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Potentate's Message

Nobles and Ladies,

Another month has come and gone, and it seems like the summer weather is finally here! In CdA we've survived Ironman, Hoopfest and all the new traffic that all the outdoor season brings. As we get out for the summer months Lady Elle and I wanted to remind everyone to be safe and keep an eye on your health. The summer months typically see a large increase in accidents and injuries as we all rush out to enjoy the beautiful Pacific Northwest. We hope everyone gets to enjoy these summer months safely and without incidents.

As I mentioned in one of the Monday Messages, Lady Elle and I are headed to Imperial Session in Minneapolis. The resolution that had us worried that looked to close or merge Temples that couldn't maintain 300 members was not submitted to be voted on. I'm not sure the reasons but am thankful that we get a respite from legislation like this. We are still feeling the effects of covid shutdowns and are trying to get our membership funnel back into full swing. We could use a few years to get back on our feet and let some of the efforts of our Membership team have time to bear fruit. As of right now I have not seen any new petitions for creations of new Nobles for the year. We have had several Nobles transfer in and that has kept us even for the year so far but we really need to start bringing in those new Nobles. I will be visiting lodges to share some of what the Shrine is doing in North Idaho in hopes of stirring up interest. Several of our Nobles have visited other lodges and have spent time building the relationships and I am appreciative of their efforts.

We have a few big events coming up for the summer and plenty of parades to keep us all busy. We have Imperial Session which will be happening by the time you read this. Fairly quickly after that we have our quarterly meeting in Lewiston on the 16th of July. August brings our cornhole tournaments in CDA and in Lewiston followed by Summer PNSA at Nile Shriners just north of Seattle August 28-20. If you would like to attend Summer PNSA you will need to fill out the registration form and return it quickly. There is a block rate for hotels, but it is filling up rapidly. September brings Idaho Grand Lodge in Pocatello and our corn feed in Lewiston. Finally, the first week of October is the Potentate trip to Las Vegas for the Shriners Hospitals Open Golf Tournament. Some of us will be volunteering at the tournament but most- Elle Hatfield ly it is a chance to enjoy all that Vegas has to offer with our

Shrine Friends. If you are planning on attending and have not made hotel reservations please contact me for the link to the group rate. I have to cancel any unbooked rooms on the group rate or will end up having to eat the cost of the stay. I need to do this by the end of July so please finalize your plans soon.

I apologize for missing the announcement for our Shriners of the Month in the last Clarion. For May our Shriner of the Month was Dan Bundy and for June it is Jeff Rowden. Jeff and Dan worked tirelessly for several months on our Circus Committee and were responsible for the large, generous donations that we received from local businesses. The implemented the change to online ticket sales and found new ways to advertise that ensure the success of our Shrine Circus. They both put a ton of hours in while holding down full time, busy, jobs and family life. Their Ladies also put in countless hours with the Circus Committee and at our Circus event. Please congratulate them when you see them and thank them for working so hard for Calam.

Last but not least, I am sorry to announce that our Recorder George Blickenstaff PP has resigned his position as of July 1st for personal reasons. We are sad to lose George but thankful for his many years of service in a difficult job that requires quite a bit of work hours and can be very thankless. Nobles like George make our temple run behind the scenes and take care of the small details that keep us out of big trouble. Thank you, George, for all your hard work. In the interim, I have appointed Jim Logan PP as Recorder to finish out the Shrine year. He will be attending Imperial Session and the Recorders meetings to get up to speed as quickly a possible but please be patient while we are transitioning. Thank you, Jim, for stepping up to fill this difficult role.

Elle and I hope to see you soon and have enjoyed visiting with so many of you this past month. Stay safe and healthy.

Yours in Faith **Dustin Hatfield** Calam Shriners Potentate 2022

First Lady 2022

Recorder's message

Nobles,

In January 2016, you elected me as your Record- serving as Recorder, I urge you to reach out to Ill. happened and I believe we are in better shape for wish you and yours all the best. it. We now have a website, can take dues and Yours in the Faith, fundraising payments online and Nobles can check their own membership status via WebFez as well. That's not to say we didn't have some George Blickenstaff, PP struggles getting used to "real time" reporting re- Recorder quirements with Imperial but for the most part I believe we have adapted and are doing very well. This is all largely due to all the work and efforts of Executive Assistants/ Business Managers, Michelle O'Connor and Liz Westacott, Treasurer Jeff Rowden and of course, our late great brother and friend, Tim Krueger, PP and Treasurer. It is now time for me to step down as Recorder and make way for some new blood to take on the responsibility of the office. My last day as Recorder will be July 8 th 2022. My resignation, being after the first of July, Ill. Sir Dustin Hatfield will have the opportunity to appoint an interim Recorder until the election of officers at our annual meeting in January 2023. If any of you have an interest in

er, coming immediately after my term as Poten- Sir Dustin and express your interest as soon as tate. It was my priority to get Calam into the com- possible. It has been my honor and pleasure to puter age and get us online with Imperial and serve you all those years on the Divan, then as caught up with the new WebFez program as well Potentate in 2015 and especially these past 6 ½ as consolidate our financial accounts and get our years as your Recorder. I am proud of what we bookkeeping in an electronic format, more sim- have accomplished and am so grateful for the plified and transparent. I'm happy to say that has support and confidence you've shown in me. I

George



From the Circus Committee Chairman

Nobles and Ladies,

We are a truly blessed group of people. At the time of the Circus performances the rain stayed away. We were able to gather as Shriners and be seen working, laughing, and enjoying our time spent in our communities.

We had local sponsors that believed in us and gave thousands of dollars to assist us to help offset the cost of bringing the Circus to town and many of these sponsors even gave their own time to us. I will form a thank you letter to each one of them.

Jordan World Circus put on a good show. Jody Jordan and staff worked hard for us.

I greatly appreciate that. Both venues welcomed us. The Lewiston School District was great to work with. And in the case of Coeur d'Alene, the Fairgrounds even repositioned bleachers and had us in a section of ground that would allow the Circus to set up for the arena would not work for us, as it was far too wet.

Those that attended the shows enjoyed themselves and thanked us for bringing the Circus back and many said we will see you next year.

As I write this our total costs are not in yet but it is believed that we will make a profit. Our totals are not what we had hoped for. The weather played a big part of keeping the numbers down and in saying that we have indeed been blessed.

I need to send out a huge thank you to:

Our Treasurer Jeff Rowden and Lady Tami
Our High Priest and Prophet Dan Bund and Lady Stacie
Our Circus planning meetings were a blast, thank you so much for all that you've done.

To our Potentate Illustrious Sir Dustin Hatfield and Lady Elle - thank you both for all your time and effort that you put into this Circus.

As in the words of Past Potentate Dave Garnett.... it was Fantastic!!!

Yours in the faith

God Bless,

Kirk Ross Circus Chairman

A Note from the Legion of Honor Commander:

A Note from the Legion of Honor Commander Hello Brother Legionnaires and Nobles:

We will again meet at 9 a.m. at the American Legion (AL) in Post Falls on July 17th. We had a good turnout with a great breakfast. Bring a friend, wife, girl friend or Noble. Jerry and I are still figuring a date to meet at AL for a Friday dinner (buffet style) and installation of officers more likely in July. We will make a note of it in the Clarion, emails, and phone calls. Karts are still up for sale for \$300. Let's keep them in the Shrine organization. Call Jerry or me if interested.

For Legionnaires: We STILL would like to print for the Shrine members something fun, exciting, dangerous, love story about you, or whatever when you were in the service.

Here is my little story: When I went to OTS in Texas to become a fighter pilot, we were taken to one of the air force bases to have a test flight in a fighter jet. The pilot was told not to do any maneuvers but fly level, so the student got the feel of a fighter jet. When I went up, I told the pilot that I had soloed in a light plane and if I could take controls of the plane. I knew he was not to, but he did. I made a few turns, then I brought the nose up, tilted to the right and then slammed the stick to the far left making two barrow rolls and straighten the jet out. He was PO but could not say anything or he would get talked to by his commander. It was a thrill and the best fun and experience I have ever had during my time at OTS. Let's hear one of your adventures in the military.

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

Western Coeur d'Alene Inn on Appleway.

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Strategic Indicators May 2022

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Outpatient Clinic Visits:	1563	6,885
Outpatient Surgeries:	69	322
Inpatient Surgeries:	16	57
Spine Surgeries:	6	25

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New Patients:	531	2,313	
Total Local Donations:	\$113K	\$682K	
New Hires:	6	25	
Volunteer hours:	80	397	

Inpatient Satisfaction: Q1 2022 = 95%

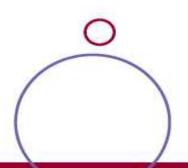
Ambulatory Surgery Satisfaction: Q1 2022 = 93%

Medical Practice Satisfaction: Q1 2022 = 91%

(Reported Quarterly: Number reflects percentile rank as

compared to our peers)

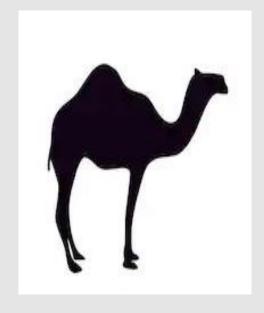
2022 Hospital Operating Budget: \$ 23.6M



BLACK CAMEL REPORT

HONORING THOSE WHO HAVE GONE BEFORE US

Fritz Benway 10/17/1928-6/02/2022



Calam's 2022 Schedule			
Date	Event	Location	
July			
2nd-7th	Imperial Session	Minneapolis, MN	
16th	Quarterly Meeting	Lewiston	
August			
18th-21st	Summer PNSA	Seattle, WA	

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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

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