

CALAM CLARION



VOLUME 12, ISSUE 6

CALAMSHRINERS.COM

JUNE 1, 2020

# **Potentate's Message**

Greetings All,

I hope this finds you in good health and fine spirits. As we approach the Summer Season, I pray we will soon be able to gather to enjoy one another's company, break bread, raise a glass, and tell a few fine stories. We are in the process of handling life. The changes that occur and our ability to adjust as we deem fit.

Thank you for your help, your time, and support.

Our Imperial Potentate and his staff are doing a great job providing the leadership that is needed during this difficult time. My respect and appreciation is with them all. Right now, membership is our highest priority. From the newest Candidate to the most tenured of our Nobles, please know how valuable you are to all of us here at Calam, Shriners International, the Hospitals, and to the Children that we help.

We are planning a Ceremonial in Lewiston the weekend of September 12<sup>th</sup>, so please mark your calendars. Let's make some new Nobles and enjoy the comradery. We will be scheduling fundraisers and other events in the near future. I will be in touch!

Stay well, God Bless, Yours in the faith,

Kirk Ross 2020 Potentate



## From the Desk of Your Treasurer:

Hey Nobles,

This COVID-19 is getting to us all. It has been a long time since we have been together. Our Potentate, III. Sir Kirk Ross has not had it easy as the Pote. I really feel for him and all that he wanted to accomplish this year. As soon as we can get together, he has some great plans to help each of us and Calam Temple, so be prepared because it will be fun.

We have been fortunate that we have not had to post many Nobles to the Black Camel Report, but I do want to address the loss of a great First Lady. Our beloved Nancy Follett passed away just a few short weeks ago. She was an exceptional Lady and the wife of a great Noble, Past Potentate and Recorder Emeritus George Follett. She was an angel to be around and to listen to her and Patricia Butts get together and get started in animated conversation. I know that Pat misses her greatly.

As your Treasurer, it has been hard in the office for our Temple, but I must say that Recorder George Blikenstaff and our great office gal Michelle have done their best to keep it going. Michelle has been attending a lot of Zoom meetings and is doing all she can do for us. International has been trying to help temples out as well and though they can be "trying" at times, they mean well.

Well, let's keep up the good work and stay healthy and alive!

Tim Krueger Calam Treasurer



## **From Your Legion of Honor Commander**

#### Hello Legionnaires,

So far, we have had no reports of any sickness. Evidently everyone is surviving this virus and keeping healthy. We are planning to work on getting a few go-carts in running order as soon as the weather is better. Maybe we will have a summer yet.

Our fund raiser of a meat raffle was approved. There will be three separate drawings of \$100 worth of meat or a gift of \$100 for anyone not wanting the meat or live a distance away. Tickets are made and need volunteers to sell the tickets. Tickets are \$5 each. No more 6 for \$5. Drawings will be the 30th of September. Winners will be contacted. It is recommended that each member obtain 10 tickets, one to purchase and rest to pass out. Tickets and proceeds will be sent to Jerry Johnson, so please call for his address. These make nice gifts.

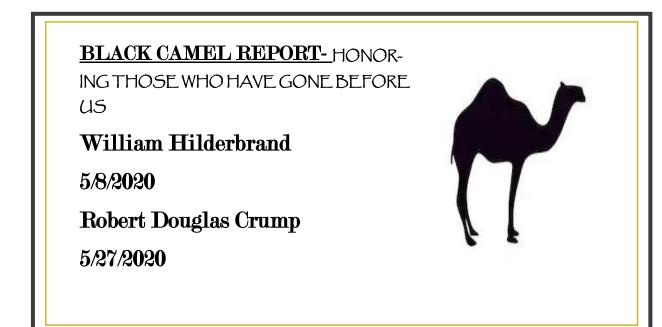
We will be working on the hot dog cart and once it is in working order, plans will be made for its use. We are still checking on setting up at the ballpark next to the CDA Shrine building. I need get their schedule of games to make the decision. This virus has put a stop to so many events.

We are also doing an inventory of flags that we obtain via donations for the parades. We still do not know if there will be any parades, but I am hopeful this virus will be over soon and the parades will begin again.

No news about the flea market and at this time, the Silverwood "Night of the Stars" has been cancelled. We will update you if plans change. As for meetings, we are not sure when we can have one, but you will be contacted by phone or email when we able to meet once again.

Hope to see you all soon.

Robert Green, Commander: 208-773-3274 Jerry Johnson, Adjutant: 208-661-3586



## William Thomas (Bill) Hilderbrand, P.P.

Our Lord and Savior called William Thomas (Bill) Hilderbrand, 89, home to Heaven on May 8, 2020 at The Garden at Orchard Ridge in Coeur d'Alene with his daughter by his side after a long battle with Alzheimer's. A family service will be held this month with a Celebration of Life held later this summer.

Bill was born November 21, 1930 in Norman (Lawrence County), Indiana to Ora and Minnie Hilderbrand. He enjoyed helping on the farm and attending a one room schoolhouse. He joined the Air Force in 1951 and was sent to Korea during the Korean War. He received the Korean Service Metal, UN Service Medal and the Medal of Honor. Bill returned home in 1953 to help his parents and met and married Patty Murphy on July 14, 1955 in Heltonville, IN. They were blessed with son, Mark D. Hilderbrand, Daughter, Dianna K. Hilderbrand Nicholas and William D. Hilderbrand. Bill and Patty were happily married until her passing on November 15, 1975.

Bill is preceded in death by his parents, Ora and Minnie; wife, Patty, half-bothers, Malcom, Russell and Harry Hilderbrand and half-sister, Grace Huddleston.

Bill is survived by his wife, Joyce; son, Mark D. (Kathy Jo) of Nampa, ID.; daughter, Dianna K (Scott) Nicholas of Kuna, ID.; son, William D. Hilderbrand, step-son, Mark (Mary) Spurgeon of Hayden, ID and step-daughter Cheryl (Stacy Poling) Spurgeon of Bothell, WA., 15 Grandchildren and 23 Great Grandchildren.

Bill worked for Colonial Bread Company in Bedford, IN upon returning from Korea, until he became an Insurance Agent for Farm Bureau Insurance in 1965 and became Agency Manager in 1967. In 1977 he decided he would like to continue his career in Idaho and when an Agency Manager position opened up in Boise, ID., the family moved from Indiana. In 1979 he transferred to Coeur d'Alene, ID with Farm Bureau where he met and married Joyce A. Spurgeon on May 30, 1981. In 1983 Bill and Joyce started Mountain West Insurance then merged their Agency with Schedler-Ballou Insurance until his retirement in 1995. He decided that retirement was not for him so he applied at Wal-Mart in Post Falls, ID and became a Greeter for 15 years and retired again. Retirement plans were interrupted by the intrusion of the debilitating disease of Alzheimer's.

Bill enjoyed the numerous organizations he was a member of over the years, including the Cd'A Lions Club, Calam Shriners, Cd'A Shrine Club, Scottish Rite of Freemasonry, Kootenai Masonic Lodge #24, Legion of Honor of Calam Shriners and Heritage Baptist Church.

Bill was a small aircraft pilot in Indiana, attended years of the Indianapolis 500 with friends; in Idaho he looked forward to spending every hunting season with family and/or friends, riding horses and going on camping trips with Joyce with the 3-month trip to Alaska being a memorable trip. He called being the Potentate of Calam Shriners in 2000 a great privilege and honor.

As many of you know, he loved to tell jokes at every opportunity and his favorite tag line was "I always wanted to be a comedian but people just laughed at me".

The family extends their gratitude and heartfelt appreciation to the staff and caregivers at Orchard Ridge for their wonderful care of Bill. Also, thanks to Hospice of North Idaho for their compassionate care.

### **Robert Douglas Crump**

To all,

With sadness, our friend, Noble and Brother Robert Douglas Crump (Doug), Riggins, Idaho passed away, May 27, 2020 at the age of 94 years. If memory is correct, Doug was the last original member of Calam Shriners' Jackass Patrol of Riggins. Services for Doug will be announced at a later date. If you wish to send a nice condolence card to Doug's son Bob Crump, his address is: 1208 S. Main Street, Riggins, ID 83549. There is also a PO Box 72, Riggins, ID 83549.

Dave Bundy, PP Calam Shriners Director Staff 208 743-0457 H 208 305-3198 Cell





### Strategic Indicators April 2020

	April	YTD
Outpatient Clinic Visits:	394	3843
Outpatient Surgeries:	21	203
Inpatient Surgeries:	3	53
Spine Surgeries:	0	13

Inpatient Satisfaction: Q1 2020 = 93% Outpatient Satisfaction: Q1 2020 = 92% (Reported Quarterly: Number reflects percentile rank as compared to our peers)

	March	YTD
New Patients:	199	1284
Total Local Donations:	\$99K	\$541K
New Hires:	4	9
Volunteer hours:	0	1629

2019 Hospital Operating Budget:

\$20.9M



### Calam's 2020 Divan & Contact Info:

**Potentate**- Kirk Ross 208-746-0848 kirkmross@yahoo.com

**Chief Rabban**– Jim Logan 208-310-1082 jim\_logan@hotmail.com

Assistant Rabban-Dustin Hatfield 208-819 3580 dbhatfield@outlook.com

High Priest & Prophet – Matt Plemmons 206-962-1025 meplemmons@gmail.com

**Oriental Guide**–Ken Buckner 208-791-5195 kgbb2buckner@yaho.com

Recorder- George Blickenstaff, PP 208-699-6354 gblick@usamedia.tv

**Treasurer**- Tim Krueger, PP 208-413-2003 mason2tk@groail.com

1st Ceremonial Master – Dan Bundy 208-305-7116 bundandy@hotmail.com

2nd Ceremonial Master–Loren Knight 208-625-0500 lorenknight@usa.com

**Marshall**- Dan McDaniel 208-597-7516 danmcdaniel1@gmail.com

Captain of the Guard– Maurice Simmons

208-627-9569 mdsimmons724@gmail.com

**Outer Guard**- Neal Wallace 208-255-7923 nealwllc@yahoo.com

**Chaplain**– Russ Graves, PP 208-882-7464 rgravy@live.com

#### Office Manager & Clarion Editor-

Michelle O'Connor, 208-743-6916, calammichelle@gmail.com

Hospital Chairman- Ron Asker 208-798-7309 rasker@cableone.net

#### CLUB MEETINGS, DATES, TIMES and LOCATIONS

CDA Shrine Club meets the third WEDNESDAY of each month; 5:00 PM CDASC Building, 1250 W Lancaster Rd,

Hayden, ID

atah Shrine Club meets the fourth TUESDAY of each month.

Lewis/Clark Shrine Club meets the third WEDNESDAY of each month.

Moyie Shrine Club meets the first WEDNESDAY of each month.

#### **Panhandle Shrine Club**

March 7th Social Breakfast 9:30 a.m. at Trinity Restaurant

Shoshone Shrine Club meets the first WEDNESDAY of each month. At 5:30 PM at the Cataldo Lodge Building.

St. Maries Shrine Club meets in the first THURSDAY of each month at 6:30 at the St. Maries Masonic Lodge building prior to the Blue Lodge monthly meeting.

<u>NOTE</u>: Clarion submissions should be submitted NLT the 20th of the month prior to desired month of publication.