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# BULLETIN AUGUST/SEPTEMBER 2016

Chad Snyder Potentate



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ORIENTAL GUIDE – Are you interested?

Please contact a Divan Member



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### POTENTATE'S AUGUST/SEPTEMBER 2016 MESSAGE

Greetings Nobles and Ladies! I hope everyone has had a great summer and was able to escape some of this Fresno heat. June and July were quieter months at the Temple as many of our clubs and units are dark for the summer.

In June, we had our Second Annual All Masonic Picnic which was well attended. Additionally, we incorporated a Cold-Sands

Ceremonial with the event this year, and we were able to formally welcome 10 Shriners into Tehran Temple. I would like to thank those who helped with the picnic and the degree team who came together to put on a great ceremonial. We anticipate holding a second ceremonial in the fall. If anyone is interested in being a part of the degree team, please let Roger Wethey or myself know.

In July, Ron Obernolte and Rob Crossland represented Tehran at the Imperial Session in Tampa. We will have a report on the outcome of the various pieces of legislation at our September Stated Meeting. The Clowns also put on a great summer party. I know everyone who attended had a fantastic time.

Looking forward to August, we have our big fundraiser for the year, Monte Carlo night on Saturday, August 20. Mike Nella and Judie Houston have been working tirelessly to plan a great event. We also have an official visit with the Tin Lizzies/Kings County Shrine Club on Wednesday, August 24. Please see the enclosed flyers for more details.

September kicks off with the annual Cambria Parade weekend Labor Day weekend. We then have our third quarter Stated Meeting on Monday, September 12.

As we approach the end of 2016, our annual elections are not far off. Tehran is in need of Nobles to come forward to help lead our temple in the years to come. If anyone is interested in taking on a role in the leadership of Tehran, please contact any member of the Divan.

Sincerely & Fraternally, Chad T. Snyder Potentate

#### **PCA Pumps**

Number Needed: Four (4) [remaining item from 2015 list]

Donation Requested: \$9,200 [\$2,300 each pump]

PCA pumps are used for self-delivery of analgesia (pain relief medication) via a "safe IV technology" pump. The hospital needs to replace its existing inventory of PCA pumps with updated, more modern pumps.



LADY STEPHANIE SNYDER'S PROJECT FOR 2016



## FIRST LADY' STEPHANIE'S PROJECT PCA PUMPS

## (SELF DELIVERY OF PAIN RELIEF MEDICATION) \$2,300 PER PUMP – 4 NEEDED MONIES RAISED

Clown OV	\$ 112.80
Nobility Ball	170.59
Hillbilly OV	1,200.00
Hillbillies 4/3	16.67
Novkeps OV	100.00
Sanger Shrine Club	6,402.99
Merced Mariposa	200.00
Shrine Club OV	
David and Sloan Johnson	100.00
- Masonic Picnic	
Sam Cactus Harris –	20.00
Masonic Picnic	
Lady's Luncheon Gift	119.66
Sloan Johnson – Lady's	100.00
Luncheon	
TOTAL	\$8,542.71

THANK YOU NOBLES AND FRIENDS

FOR YOUR GENEROUS DONATIONS

We only need \$657.29 to reach the GOAL and anything extra will go to another project.



Confidence. Self-Assurance. Bravery.

When you have these things, you can believe in yourself – and in your dreams – and do amazing things. In fact, The Sky's the Limit.



How can we instill these qualities in children – especially children who are living with complex medical conditions?

One way is through enjoyable, experiential programs – like camps.

"We all want children to be confident, self-assured and unafraid. To help make this possible, we want to ensure that more patients of Shriners Hospitals for Children® have the opportunity to go to camp and have some fun, make new friends, and build their self-esteem and confidence in the process," said Ethel Smith, First Lady of Shriners International.

**Building Confidence and Self-Esteem** 

Shriners Hospitals for Children is noted for providing excellent medical care. Our patients receive individualized treatment that may include surgeries and a variety of occupational, physical and other therapies to help them recover to the fullest extent possible.

Our concern for their well-being does not end there. Because of the nature of many of the conditions we treat, our young patients often face a long road to recovery, and must learn to adapt to new ways of managing the challenges of everyday life. Helping them develop these skills, as well as other more intangible inner strengths, such as self-esteem and confidence, is also part of the work and mission of Shriners Hospitals for Children.

Our health care system offers a variety of programs to help our patients develop a wide range of psychosocial skills. Many of the efforts are in the forms of "camps," which may be held onsite at the hospitals, or somewhere in the local community. Activities range from therapeutic horseback riding to skiing adventures. Some programs are designed to encourage patients coping with a specific condition, such as spina bifida; there are also camps for those with hand deficiencies, burns and spinal cord injuries.

These camp experiences provide unique and valuable experiences for our patients – and, like all services and programs at Shriners Hospitals for Children – are provided regardless of the families' ability to pay. But that doesn't mean there is not a cost involved for our health care system. In fact, they can be expensive to operate, and most are funded by donations.

**Ensuring More Children Experience Camp** 

First Lady Ethel believes that encouraging our young patients to have new experiences will help them discover inner strengths, while having a lot of fun. Her program, *The Sky's the Limit*, will augment funding for Shriners Hospitals for Children's special camp programs, which provide these opportunities, and include a wide range of fun-filled activities.

"I've seen these children do amazing things at camp – from using ziplines to rock climbing," said Ethel. "It's clear these camps are a lot of fun – and go a long way to helping patients face challenges and overcome fears, which builds self-confidence. Ultimately, these programs can help ensure these children have lives where *The Sky's the Limit*."

For a donation of \$40, contributors will receive a beautiful bracelet with a bead representing a hot air balloon, indicative of the program's theme, or a gorgeous scarf; donors will receive an elegant gentleman's tie for \$30. To learn more or to place an order, please visit **support.shrinershospitals.org/FirstLadyEthel** or contact a Lady of the Divan at your temple.

Please join the First Lady's effort to ensure more children have the chance to experience going to camp by purchasing one of the program's items or making a donation.







#### 2016 IMPERIAL SESSION OF SHRINERS INTERNATIONAL TAMPA JULY 3 TO JULY 7, 2016

Chad Snyder, Potentate, was stuck in a trial the week of Imperial. Since I was attending anyway, and there was insufficient time to hold a special election, he appointed me to join Ron Obernolte, PP, Chief Rabban, as Tehran's representatives. We were the two authorized to vote on all Imperial elections and legislative matters. Last time I was a voting representative was 2007. It is interesting to contrast my impressions from 2005, 2006, and 2007 to those I have from 2016. Back then, Imperial officers were just beginning to present issues to the elected representatives to address the losses to our Hospital endowment fund. Imperial Sir Ralph Semb sponsored legislation which would have closed an underperforming hospital. I thought that sad but necessary. Mine was a minority opinion. The majority of the representatives were outraged, voted it down, and voted Semb out of office.

What a difference 10 years makes. The Hospitals performances are now measured by metrics and efficiency is measured. Our Hospital in Northern California then was viewed as top quality but too lavish by Imperial which strove to slash its budget. Now we are recognized not only for superior quality but also as a highly efficient, a lean, disciplined operation. The 2 elected Trustees for Shriners Hospitals are the re-elected Anthony M. West and new guy Chuck D. Pittman. Douglas E.

#### RECORDER REPORT CONTINUED......

Maxwell, no friend of our northern California hospital, was defeated

Like us, our Imperial fraternity lacks sufficient revenues because of membership (dues) losses. To avoid another dues increase which triggers demits, immediate past Imperial Potentate (who gets high marks from everyone as being an excellent leader) Jerry Gantt, appointed next year's Imperial Potentate, Gary Bergenske, as Chairman of a committee and to appoint its members to come up with solutions. They came up with a 5 point plan which required Representatives to act favorably on 5 legislative items. Bergenske's presentation was articulate and convincing. They reviewed what other fraternal and charitable organizations are doing, particularly Masonic, and we approved the plan. It should work well, I think. I came away impressed with Gantt, Bergenske, our new Imperial Potentate, Chris Smith, and our representatives. All 4 I think are rising to the occasion to deal with issues our fraternity and hospitals are facing better than we did 10 years ago.

Going to an Imperial Session is inspiring. If you would like to experience what Shrine offers and does beyond what we see locally, then come to Daytona Beach next year. You won't regret it

#### **AUGUST 2016 EVENTS**

August 4	Merced Mariposa Shrine Club – DARK
	Contact - Max Madayag - 209-358-3512
August 6	Scottish Rite Fundraiser – See Flyer
August 7	Hillbillies - See Flyer
	Contact - Mike Nella - 559-871-0382
August 9	Temple Guard – See Flyer
	Contact - James Meeks, Sr 559-916-9802
	Patrol
	Contact - Ron Obernolte - 559-259-5525
August 10	Fresno Shrine Club - DARK
	Nile - DARK
August 15	Scottish Rite Stated
August 16	Clowns
	Contact - Mark Dawson - 559-643-1956
August 17	Nile Sewing - DARK
August 18	Roustabouts - DARK
	Contact - Harry Manoogian - 559-252-9200
August 19	Novkeps - See Flyer
	Contact - Le Roy Foote - 559-294-7170

#### AUGUST 2016 EVENTS

August 20 Monte Carlo Night – BIG FUNDRAISER

Contact - Mike Nella - 559-871-0382

August 22 SHCNC Board of Governors

Knights of Mecca/Past Masters

Contact - Roger Wethey - 559-251-4395

Flying Shriners

Contact - Ron Obernolte - 559-259-5525

Temple Belles - DARK

August 24 Kings Co Shrine Club/Tin Lizzies – OV-See Flyer

August 28 Nile Luau – See Flyer

DO YOU HAVE GRANDCHILDREN THAT HAVE EMAIL AND WHO WILL PRINT THE BULLETIN FOR YOU? THAT WILL HELP SAVE ON PAPER AND POSTAGE.

PLEASE CALL THE SHRINE OFFICE AT 559-251-1991

#### SEPTEMBER 2016 EVENTS

September 1 Merced Mariposa Shrine Club – See Flyer Contact - Max Madayag - 209-358-3512 September 2 - 5 Clowns Cambria Weekend Contact - Mark Dawson - 559-643-1956 September 5 LABOR DAY September 10 Fresno State Tailgate Party - TBD September 12 STATED MEETING - See Notice September 13 Temple Guard – See Flyer Contact - James Meeks, Sr. - 559-916-9802 Patrol Contact - Ron Obernolte - 559-259-5525 September 14 Fresno Shrine Club – See Flyer Nile September 15 Roustabouts Contact – Harry Manoogian – 559-252-9200 September 16 Novkeps FUNDRAISER – See Flyer Contact - Le Roy Foote - 559-294-7170 September 17 Nile Bunco September 19 Scottish Rite Stated September 20 Clowns Contact - Mark Dawson - 559-643-1956 September 21 Nile Sewing

#### SEPTEMBER 2016 EVENTS

September 24 Dinuba Raisin Festival

Contact - Mark Dawson - 559-643-1956

September 26 SHCNC Board of Governors

Knights of Mecca/Past Masters

Contact - Roger Wethey - 559-251-4395

Flying Shriners

Contact - Ron Obernolte - 559-259-5525

Temple Belles

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#### Monte Carlo Night Sponsor Form

Your Name
PH# () Email:
Name on Banner:
If you want your business cards given out, please supply at least 200. They will be included in the ticket envelopes.
If you have uniform shirts you would like the dealers to wear at your table, supply 2 per table. Suggested sizes M, L, XL
Do you want the banner after event? Y N If not, it will be tossed.  Banners, uniforms, extra business cards must be picked up by 8-26-16.
This Table Sponsored by:  "YOUR NAME OR BUSINESS NAME"
Banners are approximately 11" X 36"
One sided: \$150 per table Tables X \$150 =
Double sided banner \$175 Tables X \$175 =
Total amount Due:

#### FORMS/PAYMENT MUST BE RETURNED NO LATER THAN AUG 5, 2016.

Return completed form & payment to: Tehran Shriners, 5407 E. Olive Ave, Fresno, Ca 93727. Make checks payable to: Tehran Shrine-on memo line, write "Monte Carlo Night Sponsor". To pay by credit card, call Tehran Shriners: 559-251-1991. Form must be completed and full payment made to complete your sponsorship. Thank you.

Any questions contact: Judie Houston Ph: 559-289-3357

Email: judiehouston@comcast.net

## Rite Care

Fresno Scottish Rite Childhood Language Center



Live & Silent Auctions
Plus a Dessert Auction

# Plus a Dessert Auction August 6, 2016

Sunnyside Country Club

Dress is 1950's or Casual

5704 Butler Avenue Fresno, CA 93727

Wine Tasting & Silent Auction begins at 5:00 p.m.

Tickets \$60.00

Per person Reserved table of eight \$480.00 Reserved table of ten \$600.90

Choice of Entrée

Beef/Chicken Kabob combo Vegetarian Pasta Plate

## Yes, I am coming to the Party Saturday August 6, 2016

Mail in registration form to: Fresno Scottish Rite 1455 "L" Street, Fresno, CA 93721 (559) 268-9631

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Total Dinners ordered \_

Last day to order tickets is August 1, 2016

Please circle menu choice next to name: (b/c) beet/chicken Kabob combo (v) Vegetarian Pasta Plate

INDIVIDUAL SEATING WILL BE ASSIGNED
All tickets must be purchased prior to the event
\$60.00 per person

Amount Enclosed \$\_

Please make checks payable to Fresno Scottish Rite Clinic

Credit Cards are also accepted Call the office (559) 268-9631 to charge your tickets

#### August Hillbilly Meeting

Time to geet on out of the hot sun. Come on inside and cool off at the Shrine Center



August 7, 2016

Board Meetin': 2:30 pm

Socializin: 3:30pm

Vittles: 4:30pm

Meetin' Place: Shrine Center

Cost: \$15 per person

Reserve your spot by calling

Mike Nella 559-871-0382

This here is Pete Clark
The Rabban of the Clan
This here is Mary Clark
our purdy Possum Queen





#### Tehran Shriner's Temple Guard Summer 2016



Temple Guard remains a dinner with our ladies kind of group. If we need a short business meeting, we will have it while we wait for our meal.

Tuesday, August 9, 6:00 pm. Old timers around here remember the Elbow Room. Let's go there and eat in the patio cooled with old fashioned misters. It's at the north end of Fig Garden Village. Call Gary for a count.

#### NOTICE TO ALL NOVKEPS, FRIENDS, GUESTS



August 19, 2016, the NOVKEPS dinner meeting is scheduled at one of their favorite restaurants, HACIENDA TEQUILA, 1320 Clovis Avenue, Clovis. Social: 6:00 pm/Dinner: 6:30 pm Order off the menu and casual dress

On September 16, 2016, the NOVKEPS are having a FUNDRAISER Pasta Dinner with all the trimmings at the Shrine Center. The price is \$15.00 all inclusive. The NOVKEP MEN, all by themselves, are baking goodies and will have a bake sale that evening. You will not go away hungry! Social: 6:00 pm/Dinner: 6:30 pm and Casual dress

> Please contact Dan Richardson at 559-292-2202 or LeRoy Foote at 559-294-7170

> > If no answer, please leave message





#### Monte Carlo Night 2016

It's time to get your game on and have some fun!

At the Shrine Center

August 20, 2016

Gaming and Food - 6:00PM - 9:00PM
Cash-out/Prize awards - 9:00PM -10:00PM
\$30 per person includes food, 1 drink ticket, fun
and \$500 in "Game Cash". Additional "Game Cash"
and drink tickets available for purchase.







All that is missing from the picture above is you!

We are asking Shrine Clubs and Units to donate items for Prizes or Basket or Cash for prizes to be purchased. Most \$\$ raised by basket wins trophy.

**EVERY Lady** that attends will receive a **free shawl** compliments of CY Cerro from POSH Furriers!

Questions?

Contact Judie Houston

judiehouston@comcast.net

559-289-3357

PROCEEDS BENEFIT TEHRAN SHRINE TEMPLE



#### KINGS COUNTY SHRINE CLUB & TEHRAN TIN LIZZIES

#### Invite you to our Potentate's Official Visit

Honoring us for the evening will be our Potentate Chad Snyder and his Lady Stephanie

Wednesday, August 24, 2016

#### **High Sierra Grill House**

Pavillion Center 2300 W. Bullard Fresno, CA (559-435-8500)

"Order off the Menu"

Social at 6:00 pm Dinner at 6:30 pm

<u>Please</u> RSVP by August 20, 2016, if you plan on attending

R.S.V.P. to Jim Sperlich at 559-410-5121 or email to <a href="minipo@lemoorenet.com">imnjo@lemoorenet.com</a> or Terry Ledbetter at 924-7263 or <a href="minipo@lemoorenet.com">ledbetterterry@aol.com</a> (Leave message if no answer)

#### SHARON TEMPLE NO. 92 DAUGHTERS OF THE NILE





#### Sunday, August 28th, 2016

at the

#### SHRINE CENTER

5047 E. Olive / Fresno, CA

He Anaina O Ka Laui: 4:00PM /Luau: 5:00PM

Fabulous Pupus/Desserts Hawaiian Dinner Entertainment \$ 15.00 Per Person

Tickets from Choir Members or send reservation by August 23rd to:

Opportunity Tickets 50/25/25 Drawing Tickets Pam Forrester 8539 N. John Albert Ave. Fresno, CA 93720-1976 Make check payable to: Sharon 92 Choir

Net proceeds to benefit the general fund of Sharon Temple Choir



Name	No.	Amount enclosed	

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#### MERCED-MARIPOSA SHRINE CLUB

NEXT MEETING: Thursday, September 1, 2016, 6 pm Social

(Order dinner from menu) 7 pm Meeting

WHERE: LaNita's Restaurant, 2682 Shaffer 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 no meeting in August.

The Merced-Mariposa Shrine Club members hope that everyone is having a wonderful summer and attending as many Shrine functions as possible!

Merced-Mariposa Shrine Club is looking forward to participating in local

Veterans Parades in November.



The first Labor Day was held in 1882. Its



origins stem from the desire of the Central Labor Union to create a holiday for workers. It

became a federal holiday in 1894. It was originally intended that the day would be filled with a street parade to allow the public to appreciate the work of the trade and labor organizations. After the parade, a festival was to be held to amuse local workers and their families. In later years, prominent men and women held speeches. This is less common now, but is sometimes seen in election years. One of the reasons for choosing to celebrate this on the first Monday in September was to add a holiday in the long gap between Independence Day and Thanksgiving.

## OFFICIAL CALL OF THE POTENTATE



Notice is hereby given that the scheduled Stated Meeting of Tehran Shrine Temple will be held at the time and place shown below for the transaction of such business as may come before the Temple.

Attest: Robert D. Crossland

Recorder

Chad Snyder Potentate

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2016

Shrine Center, 5407 E Olive Avenue, Fresno, CA

Social 6:00 pm

Meeting 6:30 pm

Fez and Dues Card Required

#### FRESNO SHRINE CLUB

#### **Oldest Club in Tehran Shrine**

#### MEETING NOTICE

#### YOSEMITE FALLS CAFE

IN GRANITE PARK, 4020 N. CEDAR HALFWAY BETWEEN DAKOTA AND ASHLAN, BEHIND ME AND ED'S PIZZA

September 14, 2016

SOCIAL 12:00 p. m. (No Host)

LUNCH: 12:30 p.m.

COST: \$17.00 PER PERSON

Men: Casual No Fez

Ladies: Casual

RESERVATIONS ARE A MUST by 6:00 p.m. on Monday!! Please call Madeline Kasabian at 559-325-0107. The choices are Pork Chop, Hamburger Steak with grilled mushrooms and onions, Sole Almondine, French Dip Sandwich and four (4) additional choices which will be given by the waiter/waitress along with choice of soup or salad, choice of potato or rice, dessert and choice of beverage.

Please email Walt at w\_kasabian@yahoo.com if you have questions.

#### Sharon Temple # 92 Daughters of the Nile



#### **BUNCO PARTY**

#### AND TACO SALAD BAR

When: Saturday September 17, 2016

Time: 11:30am-3:30pm

Place: Shrine Center 5407 E. Olive Ave Fresno 93727

Tickets are \$10.00 includes Taco Salad Bar and lots of prizes.

This is an open event and fund raiser; please invite all your friends. RSVP and for tickets please call Carole Soutas 559-313-6659

Proceeds to benefit Sharon Temple #92, Daughters of the Nile General Fund

#### THE ANNUAL DAY AT THE RACES



#### BIG FRESNO FAIR HORSE RACES

#### FRIDAY, OCTOBER 14, 2016

Arrive any time after 12pm

#### \$32.00 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 2</u>. Please mail your check payable to Denise Crossland, 3669 W Persimmon Lane, Fresno 93711.









#### MARK THE DATE

Saturday, October 15, 2016

#### Shrine Center 5407 E Olive, Fresno

The fun begins at 1:00 pm until 4:00 pm

\$25.00 per person (children free)

Casual Attire (Lederhosen encouraged)

Beer, Brats, Sauerkraut, Potato Salad and Fellowship

Please make your checks payable to Tehran Shrine and mail to: Shrine Office, 5407 E Olive, Fresno, 3727 by Monday, October 10

### **OTHER MEMORIALS**

Past Potentate Lady 2001 Mary Lynne Baker passed on May 28, 2016



#### **BLACK CAMEL**

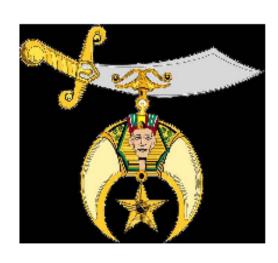
Allen L. Conway passed on April 30, 2015

Guy W. Johnston, Sr. passed on January 9, 2016

Michael "Mike" G. Lewis passed April 20, 2016

Richard E. Corbaley passed on May 11, 2016

James W. Gann passed on June 4, 2016





#### WELCOME TO THE EDITOR'S SECTION

Do you know what Medical Specialties and Conditions our Northern California Shrine Hospital performs? In each of the next few bulletins, we will be attaching that information.

There are  $\frac{1}{2}$  pages. This month we have page 4 and 5.



The Shrine Center Is Missing White Tables AGAIN! We Are Down To 7. If You Have Them, Please Return.

We Originally Had **I2** Tables.



Do your children/grandchildren have an email that we can send the bulletin too for them to print? Please call the Shrine Office at 559-251-1991.

#### Osteogenesis Imperfecta

#### Osteomyelitis

#### Osteochondrosis Proximal Epiphysis, Legg-Calve-Perthes

#### **Osteochondrosis**

Osgood – Schlatter Disease

#### **Scoliosis**

- Congenital Scoliosis
- Idiopathic Scoliosis
- Juvenile Scoliosis
- Paralytic Scoliosis

#### Slipped Capital Femoral Epiphysis (SCFE)

#### Spina Bifida to include:

- Myelomeningocele
- Myelodysplasia
- Lipomeningocele
- Urologic Effects

#### **Spondylolisthesis**

#### **Syndromes**

- Apert Syndrome
- CHARGE Syndrome
- Cleidocranial Dystosis
- Down's Syndrome
- Ehlers-Danlos Syndrome
- Fetal Alcohol Syndrome
- Freeman-Sheldon Syndrome "Whistling Face"
- Holt-Oram Syndrome
- Klippel-Feil Syndrome
- Klippel-Trenaunay-Weber Syndrome
- Larsen Syndrome
- Marfan's Syndrome
- Möbius Syndrome
- Nail-Patella Syndrome
- Neurofibromatosis
- Noonan's Syndrome
- Pierre Robin Syndrome
- Poland Syndrome
- Rubella
- Sticklers Syndrome
- TAR Syndrome
- Trisomy
- VATER Syndrome

#### **Pediatric Surgery**

#### **Patient Referral**

**Call:** 916-453-2191 **Fax:** 916-453-2395

World-renowned doctors provide complex surgical care to children one-year and older with congenital and acquired conditions. The pediatric surgery team is devoted to the development of innovative and minimally invasive surgical techniques.

#### **Chest & Neck Disorders**

- Branchial Cleft & Arch Anomalies /Bronchogenic Cysts
- Complex Chest Wall Deformities
- Pectus Carinatum & Pectus Excavatum
- Thyroglossal Duct Cysts & Sinuses
- Esophageal Strictures

#### **Complex GI Disorders**

- · Gastroesophageal reflux disease
- Gastrostomy tube placement
- Inflammatory bowel disease Crohn's and Ulcerative Colitis -
- Familial Polyposis
- Short-bowel syndrome
- Biliary disorders
- Cholecystectomy
- Splenectomy
- Cecostomy Tubes for Constipation

#### **Complex Rectal Disorders**

- Anorectal Malformations Hirschsprung's Disease
- Fecal Incontinence
- Idiopathic Constipation

#### Other Disorders

- Hydrocele/Inguinal Hernia
- Undescended Testis
- Circumcision
- · Skin lesions requiring surgery
- Dermoid Cysts
- Preauricular Cysts
- Pilonidal Cysts
- Umbilical Hernia
- Ventral Hernia
- Epigastric Hernia
- Hemangiomas
- Vascular & Lymphatic Malformations
- Soft Tissue Tumors Cysts -Hemangiomas (non-cancerous)

#### **History: Politically Active Masons**

#### by Noble Bill Blankinship

Masons today would have us believe that Masonry is politically and religiously neutral. "Under the usual Masonic restrictions" is part of our oath today, and is meant to set a standard of propriety during our properly "tiled" meetings.

What is often ignored is the historic record of Freemasonry that not only was the hotbed of political action, but in fact was instrumental in bringing about revolutions against all forms of tyranny, including the American revolution.

When we meet together as brothers in Masonry and conduct the ancient rituals of Lodge meetings, we do recognize the "meeting on the level" where all Masons are equal and where brotherly love prevails. However, we should also recognize that as "Free" Masons, that we are dedicated to the spirit of ancient Masons who were in fact "Free" of the tyranny of Kings, Priests and tyrannies where men were slaves and subjects to those political states.

Today, Freemasons recognize that those ancient founders of our order were Free because of the education they received in a world of ignorance, and we have sought to bring this education to the masses of our nation of which we are citizens. However, again, this comes with a caveat itself, and that is the purpose of education, the paramount purpose of creating a citizenry that is centered on becoming responsible and informed citizens, capable of fulfilling the promise of "being able to govern themselves."

This following article speaks of our early Freemason revolutionists who took on the responsibility of creating a new nation, Under God and with Liberty for all, breaking the chains of Kings, Priests and tyrannical governments.

### The Boston Tea Party and Freemasonry By Edward M. Gair

An artist drew a picture of the Green Dragon Tavern. Below it he wrote these words:

"Where we met to Plan the Consignment of a few Shiploads of Tea, Dec 16, 1773"

In the upper left hand corner of his drawing he put a square and compass. To this day no one knows who planned the Boston Tea Party. The building had been purchased by the St. Andrews Lodge in 1764. There was a square and compass over the front door and a copper Dragon that had turned green through the weather. It was a community center. Downstairs was the Tavern. Upstairs was the St. Andrews Lodge and the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts (Ancients). It was the largest place for meetings in the north east end of Boston. Historians have called it "headquarters of the American Revolution."



Here the Boston Committee of Correspondence was formed after a few initial meetings at Brother Joseph Warren's house a few doors away. Here the Sons of Liberty held secret sessions. They wore a jewel around their necks and were known to have a separate language for recognition. The jewel had a picture of the Liberty Tree on it.

The North End Caucus formed the guard here that publicly guarded the tea ships so no tea could be unloaded. Brother Edward Proctor (St. Andrews Lodge) was known to be leader of this guard. Brother Paul Revere served with this guard. Later Brother Paul Revere served in another guard called the Selectmen who walked the streets of Boston, two by two, and observed the movements of British troops before he went off on his famous ride to Lexington. The Selectmen guard met at the Green Dragon Tavern and took an oath of secrecy over a Bible.

Dr. Joseph Warren, a 33 year old physician is the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts that meets upstairs. Paul Revere is the Senior Grand Deacon. Both are Past Masters of the St. Andrews Lodge. They are close friends and had come to the St. Andrews Lodge in the same year. It is Joseph Warren who sends Paul Revere to Lexington with a coded message for Brother John Hancock (also of St. Andrews Lodge).

#### Lady of a Shriner

I am the Lady of a Shriner, A man far more precious than gold; His talents and virtues are finer And more than can ever be told. He is jolly and gay - kind and friendly, He still loves to frolic and play; He follows the Law and the Golden Rule From morning 'til night every day. He is proud of the Shriners fez he wears, With the Crescent and Scimitar pin, And I as the lady of a Shriner rejoice That he is kindhearted within. To help crippled children get well again Is his heartwarming labor of love; It makes him feel buoyant and young again With the blessings of Heaven above. Yes, I'm proud as the lady of a Shriner, That gem of a man is he; And I'm grateful beyond all recounting That God gave this Shriner to me. -- Anonymous

Thank you AJ Morton from North Carolina whom we met at Imperial Session!

## August 2016

Nile Luau	28		21	PNA	14	PNA Hillbillies	7			SUNDAY
	29	SHCNC Board of Gov Knights of Mecca Flying Shriners Temple Belles-DARK	22	Scottish Rite Stated	15	PNA	8		1	MONDAY
	30		23	Clowns	16	PNA Temple Guard Patrol	9	THE REAL PROPERTY AND ADDRESS OF THE PROPERTY ADDRESS OF THE PROPERTY AND ADDRESS OF THE PROPERTY ADDRESS OF THE PROPERTY AND ADDRESS OF THE PROPERTY AND ADDRESS OF THE PROPERTY ADDRESS OF THE P	2	TUESDAY
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			25	Roustabouts-DARK	18	PNA	11	Merced/Mariposa Shrine Club-DARK	4 DNA	THURSDAY
			26	Novkeps	19	PNA	12	PNA	U	FRIDAY
			27	♦Monte Carlo Night Shrine Center	20	PNA	13	PNA Scottish Rite Fundraiser	6	SATURDAY

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25	18	11	<b>4</b> ♦Cambria Weekend		SUNDAY
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27	20 Clowns	13 Temple Guard Patrol	6		TUESDAY
28	21 DNA Nile Sewing	14 Fresno Shrine Club Nile	7		WEDNESDAY
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	24 Dinuba Raisin Festival Parade	17 Nile Bunco	10  Fresno State Tailgate Party?	♦ Cambria Weekend	SATURDAY