

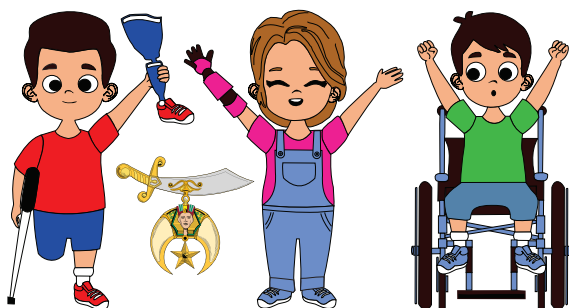
# TEHRAN SHRINERS BULLETIN



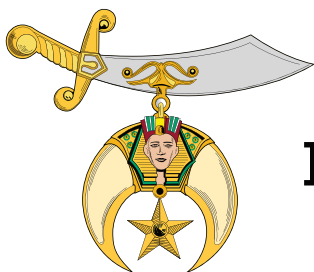
June 2025



## HELP KIDS THRIVE



IN 2025



David Pitts  
Potentate



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5407 East Olive Avenue  
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Website: [TehranShriners.org](http://TehranShriners.org)

# From the Desk of: Potentate David Pitts



Greetings Tehran Family and Friends,

Good times continue here at Tehran Shrine and Masonry in general. The Blue Lodges are working hard making new Masons as we, at Tehran, continue to have fun with a purpose, while supporting our network of Shriners Hospitals for Children.

Mother's Day was a tremendous success. We had forty-four mothers in attendance. It was wonderful seeing so many families with children. That shows that we are achieving our goal to make the Shrine fun for the entire family. The culinary team led by Bryan Kincade did an outstanding job in preparing the meal. Thank you to Skyler Summers, Matt Dawson, John Pritchard and Ruben Rios for your hard work and dedication.

We are preparing to depart on our journey to Walk for Love at Shriners Children Northern California. If you have not signed up yet and would like to go, please call the office to see if space is available on the bus. If you are new to the Shrine, a visit to the hospital will solidify your reason for becoming a Shriner.

I would like to bring to your attention two media sources that will help you to find out what is happening at Tehran Shrine. PP Mark Dawson has our web site up to date and running smoothly, [TehranShriners.org](http://TehranShriners.org), Check it out. Secondly, if you are a member of Facebook, check out Tehran Shriners & Friends Group. You will see the smiling faces of your friends having a fun time at all our events.

Congratulations to our parading Shriners. They took top honors in both the Chowchilla and Kingsburg parades. It is a very powerful way of getting out the message that Shriner Hospitals are here to help.

Please continue to Help Kids Thrive in 2025.

David Pitts, Potentate

# From the Desk of: Chief Rabban Randy Forrester, PP



Pam and I have had a busy, but fun month. The Potentates Cruise to Catalina and Ensenada was lots of fun with a great group of travelers from Tehran. We got back from the cruise just in time to make a whole bunch of new Hillbilly Cuzins. Next we attended the Mother's Day Brunch with great food and good comradery. As I write this we are getting ready to go to Mexico City to visit the Shriner's Hospital. To top everything off we made some new Shriners, attended Masonic 3rd degrees and helped with the Masonic Lodge's community clean up.

Potentate David and First Lady Carol have done a great job with lots of fun this year (and its not over yet). To make a great year it takes lots of help and Pam and I are planning for next year to keep the fun going. We are looking for ideas, suggestions and people to help with events. Additionally there are several Divan positions which will need to be filled, so think about coming forward to help Tehran help the kids.

As you watch the news each day it is obvious that our country and the world are in trouble. Our country was founded on the principles which are the foundation of Masonry. **These principles are time tested.** Time and time again when they are ignored, societies and the world fall into darkness. As Masons it is our job to live and share the values of Masonry and to recommend men who share these values to participation in our fraternity. Our children are the next leaders of the world, so through our example we need to pass on these values to the next generations. Please come join us in our vision for Helping Children, growing Masonry, and the Shrine for a better world.

**Remember you only get out of life what you put in to it.**

Fraternally,  
Randy Forrester, PP  
Chief Rabban

# From the Desk of: Oriental Guide Michael Graham



Greetings Nobles & Ladies,

I hope everyone is well, and enjoying some warmer weather. I'm proud to announce the new drift trikes have finally arrived, and are awesome. We showcased our new toys at the Kingsburg Parade for starters. It's been a journey to get them here, but now that we have them our hope is it will spark interest among Masons and everyone else to see what Shriners are all about. Fun and philanthropy. Please continue to share our values with others, and practice them daily.

Fraternally,  
Michael Graham  
Oriental Guide



Kingsburg Parade

# Membership Commitee

We have 221 members, 23 of us have not paid their dues and of those 23, 5 are in jeopardy of being suspended at the end of the year. You can now pay your dues (as well as paying for some of our functions) on line. Go to [www.tehranshriners.org](http://www.tehranshriners.org) and log in. If you have not registered, please do so. If you are having a problem with your dues, give me a call. We have several ways for a member to get current.

***Mortal: What is a million years like to you?***

***God: Like one second.***

***Mortal: What is a million dollars like to you?***

***God: Like one penny.***

***Mortal: Can I have a penny?***

***God: Just a second.***

Have you registered and are able to look at Webfez? There is lots of great information on this site. Again, it is very easy to register and use.

We have received our first batch of tiles for our wall of honor and will be cementing them in in the immediate future (they may even be up when you read this). There is room for a few more tiles, give us a call for pricing, layout, etc.

***I didn't realize how bad a driver I was until my navigation system said: "IN 400 FEET, DO A SLIGHT RIGHT, STOP, AND LET ME OUT."***

Hey, how about a banana split and a movie? OK, let's do it! Look for the flyer elsewhere in the bulletin.



Wayne Schwartz  
oldsarge21@comcast.net  
559-29-2458

**YOUR  
MEMBERSHIP  
MATTERS**

JUNE 2025						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 Hillbillys - Cancelled	2 Pageantry Practice	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10 Temple Guard/Patrol	11 Fresno Shrine Club Daughters of the Nile	12	13	14 Walk for Love*
15 Father's Day Bulletin Deadline	16 Scottish Rite	17 Clowns <u>FMAB Mtg</u>	18 Nile Sewing	19 Roustabouts	20 Novkeys	21 1 <sup>st</sup> Lady's Tea
22	23 Merced Mariposa Shrine Club Legion of Honor	24 "BOD Mtg "Board of <u>Directors</u>	25	26	27	28
29 <b>Imperial</b> Potentate Not Available	30 <b>Imperial</b> Potentate Not Available					
		Notes: BOD - Board of Directors; open to all Nobles OV - Potentate's Official Visit * Denotes Temple/Shrine Event				

JUN 1 Hillbillys - Rescheduled  
 JUN 2 Pageantry Practice  
 JUN 10 Temple Guard/Patrol  
 JUN 11 Fresno Shrine Club  
 JUN 11 Daughters of the Nile  
**JUN 14 Walk For Love**  
 JUN 15 Bulletin Submission Deadline  
 JUN 16 Scottish Rite  
 JUN 17 Clowns  
**JUN 17 FMAB Meeting**  
 JUN 18 Nile Sewing  
 JUN 19 Roustabout  
 JUN 20 Novkeys  
 JUN 21 1st Lady's Tea  
 JUN 23 Merced-Mariposa Shrine Club  
 JUN 23 Legion of Honor  
**JUN 24 BOD Mtg "Board of Directors" 6:30 p.m.**  
 JUN 29 Imperial Session - Atlanta  
 JUN 30 Imperial Session - Atlanta



JULY 2025						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		<b>1 Imperial</b> Potentate Not Available	<b>2 Imperial</b> Potentate Not Available	<b>3 Imperial</b> Potentate Not Available	<b>4 Independence Day</b> 	
<b>6</b> Hillbillys	<b>7</b> Pageantry Practice (DARK)	<b>8</b> Temple Guard/ Patrol(DARK)	<b>9</b> Fresno Shrine Club (DARK) Daughters of the Nile (DARK)	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b> Movie & Banana Splits
<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b> Clowns Bulletin Deadline <b>FMAB Mtg</b>	<b>16</b> Nile Sewing (DARK)	<b>17</b> Roustabouts (DARK)	<b>18</b> Novkeps (DARK)	<b>19</b>
<b>20</b>	<b>21</b> Scottish Rite	<b>22</b> <u>BOD Mtg "Board of Directors"</u>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b> Clown Summer Party
<b>27</b>	<b>28</b> Merced Mariposa Shrine Club	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>		
		Notes: BOD - Board of Directors; open to all Nobles * Denotes Temple/Shrine Event				

JUL 1 Imperial Session - Atlanta  
 JUL 2 Imperial Session - Atlanta  
 JUL 3 Imperial Session - Atlanta  
 JUL 6 Hillbillys  
 JUL 12 Movie & Banana Splits  
 JUL 15 Clowns  
 JUL 15 Bulletin Submission Deadline  
**JUL 15 FMAB Meeting**  
 JUL 21 Scottish Rite  
**JUL 22 BOD Mtg "Board of Directors" 6:30 p.m.**  
 JUL 26 Clown Summer Party  
 JUL 28 Merced-Mariposa Shrine Club





# FRESNO SHRINE CLUB

## OUR NEXT MEETING LUNCHEON IS JUNE 11, 2025

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 11th 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 9th, 2025

Please call or text  
Terre Rhymes-Stricker at  
559-458-9114 or  
email [me4pekes@yahoo.com](mailto:me4pekes@yahoo.com)  
to make your reservations.







The Pleasure Of Your Company  
Is Requested For The

*1st Lady's  
Afternoon Tea*

Saturday, June 21st, 2025  
12:00 p.m.

Tehran Shrine Center  
5407 E. Olive Ave, Fresno, CA

Cost: \$35.00

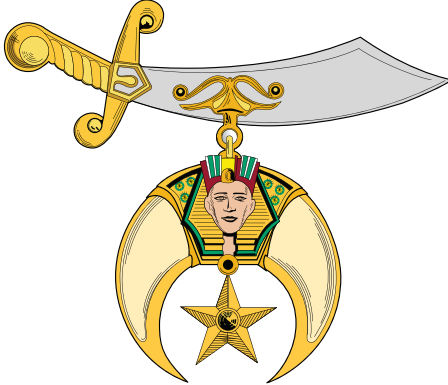
Menu

Finger Sandwiches & Mini Quiche  
Scones, Dessert  
Champagne, Tea and Coffee

Kindly RSVP to Terre Stricker by  
Friday, June 13th  
(559)458-9114



# Tehran Legion of Honor



The next Legion of Honor meeting is:

**Monday, June 23, 2025**

**Tehran Shrine**

**Social 6:00 PM**

**Dinner 6:30 PM with meeting to follow.**

**Cost: Free, compliments of  
the Commander, Mike Bowman Sr.**

Menu:

Rigatoni with red meat sauce

Garden Salad with dressing

Garlic Bread & Dessert

We will be passing out uniforms this evening. All those that filled out an application for membership and have not paid, the total is \$35. We look forward to seeing you at the meeting.

*Wives and/or Significant Others are invited to attend.*

Please RSVP to:

Past Commander David Pitts

at (559) 906-5064 or [dpitts01@icloud.com](mailto:dpitts01@icloud.com)



# SHRINERS

## INTERNATIONAL

**Merced-Mariposa Counties Shrine Club**

Will Be Meeting on the **4th Monday of Each Month.**

June 23rd 2025 at 6:00 p.m.

Yosemite Station

125 E. Yosemite Ave

Merced, CA

All Tehran Noble Shriners, Masons,

Spouses & Friends are Invited

Fez's are Optional

RSVP to Noble Bob Monroe

(209-628-4413)

Noble Bob Murdoch

(559-223-4676)

# Grand and Glorious Order of The Hillbillys

Fresno - Sierra Clan #60

**NOTICE:**  
New Meeting  
Date!

Appetizers Requested:  
Last Name Beginning with  
(A-H July)  
(I-P September)  
(Q-Z November)

**RSVP by  
Thursday July 3rd**



**Sunday, July 6th, 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: Chicken, Potato Salad,  
Beans, Fruit Cobbler, Beverage

**Cost: \$15.00 per person**

Hillbillys: Please bring an appetizer to share. We have divided the alphabet by the three remaining meetings. If you have already provided an appetizer in February or May you may skip this request. Thank you for your support.



Please RSVP by Thursday, July 3rd  
to: Mark Dawson  
559-643-1956  
[dmdawson@webdawsons.com](mailto:dmdawson@webdawsons.com)



**2nd  
Saturday**

**10:00 AM – 1:00 PM**

# shriners Tours



- January 11
- February 8
- March 8
- April 12
- May 10
- June 14
- July 12
- August 9
- September 13
- October 11
- November 8
- December 13

**2025 Tour Dates**

*Tours are specifically  
designed for Shriners  
and their guests*

## Transforming Children's Lives Shriners Make the Difference

### LIFE-SAVING, LIFE-CHANGING HEALTHCARE

Shriners Children's has been making dreams come true for children in Sacramento, since April 1997. Families whose children have suffered traumatic injuries or have been born with complex congenital conditions are referred to Shriners Children's Northern California for treatment of acute burns, scars from any cause, cleft lip, spinal cord and other traumatic injuries, bladder and bowel disorders, chest wall anomalies, and broad range of orthopedic and neuromusculoskeletal conditions, including cerebral palsy and spina bifida. While children come for different reasons, all are welcomed into an interdisciplinary community of care that nurtures the patient and family in mind, body and spirit. Thanks to the generosity of Shriners and donors from the community, all children benefit from world-class expertise and renewed hope and future independence.

### A NEW CENTURY OF CARE

In 2023, Shriners Children's Northern California celebrated 100 years of service to children in Northern California, Northern Nevada and around the world. A lot has changed in the world and in healthcare since 1923 when the first northern California hospital opened on 19th Street in San Francisco. What has not changed is the commitment by Shriners to help each child who would benefit from treatment in the Northern California hospital or any of the healthcare locations that bear their name throughout North America and eventually around the world. The staff and volunteers at Shriners Children's Northern California are honored to count Shriners and their Ladies as partners in advancement, as together we grow in breadth and scope. The hospital welcomes the opportunity to share more about the hospital's unique role as a destination of care in the region – and the key role Shriners play in sustaining its mission. The hospital invites you to participate in Shriners Second Saturday Tours to learn more.

### IMPACT OF SHRINERS' INVESTMENT

Since the Sacramento hospital opened in 1997, more than 90,000 children have been treated by the specialists at Shriners Children's Northern California. Many patients have "graduated" and can be found excelling in careers that span all industries, and thriving as leaders, mentors, volunteers and parents. Their success in life started with a simple "yes" to a request for care, in a healthcare organization founded and sustained by Shriners.

### DISCOVER THE DIFFERENCE YOU MAKE

Learn more by planning a trip to Sacramento. Thank you for being a Shiner.

**CONTACT OFFICE OF PHILANTHROPY TO RSVP OR LEARN MORE**

Ph: 916-453-2321 | Email: [julia.clark@shrinenet.org](mailto:julia.clark@shrinenet.org)

2425 Stockton Boulevard, Sacramento, CA 95817



**Shriners  
Children's  
Northern California**

# 2nd Saturday of the Month 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Tours are specifically designed for Shriners and their guests.

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2425 Stockton Boulevard, Sacramento CA 95817



To see more of the pictures in full color go to the  
**Tehran Shriners & Friends Group** on Facebook  
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/1849091628679476>

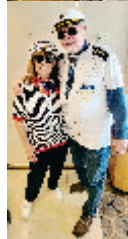
Raymond Parade - April



Clovis Parade - April

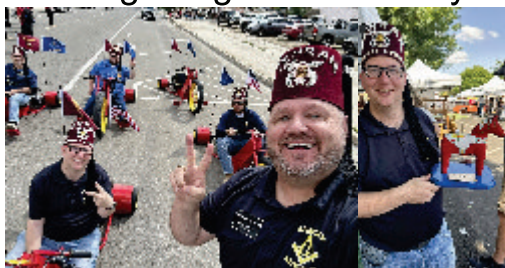


Chowchilla Parade - May



Pote's Cruise  
Catalina  
Ensenada  
May

Kingsburg Parade - May



Mothers' Day Brunch - May



# Save the Date!

**Walk for Love**

**Saturday, June 14th, 2025**



**First Lady's Tea**

**Saturday, June 21st, 2025**



Contact Terre Stricker by  
Friday, June 13th

Cost: \$35.00 per person

**Saturday, July 26th, 2025**

**The Clown Summer Party**



**Saturday, August 23rd, 2025**

**First Lady's Sock Hop**





**FREE!**

# **MOVIE & BANANA SPLITS**



**Saturday, July 12th, 2025**

**Doors Open at 1:00 pm**

**Movie Starts at 1:30 pm**

**Banana Splits at 2:30 pm**

**Free - Popcorn**

**Free - Soft Drinks**

**Free -Bottled Water**

***Please RSVP so that we have  
plenty of ice cream and bananas.***

**RSVP to Wayne Schwartz  
559-229-2458**

*You are welcome to  
bring your own chairs,  
snacks & beverages.*



**Location:  
Tehran Shrine Center  
5407 E. Olive Ave.  
Fresno, CA 93727**

**FREE!**