



Potentate's Message

I cannot believe this is the December Clarion, and I only have one more Potentate article to write. It is kind of a sad feeling knowing that my term is coming to an end soon. We only have a couple more things on the calendar left for the year. I cannot believe the radical changes that have happened in my life this year as well. My work trials and tribulations will surely drag on for another year and will certainly get worse before it gets better. But my home life did a 180 degree turn on June 20 when I met Lady Theresa. She has made my life so much better since she came into it.

Over the past couple of months, we have been involved in a few things. During September we had a ceremonial in Lewiston. We had 7 people who went through the hot sands. I would like to congratulate all the new Nobles. We look forward to your participation. We had our 4th quarter meeting the first of November where we did cold sands on one new Noble. I also gave Chief Rabban Kirk authorization to perform cold sands on another new Noble. Wouldn't it be great to end the year with more Nobles than we had at the beginning of the year?

We did leave out one important thing at our last quarterly meeting, and that was to vote on dropping our members who are two years behind on dues. We have six Nobles in that category. We are hoping to save a couple of them. Therefore, I have called a special meeting for 10:00 a.m. on December 14 for the singular purpose of voting to drop the Noble who are in arrears two years. We will conduct no other business at that meeting, so it will only take about 30 minutes. The uniform for that meeting is "come as you are." The meeting will be held at the

Coeur d'Alene Shrine Club. We need enough people to show up for a quorum.

At the quarterly meeting we voted to keep all the dues collected for next year in next year's budget and stop the deficit spending that we have been doing for many years. To do that we approved to use up to \$25,000 of the investment fund interest that we have collected over the years. We have now estimated that we will not need that much. Any funds that are not legitimately used will stay in the investment account. We are not going to do any frivolous spending just because we approved up to a certain amount. There are a lot of Nobles who have not paid their 2019 dues yet, so we are way behind on the income side of our budget. Our donations from the clubs and units are down a bit this year also. I believe we will come in under budget on the spending side also. I do not believe we will spend all the money that was projected in the budget.

As always thank you all for the support over the past year. My time as Potentate has been priceless.

Yours In Faith,

John Johnson

2019 Calam

Potentate



Chief Rabban, Kirk Ross

GREETINGS ALL,

I WOULD LIKE TO EXTEND A GREAT BIG THANK YOU TO EVERYONE THAT HAS HELPED US THROUGHOUT THIS YEAR.

WE HAVE SO MANY THINGS TO BE THANKFUL FOR AND SO MUCH TO GIVE.

AS OUR TIME AND SEASONS CHANGE LET US REMEMBER THOSE THAT ARE LESS FORTUNATE.

KEEPING THEM IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS.

AND ONE ANOTHER AS WE ASSEMBLE TO OUR MANY FUNCTIONS DURING THIS TIME OF YEAR.

BE SAFE AND HAVE FUN.

Kirk Ross

Chief Rabban



Calam's 2019-2020 Schedule

Date	Event	Location
<i>December</i>		
All Month	Club & Unit Holiday Parties	Everywhere
December 14th	Special Meeting of Calam Shriners	CDA Shrine Club, Hayden ID
<i>January 2020</i>		
January 11th	Annual Meeting	Lewiston, ID
<i>February</i>		
February 22	Potentate's Ball	Lewiston, ID

From Your Recorder

Greetings Nobles,

In preparation for year's end and the upcoming annual meeting in January, please take notice of the following:

Nobles whose dues are 2 or more years in arrears will be automatically suspended by Imperial and dropped from the rolls as of December 31, 2019. If you are one of these Nobles, we do not want to lose you! If you need help, please contact me or Michelle at the Shrine office. Nobles, if you know of a member who is in arrears and needs help, please contact him and/or or his Club/Unit to see what can be done to help. Michelle can take credit card payments for dues over the phone.

Also, if you haven't paid your dues for 2020 yet, please do so. The Temple relies on your dues to pay the bills beginning the first of the year. Remember, we can take payments for dues! And, we can take your credit card payments over the phone.

§ 325.11 Election Regulations.

(a) Electioneering. A candidate for an elected office in a Shrine temple may print, publish and circulate during the year he is seeking the elected office, a résumé consisting of his educational background, his vocational history, and his Masonic and Shrine record. Except as provided in the prior sentence, the printing, publication, circulating or distribution of resolutions, letters, telegrams, tickets, email or other devices, by a unit, club, Noble, or group of Nobles, suggesting, recommending, opposing, or containing the names of proposed candidates for office in the temple is prohibited.

(b)Expenditures Prohibited. The expenditure of money for gifts, favors, or entertainment on behalf of a candidate

for elected office is prohibited.

(c)Violation. For any violation of (a) or (b), the Imperial Potentate may suspend any offending Noble, and he may declare the election of the officers void and order a new election.

(d)Notice. At least one week prior to the annual meeting or any election, the temple Recorder shall mail to each member a notice thereof containing this section.

I hope everyone had a great year and I look forward to seeing you all at the Annual Meeting in January.

Yours in the Faith,

George Blickenstaff, PP
Recorder



Notice of Special Calam Shriners Temple Meeting

A Special meeting of Calam Shriners will be held on December 14, 2019 at 10:00 AM at the CDA Shrine Club in Hayden for the sole purpose of voting on dropping from the rolls those members who are 2 or more years in arrears in their temple dues, per capita and/or hospital assessments.

Shriners International will automatically drop these members based upon their non-payment status in WebFez. However, Imperial bylaw requires Calam still hold a vote of the membership to drop them. A Temple is not allowed to carry members in arrears and must either vote to allow them to drop automatically in the system or remit their dues from Temple monies. We have a total of 6 regular members to be automatically dropped for their entire dues and 2 Temple Life Members scheduled to be dropped for non-payment of Per Capita. A list of the members in arrears may be obtained from the Recorder's office and will be read at the meeting before the vote.

No other business may be conducted during this meeting. A quorum of seven members of Calam in good standing must be present and must include either the Potentate, Chief Rabban, Asst. Rabban or a Past Potentate. This is a housekeeping matter that is required by the bylaws. If you are available, please attend.

Yours in the Faith,

George

George A. Blickenstaff, PP

Recorder

Calam Shriners

A Note From Your Legionnaire Commander

The members had a meeting on the 11th of November at the Scottish Rite Temple in Hayden during their Monday coffee and donut secession. We had a good turn out and plan to have meetings there and can pick any Monday then with contacts to you all. We start bull session at 9:00 a.m. and meeting at 9:30. Nice to enjoy coffee and donuts. There are other Masons there and we obtained a new member. The LOH US by-laws allows us to obtain non-military Shriners as honorary members. I think are unit will grow this way in membership. They are non-voting members.

It was decided and voted to sell two go-karts each to Wallace and Bonners LOH for \$200 each. We will keep seven and be able to go to their parades and have more karts in the parade. If we cannot make their parade, they will be present with two karts. We will wait until spring to do this sale and make sure the karts are in running order. All karts are nestle in bed in the dry trailer for the winter.

The setting up of the cookie wagon before and after Thanksgiving was discussed. Without volunteers, it will not work. More discussion for future use will be brought up again. Looks like we

will not do it this year or maybe we can before Christmas. A better time to hand out treats and coffee. People are in a better donation mood.

We plan to have another raffle next year. We did well with our raffle but could have done better, but we are not complaining. American Legion had a raffle on a rifle and pistol and sold 1200 tickets for \$5 and made over \$5000. It takes effort to sell this many. We will do another meat raffle or another type next year. This just shows what can be done. It helps us give more donations to the needy and military organizations.

We are setting very well with funds in the treasury. We voted and approved sending up to \$1000 to various veteran or Masonic needs. Five associations were selected. They will appreciate our donations and get our LOH name out there.

We had an election of officers and decided to keep the officers in their present position. If you want to take a position as an officer, it is still open until the end of the year.

Robert Green, Commander



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Strategic Indicators October 2019

	<u>October</u>	<u>YTD</u>
Outpatient Clinic Visits:	1469	12550
Outpatient Surgeries:	71	596
Inpatient Surgeries:	25	167
Spine Surgeries:	5	37

Inpatient Satisfaction: *Q3 2019 = 94%*

Outpatient Satisfaction: *Q3 2019 = 92%*

(Reported Quarterly: Number reflects percentile rank as compared to our peers)

	<u>October</u>	<u>YTD</u>
New Patients:	453	4158
Total Local Donations:	\$184K	\$1.074M
New Hires:	7	34
Volunteer hours:	824	7336
2019 Hospital Operating Budget:	\$20.4M	

Upcoming Hospital Events:

Hospital Holiday Decorating!

December 6

Holiday Party at Northern Quest

December 6

December Clubs and Units Holiday Parties:

CDA SHRINE CLUB: Wednesday, December 11.

Reservations to Secretary (bobanderson0418@gmail.com, (phone)208-930-1061, (text) 585-705-0281) by December 7. Replaces regular meeting in December.

LATAH SHRINE CLUB: Friday, December 13th

6pm at the Paradise Lodge. Open to anyone who wants to join, but be prepared for lots of fun and frivolity! Please RSVP to Jim Logan at jim_logan@hotmail.com or at 208-310-1082.

LEWIS/CLARK Shrine Club: Friday, December 13th

6pm at the Clarkston Country Club. Open to Nobles, Masons, Widows, and anyone who wants to enjoy the holiday season. \$35 a person for Bite Size or Chicken Cordon Bleu. For more information and to RSVP, please contact Jeff Rowden at 208-790-1704 or at jeffrowden@cableone.net.

PANDHANDLE SHRINE CLUB: Friday, December 6th.

5pm at the Lodge, dinner at 6pm.

Lewiston Court #62, Royal Order of Jesters, will have a Christmas Gala Pheast and Phunction on December 7 at the Clearwater River Casino east of Lewiston. Phestivities will begin with a hospitality suite open at 5:00 with Prime Rib served in fine holiday style at 7:00 for \$35.00 per plate. Vegetarian options are available with notice. The hospitality suite will re-open after the Pheast for games and jollity. All Jesters and Ladies/Significant Others are welcome. Dress is strictly phormal with name tag and Jewel, no topper. Some rooms have been reserved at the casino hotel under the name of Jesters for \$140 per night. Get your room reservations in early.

Please let Impresario Jim Logan and/or Director Russ know if you and your Significant Other are going to attend.

Mirth is King, Long live the King



From Your Assistant Rabban:

As we move into the Holiday Season, I just have two question s for you. To be answered either at your next club/unit meeting as a discussion point, or when we see each other over during the various Christmas parties during the season.

1. What is your favorite Shrine memory?
2. What should be the highest priority for Calam Shrine, and how should that be accomplished?

JIM, Assistant Rabban

Annual Meeting of the Calam Shriners

Saturday January 11th, 2020

At Nez Perce Lodge #10

1122 18th Ave Lewiston, ID 83501

11:00 a.m. Divan Meeting

12:00 p.m. Noble Luncheon

1:00 p.m. Annual Meeting

5:00 p.m. Social Hour with No-Host Bar

6:00 p.m. Annual Meeting Dinner & No-Host Bar

Noble Luncheon: (Nobles only) \$10 per noble- Sandwiches, cookies, chips, and beverages.

Annual Meeting Dinner: (Open to Nobles and their guests) \$25 per person- Bite size steak, prawns, and fixings. Catered by the WayBack Café.

**Please RSVP for the Luncheon and Dinner to Michelle at 208-743-6916 or to calammichelle@gmail.com by JANUARY 3rd, 2020*

We have a block of rooms available for Friday-Sunday Jan. 10-12th at rates starting at \$95 per night.

Please contact the **Lewiston Red Lion Hotel** at 208-799-1000 by Dec. 18th for reservations.

Illustrious Sir John and Theresa will have a hospitality room set up. Room number, TBA

(2020 Dues cards must be present at meeting)

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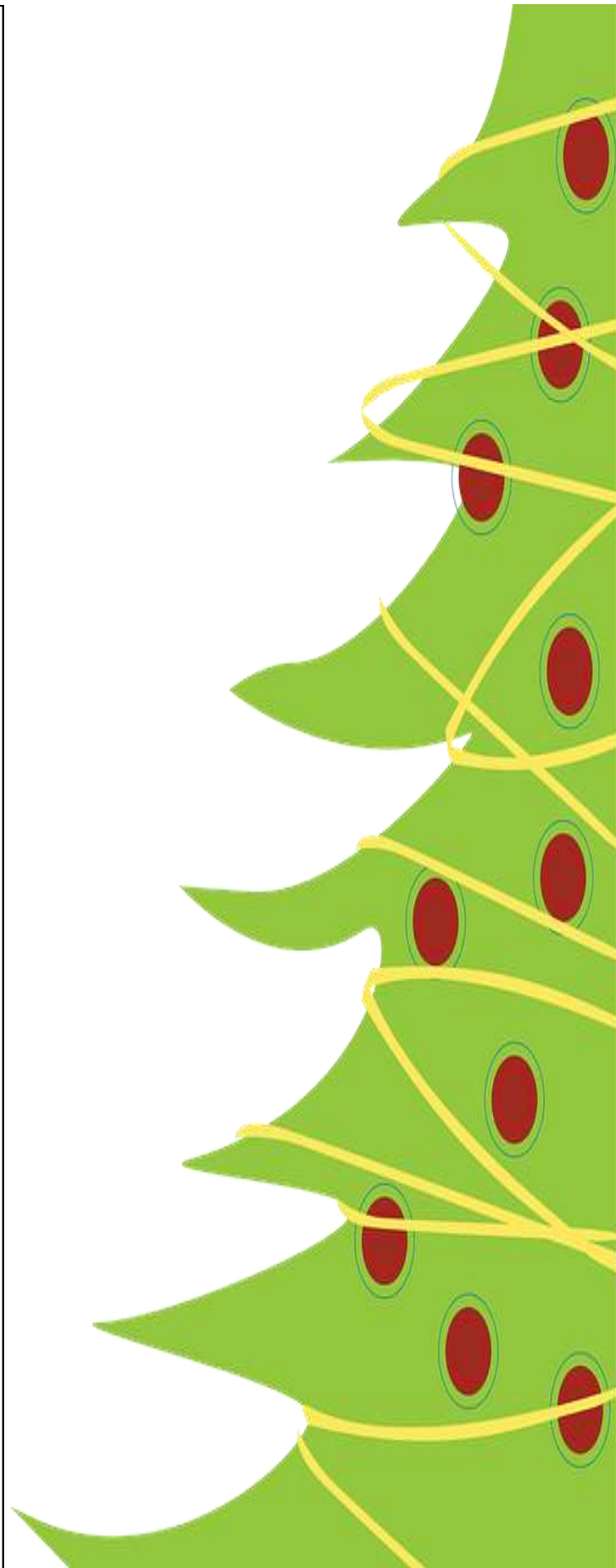
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