

TEHRAN SHRINERS

BULLETIN

May, 2026



Tehran Shrine
HELPING KIDS SINCE 1948



"HAVING FUN
HELPING KIDS
IN 2026."

BACK
TO
THE FUTURE

FUN WITH
A PURPOSE



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From the Desk of: Potentate Randy Forrester



Potentate's May Ramblings

Gosh, May already, how time flies. As we start May we are getting closer, but still have a ways to go, to getting thing running smoothly. We are still looking for members to help and be trained in some of the critical jobs in the Shrine and people to volunteer to help in putting on events. Without help some of the planned events will have to be postponed or canceled. I still work but I am at the Shrine office on Tuesdays from 2-4 and most Thursdays from 10-3 but you can call, text or email me anytime.

Several Divan members and their wives attended the Pacific and Western Shrine Association meeting in Las Vegas last month. They are working hard to bring it back to what it was in the past and hope to have Clown competitions and other events next year. It is inspiring to see what we are doing for our kids in our health care system but is disheartening to see how far Shrine membership has dropped. At one time, in the not so distant past, we were approaching 1 million members. Today we are down to less than 170 thousand, so needless to say membership is our top priority. Pam and I attended Zelza's Potentates Ball. It had a Hawaii theme; the dancers were the best I have ever seen and we had a great time. Unfortunately, I managed to pick up a bad cold which lasted about 3 weeks which Pam caught from me but is getting better.

Moving into April we had our Stated Meeting on Saturday, April 4th and were treated to Nathan's world famous hot dogs and the ladies played a dice game during the meeting. The turnout was lite, but unfortunately it fell on Easter weekend. Saturday saw the Clowns at the Laton Parade in the morning with several members attending Skyler Summers' Hiram award presentation. Skyler is a Past Master of Hanford Lodge, a Shrine Clown and a credit to Masonry and to the Shrine. The Hillbillies met on Sunday April 12th and despite areas of severe rain all the Cuzins had a good time and LaDonna Trent did an amazing job with the roadkill mystery meat. This will also be the month of the Clovis Rodeo Parade, and the Legion of Honor, Clowns and Fast Fezes will be there. So put on your Fez and plan on participating and attending to show the public who Shiner's are.

Now comes May with several fun events to put on your calendar including the Chowchilla parade on Saturday May 9, a Mother's Day Brunch on Saturday May 16 and a very special 70's Party on Saturday May 23. Bob Murdock is opening his house for an after parade get together so let us know if you can attend. Mothers are special people and another special person is Bryan Kincade who will be doing his culinary magic for breakfast. So plan on coming to celebrate that special day and those special people and husbands are also invited. Next we will take a journey back to the 70s, a time of disco music, bell bottom pants and a time when boots were made for walking and dancing. Ladonna Trent has put together a night to remember, so if you liked the 50's last year, you are going to love the 70's this year, so please call me or the Shrine office to reserve for all of these events.

This brings us to June and close to the end of my article. In June on the 12th through the 14th we will have the Hospital's Walk of Love and our old Sacramento Trip. The arrangements are in the works and we need you to call me and sign up so we can complete the hotel reservations. Please call by the 7th of May so we can get a firm count on the people who want to go. My Cell # is (559) 970-0812, office (559) 292-6191 (talk to Linda or Pam) and if no one answers, leave a message. Maryana Pettway, Sue Dewey, Chantelle Crossland, LaDonna Trent as well as Gordon and Dolores Keeton have done a great job and I greatly appreciate all they have done, but without more help we can only do so much. I had planned the Nobility Ball for the end of June but have had to moved it to later in the year. Please call me and volunteer to help, because half the fun is working and being involved.

In closing our theme this year is **"Back to the Future"** so plan on attending as many events and parades as possible and volunteer to help give Tehran a strong future by having fun, helping kids and encouraging Masons you know to become Shriner's.

Remember our motto is "fun with a purpose" and you only get out of life what you put in to it, so dedicate yourself to "HAVING FUN HELPING KIDS IN 2026."

Fraternally,
Randy Forrester, P.P, Potentate
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Email: poppertheclown@yahoo.com



From the Desk of Chief Rabban: Jason Weiner



Back in Full Swing

It has been a minute, Shrine family—but we are all caught up and back to normal. Zuly and I have been attending as many events as we can, and we truly look forward to seeing as many of you as possible in the weeks ahead. There is nothing better than reconnecting with our Nobility and sharing in the fellowship that makes our Temple so special.

Last month, we had the opportunity to attend the Western Shrine in Las Vegas. It was great to see so many friends from across our Western Shrine Temples. Events like these are always meaningful, as they remind us of the bigger picture and the incredible work being done through Shriners Children.

I always leave these gatherings inspired. When you hear firsthand about the care, compassion, and life-changing support provided to children all over the world, it reinforces just how fortunate we are to be part of something so impactful. What we do truly matters.

As we head into the summer months, let's continue to support our Potentate and First Lady and stay engaged in all that Tehran Temple has to offer. I encourage everyone to attend a unit or club event when you can—they are always a great time, and your presence is what keeps our Temple strong.

Zuly and I look forward to seeing you soon.

Fraternally.

Jason Weiner, Chief Rabban



From the Desk of: High Priest and Prophet Michael Graham



Greetings Nobles & Ladies,

I hope everyone is well, and looking forward to some exciting events coming up at the Shrine & beyond. Parade season is upon us. We hope to see you all there among the smiling faces. With the heat that is a love/hate relationship for most of in the Valley, I wanted to highlight some safety tips from Shrinerschildrens.org.

1-Wear sunscreen

Everyone should wear sunscreen when participating in outdoor activities, especially burn victims. Burned and/or grafted skin is more susceptible to damage. For better sun protection, choose opaque creams over clear gel sunscreens. Look for sunscreen with parasols and avoid alcohol-based ones as they can irritate the skin. Apply sunscreen 15 minutes before you ~~go~~ outside and reapply every 2 hours. Remember unprotected skin can get a slight sunburn in as little as 12 minutes on a summer day.

2-Stay hydrated

As temperatures rise, it's crucial to amp up our hydration efforts especially after an injury or surgery. Water is what helps thin the blood and move nutrients and oxygen through the body so that cell-repairing nutrients can be easily brought to the recovering area. To prevent monotony from drinking only water, try incorporating refreshing options like juicy watermelon slices and creatively infused water to keep your little ones happily hydrated and excited about staying cool.

3-Avoid trampolines and jump parks

This is not our favorite piece of advice to deliver for summer safety but it must be said because injuries from trampolines continue to be seen in emergency rooms across the country. Orthopedic injuries are prevalent and while rare there have been deaths attributed to trampolines. We advise parents to steer clear from trampolines, but if your kids do use trampolines, at least use a safety net and make sure no other toys, such as balls, are in the area where your kids are jumping.

4-Stay vigilant around water

Drownings are preventable tragedies. To stay safe around water, supervise children, use flotation devices, avoid risks, recognize signs of drowning, and be prepared to respond with rescue techniques and CPR if needed. education about water safety is vital for prevention.

5-Ensure orthotics are kept clean

If your child has orthotics, make sure they are kept dry. Regularly wipe off sweat every hour or so to reduce the risk of odor, bacteria or infections. Changing socks as needed will also help maintain a hygienic environment for their feet and overall well-being.

Pro Tip:

"When traveling, make sure there is access to the attractions within the destination. If using adaptive equipment/braces/prosthetics, plan on cleaning out sand, saltwater, etc. Possibly locate a place that may be able to repair any of those that could falter while out of town." - Darren Rottmann, manager of Pediatric Orthotic and Prosthetic Services, Shriners Children's St. Louis.

Fraternally,
Michael Graham-High Priest & Prophet



MAY MEETING IS CANCELLED
OUR NEXT MEETING LUNCHEON IS
JUNE 10, 2026



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 JUNE 10th 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 June 8th, 2026

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

CELEBRATING THE HEART OF OUR HOMES

A sweet follow-up to

Mother's Day...

Brunch &
Sparkling Sips

May
16th

10 am - 12 pm

The Tehran Temple Shrine Center
5407 E Olive Ave Fresno, CA

Free for all mothers and Children 12
& under. Husbands, sons and
daughters are encouraged to come

\$15 ea

RSVP TO SHRINE OFFICE
559-251-1991 NO LATER
THAN MAY 12TH



COME ON OUT AND CELEBRATE THE FABULOUS, FAR OUT 70'S SAURDAY MAY 23RD, 2026

SOCIAL AT 5:30. DINNER 6:30

**COME HANG OUT AT THE SHRINE CENTER
IN YOUR BEST POLYESTER BELLBOTTOMS,
AND CUT A RUG SHOWING YOUR COOL DISCO MOVES
ON THE DANCE FLOOR TO A VERY HIP DJ.
THE DISCO BALL WILL BE SPINNING AND
THE PARTY WILL GO ALL NIGHT!!**

**ENJOY GREAT MUSIC, A DELICIOUS TRI-TIP DINNER
YOUR FAVORITE LIBATIONS, AND A CHANCE
TO WIN BEST DRESSED, AND BEST DANCER
ALL THIS, FOOD, DRINK, MUSIC AND FELLOWSHIP**

ONLY \$ 25.00 PER PERSON THAT'S A DEAL!!

**PLEASE CALL THE RECORDER FOR RESEVATIONS BY 5/20
AT 559-251- 1991 OR EMAIL
RECORDER@TEHRANSHRINERS.ORG**



MEMORIAL DAY



SHRINERS

INTERNATIONAL

Merced-Mariposa Counties Shrine Club

No meeting in May due Holiday

See you the 4th Monday in June

**--New Location--
Black Bear Dinner
1435 V Street
Merced, CA**

**All Tehran Noble Shriners, Masons,
Spouses & Friends are Invited**

Fez's are Optional



clay shoot

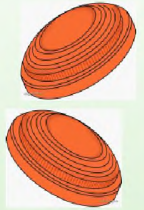


Merced, Mariposa Shrine Club

Presents



Clays for Shriners



Saturday, Aug 15, 2026

Fresno Trap and Skeet Club,
5195 N Humbolt Ave, Kerman CA.

Proceeds benefit the Merced
Mariposa Shrine Club

Registration 9 AM, Shoot 10 AM, Limited to first 100 shooters

\$75.00 per shooter for 3 rounds, clay shoot t-shirt and

lunch, bring own gun & shells: Lead shot size 7 1/2 to 8 only

Open to all Shriners, Masons, Youth Groups

and Non- Mason shooters

Awards for top 3
individual adults
and top 3
individual youth
(17 & under)

For more information and to
register, call
Bob Murdoch
559.223.4676. Email
robert93610@Hotmail.com
Or Justin Bowerman
559.706.5843
Email jb_ent@live.com

Awards for top 3
individual adults
and top 3
individual youth
(17 & under)

Please join the Potentate and First lady

**June
12- 14.**

**See next
two pages
for details**

For a fun filled weekend fun combining a train ride to Sacramento on Friday, then explore Old Town Sacramento, ending with dinner at one of the oldest English Pubs in Old Town. Then on Saturday, join in the Sacramento Hospital Walk of Love and tour the Sacramento Children Shrine Hospital and then participate in a Murder Mystery dinner aboard the Delta Queen Paddle wheel while you enjoy a delicious dinner

FRIDAY, June 12

Take a leisurely train ride to Sacramento, While in Old Town,, maybe for lunch, you may want to try the Honey and the Trapcat, an underground bar and eatery serving burgers, sandwiches, and fancy fries, including chipotle chicken fries smothered in pico de gallo, chipotle crème, and guacamole. Those with a sweet tooth will be spoiled for choice as Old Sacramento contains many old-school sweet shops. Candy Land, Candy Heaven, and Candy Barrel are just some of the options, and there is also the family-owned Munchies Salt Water Taffy, which has been serving different varieties of this nostalgic chewy, but save room for our Friday night dinner.

Old Sacramento also contains many independent and boutique shops to purchase clothes, accessories, and gifts. Browse art and souvenirs made by local artisans at the Artists Collaborative Gallery, or stroll over to Old City Kites and purchase a gift at one of the few remaining full-service kite retailers in the region. If you are a fan of funky footwear, Sock City's vast collection of playful designs covers nearly every surface of the shop.

SATURDAY, June 13

Saturday morning we will ride out to Historical Folsom where we will participate in the Shrine Hospital "Walk of Love" then enjoy a fantastic BBQ. During the morning, for those who would rather not do the walk, you may want to explore the main street of Old Folsom, or tour the Folsom Shrine Hospital Clinic

After Lunch, we head over to the Sacramento Shriners Hospital where we be given a private tour of the hospital and learn what our hospital does and what is available to our patients. After the tour, we will head back to the Hotel for a little rest or maybe a swim in the hotel pool.

Saturday evening, we will board the Delta King on the river for a delightful Murder Myster Show and dinner.

SUNDAY June 14

Sunday morning, we travel back to the train station for another leisurely ride back to Fresno arriving in plenty of time to still enjoy your Sunday afternoon

Oh, and the will be plenty of hospitality with all you favorite beverages and snacks both nights at hotel

Tehran's Weekend Trip to Old Town Sacramento and Walk of Love



Cost: \$250 per person. Includes- Round trip train ride from Fresno to Sacramento and return, all Group transportation, Friday dinner at an English Pub in Old Town, One entrée course, beverages and appetizers on your own. Saturday evening Murder Mystery Show and dinner aboard the Delta King Paddle wheel boat on the river, beverages on your own. Registration for Walk of Love, Saturday BBQ lunch in Folsom. And hospitality Friday and Saturday evenings at the hotel. Friday lunch- on your own. Fun and laughs with your friends – PRICELESS!!

Hotel- Rate \$125- \$165 per night. We are working on a special rate from the hospital
Friday English Pub- Meet 6:00 PM Wide variety of delicious food from Fish and chips, burgers, Grilled salmon, Bangers and mash, Shepard's pie, to Prawn Linguini. Large varieties of Draft beer, wines, and cocktails. Beverages and appetizers on your own.

Friday after dinner, hospitality at the hotel. Saturday and Sunday Breakfasts included with Hotel

Saturday- Breakfast at hotel, transportation to Folsom, Shrine Hospital and Walk of Love. Registration and lunch included. Transportation to Sacramento Shrine Hospital and tour, included. Transportation back to hotel for hospitality. Saturday evening, 5:15 pm, transportation to Delta King for show and dinner. After dinner return to Hotel, hospitality open.

SundayMorning- Breakfast at Hotel, return train station for return ride home.

Delta King Paddlewheel Dinner and show- Show is *A Bet with Death at the Kentucky Derby*, an interactive Murder Mystery to solve "who dunit". **Dress-** business casual or dress for the theme. **Menu must be given with reservation. Please choose one entree per person**

SALAD- Local Greens, Grape Tomato, Cucumber, Croutons, Red Onions, Champagne Vinaigrette



Choice of one entrée.

(Please only select one option)

___ Flat Iron Steak with a Demi-Glace, Mashed Potatoes, & Seasonal Vegetables

**All steaks are served Medium Rare unless otherwise specified

___ Grilled Chicken Breast

with a Champagne Mushroom Sauce, Mashed Potatoes, & Seasonal Vegetables

___ Portabella Mushroom Ravioli Basil-Tomato Sauce & Parmesan

Please Pack light with Carry on luggage. You will thank us later!!

RESERVATIONS ARE AN ABSOLUTE MUST BY MAY 22

PLEASE CALL ILLS. RANDY 559.292.6191 and ask for Linda. OR EMAIL;
poppetheclown@yahoo.com with number of reservations along with choice of entrée from above MENU for Saturday dinner, along with who you might like to be seated with. The sooner you make your reservation, the better chance of having your choice!

Hotel Reservations will available by May 14th

PLEASE JOIN US – FAMILY FUN!



Shriners
Children's™
Northern California

SATURDAY, JUNE 13, 2026

- ❖ 1.5 mile stroll + 5K Run **** New this year ****
- ❖ *Complimentary BBQ*
- ❖ *T-Shirt with Registration*
- ❖ *Fezzy's Rescue Squad*
- ❖ *Fun for all ages & abilities!*

NEW LOCATION!

Shriner Children's Folsom Clinic
1625 Creekside Dr. Folsom, CA 95630



ONLINE REGISTRATION
www.WalkForLoveNorCal.org

QUESTIONS/ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:
Please call 916.453.2008


**If registered for Sacramento Trip,
you are already registered**



Come celebrate **250 years of the United States** with the Tehran Clowns at a festive, laughter-filled summer picnic. Hamburgers, Hotdogs, Libations for all And of course Clown-style merriment for all ages Bring your colors, your cheer, and your appetite. A bright, silly, star-spangled celebration awaits

All this for
only \$20
per person

May

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT
			1	2	1	2
3	4	TEMPLE GUARD/ PATROL	5	6	7	8
MOTHER'S DAY 	11	TEMPLE GUARD/ PATROL FMAB MEETING	12	13	14	15
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30/31

Notes



BOD – Board of Directors
OV- Potentate's Official Visit

May

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| <p>9 Saturday</p> <p>12 Tuesday</p> <p>12 Tuesday</p> <p>12 Tuesday</p> <p>13 Wednesday</p> <p>13 Wednesday</p> <p>14 Thursday</p> <p>15 Friday</p> <p>15 Friday</p> <p>16 Saturday</p> <p>17 Sunday</p> <p>18 Monday</p> <p>19 Tuesday</p> <p>20 Wednesday</p> <p>23 Saturday</p> <p>26 Tuesday</p> | <p>Chowchilla Parade</p> <p>Temple Guard/Patrol</p> <p>Nile Pageantry Practice</p> <p>FMAB MEETING</p> <p>Fresno Shrine Club</p> <p>Daughters of the Nile</p> <p>Roustabouts</p> <p>Bulletin Submission Deadline</p> <p>Novkeys</p> <p>Mother's Day Brunch</p> <p>Nile Fiesta</p> <p>Scottish Rite</p> <p>Clown Meeting</p> <p>Cigar & Sprints Club</p> <p>70's Party</p> <p>BOD MEETING</p> |
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* **Note that Temple events are in bold text.** If there are changes in the monthly schedule, please let us know at least a month before so we can update the calendar

June

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	TEMPLE GUARD/ PATROL	FRESNO SHRINE CLUB	11	OLD SACRAMENTO TRIP & HOSPITAL WALK OF LOVE	
 14	SCOTTISH RITE BULLETIN DEADLINE 15	CLOWNS FMAB MEETING 16	DAUGHTERS OF THE NILE SEWING 17	ROUSTABOUTS 18	NOVCAPS 19	20
 21	22	BOD MTG BOARD OF DIRECTORS 23	24	25	26	27
28	MERCED-MARIPOSA SHRINE CLUB DARK 29	30				

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June

- 1 Monday Pageantry Practice (Dark)
- 9 Tuesday Nile Pageantry Practice
- 9 Tuesday Temple Guard/Patrol
- 10 Wednesday Fresno Shrine Club
- 10 Wednesday Daughters of the Nile (Dark)
- 12-14 Friday-Sun Old Sacramento Trip**
- 13 Saturday Sacramento Trip/Walk of Love**
- 15 Monday BULLETIN SUBMISSION DEADLINE**
- 15 Monday Scottish Rite
- 16 Tuesday Clown Meeting
- 16 Tuesday FMAB MEETING**
- 17 Wednesday Nile Sewing
- 18 Thursday Roustabouts
- 19 Friday Novkeys
- 23 Tuesday BOD MEETING**

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Legacy Chapter #555, Order of the Eastern Star
invites you to a

RODEO HOEDOWN

A fundraiser to support the Senior Living Community and Scholarship Fund.

May 30, 2026

\$55.00

Western and casual wear are welcomed

Fresno Masonic Center
3444 E Shields Ave
Fresno, CA 93726



5:30 pm Social
6:30 pm Dinner
7:30 pm Line Dance
Lessons
8:30 pm Dancing

Menu

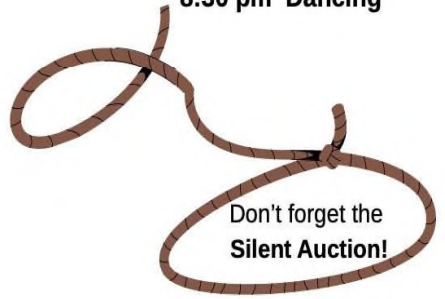
Salad

Chicken and Beef

Chili and Potatoes

Seasonal Vegetables

Dessert



Don't forget the
Silent Auction!

To make your reservation, mail the completed form below along with your payment.

Reservations and payment must be received by May 21, 2026. Tickets will not be sold at the door.

Questions: Contact Katie Benard at (714) 864-1793; masonicdirector@hotmail.com



You will receive an email or phone confirmation. If you do not receive confirmation, please contact Katie.

Please include the names of all the
members in your party to be seated
together on the back.

___ X \$55.00 = \$ ___



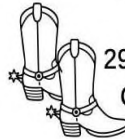
Make checks payable to and mail to:

Legacy Chapter No. 555

c/o Katie Benard

29431 Powder Horn Way

Coarsegold, CA 93614



Name: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Hillbillys May Meeting



Clovis Rodeo Parade





Tehran Clowns

