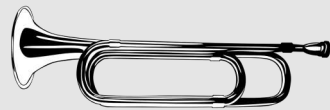


CALAM CLARION



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Potentate's Message

FIRST DRAFT

Greeting, Nobles and Ladies:

What a great year we have had. Happy New Year to all!

Fraternally yours,

IS Kenny Buckner

SECOND DRAFT

Okay, maybe there should be more...

Greetings, Nobles and Ladies,

What a great year we have had. So many activities, adventures, and time spent with everyone! And there are still a few more events to happen before the new year gets here! We feel so very blessed to have had this time with all of you and look forward to many more adventures. If you've read past Clarions you know what we've been up to each month, so to continue keeping you up to date, here's what happened in December: holiday stuff, holiday parties, holidazed! IYKYK

January brings a new year, a new Potentate and his Lady, and the start of bigger and better things for Calam Shrine. We look forward to supporting IS Dan and Lady Stacie in their year, and pray that all of you will find the time and energy to do the same. Nothing happens in life or the Shrine without support from like-minded

people. Being members of Calam Shrine distinguishes us as the ones who share the goal of helping kids and having a good time while doing it. Keep up the good work, Nobles!

On another note, I want to bring everybody up to date on my ESP (Emotional Support Pickle). He made all the travels with us and was always there when I needed him. Just like Becky and I did, he has enjoyed this past year and is looking forward to seeing y'all at the annual meeting.

We wish you all the blessings of the season, and the very happiest days in 2025.

All the best,

Kenny and Becky



Remembering Christmas past—Becky and I at the Festival of Trees in 1991.

From your Chief Rabban

Happy New Year All!

We hope everyone had a wonderful and safe holiday season! Well, 2024 is behind us; it went quickly and now 2025 is here! Let's get things started with our Annual Meeting, which is just around the corner with events beginning on Friday, January 10th. Please see the agenda for that weekend posted in this edition of the *Clarion*. Hope to see you all for these fun-filled events.

I would like to say "Thank you" to everyone for giving me the opportunity to be your Chief Rabban for 2024. I am looking forward to representing you and Calam Shrine as your Potentate for 2025.

Thanks again, be safe, and we hope to see you at our Annual Meeting!

Dan Bundy
Chief
Rabban



From the Clarion Editor

As we wrap up another year, I want to take a moment to thank everyone for your continued support and dedication to Calam Shrine. It's truly a privilege to work for an organization that has such a positive impact on our community.

One of the aspects of my job here that I enjoy most is putting together the *Calam Clarion*. It's a great way to keep Temple members informed about all the activities, events, and accomplishments within our Temple and clubs. I encourage anyone with news, updates, or stories to share to please send them my way. Whether it's a club announcement, a photo from a recent event, or a message from one of our officers, your contributions help keep everyone connected and engaged.

A special thank you to everyone who regularly submits articles or offers support in other ways — your efforts are what make the *Clarion* such a valuable resource for all of us.

Thank you for another wonderful year with Calam Shriners. I'm looking forward to what 2025 brings!

Liz Westacott

Calam Clarion Newsletter Editor



Another great part of my job—joining the Calam Flamingo Flock in a flurry of bubbles (pictured with Dan Bundy, fellow flamingo).

Nobles and Ladies,

You are invited:

- When: Friday, January 10, 2025
5:30p.m.
- Where: Dan & Stacie Bundy's house
1121 Vineyard Dr. Lewiston
- What: Taco bar hosted by Stacie while
mingling and enjoying each other's
company
- Who: All Shriners and their Ladies are
welcome

RSVPs welcome but not required
Stacie Bundy: staciembundy@gmail.com

Please feel free to bring a side dish that goes with
tacos.

We realize the Past Potentates will be in a separate
dinner but their ladies are welcome to come at 5:30 and
the men can join us when they are finished with dinner.

Annual Meeting Weekend Itinerary

Friday, January 10

Hospitality Night at Dan & Stacie Bundy's

5:30pm

Please RSVP to Stacie for more details: staciembundy@gmail.com

Saturday, January 11

Workshop at Board & Brush in Lewiston

9:00am-11:00am

For registered guests only

Events at Nez Perce Lodge #10, Lewiston

9:30am: Annual Meeting—Shriners only

Attire: Divan—tuxedos, all others—business casual

12:00 Noon: Lunch—everyone is welcome

1:00pm: Installation and pictures—everyone

Attire: Divan—tuxedos, all others—business casual

2:00pm-5:00pm: Break—on your own

Events at Red Wolf Golf Club

1676 Elm Street, Clarkston, WA

5:00pm-6:00pm: No-host cocktail hour

Attire: business casual

6:00pm-8:00pm: Annual Meeting Dinner

\$40/person

RSVP on website or to Liz in the office by 1/03/25

Red Noses, Big Hearts: A Year of Calam Shrine Klowns

Holy smokes, the year has flown by! Our Illustrious Sir Kenny made the request to wake up the Klown Unit. Of course, before the undertaking of any important activity we must invoke the magic paperwork. We wrote bylaws so we were somewhat Shrine-compliant. Once the paperwork was approved, it feels as if we hit the ground running. George "Jingles" Rotas, Brady "Smiley" O'Kelley, John "Beezee" Zeller, and Mel "Choo Choo" Neil were the founding fathers of the revived Klown Unit. We have had 4 ladies from the Daughters of the Nile and Jingles's lady, Chrissy "Miss Sunshine" Rotas show interest.

We attended the Asotin Parade as our first activity in makeup. Doc fell off the Ornamental Band wagon and got left behind stickering and high-fiving kids young and old. Doc was saved by the cleanup crew who gave a ride back to Nitosa. A great time was had at a BBQ at IS Kenny's house.

We klowned our Illustrious Sir Kenny at our quarterly meeting in Coeur d'Alene by making sure he had companionship on his long and lonely travels when Lady Becky was not with Kenny by giving him a traveling monkey complete with care instructions!



We again caught IS Kenny somewhat unaware in Bonners Ferry at his next quarterly meeting. We made him into the #1 honorary flamingo by conferring upon him the Degree of the Pink Flamingo.

Kenny thought the fun should be shared with his friend Illustrious Sir Jeff Lane of El Katif. We ambushed IS Jeff at

one of his meetings in Spokane. Illustrious Sir Jeff had to be vouched for and IS Kenny stepped up to do that. We presented him with fancy flamingo headgear and IS Jeff became the #2 flamingo. A conversation ensued



between the two Illustrious Sirs as to who had the biggest flamingo!

In the meantime, our flock of flamingos grew. We were asked by IS Kenny to confer the flamingo degree on our dignitaries at Kenny's Pote's Ball, including our own Liz Westacott, a couple of klowns, the Queen of the Nile and yet another visiting Potentate.



When we left that night we left flocking regalia with Worshipful Mark Worthington and Kara, Queen of the Nile, Brown for their respectful lodges and courts.

We also administered our Klown soon-to-be Potentate's test on our very own soon-to-be Potentate Dan Bundy. Prior to this test the high score was held by El Katif's IS Jeff Lane at 2,702 points. Our soon-to-be Potentate scored 7,200!! Congrats soon-to-be Pote Dan!!

We also flocked the Spirit Lake Blue Lodge and the Hayden Jobe's daughters and their adult advisors! Our flock today stands at just short of 90 flocked flamingos.

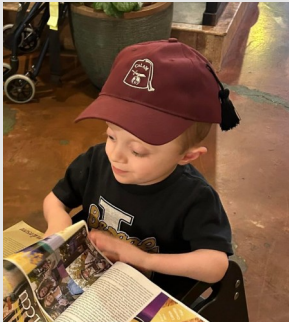
We went to the Lewiston Roundup Parade and while waiting for the show to get on the road made some road apple pies.



The director's staff put Doc on the firetruck and Smiley came on his swing bike. Speshul Ed Soderstrom was placed strategically in the back of a pickup for traction!!

After the Round Up parade we went to Southway Pizza and klowned a little boy who was sitting towards the back of the restaurant. As we were talking with his parents, they told us that he was a Shriner's kid! When we left, the little boy had a

Calam Shrine baseball hat on his head. That brought a tear to my eye!!!



We had a short version of Klown College in Moscow, thanks to the Paradise Masonic Lodge. We tied a ton and a half of balloons, learned the basics of makeup, and did a bit about giveaways.

The Legion of Honor has gifted two go carts to our Klown unit! Smiley, our resident mechanic, has the carts up and running, and has completely rebuilt our trailer. With some brotherly love, a contact was made and a sign for advertising on the side of the trailer has been donated. We will take care of that when the weather is warmer.

Last but not least, we were able to experience a Klown Christmas! We klowned at the Calam Shrine Circus in Post Falls. We had two crowds that numbered over 2,500. Being able to klown at a circus is like Christmas for klowns!



We would like to express our appreciation for our Nobility and tolerance from our Illustrious Sir Kenny for sharing the love for what we hope is a long and prosperous future. Thank you, Nobles, one and all!

Notes from the CDA Shrine Club and LOH

A good "Hello" to all.

It’s winter, and we had our first snow fall on November 17th and again on the 20th. We had one more snow that lasted two days and now it has rained ever since with more to come. Those birds, the geese, lied to me when they told me a mean winter was in store. We have had a mild winter so far. Who knows what the next two months will bring. Maybe those geese were right.

The memorial of William "Bill" Hamilton was on Saturday, December 21st, at the CDA Shrine Club. The hall was packed with standing room only. Many Shriners from Idaho and Spokane and a great many of his friends were in attendance. The American Legion presented the folded flag to Gerlinde. Outside was a gun salute. There was a great talk about Bill and his life. After the talk many people, both Shrine Nobles and friends, gave their memories of Bill.

Bill had been a board member since 2012. He was my right-hand man and a great asset to our club. We will greatly miss him. Please keep his family in your prayers.

I have not heard from but a couple of LOH members. Members live miles away and are aging. They can not make it to meetings or volunteer for fundraisers. Therefore, I hate to do this but I think we will close down the LOH. I would like the Shine clubs to have our go-karts to keep in parades. Even the Blue lodges are welcome to obtain karts if they want. They are free to these organizations. We have 4 to give away.

Remember, both Temple and Club dues for 2025 are due.

I hope all had a great Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Robert Green, President and Commander of LOH 208-773-3274

Calam’s 2025 Schedule		
Date	Event	Location
January 2025		
10th	Hospitality Night	Dan and Stacie Bundy’s Lewiston, ID
11th	Annual Meeting and Installation	Nez Perce Lodge #10 Lewiston, ID
11th	Annual Meeting Dinner	Red Wolf Golf Club, Clarkston, WA
February 2025		
20-22th	Winter PNSA	Spokane, WA
22nd	Dart Tournament	Sports Edition 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

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 build-
ing prior to the Blue Lodge monthly meeting

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