

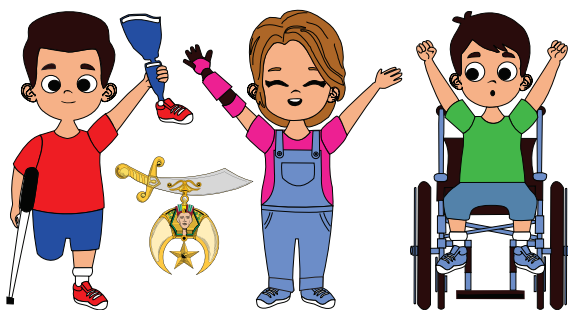
TEHRAN SHRINERS BULLETIN



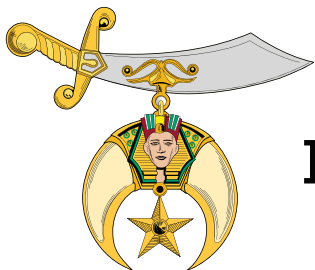
July 2025



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IN 2025



David Pitts
Potentate



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From the Desk of: Potentate David Pitts



Greetings Tehran Family and Friends,

Since the last bulletin. Tehran nobles, ladies, and friends have been busy out in the community sharing the good work of Shriners Hospitals for Children and promoting events here at home.

Beginning with a visit to Shriners Hospital for Children, Mexico City's, 80th anniversary. First Lady Carol and I along with PP Randy Forester and Lady Pam, had the opportunity and privilege to share in the festivities and tour our beautiful hospital in Mexico City.



We all had a wonderful time participating in the Farmersville Memorial Day Parade. Along with the Clowns were the Tehran Legion of Honor proudly carrying the flags. And our newest addition to our parade group, the fun and colorful "Fast Fezs".

On to Clover Fest. An event sponsored by Sanger Masonic Lodge that raises money for the 4H of Fresno County. This event's Chairman is our own High Priest & Profit, Nathan Williams and what an outstanding job he did along with all the Brothers of Sanger Lodge. Tehran had two tables of Nobles and Ladies. I believe close to 50K was raised that night.

I, along with PP Randy Forester and Treasurer Bob Murdoch, was invited by PP Mike Nella to help with presenting certificates and bikes on behave of Tehran Shriners for the students at Lincoln Elementary School in Madera. PP Mike has been doing this bike program with Lincoln for 14 years at his own expense. The joy expressed by the students can not be described.

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From the Desk of: Potentate David Pitts

I attended a 50-year presentation for Noble Rod Meseke at Fresno Masonic Lodge. Congratulations on 50 years of Masonry Brother Rod. I received a check for Shriners Hospital Northern California, from Noble Khay Pettway, Welcome 2 Wellness, and Brother Fernando Espinosa of Nando's Smack Shack. This money was raised during a neighborhood clean-up at Las Palmas Masonic Lodge. Welcome 2 Wellness and Nando's Smack Shack were the sponsors. The check was presented to Alan Anderson at the Walk for Love event at Shriners Hospital Northern California. There were over 50 attendees from Tehran at the Walk for Love in Sacramento.

Hanford Civic Auditorium celebrated their 100th anniversary on 6/7/2025. The cornerstone of this beautiful building was laid by the Grand Lodge of California, 100 years ago. A time capsule was opened from that time. I was happy and honored that I was asked by the Master of Hanford Masonic Lodge, Brother / Noble Skyler Summers to represent Shriners. It was a grand occasion with a John Phillips Sousa Tribute Band. A speech by WB Pete Bautista PM, District #1006 Inspector, was delivered and mentioned all Masonic bodies in attendance and with a very fine overview of Shriners.

By the time you receive this bulletin. First Lady Carol and I will be in Atlanta, attending the 151st Imperial Session. I will tell you what transpired upon our return.

I can never thank you all enough for your participation at many of these events. I know you use your own time, talents and money which is greatly appreciated. Thank you for your commitment to Masonry and all you do for Tehran and Shriners Hospitals for Children.

David Pitts, Potentate



From the Desk of: Chief Rabban Randy Forrester, PP



Pam and I continue to be busy, but having fun. We had a great time in Mexico City and enjoyed our tour of the Mexico City Shriner's Hospital, which is our busiest hospital, serving children from Mexico, Central and South America. The Shrine, like Masonry, has many branches and we were attending the 80th anniversary of the Mexico City Hospital and the Order of Quetzalcoatl which was formed to raise money to transport children to our hospitals. The cost of transporting burn patients has become excessive so we are adding a burn center to the Mexico City Hospital. Speaking of Hospitals, the Walk of Love at our Sacramento hospital with the tour of the hospital was a great event and Tehran was well represented. The fun will continue in July with a meeting of the Hillbilly Couzins, a movie and banana splits and my favorite, the Clown Summer Party.

This year shows the great job Potentate David and First Lady Carol have done but also that it could not have happened without the efforts of many people. Regardless of how well you plan, things cannot happen without the help of many dedicated people. 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. We are trying to decide on a trip for next year and have had one suggestion for the Albuquerque Balloon Festival and for a cruise. We want to keep it fun and affordable so please give us your ideas. Additionally there are several Divan positions which will need to be filled, so think about coming forward to help Tehran help the kids.

Remember our motto is "fun with a purpose" and you only get out of life what you put in to it.

Fraternally,
Randy Forrester, PP
Chief Rabban

From the Desk of: Assistant Rabban Jason Weiner



It's great to be back and moving full speed ahead after two wonderful months of "Shrining" around. I often have to remind myself that my wife, Zuly, is still relatively new to Shrine life—many of her experiences are firsts. I, on the other hand, remember when Schwartz would dance all night until the sun came up in the east—then cook breakfast for the Clowns!

The Potentate's Cruise was a fun and memorable getaway. Thank you, David and Carol, for ensuring everyone had a fantastic time. These trips offer a wonderful opportunity to connect with fellow nobles on a social level, and I encourage all nobles to try to participate in at least one Potentate's trip each year.

Zuly and I just returned from the Walk of Love at the hospital in Sacramento, which included a private tour for Tehran Temple. The event was incredible and a powerful reminder of why we support and participate in the Shrine. As I've shared before, Shriner's Children is transitioning to more outpatient care, with many children now receiving life-changing surgeries in the morning and returning home the same day. Last year alone, Shriner's Children in Sacramento served over 30,000 children—that's about 115 children per day from all over the world. Zuly and I met a joyful 6-year-old boy from Sinaloa, Mexico, who had a prosthetic right leg. His happiness and zest for life were truly contagious.

DON'T MISS THE CLOWNS' SUMMER PARTY ON JULY 26—IT'S GOING TO BE AN OUTSTANDING EVENT!

Fraternally,
Jason Weiner
Assistant Rabban



**Saturday, July 26th, 2025
The Clown Summer Party**

From the Desk of: Oriental Guide Michael Graham

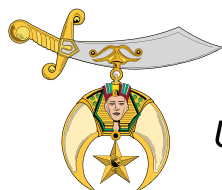


Greetings Nobles & Ladies,

I hope everyone is doing well, and keeping cool. I had the pleasure of attending the Walk of Love in Sacramento on the 14th along with other members. We were fortunate enough to take a charter bus, and got our fill of games and junk food along the way. The event itself was full of activities and sponsors. Plenty of other Shriners came to show their support. We did a mile long walk alongside families and took in some scenery. The cherry on top, was the tour of the hospital itself. We went to multiple levels, and were shown state of the art Xray machines, and handmade prosthetics made to fit each child's wants and needs. If you haven't gone, please aim for next years walk. I'm grateful I was able to attend, and for all those that made it possible to get there. Happy belated Fathers Day as well.

Fraternally,
Michael Graham
Oriental Guide






TEHRAN SHRINE

Useful Information for Nobles and Ladies

1. Access your Shrine Membership Card from your Phone
 - a. Contact the Office if you don't know your ShrineID.
 - b. Visit the Apple App Store or Google Play Store.
 - c. Download and install the "MyFezCard" app.
 - d. Follow the prompts.
2. Access the Shriners International Website
 - a. Contact the Office if you don't know your ShrineID.
 - b. Visit <https://www.shrinersinternational.org/en>.
 - c. Click "Login".
 - d. Click "Create an Account with ShrineID" (if you don't have an account).
 - e. Follow the prompts.
3. Access the Tehran Shrine Website
 - a. Contact the Office if you don't know your ShrineID.
 - b. Visit <https://www.TehranShriners.org>.
 - c. Click "Login".
 - d. Click "Sign Up" (if you don't have an account).
 - e. Follow the prompts.
4. View Tehran Shrine News and Events (Monthly Bulletin)
 - a. Visit <https://www.TehranShriners.org/news-and-events>.
5. Contact the Tehran Shrine Office
 - a. Visit <https://www.TehranShriners.org/contact>.
 - b. <or> Call (559) 251-1991
 - c. <or> Visit the Office at 5407 E. Olive Ave., Ste. 101, Fresno, CA 93727
6. Contact Members of the Tehran Shrine Divan
 - a. Potentate@TehranShriners.org
 - b. ChiefRaban@TehranShriners.org
 - c. AssistantRaban@TehranShriners.org
 - d. HighPriest@TehranShriners.org
 - e. OrientalGuide@TehranShriners.org
 - f. Recorder@TehranShriners.org
 - g. Treasurer@TehranShriners.org
7. Other Tehran Shrine Contacts
 - a. FirstLady@TehranShriners.org
 - b. DirectorGeneral@TehranShriners.org

JULY 2025						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 Imperial Potentate Not Available	2 Imperial Potentate Not Available	3 Imperial Potentate Not Available	4 Independence Day 	
6 Hillbillys	7 Pageantry Practice (DARK)	8 Temple Guard/ Patrol(DARK)	9 Fresno Shrine Club (DARK) Daughters of the Nile (DARK)	10	11	12 Movie & Banana Splits
13	14	15 Clowns Bulletin Deadline FMAB Mtg	16 Nile Sewing (DARK)	17 Roustabouts (DARK)	18 Novkeps (DARK)	19
20	21 Scottish Rite	22 <u>BOD Mtg "Board of Directors"</u>	23	24	25	26 Clown Summer Party
27	28 Merced Mariposa Shrine Club	29	30	31		
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JUL 1 Imperial Session - Atlanta
 JUL 2 Imperial Session - Atlanta
 JUL 3 Imperial Session - Atlanta
 JUL 6 Hillbillys
 JUL 12 Movie & Banana Splits - Free (1:00 p.m.)
 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

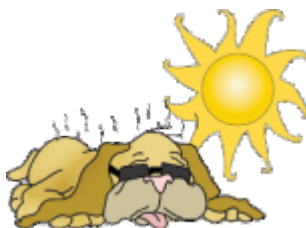


Note: Many clubs and units go dark for the summer.
 Check with your group to confirm.



AUGUST 2025						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2
3	4 Pageantry Practice (DARK)	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12 Temple Guard/ Patrol (DARK)	13 Fresno Shrine Club (DARK) Daughters of the Nile (DARK)	14	15 Novkeps (DARK) Bulletin Deadline	16
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 AUG 17 Nile Luau
 AUG 18 Scottish Rite
 AUG 19 Clowns
AUG 19 FMAB Meeting
 AUG 23 1st Lady's Sock Hop
 AUG 25 Merced-Mariposa Shrine Club
AUG 26 BOD Mtg "Board of Directors" 6:30 p.m.



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Saturday, August 23rd, 2025 First Lady's Sock Hop



Grand and Glorious Order of The Hillbillys

Fresno - Sierra Clan #60



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.

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

Please RSVP by Thursday, July 3rd
to: Mark Dawson

559-643-1956

dmdawson@webdawsons.com



SHRINERS

INTERNATIONAL

Merced-Mariposa Counties Shrine Club

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

July 28th 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

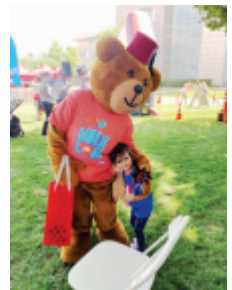
RSVP to Noble Bob Monroe

(209-628-4413)

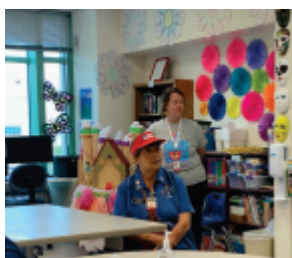
Noble Bob Murdoch

(559-223-4676)

Walk For Love



Hospital Tour



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



LET THE GOOD TIMES ROLL AT

First Lady Carol's
Rock & Roll 50's Sock Hop

SATURDAY, AUGUST 23RD, 2025

6:00 PM - 9:00 PM

TEHRAN SHRINE CENTER

5407 E OLIVE AVE, FRESNO, CA

DINNER AT 6:30 PM

CHEESEBURGERS, HOT DOGS,
FRENCH FRIES, ICE CREAM SUNDAES,
ROOT BEER FLOATS

MUSIC BY DJ WOODY PENA

OPEN
24 HOURS

COST: \$25.00 PER PERSON

RSVP TO TEHRAN SHRINE
(559) 251-1991

** FUN GAMES, PRIZES
FOR BEST DRESSED



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
559-240-1232**

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



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

FREE!



Clown Summer Party

Saturday - July 26th, 2025

Theme:
WhiteOut Christmas

Location: Tehran Shrine

5:30pm Social

6:30pm Dinner

Skit to Follow After Dinner

\$20 Per Person

**Steak and Chicken, Rice Pilaf, Bread
and a Green Salad!**

RSVP to RINGMASTER

Wayne Schwartz

oldsarge21@comcast.net or 559-229-2458