



Potentate's Message

August: A Month of Fellowship and Fundraising

The past month has been nothing short of eventful, marked by a series of engaging activities and heartwarming interactions. Our commitment to philanthropy, camaraderie, and community engagement remains steadfast, exemplified by the success of the cornhole tournament fundraiser at the Riverport Brewery. The event not only brought together members of the Calam Shriners but also garnered tremendous support from the local community. Special thanks to our friends at Potlatch Credit Union for not only their major sponsorship, but also for their extra infusion of fundraising at the end of our day. Extra, extra special thanks to everyone who coordinated that great event including Kenny and Becky Buckner, Jeff and Tami Rowden, Dan and Stacie Bundy to name a few. And extra, extra, extra special thanks to Jeff Rowden for donating his legendary vocals. Enthusiastic participants displayed their prowess in this friendly competition, aiming for victory while contributing to a noble cause. The resonating clinks of bean bags striking wooden boards echoed the spirit of unity and benevolence that defines the Calam Shriners. The generous funds raised during the tournament will further fuel our charitable endeavors, leaving an indelible mark on the lives we touch.

Looking ahead, the anticipation for the Lewiston Roundup Parade on September 9 is building up. The Calam Shriners Band has been dialing in its drums, cymbals, and horns. No doubt the Director's Staff will have its go-carts and trikes ready to roll. As we march through the streets, our commitment to both entertainment and community engagement will shine through. Not to mention, our September 7 and 8 concession stands at the She's Wild rodeo promises to keep everyone well-fed and energized. Also, keep in mind the annual St. Maries Paul Bunyan Days parade. I plan to be there celebrating with many of our Calam Nobles from the north.

An event that truly exemplifies the spirit of fellowship is the upcoming corn feed at Hells Gate State Park on Saturday, September 16. Many of our Nobility and ladies will be camping from the 14th through the 17th. Come gather around the picnic tables to share stories, laughter, and delicious corn on the cob at our time-honored tradition that reinforces the bonds we've built within our Calam Shriners family. It is sure to be a memorable weekend of friends, fun, fellowship, and delicious food to end our summer season.

As the calendar turns towards October 14, we eagerly anticipate our quarterly meeting. Our gathering holds special significance for Calam Shriners as we will hold our annual Ceremonial. This occasion provides an opportunity to welcome new Nobles into our temple, individuals who share our unwavering commitment to philanthropy and community service. These fresh faces infuse energy and perspectives into our group, fortifying our resolve to make a positive impact in our communities. I look forward to seeing our Nobles and ladies at this final quarterly event of 2023. We will also name the lucky winners of the three Calam raffles.

As always, GET OUT and make the most of everyday!

Fraternally,

Matt Plemmons
Calam Potentate,
2023



From your Chief Rabban

Greetings Nobles and Ladies,

Well, August has been a busy month. Calam held the Cornhole Hootnanny at Riverport Brewing in Clarkston WA. We had 20 teams sign up. Great turnout. Thanks to Asst Rabban Dan Bundy and Lady Stacie, Treasurer Jeff Rowden and Lady Tammy, Nobles Paul and Bill and Illustrious Sir Matt for all their help. A week before that Dan & Stacie brought the Directors Staff cars up to Pierce ID for 1860 Days. What a great time. Nobles Russ, Wayne and myself drove 3 of the cars while Asst Rabban Dan followed with the trailer. The people in Pierce loved that we came and hoped we would make a return visit next year. Tuesday, August 15, Noble Paul and I travelled to Paradise Lodge #17 for a 2nd degree.

There is a lot coming up in the next month: Latah County Fair Sept 14th to 17th, and the Corn feed here in Lewiston 15th to 17th. There will be a Masonic Booth at the Fair. If possible try to make one or both, I know Lady Becky and I will spend time at both.

Do not forget Imperial Session in Reno in July 2024. Put it on your calendar. Imperial will not be this close in a long while.

Thanks to all of you out there for your support and encouragement.

Chief Rabban

Kenny Buckner



Calam Shriners at Pierce 1860 Days



Russ Graves at the Pierce 1860 Days Parade.



Fezzy waiting for the parade to start.



Wayne Sprouse, Smokey and Fezzy Bears.

Update from the Legion of Honor

Hello Legion of Honor Members,

We have had a very nice summer. A little hot up here but are waiting for the cooler fall weather. We are still active in sending out donations to various Shrine and military associations. The objectives of this national association are to foster a spirit of patriotism, love of country and flag, and to perpetuate the memory of our comrades in arms who made the supreme sacrifice by giving their lives for their country.

Our local LOH organization has sent out donations to various organizations. I received a letter of thanks from the Disabled American Veterans Fort Sherman Chapter North Idaho, which is a local organization consisting of 500 disabled American veterans here in northern Idaho. They wrote us a nice letter of thanks, stating we really do appreciate your support and thoughts. We have almost no administrative costs, so all donations are spent directly on active duty, veterans, and their widows and orphans.

Our chapter policy is to spend almost every penny. Each year we save only to purchase a new van, which we donate to the Spokane VA medical center every five years. We have been supporting this organization for the last 15 years. They also have storage containers to store wheelchairs, lift chairs, and other articles for free. You can join if you're a disabled vet at no cost.

I am trying to create some income and save some income back for next year. Hopefully we can come up with a program or see if we can sell our peas and lentils, which could make adequate money. They are packaged by our Legion of Honor members. We will consult with some of the grocery stores that are probably interested in helping us. This is what I have for you today and you enjoy the summer. Hope to see you at St. Maries on Labor Day.

Jerry Johnson, Adjutant

Notes from the President of

CDA Shrine Club

Greetings to all LOH and Shrine Nobles.

The Rathdrum parade was great and long. I used Jerry Johnson's "mule" RV and the help of a nice lady on a bike, which was all decorated, got donations for flags. We got rid of all but 20. After the parade I went to the Rathdrum Days in the school grounds and went to many vendors and got rid of the remaining flags. LOH did very well. Kootenai 24 had a booth and was very well-manned. They had a great turn-out and marched in the parade. We need to do the same in the future advertising our organizations. Maybe a co-op with Eastern star and blue lodges. We need to plan this for 2024.

Our Shrine meeting on 8/16 dinner was pizza given by Dan McDaniel's and Lady Patricia. Those that did not make the meeting missed out of a great dinner. With the other food brought in it made a fantastic dinner. See that by not coming to our meetings you miss out on great dinners. Plan to come to our next meeting on 9/20. I started the meeting with a couple of stories that happened in my life. One about a salt shaker, can you imagine, and the other about spreading potato salad in my yard. Lots of laughter. I started the story telling and if you have a fun story, call Noble Bill Hamilton and sign up. Makes our meeting more fun. The men's room floor still looks good so the board decided to table replacing or coating it for a year or so. The front gate will be closed for construction of a water line run-

ning on our property south along the road heading to Hwy 95. To get to the building go on the drive to the parking lot south of the building and come through the gate between the Hayden parking lot and our south parking lot. Should not take long to put the water line across our property. We do have a lot of fun during the meeting so plan to come. I then turned our meeting over to Calm's Chief Rabban Ken Buckner who gave a talk and closed the meeting. We enjoy having members of the Divan attend our meetings. Thanks Ken for coming. Our Potentate, Matt Plemmons, has plans to attend our Sept meeting. Come meet him. Our Christmas party is still scheduled for 12/06/2023. This also is a reminder of High 12 meeting on the last Monday at 11 AM.

Check with

Wally Adams.

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Strategic Indicators July 2023

	<u>July</u>	<u>YTD</u>
Outpatient Clinic Visits:	1453	10,728
Outpatient Surgeries:	70	496
Inpatient Surgeries:	24	117
Spine Surgeries:	9	40

	<u>July</u>	<u>YTD</u>
New Patients:	437	3,548
Total Local Donations:	\$65K	\$784K
New Hires:	1	21
Volunteer hours:	117	794

Inpatient Satisfaction: Q2 2023 = 94%

Ambulatory Surgery Satisfaction: Q2 2023 = 98%

Medical Practice Satisfaction: Q2 2023 = 93%

(Reported Quarterly: Number reflects percentile rank as compared to our peers)

2023 Hospital Operating Budget: \$ 24.9 M



Calam's 2023 Schedule

Date	Event	Location
<i>September</i>		
7th-8th	Shrine Concessions @ Lewiston Roundup	Lewiston, ID
9th	Lewiston Roundup Parade	Lewiston, ID
14th-17th	Shrine Corn Feed	Hells Gate State Park
21st-22nd	Idaho Grand Lodge	Boise, ID
<i>October</i>		
14th	Quarterly Meeting	Lewiston, ID

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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