin by thanking the Nobility for electing me as your Potentate for 2025. I am honored and humbled. I will do my best to see Tehran prosper and grow. I, along with the Board of Directors, will strive to be a good steward of your property, money and investments. We have a stellar line of both elected and appointed positions. Talent abounds here, at Tehran Shrine. The future of Tehran has a solid footing with the current corps of officers. I feel very confident in their leadership.

First Lady Carol and I are excited for the year to begin. Monday, January 6th will be our first Stated Meeting. Ladies are invited, and dinner will be provided at a cost of \$10 all inclusive. Please call the office at (559) 251-1991 to RSVP. You may pay at the door for this event.

The month of February brings the return of The Grand and Glorious Order of the Hillbillies and Tehran Shrine Super Bowl Party. Please review the flyers for both events in this bulletin.

We hope everyone will participate whenever possible. We will strive to make the events fun and affordable. Always remember that family and friends are invited to attend most of our events. The office will be open Monday – Thursday, 9:00am to 2:00pm. Please call with any questions or stop by for a cup of coffee and visit with us. You are always welcome.

In closing, Carol and I appreciate all your friendship and support.

Please continue to: **Help Kids Thrive in 2025.**

Dave Pitts

From the Desk of: Chief Rabban Randy Forrester, PP

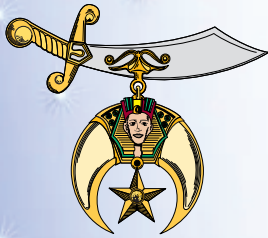


I want to start by thanking everyone for showing confidence in me by electing me as Chief Rabban for the 2025 Shrine year. I hope everyone had a safe and merry Christmas and New Year. As we start the new year our Past Potentate Chris Guillen finished last year with some wonderful events. December was the time of our annual elections and adoption of the 2025 budget with a great tri-tip sandwich provided by our Membership committee. The Christmas/Thank You Party was special with the dedication of Jane's Corner in honor of Jane Gamoian who did so much for Tehran. The TV in the Oasis room was donated by her son, John, in her memory. It was also especially special having 8 members of Asiya Shrine center in San Mateo join us for the evening. Their enthusiasm and dedication to the Shrine and the Kids we serve, is infectious. Next we had an All Masonic Night and a great ride down Christmas Tree Lane by Past Potentate Jim Stahl and his Lady Jennifer. This has been a highlight for the last several years and they have donated money they earned to the First Lady's Project. This brings 2024 to an end with the Installation of Officers (and Party) on Saturday, January 4.

I look forward to the next year because Potentate David Pitts and Lady Carol have worked hard and have planned an outstanding year. At Tehran our biggest need is Membership, so in order to be successful please plan on attending and helping at as many events as possible. Invite your friends and anyone you feel would make a good Mason and Shriner to share our fun and our purpose. There are children everywhere who need our help, and the children are our future. If we are not there to help, how will the future world look?

This year Tehran's motto is **HELP KIDS THRIVE IN 2025** and as a Shriner my motto has always been **FUN WITH A PURPOSE** and our purpose is helping **KIDS**.

Fraternally Optimistic,
Randy Forrester, PP



TEHRAN SHRINE FRESNO, CA

*Cordially Invites You to the
2025 Ceremonial Installation of Officers*

Saturday, January 4th, 2025
Tehran Shrine Center
5407 East Olive Ave, Fresno CA

5:30 p.m. - Social 7:00 p.m. - Dinner
Installation Ceremony - Music & Dancing


Cost: \$50.00 Per Person
(All Inclusive)
Attire: Semi Formal, Fez

Dinner Choices by Chef Paul:
1. Vegetarian
2. Chicken Cordon Bleu

This is a prepaid event.
Your check or credit card payment
is your reservation.

RSVP to Tehran Shrine
559-251-1991

RSVP by: December 27, 2024
Make Check Payment to:
Tehran Shrine
5407 East Olive Ave, Suite 101
Fresno, CA 93727
or Call Shrine Office to pay by
Credit Card 559-251-1991

JANUARY 2025						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 <u>New Year's Day</u> 	2	3	4 <u>Shrine Installation*</u>
5	6 <u>Tehran Shrine Stated Annual Meeting*</u> Pageantry Practice	7 <u>FMAB Mtg</u>	8 Fresno Shrine Club Daughters of the Nile	9 Potentate Not Available	10 Potentate Not Available	11 Clown Installation
12	13	14 Temple Guard/Patrol <u>BOD Mtg "Board of Directors"</u>	15 Bulletin Deadline Nile Sewing	16 Roustabouts	17 Novkeys	18
19	20 Potentate Not Available Scottish Rite	21 Potentate Not Available Clowns	22 Potentate Not Available	23 Potentate Not Available	24 Potentate Not Available	25 Potentate Not Available
26 Potentate Not Available	27 Potentate Not Available	28 Potentate Not Available	29 Potentate Not Available	30 Potentate Not Available	31 Potentate Not Available	
		Notes: BOD - Board of Directors; open to all Nobles OV - Potentate's Official Visit * Denotes Temple/Shrine Event				

JAN 4 Tehran Installation of Officers, 5:30 p.m.

JAN 6 Annual Stated Meeting, 5:30 p.m.

JAN 6 Pageantry Practice

JAN 7 FMAB Meeting

JAN 8 Fresno Shrine Club

JAN 8 Daughters of the Nile

JAN 11 Clown Installation, 5:30 p.m.

JAN 14 BOD Mtg "Board of Directors" - 6:30 p.m.

JAN 14 Temple Guard/Patrol

JAN 15 Bulletin Submission Deadline

JAN 15 Nile Sewing



JAN 16 Roustabouts

JAN 17 Novkeys

JAN 20 Scottish Rite

JAN 21 Clowns



FEBRUARY 2025						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2 Hillbillies	3 Pageantry Practice	4	5	6	7	8
9 <u>Super Bowl Party*</u> 	10	11 Temple Guard/Patrol	12 Fresno Shrine Club Daughters of the Nile	13	14 Valentine's Day 	15 Bulletin Deadline
16 Clowns SweetHeart Brunch & Cake Bake	17 Scottish Rite	18 Clowns <u>FMAB Mtg</u>	19 Nile Sewing	20 Roustabouts	21 Novkeys	22
23	24	25 <u>BOD Mtg "Board of Directors"</u>	26	27 WSA – Las Vegas Potentate Not Available	28 WSA – Las Vegas Potentate Not Available	
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- FEB 2 Hillbillies
- FEB 3 Pageantry Practice
- FEB 9 Super Bowl Party**
- FEB 11 Temple Guard/Patrol
- FEB 12 Fresno Shrine Club
- FEB 12 Daughters of the Nile
- FEB 15 Bulletin Submission Deadline
- FEB 16 Clowns Sweetheart Brunch & Cake Bake
- FEB 17 Scottish Rite
- FEB 18 Clowns
- FEB 18 FMAB Meeting**
- FEB 19 Nile Sewing
- FEB 20 Roustabouts
- FEB 21 Novkeys
- FEB 25 BOD Mtg "Board of Directors" - 6:30 p.m.**
- FEB 27 **WSA Las Vegas**
- FEB 28 **WSA Las Vegas**



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 January 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 December 30th

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

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

You bet we
are going!

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

Clown Chics, please
bring your world
famous appetizers



Cost is only
\$40.00
per person

Now that's a
Refreshments Included
GREAT Deal

DRESS:
Like us!!
or whatever

RESERVATIONS A MUST BY
TUESDAY, JANUARY 9, 2025

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 \$ _____

Yabba Dabba Do



*Callin' all cuzins. The Clan will begin meetin
again. Please join us and bring a friend!*

**Grand and Glorious Order of
The Hillbilllys**

Fresno - Sierra Clan #60

Please bring an
appetizer to share.



Sunday, February 2, 2025

3:30 p.m. - Social 4:00 p.m. - Meeting

5:00 p.m. - Dinner

Tehran Shrine Center

5407 East Olive Avenue, Fresno, CA

Dinner: Country Fried Steak, Mashed Potatoes,
Gravy, Vegetable, Dessert, Beverage

Cost: \$15.00 per person

Please RSVP by Friday, January 31

to: Mark Dawson

559-643-1956

dmdawson@webdawsons.com



YOU ARE INVITED TO JOIN US FOR OUR

BIG GAME PARTY



Super Bowl LIX 2025

Sunday, February 9, 2025

Tehran Shrine Center

5407 East Olive Avenue, Fresno ,CA

Time: Any time after 1:00 pm

Cost: Bring an appetizer or donate \$10 to the First Lady's Project.

Food: All Beef Hot Dogs, Chili and Chips will be served at Half Time.

Beverage of your choice included throughout the day.

***** Everyone is welcome, please bring family and friends.**

Save The Date

Sunday, February 16th, 2025

Tehran Shrine Center

5407 East Olive Avenue, Fresno, CA

Plan to Attend



**The Clown's
Sweet Heart Brunch
&
Cake Bake**



TEHRAN SHRINE CLOWNS



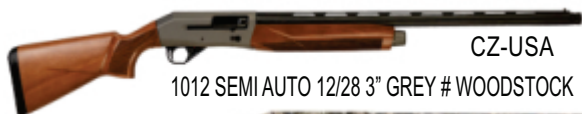
SPRINGFIELD ARMORY
HELLCAT PRO OSP
9MM BK10+1 CA



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

GUN RAFFLE

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
BL/WD 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 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*



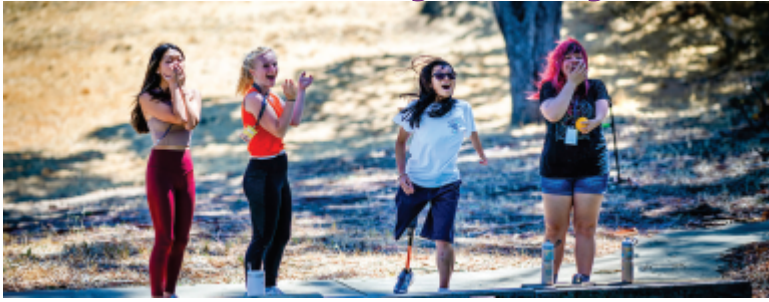
Cost: \$125.00 each

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

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

Questions: Contact Mark Dawson 559-643-1956

2025 1st Lady's Project



Camp Winning Hands

Camp Winning Hands is a free overnight camp for children with congenital hand and upper limb differences. Campers between the ages of 7 and 17 get the opportunity to have fun and challenge themselves in a safe, supportive environment. Activities are organized by the pediatric hand care teams at UCSF Benioff Children's Hospital Oakland and Shriners Hospitals for Children – Northern California. The Taylor Family Foundation hosts the camp, set in the hills above Livermore, California.

Empowering children

Kids at Camp Winning Hands are empowered by the experience of camping in an environment where they feel protected and encouraged. Hand and limb differences suddenly don't seem so important.

Campers are invited to challenge themselves through a variety of activities, such as archery, rock climbing, team sports, arts and crafts, swimming and many types of games. They get to connect with other kids as well as volunteer counselors, many of whom have hand and limb differences and can serve as mentors. Sharing three to four days of new adventures, handling social, physical and emotional challenges together, fosters bonds that often last well beyond the camp experience.

A resource for families

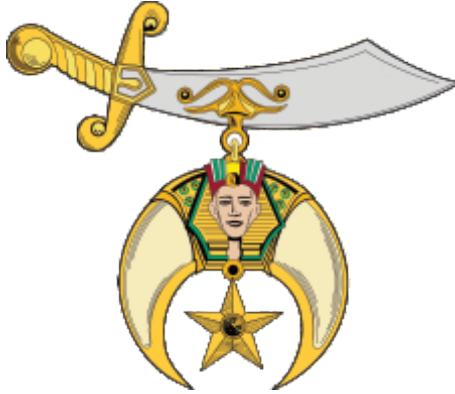
Camp Winning Hands links parents to a wider network of families with children who have hand and limb differences. Returning parents also have a chance to share information and offer support to parents of new campers. A whole community of camp families has developed since Camp Winning Hands opened in 2010.

The camp

Camp Winning Hands takes place at Camp Arroyo in Livermore. Our Kids Camp is for children 7 to 11 years old. Teen Camp is for kids 12 to 17 years old. Each camp is staffed with professionals and volunteers from UCSF Benioff Children's Hospital Oakland, Shriners Hospitals for Children – Northern California, and Samuel Merritt University.

Camp Winning Hands is free for participating families. Funding is partially provided by the Taylor Family Foundation, UCSF Benioff Children's Hospital Oakland and Shriners Hospital for Children – Northern California.

TEHRAN SHRINE ANNUAL STATED MEETING



Monday, January 6, 2025
5:30 p.m. - Social 6:00 p.m. - Dinner
7:00 - Stated Meeting

Tehran Shrine Center
5407 East Olive Avenue, Fresno, CA

Attire: Casual, Nobles with Fez
Must Be a Noble in "Good Standing"
Dues card required.

Dinner Menu: Stuffed pork chop, scalloped potato, vegetable, dinner roll and desert. ***Rotisserie chicken available, upon request at time of reservation.

Cost: \$10 all inclusive, please pay at the door,

Ladies are invited to enjoy the social and dinner and then join First Lady Carol in the Oasis Room for a program of their own.

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