



Potentate's Message

Nobles and Ladies,

I've got a ton of information to put out after attending PNSA last weekend so please be patient and try to make it through to the end. There are quite a few major changes that were put out by the Imperial Potentate and some potential legislation that could greatly impact Calam.

Leading with good news, PP Russ and Kate Graves, PP Jim Logan, Matt Plemmons, Kenny Buckner and myself had a great time meeting with the leadership of the PNSA and learning many best practices and ideas to bring back to help Calam. We were very proud to see Russ Graves PP receive an award from the PNSA President for outstanding service to the PNSA and Shriners. It was well deserved. There also may or may not have been a Camel Heist during the event and a giant stuffed Camel from the Host temple may have disappeared and may have reappeared for ransom at the final nights banquet but that is just a rumor. El Katif PP John Robertson also received the Imperial Potentates award for service to the fraternity.

The first big item the Imperial Potentate wanted us to share was concerning the second section of our initiation ritual. His message is that there will absolutely be no more section sections allowed and has made changes to general order number 1 to reflect that. The Joint Board legal team has made it clear that if there is any lawsuit resulting from an initiation it could result in judgments against the temple which could drain the Temple assets, the Temple Divan as officers and their personal assets. Whether or not you agree with this new direction, we need to discuss potential alternatives such as the Arch ceremony and the Knickerbocker degree at our next Quarterly meeting on April 9th.

The second item is that there is again a resolution to raise the Imperial Assessment by \$20 at this years Imperial Session. The fraternity is operating on a deficit budget just over 1mil this last year and with membership trending downward, the per capita assessment has dropped by over \$3 million over the last several years. Costs for running Shriners International are increasing

steadily and without a change soon the Fraternity will be in financial difficulty.

The third item could very strongly impact Calam Shriners and 15 other temples. There is a resolution being proposed that would put any temple charter for temples under 300 members into an under dispensation status and give them 3 years to get back over 300 members or they will be closed or absorbed into another Temple. It would also outline procedures for closing and merging temples. Calam is currently under 240 members and losing about 6% average a year so this could put us in a difficult situation. The official resolution language should be out shortly and I will update as soon as I know more. I'm not confident that this will pass this year but we need to prepare for any eventuality and get ahead of this now. I am working with the Imperial membership team to help develop best practices and a long term membership plan for Calam. I've invited the PNW Regional Membership Representative to come and speak with our Temple about Membership and Marketing and what we can do to continue to work on this issue.

Fourth, Summer PNSA in Chilliwack B.C. has been cancelled due to Covid and Border issues. They are looking at moving it to Nile Shriners in the Seattle Tacoma area at a later time, maybe September. I will update when I know more.

Preparations are in full swing for the Nobility Ball on March 19th. I am working on a block rate at the CDA Inn for those coming in from out of town. We would like everyone to enjoy themselves and not have to worry about driving so we will have arrangements to help with Uber or Lyft taxi's to and from the hotels/home along with the new temple van. We will have a Divan member helping to get folks safely back. We have updated the dress code to Formal for the Divan and Semi-formal for everyone else. One of the PNSA temples mentioned that have members donate old ball gowns and Tuxes that may not fit quite as well so that other members can use them. If this is something we are interested, please reach out. We may have some new members that could use your gently worn items. We are working on a daily basis on the sign-up form for the Ball so please be pa-

tient as we get the website working better. I still need pictures of our Military veterans for the ball, please send them in.

March 27th at 2 pm at the Millwood Masonic Center, 3219 Argonne, RD Millwood Washington will be the 2022-23 installation of officers for Daughters of the Nile El Karnak Temple No. 6. We have quite a few Calam Ladies including First Lady Elle that are Nile member so please come show your support.

Elle and I would like to invite everyone to join us in Las Vegas October 3-9th for the PGA Shriners Childrens Open Golf Tournament for the 2022 Calam Trip. We will be volunteering alongside Patient ambassadors from each Shriners Childrens Hospital in the system. If we can get at least ten people to attend we can be assigned a Calam Shriners Hole to Marshall during the week. Volunteers will need to complete at least three 6 hour shifts during the week but the rest of our time will be free. The host hotel, The Red Rock Casino, will have a block rate for us in the \$90 to \$100 range and is located 11 miles from the Las Vegas Strip so we will have plenty of opportunities to enjoy shopping, dining, and world class shows while we are there. I am also speaking with the airlines to try for a group rate on airfare to limit costs. I am hoping to keep things under \$1500 a person. Please look at your schedules and plan to join us.

April 9th is our Calam quarterly meeting. As I've mentioned, we have a few important issues to discuss that could have a big impact on our Temple. Please come give your input and votes. Don't let a small percentage of our Nobles make decisions for you, this is too crucial. If you can't attend in person we will be making Zoom available for those out of town. Club and Unit officers please think about hosting a local spot to sign in to Zoom to join us so we get as much participation as possible. If you have questions, concerns or input before the meeting I am available via email, phone or text.

If you aren't busy Friday night, the Spokane Shriners Hospital is hosting at the Spokane Chiefs Hockey game. Elementary students from 10 area schools will be getting discount tickets to attend and receive a gift. This would be a great time to show our Shrine Spirit. Tickets are available at Spokanechiefs.com. If you would like to car-pool please contact me.

Club/Unit officers, thank you to those who have sent me your schedule of events. I will visit you soon. To those who haven't please update me so our Divan can come and attend or volunteer at an event soon. I am also still looking for nominations for Shriner of the month for February. I've only received two so far and I know that we have many more than two Shriners that have been

providing outstanding service. Please get a nomination to me soon.

The 2022 Imperial Session will be in Minneapolis July 2-9. If you would like to attend please let me or our Recorder know so we can get you registered. In the next few weeks we will be making travel arrangements. If you haven't had a chance to attend it is a great opportunity to meet with hundreds of Shriners and see all the amazing things our fraternity is involved.

Thank you for taking the time to read all the way through this. Thank you all for your service to Calam. We are so proud of our Nobles and Ladies and have loved working alongside you. We are truly lucky!

Lastly, the Annual Shriners International Fun and Fellowship Competition deadline for entries is March 15th. If anyone had a great event, they would like to highlight from 2020-21 please submit through the following link and then start voting for Calam in late March. The winning entries will get to do a highlight video about their event that will be shown online and at the Imperial Session in Minneapolis this year. <https://www.shrinersinternational.org/en/news-and-events/events/2022/fun-and-fellowship-competition>

Thank you,
Dustin Hatfield
2022 Calam Potentate
Lady Elle



[Fun and Fellowship Competition - shrinersinternational.org](https://www.shrinersinternational.org)

Entering our Fun & Fellowship Competition is easy. Just complete the form below. The purpose of the competition is to increase awareness and reward the efforts of nobles who created new events and activities in 2020 and 2021 at their temples, clubs and units to engage their members in fun and fellowship.

www.shrinersinternational.org

A Letter from Your Chief Rabban

The winter PNSA hosted by Bagdad Shrine in Butte, MT was well organized, and, despite some Canadian border hang-ups, it was well attended. The Chief Rabban dinner was held at The Derby Steakhouse. We donned our fezzes and enjoyed fine cuts of Montana beef. Our fezzes caught the attention of a family seated near us. Our waitress informed us that the family had kindly purchased our first round of beverages. Imperial Sir, Tim Forbis approached the family to thank them for their kindness. In doing so Tim learned the family's daughter is a former patient of Shriners Children's. The family thanked us for all that Shriners and our Hospitals do for children in need. It was a wonderful experience and a valuable lesson about wearing our fez in public. Thanks and appreciation for our philanthropy is out there, and when we wear our fez in public chances are we will receive thank-yous, smiles, and handshakes. The fez also serves as a topic of education to those we meet who are unaware of our noble philanthropy. Those opportunities to educate the public come along often in our rapidly changing world. In the modern time of shrinking membership, shrinking revenues, and shrinking budgets we Shriners need to be as visible as possible--as often as possible.

Second Section: No More

"Are you a victim of unintended malicious harassment at the hands of a seemingly harmless fraternity? Call Haze & Haze Attorneys at Law today for a free consultation. You may be entitled to damages including their cash, vehicles, boats, ATVs, homes, vacation properties, and retirement accounts!"

The above advertisement may sound ridiculous, and it is certainly made-up. However, its message is a stark reality we Shriners face in our modern litigation-happy society. Actions we might find funny and harmless could be construed as offensive, tasteless, harassing, and even assault by a candidate. If an offended candidate decides to seek damages our temple will NOT be able to save us as. The consequences will fall on us as individuals. Our personal and real property will be in jeopardy.

During winter PNSA in Butte, MT our Imperial Divan made it very clear that Section Two of our ceremonials no longer exists. If a temple continues to utilize Section Two the least consequence could be Imperial walking into that temple and removing its charter. In lieu of Section Two it was strongly suggested that we utilize

the Shrine Arch Production. For readers not familiar with the Arch Production an excerpt from the script is as follows:

"To consolidate and orchestrate Masonic and Shrine quality values into a unique educational and entertaining production, allowing the candidate, his lady, family, friends and guest to experience an impressive and everlasting positive image of the Shrine and Shriners Children's. The Arch Production will be a performance the candidate and his lady will cherish forever. The ultimate challenge is to provide a worthy performance that will build pride and elevate the Shrine image to a level that others will acknowledge the Shrine as a prestigious and premier international organization. The arch program will enhance opportunities for Shrine recruitment and expose Shrine quality values and Shriners Children's to others."

This production will showcase our fraternity and philanthropy to the candidate and his family. It has the potential to create a stronger bond between the noble's family, our units, and Calam Temple. El Katif Temple in Spokane recently utilized the Arch production with great success. They kindly offered to assist, if needed, any Temple desiring to add the production to a ceremonial. It is time to leave Section Two in the past where it belongs and move forward. Calam Temple needs more exposure, more family participation, more recruitment and stronger budgets. This simple change to our ceremonials will have lasting benefits for years to come.

Noble Matt
Plemmons,
Chief Rabban



A Note from the Legion of Honor Commander:

Hello Brother Legionnaires and Nobles:

Spring is just around the corner. At least it is warming up. We will again meet at 9 a.m. at the American Legion in Post Falls on March 13th, the return of daylight saving time. We had a good turnout with a great breakfast. Bring a friend, wife, girl friend or Noble. We always have a good time visiting. Karts are still \$300 each. It is still too cold to work on them. Each club could bring their karts to any of the parades.

We mentioned the flea market/yard sale and since no one wants to help we are putting the idea in the attic. Let someone else take it over. I would be an advisor.

We are each year now, if we have the funds, donating up to \$1000 to various organizations. This is voted on by those attending our meeting. We did not bring it to those in attendance but plans to purchase Walla Walla sweet onions to sell for a donation. Jerry and I are checking with growers or warehouses in the Tri-cities area for purchase of 10 LB bags. Other organizations could join us in their locations. We will order at least 200 to 400 bags.

We will suggest various activities and would like to include those of you who are members outside of our area to help money making activities. If you have any suggestions, please feel free to notify Jerry or me. Suggested activities for 2022 are parades, LOH raffle, rummage sale, BBQ, sale of Walla Walla sweet onions, Highway I-90 rest

area refreshments. You may be called on to volunteer your time if no one will volunteer.

For Legionnaires: We would like to print for the Shrine members something fun, exciting, dangerous, love story about you, or whatever when you were in the service. You can use your name or be anonymous. Write short article and call Jerry or me.

This also is a reminder of High 12 meeting on the last Monday at 11 AM.

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January & February Shriners of the Month

For January, our Shriner of the Month recipient is Alan Branson. Alan as served as President of the Moyie Shrine Club for the past three years and serves as Treasurer. He arranges, serves, and prepares the meeting dinners. He has been heavily involved in fund-raising, managing the Fair food, ice cream and popcorn booths. He gathers donations from local businesses for raffles and sees that the raffle is a huge success over the past several years. Alan does all this while holding down a full-time Job with the City Water Department. Congratulations to Alan you are the Calam Shrine Shriner of the month. Thank you for your continued service and support.

For February, our Shriner of the Month Recipient is Dan McDaniel. Dan has tirelessly served Calam and the CDA Shrine club in many positions. He is currently the First Ceremonial Master on the Calam Divan and Manager of the CDA Shrine Club event center. Dan is also a member on the Shrine Club board and has served as Shrine Club President. He and his Lady Patricia have tirelessly made sure that club building is set up for meetings, that food is prepared, and everything is in its place. While managing the event center, Dan set up a Facebook advertising campaign to find new rentals for the event space, showed the building, and ensured that a volunteer crew was ready to set up, monitor, and tear down after events. His efforts result in increased income year over year for the event center, CDA Shrine Club and Calam Shriners. He also volunteers at Temple and Club events throughout the year and does this while driving 45 minutes one-way to CDA. Congratulations Dan, you are the Calam Shriners February Shriner of the Month. Thank you for your continued service and support.

If you know of one of our many fantastic Nobles that deserves to be recognized, please forward your nomination to a Divan member. We have so many that dedicate their limited time to our great organization. Let's celebrate them together.

Thanks,
Dustin



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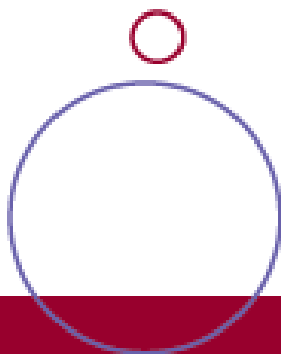
Strategic Indicators January 2022

	<u>January</u>	<u>YTD</u>
Outpatient Clinic Visits:	1096	1,096
Outpatient Surgeries:	43	43
Inpatient Surgeries:	10	10
Spine Surgeries:	2	2

	<u>January</u>	<u>YTD</u>
New Patients:	370	370
Total Local Donations:	\$230K	\$230K
New Hires:	3	3
Volunteer hours:	84	84

Inpatient Satisfaction: Q4 2021 = 96%
Ambulatory Surgery Satisfaction: Q4 2021 = 97%
Medical Practice Satisfaction: Q4 2021 = 91%
(Reported Quarterly: Number reflects percentile rank as compared to our peers)

2022 Hospital Operating Budget: \$ 23.6M



Calam's 2022 Schedule

Date	Event	Location
March		
19th	2022 Nobility Ball	Coeur d'Alene
April		
9th	Quarterly Meeting	Coeur d'Alene
23rd	Asotin County Parade	Asotin, WA



Calam Shriners NOBILITY BALL

MARCH 19TH AT THE CDA SHRINE
CLUB EVENT CENTER.

DRINKS AT 5PM

DINNER AT 6PM

BAND AND DANCING AT 7PM

Dinner Provided by The Country Snack Shack

Menu Options:

Roast Pork Loin

Bruschetta Chicken

Vegan and Childrens Menu available
by request.

Price is \$50 Per Plate

Dress is Formal & Semi-Formal

Limited slots | RSVP Required

Reserve and Pay @

<https://www.calamshriners.com/sign-up-for-event/>

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(Please contact your Club/unit before attending)

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

Latah Shrine Club meets the fourth **THURSDAY** 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

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.

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



Highlight A Shriner

I would like to nominate:

for Highlight A Shriner because:

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