



## Potentate's Message

Greetings, Nobles and Ladies.

It has been an honor to serve as Chief Rabban under Illustrious Sir, Dustin Hatfield and Lady Elle. I congratulate Dustin on a job very well done. Last year flew by fast, and I spent much of 2022 learning, observing, asking questions and listening to my wiser peers while planning for 2023. I owe much gratitude to my fellow Nobles and Past Potentates for their wisdom, patience, and encouragement I needed to prepare. And now, the time is here. I am honored, and proud to be the Potentate of Calam Temple in 2023.

I am excited to attend the Shriners International Membership & Marketing conference in Dallas in February. It will be three days packed with rich information that we can all utilize moving forward. High Priest & Prophet, Kevin Mize and Oriental Guide, Bill Ronzzo will be attending Oriental Guide school in March. They are sure to have a wonderful, and educational time.

My goal this year is to produce as much revenue as possible for Calam Temple, and in doing so educate as many people as possible about our fraternity and philanthropy. And we will have as much fun as we can in the process. We need to strengthen our accounts. We need to strengthen our membership numbers. We need to reach out and help as many kids and their parents as we possibly can. This is Calam's legacy.

Calam has exciting events scheduled this year to engage our communities. Chief Rabban, Kenny Buckner and Lady Becky are coordinating a third installment of the Calam Cornhole Tournament in August, hosted by Riverport Brewery. This event has been a growing success in the Lewiston-Clarkston community, and I look forward to this year's event. Assistant Rabban, Dan Bundy and Treasurer Jeff Rowden are cooking up a few great events, including a dart tournament February 18th at Sports Edition in Lewiston. They are also coordinating an ATV Fun Run in Waha in April, and a Calam Shrine Smoke-Off competition in Winchester ID in June. I am working on an indoor golf tournament to take place in Lewiston this year. Dates to come.



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During these fantastic events we will be able to sell raffle tickets for three great prize packages. Raffle A includes a Henry's Golden Boy 22 Magnum rifle, a gift certificate to Scherman's Hardware in Clarkston, and a Camp Chef smoker. Raffle B includes a Velocity salmon rod, Okuma reel, Beckman net, gift certificate to North 40, a guided trip for two with Reel Time Fishing on the Snake River, and a Camp Chef smoker. Raffle C includes a box of Atabey Ritos cigars, five bottles of fine wine, hand carved limestone Dunbarton ashtray, and an Alec Bradey Mega Burner table torch. All three prize packages are very attractive and valuable. We will be able to sell many entries. Tickets are \$20 each, and all three raffles will have 1,000 tickets available for sale. I will design and print the tickets in January and have them ready to distribute amongst our nobles throughout the Calam jurisdiction in February. Winners will be drawn October 14 at our quarterly Divan meeting.

There will be more events to come in 2023. We will all have a tremendously successful year of fun and fortune. I look forward to working with all of our Nobles and Ladies. A note about the number 23 and this year. In 1912 English poet, and former Scottish Rite mason, Aleister Crowley published his poem, "23 Skidoo." To me his poem is a reflection of how little time we have, and the importance of GETTING OUT, accomplishing goals and living life to our fullest whilst we can. This year I intend to let no grass grow beneath my feet. So, if you see me dragging my feet please keep me in line. I will need all the help and advice I can get. 23 and GET OUT to all of us!

Fraternally,

Matthew Plemmons,

Potentate

# Notes from LOH Commander and President of CDA Shrine Club

It is unbelievable to see leaves on trees this winter. December had January temperatures and lots of snow. It warmed up here in January into the 40s. We had scheduled a meeting on the 15th of January but because of the fog with higher temperatures, you could not see 200 feet. No one could safely drive in those conditions. I had a very hard time getting to the American Legion building for the meeting and breakfast. I was the only one that made it, but as Commander I felt I had to be there no matter. So there was no meeting, very understandable. But February we will plan to have a meeting on Sunday the 19th. Come and enjoy the great breakfast the woman of the Legion put out.

We will install our Commander and other officers more likely April 15 at the Shine quarterly meeting or sooner. Would like to do it at the breakfast meeting in Feb or March. This is a requirement. We are already delayed in doing this. We sold one go-kart. I now ask the other Shrine clubs including Spokane to purchase two karts to put in the parades. Not to be put in the parades as LOH, but the Shrine Club itself. If your club has a LOH please buy a couple for the parades. As long as a Shriner drives one you are insured and allow to drive. Let's keep the parade attendants in joy watching the Shriners making fun with the go-karts and high five the kids. It is one of the best attractions of the parades.

The Octocycle has been sold to El Katif Shrine. They say they have a group of 10 or 11 that want to form a unit with it. It will be great to have it back in service in the parades. I rode on it once and the riders received a lot of applause. Bill Hamilton may have to go and teach them how to ride. You cannot just jump on it and go. Takes a lot of balance. One person can tip it and I was that one for the first time, but I learned fast. What a lot of fun.

The board voted on testing the waters of investing an amount at about 4% for one month. If it works out we will continue the investment and look for a higher investment and invest a long time. Moving tables is heavy duty so we order a table carrier that will carry rectangular and round tables with ease.

The Black Camel continues to take away our bothers. It cannot be stopped. We lost a great Noble Charlie Brooks. He was in his 90s. Charlie never stopped working for our club until his death. He was a great helper and will be very well missed. Never forget his widow and hope she will continue to come to our dinners.

Again, as President of the CDA Shine Club, I want to keep our members updated as what is happening at our club. As to other Shrine Clubs, we want your input here in the Clarion. Let all the nobles of Clam Temple know what is going on in your clubs. Doing so keeps us all informed and closer as members.

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

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## Strategic Indicators December 2022

	<u>December</u>	<u>YTD</u>
Outpatient Clinic Visits:	1159	16,913
Outpatient Surgeries:	55	832
Inpatient Surgeries:	9	164
Spine Surgeries:	5	64

	<u>December</u>	<u>YTD</u>
New Patients:	359	5,620
Total Local Donations:	\$826K	\$2.1M
New Hires:	2	53
Volunteer hours:	103	994

Inpatient Satisfaction:	Q4 2022 = 95%
Ambulatory Surgery Satisfaction:	Q4 2022 = 95%
Medical Practice Satisfaction:	Q4 2022 = 92%
<i>(Reported Quarterly: Number reflects percentile rank as compared to our peers)</i>	

2022 Hospital Operating Budget: \$ 23.6M



# Calam's 2022 Schedule

Date	Event	Location
<b>February</b>		
8th-11th	Membership Meeting	Dallas
16th-19th	Winter PNSA	Boise
18th	Calam Dart Tourney	Lewiston

## Calam Shrine Dart Tourney Fundraiser

When: Saturday, 2/18/23

Where: Sports Edition, Lewiston

Time: 6pm Register, 7pm start

2 person teams, blind draw, double elimination

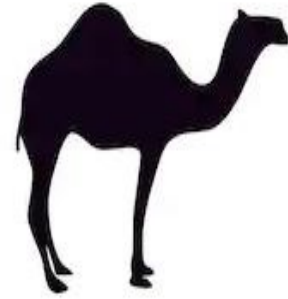
Auction items and 50/50 drawing



**BLACK CAMEL REPORT**

HONORING THOSE WHO HAVE GONE  
BEFORE US

**Ron Jones**  
**4/25/1921— 1/01/2023**





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

**Please check with your local club before attending**

**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**

**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**

