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Deadline for articles are DUE, **November 14th** for December 2019 issue.

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# POTENTATE'S MESSAGE



Greetings Nobles, Ladies, and Friends! This years Hospital fundraiser was a big success, our goal this year was to raise funds to purchase a new van for the Pasadena Medical Center, thanks to your generosity, we will reach our goal this year, and will be able to purchase a new van. I would like to thank each and every one of you for your support. Assistant Rabban, Mike Sekera and his committee did an amazing job planning the event, along with the support from Aaron Hanson from our Pasadena Medical Center who was our MC for the evening. Thank you, Noble Aaron Hanson, for an amazing evening and welcoming us all

aboard your Airship, in addition to donating some amazing items to auction off, and for arranging our special guest Marius Woodward. Shrine International Ambassador from 2016.

Marius Woodward, is a true inspiration!

Marius was born in a small village in Romania.

In 2007, when he was only 8 years old, a family altercation resulted in a terrible house fire. Marius remembers escaping the flames through one of the windows and landing at the back of the house where a neighbor found him.

Marius had severe burns over 75 percent of his body, and had lost all of his fingers and his nose. The fire had also taken his parents; his siblings were spared, possibly only because they were not at home when the incident occurred.

Marius spent eight months at a hospital in Romania, where he met two students from Brigham Young University, Ashley Ludlow and Jessica Free, who were participating in a special program and visited the hospital. Realizing that the child would not receive all the care he needed in Romania,

the girls enlisted their families' assistance to bring Marius to the U.S.

Eventually, Marius was adopted by Ashley's family, the Woodwards, and began treatment at Shriners Hospitals for Children — Los Angeles, where he underwent many surgeries, including a multiple toe-to-hand transfer, which would allow him to be much more independent. Marius is believed to be the first in the world to have a transfer of this type involving six toes.

Today, Marius is an active 17-year-old high school student who, despite having only two toes and

six new fingers, is able to play football and soccer; his goal is to become a motivational speaker and a model, to demonstrate that his scars make him who he is and to encourage acceptance, despite outward appearance.

Working together We truly Give Help-Heal Kids-Change Lives

Fraternally, Mike Selix Potentate El Bekal Shrine

# El Bekal Annual Meeting, Election, and Installation of Officers

Being held at the El Bekal Shrine 1320 S. Sanderson Avenue, Anaheim, CA 92806

Annual Meeting, Program and Dinner Honoring Illustrious Sir Michael Selix and First Lady

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the regular scheduled ANNUAL MEETING of El Bekal Shrine will be held on Saturday, January 4, 2020 at the El Bekal Shrine Center, 1320 S. Sanderson Ave., Anaheim, CA 92806, commencing at 2:00pm. Business to be conducted will include voting on all petitions received since our last Stated Meeting and adjustments to Shrine budget. Annual Elections and such other business as shall come before the Nobility.

2020 Dues Cards required, wear your Fez. By-laws are available for inspection at the Shrine Center office.

Fraternally, Michael Selix
Potentate

Attest: Coy Love P.P. Recorder

Schedule: 2:00pm Business Meeting, El Bekal Shrine Center, 2020 Dues Cards required. 4:00pm Potentates Hospitality, open to the general Nobility and their Ladies. 5:00pm Dinner for Nobles and their Ladies, Awards for 2019, Installation of 2020 Officers.

Attire: Nobles, for the evening & dinner, Tuxedo or Coat & Tie with Fez. Ladies, for the evening & dinner, Cocktail Dress or Formal. Pick up your tickets for seating reservations at El Bekal Shrine Center foyer.

# IN AND OUT 2020 SATURDAY, JANUARY 4.





Reservation Form for In &	Out Dinner 2020 must be made by Friday December 27, 2019. Tickets	will not be sold at
the Door. Please reserve [	[] place(s) for the In & Out Dinner \$30.00 per person. \$	

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# **MESSAGE FROM THE CHIEF RABBAN**

Congratulations to our 1<sub>st</sub> Ceremonial Master Jim Ridley on receiving the Hiram Award from Desert Daylight Lodge. He has been an extremely active member of his lodges and the family of freemasonry. He richly deserved this prestigious award. Also congratulations to Lady Sharon Jazwiecki, wife of Noble and Tin Lizzie member Al Jazwiecki, for being installed as Worthy Grand Matron for Eastern Star in California. Hope you have a great year. I also want to thank our 2nd Ceremonial Master Carl Smith and his Lady Sheri for the great job they are doing with Monday Night Football.

Most of September we were on the Potentate's Cruise to Alaska. The beauty of Alaska is amazing and everyone had a great trip. The weather was cool since it was the last cruise of the season, but we only got a little rain. The shows on the ship were fantastic and there was more food that we could eat. Kim and I



attended the Great Alaskan Lumberjack Show in Ketchikan. It was very

entertaining. In Juneau we went on a whale watching trip. We saw lots of humpback whales and were lucky enough to see orcas. Only 5% on these trips get to see orcas. Many of us



took the tram to Mt. Roberts to see the breathtaking views of Alaska's capital city. In Skagway many of us the White Pass train to see more of the beauty of Alaska. At one point the train had to stop because a bear was on the tracks. Joe Stout got a picture of the bear. Six of us then







went on a dog sledding adventure. The summer sleds are 6-man golf carts and they use them to train the dogs for their winter competitions. The dogs

love to run and got so excited when we drove up. This was a fantastic excursion, and then we got to hold puppies. What a great time! We also traveled through Glacier Bay

National Park. The glaciers were incredible. It is so sad that

they are receding. The ship had a cruise long scavenger hunt that required 25 photos, 25 signatures, and 25 items. Only 7 groups completed all 75 items,



and we won one of the three prizes given out.



Thanks to Illustrious Sir Mike and Lady Michelle for a wonderful trip. Merritt Read Chief Rabban

# **MESSAGE FROM THE ASSISTANT RABBAN**



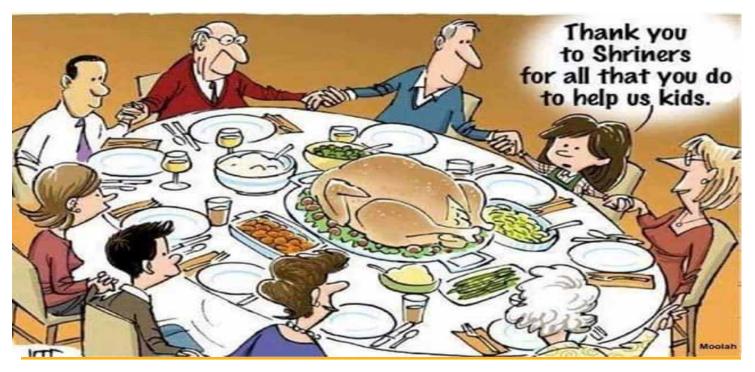
Michael Sekera, Assistant Rabbban

Nobles,

As we bid are last farewell to the summer of 2019, I look forward to El Bekal Shrine center and what it has to offer to you and your family, but most of all what it offers to the nobility. Things continue to change at El Bekal Shrine and you can be an integral part of the future. The role it plays in our fraternity, community life and support of our most precious Shriners Medical Centers for Children. The opportunities are endless for us as a Shrine center to grow, but there is one thing missing, your involvement, your motivation and your determination to make the world a better place. When you became a Shriner at El Bekal you made a commitment to work and help the children of the world that have disabilities. Since the first Shriners Hospital opened in 1922, the healthcare system has improved the lives of more than 1 million children. Yes, you are needed to help change the world and make El Bekal a better place. Your age is not a factor,

you have the ability and opportunity and endless avenues to pursue. Now go to your closet and reach up to your top shelf, take your Fez down and put it on and already you should feel better. Now gaze into the mirror and your almost ready to make a difference. Make that difference. Now that you have your fez on and you represent El Bekal Shrine. Sit down and write down a few things that can help our shrine today or in the future, as a El Bekal Shriner you're an important part of our fraternity and your input is very important, your knowledge and background and years of life experience is the greatest asset to us. Please let me know your ideas and your concerns to help us once again become of one of the leading Shrine centers. To do this you don't need a computer, you don't need to write a book or an essay all you need to do is jot some of your thoughts down on a napkin and give me a call. I look forward to your input and remember we all took the same journey to get our fez. Your part as a Shriner is not over.

Fraternally & Sincerely, Michael J. Sekera, Assistant Rabban



# MESSAGE FROM THE HP&P



Greetings Nobles,

November is here and besides Thanksgiving, that means the beginning of Installation of Officers season for Lodges and Eastern Star Chapters. Why do I mention this? Because an Installation is a great opportunity to recruit new members for our Shrine. Officers and members of every Lodge are potential Shriners. Think about this, too: every lady of Eastern Star has to have a Mason in her family. The same is true for members of many other concordant bodies like Amaranth, White Shrine and more. If we can find that Mason, then there's another potential Shriner.

There are even potential Candidates to be found at youth group events. Parents and relatives of those young people have certainly learned a bit about Freemasonry and usually have a favorable opinion of the Fraternity. Many of

them are already Masons. Sometimes all it takes is a few well chosen words to get them to request a petition.

So what can we as Shriners do to take advantage of these events? First of all, we have to show up for them and meet any potential candidates. Film Director. Marshall Brickman once said that "showing up is 80% of success." Talk to these people and explain the virtues of being a Shriner. Tell them about the wonderful work that's being done by our Hospitals. It's helpful to have a few pamphlets and minipetitions in your pocket to hand out. (These are available in the El Bekal office.) Wear something that shows your membership in Shrine, like pins, ties, bolos, shirts or jackets to get their attention. If possible, even wear your Fez. Show that you are proud of being a Shriner and you might get some men to become new Shriners.

Everyone have a happy Thanksgiving!

Fraternally, -Al Turek, HP&P



# Gingerbread House Decorating Contest

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Kits available for pick up at <u>Monday Night Football on Dec 2</u> \*\*\*\*\*\*

Return your UNIQUELY DECORATED Gingerbread House on Dec. 9 at El Bekal By <u>4pm</u> to be judged by the Divan

There will be **1st, 2nd & 3rd** places! Winners will be announced and houses will be displayed at the Pote's Christmas Party! \*\*\*\*

# Houses can be picked up on Dec 16 at El Bekal

PLEASE CONTACT LADY MICHELLE TO RESERVE YOUR KIT AND FINAL RULES FOR DECORATING-

(714)728-9005

HAPPY DECORATING AND GOOD LUCK!

# Shriners for Children Medical Center Happenings for September 2019

On Wednesday, September 18, 2019 the monthly meeting of the Board of Governors that was held in Tijuana,

BC, Mexico. The day started from Al Bahr Shrine using their Vans which transported us to the present facility. This facility grew too small too fast having some 700 patient per month.

Visiting the facility even on a quiet day seemed a bit overcrowded, but we managed to complete our visit/tour. It was interesting to hear about how so many patients were accommodated with such a small facility. We then went to the big Hospital Angeles in downtown Tijuana, it was an education to see how Tijuana was a very modern city with the Shopping Centers and having new





cars as we have in the United States. There are some poverty areas, again, just as we have here.

The Hospital Angeles is simply amazing, all modern. Everywhere you look it is sparkling clean. There were no waiting lines to speak of. The Administrator told us that (waiting lines) were a big issue some



time ago, but was fixed with a more efficient scheduling program.



The Board of Governors had their meeting where it was disclosed that the Shriners would be moving into this facility by this year's end occupying 12 rooms.

Most of these rooms will be converted to Office and Examining rooms. Having the Hospital Angeles in the same building is a plus plus situation.





When the Shriners move into Hospital Angeles, even with the said 700 patients per month, it should relieve the pressure of the operation.



The hospital tour was given by the actual Hospital Director who was very detailed, there were not many questions when he was through. The entire day was time well spent having lots of information about where our future rest in respect to Tijuana.

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El Bekal Nomads RV Club

This is to inform everyone that you may not want to associate with the members of the El Bekal Nomad RV Club. We were declared persona non-gratis and were abruptly thrown out of the restaurant where we were just starting to hold our October dinner meeting.

There was twelve of us who were told to pick up our stuff and leave. The root problem was our expectation that the side room we have been reserving and meeting in for several months was reserved for our use, as it had previously been. But the restaurant co-owner decided to over-rule her partner and seat other customers in the room with us, which caused a noise level that made holding a meeting impossible. She also objected to us placing a small American flag on the table and said it was rude to do so. She told us we did not have to pay for our partially consumed beer and wine but we were to pick up and leave, which we did.

WE gathered in the parking lot and greed to give the Marie Calendars restaurant on Brookhurst Street in Fountain Valley a call to see if they could accommodate us. They said yes and they got busy and cleaned up a small meeting room for us that was private and perfect. Once seated, we had a lively discussion related to our experience and ultimately were lulled into listening to Sue Williams practice her no holes barred standup comedy routine. Thankfully Sue didn't charge us a cover charge but it was certainly worth one. Many of the restaurant customers seated just outside our private room also enjoyed our fun. Needless to say, next month's Nomad meeting is at Marie Calendars in Fountain Valley. Give our VP, Bruce Shaphran, a call at 310 486 1332 to reserve a seat at our next meeting if you don't care who you associate with.





# MONDAY NIGHT FOOTBALL



September 9 thru December 2

September 9	Texans @ Saints	5:30 PM
	Broncos @ Raiders	
September 16	Browns @ Jets	5:30 PM
September 23	Bears @ Redskins	5:30 PM
September 30	Bengals @ Steelers	5:30 PM
October 7	Browns @ 49ers	5:30 PM
October 21	Patriots @ Jets	5:30 PM
October 28	Dolphins @ Steelers	5:30 PM
November 4	Cowboys @ Giants	5:30 PM
November 11	Seahawks @ 49ers	5:30 PM
November 18	Chiefs @ Chargers	5;30 PM
November 25	Ravens @ Rams	5:30 PM
December 2	Vikings @ Seahawks	5:30 PM

# HOSTS

September 9		October 28	
September 16	Director Staff	November 4	Ali Baba's
September 23	Claybusters	November 11	Past Masters
September 30	South Coast S/C	November 18	Valencia S/C
October 7	Royal Chariots	November 25	Golf/Divan
October 21	Bruins	December 2	Divan

# Still ONLY \$5.00



If you have any questions please contact Carl Smith Jr. doc2pacs@earthlink.net 714-337-4696 www.elbekalshrine.com

































































































On Sunday, October 16th Wor. Jim Ridley was the recipient of the distinguished Hiram Award. The event took place at Hemet Lodge at Hemet, California







Introducing Heroes Among Us, our First Lady's Program





It is an honor and privilege for me to walk by Jeff's side this year as he serves the Shrine Masons around the world as Imperial Potentate. I look forward to meeting new friends and spending time with old friends as we travel this year. Everyone connected with Shriners Hospitals for Children knows we provide quality, compassionate care that impacts and changes lives. However, the effect of our efforts becomes most clear when our patients and families share their stories – share what Shriners Hospitals for Children has meant in their lives. These are the stories that are the most meaningful, touch our hearts and souls and inspire us to want to do more.

### Helping Our Heroes

Our wonderful patients who want to share their stories – our patient ambassadors – truly are the "Heroes" of our health care system. They give hope and inspiration to others and reinforce the message that Shriners Hospitals for Children provides life-changing care.

As First Lady of Shriners International, I want to strengthen our patient ambassador program and give these amazing children the opportunity to take their passion for sharing their love and appreciation for Shriners Hospitals for Children to the next level.

My program, *Heroes Among Us*, will establish a more structured, supportive, system-wide patient ambassador program that will help provide these kids with skills that will benefit them throughout their lives, including developing effective public speaking techniques. They tell the Shriners Hospitals for Children story better than anyone else can, so let's recognize, encourage, and empower them.

### The Power of Women

Also, as First Lady, I am initiating *Women & Philanthropy*, a program that will benefit Shriners Hospitals for Children. Membership is open to all women – women of all ages and backgrounds, women around the world. The only criteria is having a passion and concern for others and a heartfelt desire to make the world a better place and improve the lives of children. As women, we have an increasing ability to effect change through our own leadership and philanthropic initiatives. Members recognize that by combining their efforts, their gift goes further and has greater influence.

Ladies, would you please join me and become one of the **Founding Members** of *Women & Philanthropy*, Shriners Hospitals for Children, and join our community of missiondriven women by committing to an annual gift of \$500? Membership includes a commemorative necklace, collectible pin, special event invitations, and opportunities to connect, learn and lead. *Women & Philanthropy* will enhance the efforts of Shriners Hospitals for Children by supporting the annual First Lady's program. Next year, at our 2020 Imperial Session in Kansas City, Missouri, I will host a "Divas Making a Difference" social for ALL women. At this event, the Founding Members of *Women & Philanthropy* will demonstrate the power of coming together to make a real, meaningful difference.

I invite all women, including those who are our physicians, nurses, therapists, administrators, vice presidents, staff members, volunteers – and members of the worldwide community who support the amazing, life-changing work of Shriners Hospitals for Children – to join us.

Together, we will be unstoppable. Together, we can make a real, tangible and powerful difference in the lives of children everywhere.

Sincerely,

Charge & Source

Cheryl Sowder First Lady, Shriners International

Please visit lovetotherescue.org/first-lady-program.

# El BEKAL CLAYBUSTERS TURKEY SHOOT & POV 30 shooter spots available!

The Claybusters

Turkey Shoot & POV will be on November 17, 2019 from 11-1pm. Come out and win a Turkey for the holidays! 2 rounds of Trap.

Turkey prizes for high score men & women shooters. \$50/shooter includes lunch. \$5.00/non-shooter lunch. A one time score enhancing chance for \$10.00

# **Reservations Required by Nov. 13**



Call to reserve a spot to: Bob Thomas 714-345-8092 Wyatt Hoag 714-628-7647 Ted Segerstrom 714-329-9861





Prado Dam Olympic Shooting Park 17501 Pomona Rincon Rd Chino, Ca. 91708



If you are located in the South Orange County area and looking for a connection to the Shrine, may we suggest you consider South Coast Shrine Club, "The Host of the Coast". South Coast was chartered in 1954 and is under the jurisdiction of **El Bekal** Shrine Center. We are a group of Shrine Masons, Ladies, Honored Ladies and friends from a number of jurisdictions around the world who enjoy each other's company, good food, fellowship and our dedication to Shriners International & Shriners Hospitals for Children. We also have an active group of ladies who are an important part of our Club. We have several social events outside our dinner meetings such as theater parties, trips and our Italian Night & Potentate's Visitation party.

We meet on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday night of each month at Polly's Pies, Moulton Parkway & Santa Maria, in Laguna Hills. Social time is at 6:00 PM with a no-host social hour before that we refer to as, "lies and old war stories time" followed by dinner. We order from the standard menu and pay our own checks. Reservations are suggested to assure correct seating set up. The location is convenient, the food and service good and the fellowship warm and friendly.

We distribute our newsletter (Bulletin) monthly and offer you the opportunity to visit and/or join our group. There will be no pressure or solicitation. While we welcome you to our meetings, the decision to affiliate with South Coast is entirely a matter of your personal choice. It is the Brotherhood of other Shriners and Ladies that we offer, with no strings attached.

If you think you would like to join us, we'd be glad to see you. If you have any questions, or need further details or directions, please feel free to contact me directly at 949/584-9716 or at: <u>southcoastshrine@sbcglobal.net</u>. We would be proud to have you associate with us. We welcome the opportunity to extend to you the hand of Shrine Fellowship. You are always **WELCOME** at South Coast.

Fraternally, *Chuck Wilson*, Bulletin Editor

# Some helpful websites

El Bekal: elbekal.com Facebook: facebook.com/elbekalshrine/ ShrinersVillage.com (Need membership No. to join) beashrinernow.com webfez.shrinenet.org/ (Need membership No. to join) webfez.shrinenet.org/referral shrinershospitalsforchildren.org imperial2019.com westernshrine.org



Hi Noble, looking for a place for lunch? May we suggest Valencia Shrine Club?

If you're looking for a place to connect with other Nobles of El Bekal and Shriners International, look no further than Valencia Shrine Club. We meet every Thursday for lunch and social communication, otherwise referred to in some places as 'Lies, exaggerations & old war stories".

We gather at the Garden Grove Elks Club on Trask & Newhope in Garden Grove every Thursday for an 11:30 Social time followed by lunch, ordered from the menu, and fellowship with Brother Nobles and guests.

On month's with 5 Thursdays, or about quarterly, we conduct our special Lady's Day program inviting our Ladies, Honored Ladies, significant others and guests. We offer a special meal and program with live entertainment designed for the enjoyment of all. However, on Lady's Day reservations are a MUST.

So, stop by for a visit. No reservation required, the first lunch is on the Club and we just love company, especially Nobles.



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El Bekal Member #\_\_\_\_\_

Date:



PETITION FOR INITIATION AND MEMBERSHIP INTO EL BEKAL SHRINE 1320 S. Sanderson Ave. Anaheim, CA 92806 (714) 563-9111

To the Illustrious Potentate, Officers and Nobles of El Bekal Shrine, Shriners International, Situated in the Oasis of Anaheim, Desert of California. I the undersigned hereby declare that I am a Master Mason in good standing in

	Lodge No located at
declared clandestine; th required by the bylaws Order, and respectfully	ow, and never will hold membership in or allegiance to anybody claiming to be Masonic that has been hat I have resided within the jurisdiction of your Shrine, or unoccupied territory, not less than 6 months, as of The Imperial Council and that I am not under suspension or expulsion in the prerequisite body to this pray that I may be made a Noble of the Mystic Shrine, and become a member of your Shrine. If I be found t granted, I promise to conform to the Articles of Incorporation and bylaws of the Imperial Council and the s or your Shrine.
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# The Orange County Noblettes Cordially Invite you to our Christmas Party

Date: Location: Friday, December 13, 2019
Dad Miller Golf Course Restaurant
430 N. Gilbert Street, Anaheim, Ca
Phone 714 533-8015
Dad Miller Golf Course is on Gilbert Street
Between Lincoln Ave. and Crescent St.
11:30 am Social
12:00 Lunch

Time:

1:00 Entertainment by the Savanna High School Chorus

Donation:

on: \$32.00 per person

We will be having a delicious Holiday meal including desert.

Please RSVP to Joi Sorensen 562 201-0025 or Nancy Lorenzen 714 828-6526 by December 6th.

Family and friends are welcome to share our Holiday Cheer.



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You are cordially invited to the El Bekal Oasis Patrol, Nomads and Ali Baba Purveyor's annual



Sunday, December 8, 2019 Social Hour at 6:00 pm Dinner at 7:00 pm Catered by Lucci's at the Shrine Center Dance to the music of Punch and Judy Cost per person \$25.00 Christmas Casual

Please RSVP by 11 November 2019 and send your checks to Nomad Treasurer, Dale Edwards at 9649 La Esperanza Ave., Fountain Valley, CA 92708-3554 Please Make the Checks payable to: "Nomads Shrine Club"

# **AMBASSADOR PROGRAM**

# Become a Charter Member of the Ambassadors Club

What is an Ambassador?

The Ambassador is a unique role in El Bekal Shrine, relevant to the unique nature of the Shrine itself. They are called Ambassadors. As the name has changed so the role has evolved over the years and they are now a very important part of El Bekal Shrine structure.

Who can be an Ambassadors?

Any member of El Bekal Shrine lodge who feels he can successfully carry out the duties described below can be appointed by the Chairmen. Anyone who wishes to volunteer for the ensuing year should contact the Potentate. If appointed it is expected that the Ambassadors will play an active part in the role when and if occasion demands

What are the duties of an Ambassador?

Whilst the list of duties may seem onerous there is often little to do but it is expected that these duties will be carried out diligently and promptly when required.

The principal duty is to assist in the administration of El Bekal Shrine which will include: -

- To assist the Secretary to locate members with whom we have lost contact.
- To assist the Treasurer to collect outstanding dues and subscriptions when serious arrears arise.
- To assist the Almoner in cases of sickness and distress and to act as the eyes and ears of the almoner in his area of responsibility.
- To assist the Assistant Secretary in the administration of applications to join El Bekal Shrine.
- Annual Dues are \$10.00 per year.
- The only special skill needed is to enjoy each other, people and we'll teach you the rest.

Want to know more?

Please contact the El Bekal Shrine

# Who are the Shriners?

Shriners International is a fraternity based on fun, fellowship and the Masonic principles of brotherly love, truth and relief.

We are committed to:

- Being the premier fraternal organization for men of good character
- Having great programs and activities for Shriners and their families and friends in a spirit of fun, fellowship and social camaraderie
- Fostering self-improvement through leadership opportunities, education, the perpetuation of moral values and being involved in our communities
- Serving mankind through our philanthropy: Shriners Hospitals for Children<sup>®</sup>

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# **Ambassadors Club**

Nobles Name:					
First	Middle			Last	
Email:	@				
Ladies Name:					
First	Middle			Last	
Email:	@				
Telephone Numbers:					
Residen	ce	Business		Mobile	
Home Address:					
	Street		City	State	Zip
Anniversary Date:					
Nobles Birthday:					
Years as a Master Mason:	Years as a Shriner:				
Clubs you're a member of:					
Units you're a member of:					
Ladies Birthday:					
Organization You're a member of:					
Awards you have both received:					
Blue Lodge & No.:					
	St	ate	(Current Blue L	odge if Different)	
Occupation (be specific):		or check			
			Retired		

# 2020 EL BEKAL CRUISE

Final details for the 2020 El Bekal Cruise are not available yet. But the cruise itself has been finalized. The Enchanted Princess, which makes it's maiden voyage in June 2020, will sail from Barcelona, Spain on Saturday, September 5, 2020. The fantastic ports-of-call are Gibraltar, Marseille, France, Genoa, Italy and Florence/Pisa, Italy. The ship will arrive in Civitavecchia, Italy for our trip to Rome on Saturday, September 12. We have reserved 12 Balcony and 12 Interior Cabins, in addition to the Owner's Suite which Kim and I have reserved. We already have several couples signed up for the cruise at this early date. We are going through Cruise Holidays of Upland. Our contact is Bonnie and her phone number is 909-946-6033. Refundable reservations can be made at this time through Bonnie. They are refundable until May 28, 2020. A small number of mini-suites are available at this time, but they may not last. We recommend if you are thinking about going on this cruise, you reserve your cabin as soon as possible. Here is a tentative plan for the trip:

## Wednesday, September 2, 2020 Fly from LAX

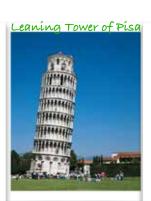
Thursday, September 3, 2020 Arrive in Barcelona in the afternoon. Dinner at a Flamenco Show. Friday, September 4, 2020 All day tour of Barcelona. Dinner somewhere. Saturday AM, September 5, 2020 Morning tour of the incredible Sagrada Familia. Saturday PM, September 5, 2020 Board the ship which sails at 10 PM. Sunday, September 6, 2020 Sea day. Monday, September 7, 2020 Gibraltar Tuesday, September 8, 2020 Sea day. Wednesday, September 9, 2020 Marseille, France Thursday, September 10, 2020 Genoa, Italy Friday, September 11, 2020 Florence/Pisa, Italy Saturday AM, September 12, 2020 Arrive at Civitavecchia, Italy and travel to Rome. Saturday PM, September 13, 2020 Afternoon on your own. Evening dinner/night tour of Colosseum. Sunday, September 13, 2020 All day tour of Rome. Monday, September 14, 2020 All day tour of Vatican. Tuesday, September 15, 2020 Fly home.

Except for the cruise, the rest of the schedule is not set in stone yet. We will arrange for the tours in Barcelona and Rome. Cruise excursions are on your own. There will be opportunities to gather in our suite at the back of the ship, which has a large balcony. Total cost of the trip has not been determined at this time. We hope you will join us on this exciting trip in 2020. Merritt and Kim Read



Sagrada Famílía





Colosseum





# Merret Temple No. 103 Daughters of the Nile

Cordially invites you to attend the Official Visit

of Dale Sullivan Obernolte, Supreme Queen

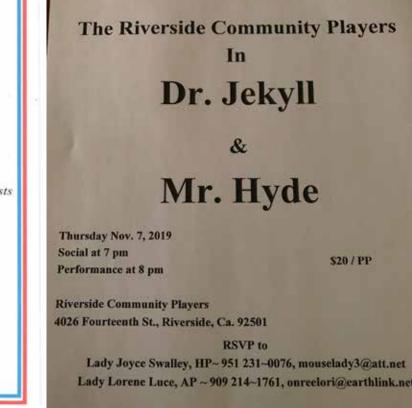
Sunday, January 26, 2020 Ceremonial 2:00 PM Dinner 5:30 PM Cost \$25.00

Past Supreme Queens & Supreme Officers are guests

To be held at DeMolay Center 303 W. Lincoln Avenue Anaheim, California

Reservations to be made with Pr. Sandy Alderman 2220 Lake Glen Dr. #58 La Habra, CA 90631 (562) 274-3324

Checks payable to Merret Temple No. 103 Must accompany reservations by January 15, 2020



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24 POV Romona SC	<b>25</b> MN Football	26	27	Z Thanksgivin Day		29 30 Ginger Bread Contest

# El Bekal Parade Schedule 2019

November 9<sup>th</sup> December 7<sup>th</sup> Riverside Veterans Day Laguna Nigel Holiday Parade

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SUN		MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	01	<b>02</b> MN Football	03	04	05	06	<b>07</b> Laguna Niguel Christmas Parade
	80	09	<b>10</b> Divan/Board Meeting	11	12	13	14
	15	16	17	18	19	20	21
	22	<b>23</b> Start Hanukkah	24	25 Christmas	26	27	28
	29	<b>30</b> End Hanukkah	31				

# **FREEMASON LODGES**

Anaheim #207 303 W. Lincoln Ave. Anaheim, CA 92805 Stated Mtg. 1st Wed. (714) 891-1482

Coachella #476 51100 Jackson St. Coachella, CA 92236 Stated Mtg. 1st Thur. (760) 398-5157

Fontana #653 16650 Arrow Blvd. Fontana, CA 92335 Stated Mtg 1st Mon. (909) 730-3571

Huntington Beach #380 601 Palm Ave. Huntington Beach, CA 92648 Stated Mtg. 1st. Wed. (714) 536-3119

Long Beach #327 3610 Locust Ave. Long Beach, CA 90807 Stated Mtg. 1st. Thurs. (562) 427-0821

Saddleback Laguna #672 23685 Birtcher Dr. Lake Forest, CA 92630 Stated Mtg. 1st. Thurs. (949) 458-5750

Veritas Lodge #855 24642 San Juan Ave. Dana Point, CA 92629 Stated Mtg. 2nd Thurs. (949) 441-0357



Alhambra #322 9 W. Woodward Ave. Alhambra, CA 91801 Stated Mtg. 1st. Monday (626) 281-7950

Cornerstone #659 1701 W. La Habra Blvd. La Habra, CA 90631 Stated Mtg. 1st. Wed. (562) 691-1476

Garden Grove #351 11270 Acacia Pky. Garden Grove, CA 92840 Stated Mtg. 1st Tues. (714) 636-3112

Int. City Lodge #389 5155 E. PCH Long Beach, 90804 Stated Mtg. 1st Thrs. (714)322-8003

Menifee Valley #289 27221 McCall Blvd. Menifee, CA 92586 Stated Mtg. 1st. Thurs. (951) 679-9493

Solomon's Staircase #357 6841 Western Ave. Buena Park, CA 90621 Stated Mtg. 1st. Thurs. (714) 994-1822

Yorba Linda #469 4847 Main St. Yorba Linda, CA 92886 Stated Mtg. 1st. Thurs. (714) 758-5954 Artesia Sunrise #377 11531 187th St. Artesia, CA 90701 Stated Mtg. 2nd Thurs

Gateway #339 500 E. Imperial Hwy. Brea, CA 92821 Stated Mtg. 1st Tues (714) 256-1452

Golden Trowel Norwalk 273 12345 Rosecrans Ave. Norwalk, CA 90650 Stated Mtg. 2nd Thur (562) 863-9101

Irvine Valley #671 23685 Birtcher Dr. Lake Forest, CA 92630 Stated Mtg. 1st. Tues. (949) 357-0671

Newport Mesa #604 1401 E. 15th. St. Newport Beach, CA 92663 Stated Mtg. 1st. Wed. (949) 294-4309

Temescal Palms #314 2313 Main St. Corona, CA 92882 Stated Mtg. 1st Tues. (951) 737-2013 Bellflower #320 9813 Beach St. Bellflower, CA 90706 Stated Mtg. 1st. Tues (562) 866-4953

Downey United #220 8244 Third St. Downey, CA 90241 Stated Mtg. 1st. Thurs. (562) 862-4176

Granada Hills #378 16535 Rinald St. Granada Hills, CA 91340 Stated Mtg. 1st Wed. (818) 233-0378

La Harbra Lodge #659 1701 W. La Habra Blvd. La Habra, 90631 (714) 990-4462 (562) 691-1476

Orange Grove #293 71 Plaza Sq. Orange, CA 92866 Stated Mtg. 1st. Tues. (714) 538-1443

Temecula -Catalina lodge #524 27895 Diaz Rd. Temecula, CA 92590 (951) 695-0811 Blyth-Needles #473 100 Murphy St. Blyth, CA 92225 Stated Mtg. 1st Wed (760) 922-9253

Evergreen #259 5801 Chicago Ave. Riverside, CA 92821 Stated Mtg. 1st. Wed PO Box 56564 (909) 261-9134

Hemet San Jacinto #338 150 Laursen St. Hemet, CA 92543 Stated Mtg. 1st. Tues. (951) 925-1417

Lakewood #728 5918 E. Parkcrest St. Long Beach, CA 90808 Stated Mtg. 1st Thurs. (562) 354-0728

Riverside #635 6785 Palm Ave. Riverside, CA 92516 Stated Mtg. 1st. Thurs. Riversidelodge635.com (951) 530-8059

Tustin #241 397 El Camino Real Tustin, CA 92780 Stated Mtg. 1st Thurs. (714) 832-0691

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# **To: Peter Vega**

At: Hemet-San Jacinto Lodge #338 By: Harold Whitford & Allan Bowman

# **To: A New Master Mason**

At: Your Lodge By: You

> To: At: By:

# See Coy Love for a Flag to Present to a new MM at your lodge.

### REMEMBER! SUPPORT YOUR BLUE LODGE, YOU MIGHT EVEN FIND A FUTURE SHRINER

Nobles, get to know these new Master Masons, get them interested in Shrinedom, show them around.

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To refer a patient to Shriners Hospital for Children—Los Angeles, call the patient referral line at: (800) 237-5055

You may also e-mail: **patientreferrals@shrinernet.net** to get a referral started.

### PAST POTENTATES

*	Cedric S. Perry	1952
*	Francis H. Gentry	1953
*		
	Robert R. Ruchti	1954
*	Oakley K. Morton	1955
*	W. Blair Gibbens	1956
*	Edward M. Humes	1957
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	Cecil L. Fulcher	1958
*	Robert H. Webb	1959
*	George F. Thagard, Sr.	1960
*		
	James Munholland	1961
*	Ralph E. Barnes	1962
*	Jessie M. Allen	1963
*		
	Roy T. Reynolds (Lucille)	1964
*	Leroy H. Crager	1965
*	Roy A. Hopkins	1966
*	Louis J. Anfinson	1967
*		
	J.S. Scotty Finlay	1968
*	J. Dick Sisemore	1969
*	Archie Lloyd	1970
*		
	C.R. Jerry Johnson	1971
*	Howard L. Thorp	1972
*	Kirby C. Serles	1973
*	Robert R. Ruchti II (Diana)	1974
*		
	Max G. Miller (Jean)	1975
*	Henry W. Eilers	1976
*	Ralph C. Bryson (Edie)	1977
*		
	Richard E. Hixson	1978
*	Junior V. Lewis	1979
*	David B. Slayton	1980
*		
	Preston M. Jones	1981
*	Ray G. Thagard, Sr. (Gayle)	1982
*	Louis Andreatta	1983
*	T.D. "Ted" Grinager (Erna)	1984
*		
	Steve Gallina	1985
	Fred Sorsabal (Marlene)	1986
*	Harold E. Sievers	1987
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	S.K. Stu Rothchild	1988
*	George Royce	1989
*	Fred Gutierrez (Marie)	1990
*	Robert Lash (Donna)	1991
*		
	William Pherrin	1992
*	J. Floyd Price	1993
*	Donald A. Nielsen (Sally)	1994
*		1995
*	Leo Sutliff	
	Richard O. Hughes	1996
*	Max Hiles	1997
*	Don Eyer (Joan)	1998
	Les Dendermest (Mellie)	
<u>ب</u>	Joe Pendergast (Mollie)	1999
*	Ken Jahr (Nancy)	2000
*	Bill McIntosh (Lynne)	2001
*	Art Menzel (Evelyn)	2002
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Ŷ	Ray Biggerstaff (Pauline)	2003
	David P. Suehs (Jo Anne)	2004
	Donald K. Sorsabal	2005
	Ron Schemm, MD (Barbara)	2006
	William Salpaka (Virginia)	2007
	William "Bilİ" Rolànd (Kaý)	2008
	Coy Love (Margaret)	2009
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	Gary Hooper (Sharon)	2010
	John Rider (Barbara)	2011
*	Bill Sizemorè (Lynda)	2012
	George R. Boyd (Mary)	2013
	Roger Ross (Lynn)	2014
	John Kahvedjian (Rosie)	2015
	Donald A. Leger (Gloria)	2016
	Carl G. Spalin (Fran)	2017
	Lorry Criffin (Chand)	
	Larry Griffin (Cheryl)	2018

### Associate Past Potentate

Hans Lindquist, Nile (Priscilla)1998

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Payment for Dues, Reservations, Fund Raisers, Etc. should be made to: **El Bekal Shrine** 

### EL BEKAL STATED MEETING AND ELECTIONS

Saturday, January 4, 2020 Meeting & Election of Officers: 2:00 pm Hospitality: 4:00 pm Dinner: 5:30 pm

Installation following Dinner

Reservations by Monday December 30, 2020 **RESERVATIONS ARE REQUIRED** 

No Dinners will be sold at the door

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: That the Quarterly Meeting and Elections of Officers of El Bekal Shrine Temple will be held on Saturday, January 4, 2020, 2:00 pm at El Bekal Shrine Center. Business to be conducted will include voting on petitions received since our last stated meeting Elections of Officers and such other business as shall come before the Nobility.

### YOUR FEZ & 2020 DUES CARD REQUIRED FOR MEETING

Fraternally, III. Mike Selix Potentate

Attest. Coy Love, P.P. Recorder