

Potentate's Message

Happy New Year, Nobles and Ladies!

We hope this finds you safe and warm, and with all the great promise a new year brings!

Speaking of great promise...Lady Becky and I are trying something new. Since the next 12 months will find us attending more events together, both as a couple and as a Shrine family, we are opting to write this column together! We'll see how it goes. Our hope is that two minds are better than one!

Our new year started off with the public installation of 2024's Calam Shrine Divan. The event was (reportedly, as I, Becky was not in attendance) well-attended, with a good number of our family attending. Illustrious Sir Kenny was overwhelmed by the turnout of friends and family. Lady Becky was just overwhelmed. Our thanks go out to everyone who braved the weather, sent messages, and generally took care of us. We love you all! Special thanks go to Chief Rabban Dan Bundy and Lady Stacie for the wonderful gathering at their home on Friday evening. While the past potentates enjoyed their evening with Kenny, the rest of us spent time eating and chatting and getting to know each other a little better. Thank you to all of the Divan members for stepping up. There is no way we could even anticipate a successful year without you. Last, but certainly not least, our thanks to Noble Kevin and Lady Virginia Mize for making the trip from Mississippi (yes, I sang that as I typed it!) to surprise us for IS Kenny's installation. What a special gift you are to all of us!

We have a few upcoming events on the calendar, starting with the Latah Shrine Club's annual Crab Feed. February 24 will see the Shrine Dart Tournament at Sports Edition in Lewiston. Wear your fez and support this great event. CR Dan Bundy has more details!

April 20 is the date for the Calam Shrine Fun Run. Registration and base camp will be set up at Cruz Meadows in Waha. This was a great event last year, and we are hopeful this year will be every bit as fun and successful! Put it on your calendar!

Wrapping this up for now, we'd like to thank PP Matt Plemmons for inviting IS Kenny to the Board of Directors meeting for Shriners Childrens Spokane. Kenny is looking forward to becoming involved with the Hospital on a larger scale, so thank you, Matt!

As always, please be safe, be kind, and take care of each other!!

IS Kenny and Lady Becky



Greetings from the Chief Rabban

Greetings All,

This is your newly elected Chief Rabban Dan Bundy. I would like to thank all of you for moving me up the Divan ladder once again. I would also like to Congratulate Past Potentate Matt Plemmons on a fantastic year in 2023.

I also want to congratulate our newly elected Potentate for 2024, Kenny Buckner. I truly believe 2024 will be another year of fun and fellowship for Calam Shrine. Potentate Kenny and Lady Becky have planned out an incredible calendar with events starting in February, which is coming up soon, such the Lewiston Spring Dart Tournament on Saturday, February 24th.

Reflecting back on January, we had a fantastic weekend of events starting with a surprise visit from Shriner Kevin Mize and Lady Virginia, who recently moved to Mississippi, on Friday at our home for a gathering for all Shriners and their Ladies. The event was a huge success (26 were in attendance) despite not-so-nice, snowy weather. My wife, Lady Stacie, and I would like to thank everyone who attended.

Saturday's meeting and Installation of Officers had a fantastic attendance, also the dinner Saturday evening was packed.

Lady Stacie and I are really looking forward to serving the nobility of Calam Shrine in 2024. There are a lot of fun activities planned for the year. Attend and represent if you can.

Have a great day,
always!

Dan Bundy

Chief Rabban





Illustrious Sir Kenny Buckner and Lady Becky are paid a surprise visit from Virginia & Kevin Mize.



Kenny shows off the official Potentate's Emotional Support Pickle!





Potentate Elect Kenny Buckner is administered the oath of office, officially kicking off Calam Shriners 2024.



Kenny's daughter Kenna gives him a lucky kiss after Fezzing our new Potentate.



Illustrious Sir Kenny invigorates our Temple with his dinner speech. Not pictured: his pickle.



The Divan prepares to carry the Potentate...just as it did in 2023!



2nd Ceremonial Master Ricky Pratt & Lady Arlene enjoy the installation festivities.



1st Ceremonial Master Luke Ross can't wait for authentic Indonesian dinner!

Thanks PP Matt for photo captions!

From the President of the CDA Shrine Club

A January just about gone, and spring is getting closer day by day. We have had a hard January thus far. Temperatures with wind chill got down to minus forty (-40F) in different places. Mine was one. No gloves on, frost bite sets in in 5 minutes. We had cold, snow, and ice the week of the 14th. It was so bad outside that we canceled our regular meeting and changed it to the 24th. We had a fair turn out having our potluck dinner of roasted chicken with a lot of side goodies too.

We had a surprise announcement of our building manager, "Dan McDaniel", taking the position of Assistant Rabban on the Divan. Congratulations Noble Dan.

1. Fundraisers: I looked online at fundraisers. Each one would show one or two dollar signs. Two were the money makers. The best was wine tasting. The wine makers would pay maybe a \$50 booth charge and wine testers admission \$10 door charge. The thing to do contact various wineries. Then good advertisements. I also thought of local breweries with their many different beers. Again \$50 booth charge and \$10 admission. Beer would bring in the younger generation. Think about this and let's give it a try.

2. Don't forget to get your dues to Liz.

3. 12 High Club meets on the last Monday of the month at the CDA Resort at 11:30 a.m. They have been having some great speakers. Join them if you can.

Robert Green, President
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Notes from the Legion of Honor

Greetings to the Legion of Honor members and friends. I am writing about a friend I grew up with in high school. He was called to join the army and was sent to Korea as an infantry man. He was 21 years old, a husky young fellow, and a good athlete. When in combat against the Koreans, he was struck close by with a mortar that did terrible damage to his lower body, legs, and his right arm was all but destroyed. He was moved to the field hospital and left on a stretcher outside on the ground, assuming that his injuries would be fatal. He was left there for three days until the medical staff found that he was alive. They then moved him into the field hospital and got him somewhat stable. He was sent back to the states for more serious medication. He was given a field service medal and a Purple Heart and maintained in the army hospitals for the year when he

got back home. He said, *"it's good to see you Jerry. I was thinking about you a lot. Thank you for the support you gave me in the letters I read."* He recuperated pretty well, but was somewhat crippled due to shrapnel wounds in his lower back. His arm had no bone and it would move around on its own. He was a big strong guy and a hard worker. He later signed on with one of the big construction companies to run their machinery. He did that for 25 years, and was very successful. He married and had a family. He faced life with confidence. These stories I think are good to read. If you have any, let's continue to support the veterans and also give them confidence and our thanks for their military service.

Jerry Johnson, Adjutant



CALAM SHRINERS BENEFIT

DART TOURNAMENT

501 Power Draw

\$10 ENTRY FEE PER PERSON

SIGN-UPS START AT 5:30 PM

STARTS AT 7:00 PM

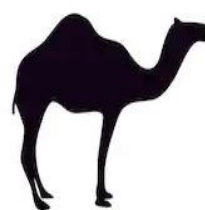
50/50 Raffle & Silent Auction

**Feb.
24th**

BLACK CAMEL REPORT

HONORING THOSE WHO HAVE GONE BEFORE US

John Jordan
4/25/1928-1/19/2024



Calam's 2023 Schedule

Date	Event	Location
<i>February</i>		
15th-17th	Winter PNSA	Billings, MT
24th	Shrine Dart Tournament	Lewiston

Order of the Eastern Star Scholarship

Car Show



SAVE THE DATE

SATURDAY, MAY 4TH 2024

MAJESTIC PARK RATHDRUM ID

*Food—Drink—Raffles—Trophies—Dash
Plaques*

Fun for the whole family! - for more information:

Email — maurimossman@gmail.com



\$25 ENTRY FEE

Classics, Customs, & Special Interest vehicles

All Welcome!

Times: Field opens at 8 am

Awards 2:30 pm

Sponsored by: Queen Esther Chapter #12 Order of the Eastern Star

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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

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, 6:30pm, St. Maries Masonic Lodge building prior to the Blue Lodge monthly meeting

NOTE: Clarion submissions should be submitted NLT the 20th of the month