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POTENTATE'S MESSAGE



Greetings Nobles, Ladies, and Friends!

The month of August was an absolute blast! We started the month with the La Habra Corn Festival Parade, then the Annual Family Picnic, followed by the 5 Way POV, the Ceremonial at Shriners Medical Center Pasadena, the First Lady Luncheon, and finally the Valencia Shrine Club Lady's Day Luncheon. I want to thank everyone for their help, support, and participation to make these events a true success and fun; it was truly a group effort. Special thanks to:

-Our Divan for their dedication, time, and leadership to El Bekal, to our Medical Center and the Shrine patients, and to the Nobility. They volunteer many hours behind the scenes planning these events and their hard work does

not go unnoticed.

-To our Clubs and Units; the time and effort it takes to keep themselves running, and planning their activities, plus participation and supporting El Bekal and our Medical Center, and Children -Recorder Illustrious Sir Coy Love, who keeps us informed and organized. -Illustrious Sir Larry Griffin, Treasurer and editor of the El Bekalin.

-Noble Russ Allen, who makes sure the building is prepared and set up for our events, along with the logistics of getting the props and supplies to and from the Medical Center for our ceremonial. And also making sure we have all supplies needed to have fun at the annual Family Picnic, and the many parades throughout the years.

-To our membership, for their participation and dedication to El Bekal Shrine and the Medical Center. We welcome your participation, and look forward to seeing you at our future events.

-The Past Potentates, for years of dedication and continued support to El Bekal Shrine, Pasadena Medical Center, and our children.

-To our Ladies of the Shrine for supporting their Nobles, and our Medical Center. Without their support it would be impossible to do all we do, for our Temple's sake, and the future of the Medical Center and Clildren.

It is really amazing to see how much we can get done working together: when we all do a little we can accomplish a lot and make a true impact. Thank you for all continued support to our Temple, to each other, and to the Shriners Medical Center Pasadena. Thank you, thank you. Thank you.

I would like to personally invite you all to the Quarterly Meeting to be held on Monday October 14th, where we will be honoring some very special members with their 25 and 50-year pins. Get your reservation in to recorder Illustrious Sir Coy

Love and RSVP for your free dinner. We look forward to seeing our new members and families in attendance at this meeting.

This year's Hospital fundraiser will be held on Sunday October the 13th and Assistant Rabban Michael Sekera has planned an amazing afternoon for us all. We have special guest Aaron Hanson hosting the afternoon from the Pasadena Medical Center. Please get your reservation in early, and come out to support El Bekal in our fundraising effort as we attempt to supply a new van to transport our patients to and from the Medical Center.

Fraternally, Mike Selix Potentate El Bekal Shrine

GREETINGS NOBLES, LADIES & FRIENDS,



I WOULD LIKE TO TAKE THIS OPPORTUNI-TY TO MENTION HOW MUCH FUN I HAD ORGA-NIZING THE FIRST LADIES LUNCHEON LAST MONTH. OF CORSE, WITH PAT ALLEN BY MY SIDE EVERY STEP OF THE WAY, WE GOT THREW IT TOGETHER. I HOPE EVERYONE WHO CAME TO THE EVENT ENJOYED THEMSELVES AS WELL.

THE THEME WAS VINTAGE KEYS WITH CANDELABRA CENTER PIECES & STUNNING VINTAGE TABLE LINENS. AS YOU KNOW THE "KEY" IS TO "UNLOCK THE HOPE FOR A CHILD AT SHRINERS FOR CHILDREN MEDICAL CENTER" AND THE VINTAGE LOOK IS JUST SOMETHING I HAVE ALWAYS LOVED, COLLECTED AND APPRECIATED FOR AS LONG AS I CAN REMEMBER.

I HAD FUN WITH ALL THE SPECIAL LITTLE TOUCHES, FROM THE LITTLE POTTED SUCCU-LENT FAVORS FOR EVERY LADY WHO CAME, A SPECIAL KEY AT EACH PLACE SETTING FOR EVERY PERSON TO TAKE HOME AS A MEMEN-TO AND THE SPECIAL JEWELRY BOX'S I GAVE TO EACH OF OUR PAST FIRST LADIES AS THEY WERE ANNOUNCED AND ESCORTED TO THEIR SEATS.

I PLANNED THE PERFECT MENU FOR EVERYONE WITH ILL. SIR BRUCE PONOROFF (CHEF PEE AIR) OF AL MALAIKAH SHRINE. THE POSITIVE COMMENTS ARE STILL COMING! I'M GLAD TO HEAR EVERYONE LOVED THE SELECTIONS THAT WERE PICKED OUT SPECIAL WITH YOU ALL IN MIND.

THE ENTERTAINMENT WAS A COMEDY ACT FEATURING: ALEX GETTLIN, CASEY NAVARRO & RACHEL LAFORCE. THEY WERE PRETTY FUNNY!! EVERY NEEDS A GOOD LAUGH ONCE IN A WHILE.

I TRULY HAD A BLAST PLANNING THIS LUNCHEON AND PUTTING MY SPECIAL TOUCHES EVERYWHERE I SEEN FIT.

I WANT TO TAKE THE TIME TO GIVE A SPECIAL THANKS ONCE AGAIN TO PAT AL-

LEN, CHAIRMAN, PATTI SAMBDMAN, VENDOR COORDINATOR & MONEY HAT SALES, ABEER SEKERA, 50/50 TICKET SALES. ELAINE CAMPBELL & LUCY TRIPODO, REGISTRATION TABLE, VERA GEIGER, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE & LUCY TRIPODO, INVOCATION, AIR "J" CATERING & SANCHEZ CATERING, FIESTA, LUYBEN, DILDAY MORTUARY, JOBS DAUGHTERS #5 (ANAHEIM), SERVERS, PURVEYOR'S: BRUCE MINETT, KARL SANDHOFF & LEON LAWLER AND OF CORSE THE VENDORS WHO GIVE IT THAT SPECIAL TOUCH AND HELP TO MAKE THE WHOLE EVENT A LITTLE MORE FUN.

THANK YOU TO ALL OF OUR PAST FIRST LADIES FOR ALL OF YOUR HARD WORK AND EFFORT THAT YOU HAVE CONTRIBUTED TO THE SHRINE OVER THE YEARS, FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE CHILDREN. YOU HAVE MADE A DIFFERENCE IN MANY CHILDREN'S LIVES & THERE FAMILIES. THANK YOU TO ALL ATTENDEE'S IN HONOR OF OUR PAST FIRST LADIES. YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT YEAR AFTER YEAR MEANS SO MUCH. I FEEL HONORED TO BE PART OF THE SHRINE FAMILY.

WITH ALL MY LOVE,

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FIRST LADY, Michelle Selix

Valencia Shrine Club Ladies Day, August 2019

The August Ladies Day ay Valencia Shrine Club was attended by several Ladies from The Inland Empire Honored Ladies.

These gals traveled just about 90 miles one way to make this event. They all were filled with high spirits which made the day for the rest of us.



They are L-R Vera Geiger, Priscilla Linguist, Our First Lady Michelle Selix, Lucy Tripodo, and Janice Bearden.

MESSAGE FROM THE CHIEF RABBAN

There will be an information meeting on Monday, October 7, 2019 at the Shrine Center starting at 7:00 PM for our 2020 Cruise from Barcelona, Spain to Rome, Italy. Meet our travel agent and learn about the cruise, the four ports-of-call, and our plans for visiting Barcelona and Rome. We already have 18 people signed up for the cruise, but there is plenty of room for more. Come have dinner at Monday Night Football and join us for the meeting.

Congratulations and welcome to our 16 new nobles who joined at the Medical Center Ceremonial on August 24. Our new nobles come from many different lodges and we are excited about that. Our ceremonial team did a wonderful job, we had a fine lunch and tours of our great Shriners for Children Medical Center in Pasadena. I encourage all of you to attend as many functions as you can, and also find your niche and join a club or unit. I know that several already have. If you have any questions, contact any of the elected divan members.

The Bruins Club had a watch party on Saturday, September 7th at Kelley's Korner Tavern in Placentia. Five members, along with ladies and guests enjoyed the event. Give me a call if you are interested in joining us for the next get-together. I also want to send my congratulations to Noble Keith Jones who was presented with the Guild of the Leather Apron as the Advisor of the Year for the DeMolay Southern California Jurisdiction at Conclave during Labor Day Weekend.

Merritt Read Chief Rabban



Keith Jones

Bruins Club Watch Party



MESSAGE FROM THE ASSISTANT RABBAN



Michael Sekera, Assistant Rabbban

Nobles and Ladies All,

We have our Hospital Fundraiser on October 13th at El Bekal Shrine Center. The theme this year is "Steam Punk" being presented by our very own Aaron Henson from the Shriners Medical Center he will have some of our Shriner Kids there. You will be taking a ride in a Dirigible with Captain Aaron Henson as your host. Please make sure to make your reservations early, going by the people talking this is going to be an Event you do not want to miss.

Before anything else, let me welcome the newest Nobles—those of you who came into El Bekal Shrine during the last and current years. You've not only picked a wonderful fraternity and the greatest philanthropy to join, but you've happened into the El Bekal Shrine that has the most fun. You will find that being a part of the El Bekal family is one of the most fulfilling and rewarding things you can do. You were recommended, after you were

obligated, to join a Unit or Club.

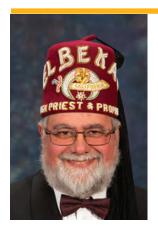
Units - Legion of Honor, Clowns, Tin Lizzies, Purveyors, Directors Staff, Oasis Patrol, Royal Chariots, Mounted Patrol, Oriental Band.

Clubs – Ramona Shrine Club, South Coast Shrine Club, Valencia Shrine Club, Victoria Shrine Club, Date Empire Shrine Club, Elsinore/Sun City Shrine Club, Long Beach Shrine Golf Club, Clay Busters, Nomads, Past Masters, Dance Band, Bruins Club, Brew Club, Steel Band, Air Patrol, Yacht Club, and take part in running El Bekal events. The Ladies also have their Groups – LOSA, Daughters of the Nile, Orange County Noblelettes, Honored Ladies, Inland Empire, Honored Ladies Long Beach. I sincerely hope that you do—in this way you will get more out of your membership than you could have imagined. El Bekal has a lot to offer you and your Family, and I know that you all have much to offer in return. We cannot continue to grow and support our twenty-two hospitals without your help. A special thanks go out to the members of the "Ritualistic Divan" who ran an outstanding Ceremonial. This kind of support and teamwork is what makes El Bekal such a special group.

Fraternally & Sincerely, Michael J. Sekera, Assistant Rabban



MESSAGE FROM THE HP&P



In a previous message I noted some facts about the history of the Fez. In this message I'd like to cover a few things about the other distinct feature of our emblematic headgear. That is the tassel. Tassels have been around a very long time, no one knows how long. Tassels are mentioned in the Bible and have been found in Pharaohs tombs. The Hebrews were commanded to hang loose threads, simple tassels, on the corners of their garments as a sign of holiness.

Tassels likely originated when weavers tied off the ends of fabrics and left the loose strands hanging as a decoration. It probably wasn't long before someone figured out how to make tassels deliberately, sometimes using only threads or yarns, other times winding them around a form or some stuffing. Tassels can be made plain or fancy, long or short, wide or narrow. The variety is limited only by

human ingenuity.

The main use of tassels is purely decorative, but some groups assigned meaning to their tassels. Priests of the Catholic Church and of the Shinto faith of Japan both used tassels to indicate their position in the hierarchy or religious order. The military of several countries placed tassels on soldiers and officers uniforms or sword lanyards to show unit assignments, sometimes rank. During some years, wealthy people wore fancy tassels, sometimes decorated with gold, to showcase their status and placed them on their possessions and servants as well.

There were practical uses for tassels as well. Tassels containing a scrap of religious text were used as good luck talismans in China and the Middle East, especially Egypt. Falconers who needed a way to bring their hunting birds back from the field would swing a tassel around as a lure. The motion imitated a low flying bird to get the attention of the falcon or hawk. Archers retrieving their arrows from damp grass needed a way to clean them off without damaging the delicate feather fletching. A tassel works just fine for the job. Students in High School and College complete the graduation ceremony by "turning the tassel" to symbolize a new phase of life.

Fezzes and tassels are a natural combination, they just seem to go together. No one knows why or even when tassels were first used on a Fez, but the pairing has stood the test of time. One interesting note, many of the characters in the movie Casablanca wear a Fez, but not a tassel. To my knowledge, it was probably done to avoid any continuity problems with tassel positions, and to keep the actors faces from becoming obscured by a wayward tassel.

I hope you enjoyed this little excursion into obscure tassel facts. Fraternally,
-Al Turek, HP&P





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Hosted by Illustrious Potentate Mike Selix and First Lady Michelle

Sunday, October 27, 2019 12:00 pm – 4:00 pm Cun Cost is FREE

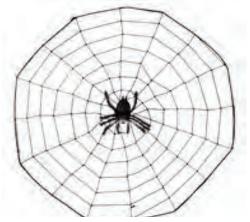
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The Tin Lizzies have been busy this month preparing for our Ladies Night Out event and POV at the Los Alamitos Racetrack along with the Royal Chariots, on Sept. 15th. The racetrack has dedicated the 6th race to the Tin Lizzies and the 7th race to the Chariots. Both groups with be able to have a photo taken after each race with the winning horse. It's always a fun evening with great food from the track, along with our location for the races, very close to the finish line.

Also this month was the start of the Monday Night Football at the shrine center. The Tin Lizzzies held the season opener on the 9th of September. With a full house, Nobel's and their families enjoyed a double hitter football program. With all the great food the shrine prepares and fabulous deserts supplied by the Tin Lizzies, a great event was enjoyed by all who attended.







Capt. Rick Schade with the help of his wife Yvonne, along with Ron Michal and Russ Johnson, had burgers, hotdogs & Brats dancing off the grill for all who attended the season opener.





Rick Hardage with the help of John & Judy Edgmon made sure the popular football pool, was accurate every quarter, and everyone who attended, purchased their ticket for dinner. \$5.00 for all you can eat! Best deal in town!



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	Tin Lizzies	October 28	Nomads
September 16	Director Staff	November 4	Ali Baba's
September 23	-	November 11	Past Masters
4	South Coast S/C	November 18	Valencia S/C
October 7		November 25	Golf/Divan
October 21	•	December 2	Divan

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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 3rd 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: southcoastshrine@sbcglobal.net. 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)

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webfez.shrinenet.org/ (Need membership No. to join)

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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 quests.

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.





El Bekal Member #	Date:
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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

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NOTICE to Membership

Subject: Stated Meeting

Monday October 14th 2019

Time Social: 5:00 pm

Dinner: 6:00 pm

Temple Hosted Dinner / Includes Beverages

Stated Meeting Starts at 7:30 pm Remember you need your 2019 DUES CARD & FEZ

Send your Reservation's into the Shrine Center or Fax or Call the Center We will need a good Head Count to Order Dinners.

Merritt Read Chief Rabban Mike Sekera Assistant Rabban Al Turek High Priest & Prophet Dennis Rootes
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Invites you to our...

OKTOBERFEST

Please save this date as we Look forward to a Very fun event!





Sunday, October 20, 2019 2:00pm - 7:00pm El Bekal Shrine 1320 S Sanderson Ave, Anaheim, CA 92806





2020 EL BEKAL CRUISE INFORMATION MEETING MONDAY, OCTOBER 7 AT THE SHRINE CENTER 7:00 PM IN THE OASIS



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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

Hi Friends,

Just a brief update from Shriners For Children Medical Center – Pasadena. We are very pleased to announce that we have entered an agreement with the Children's Hospital of Los Angeles (CHLA). The current agreement gives our Shriners physicians the capability to perform complex surgical cases at CHLA and admit inpatients there. There is wonderful for our patients and families for it gives them access to a premier Children's Hospital environment right here in LA County. Just recently CHLA was rated as a top 5 Children's Hospital in the United States by US News and World reports and we are delighted to partner with them Not only should this inpatient partnership with CHLA give our patients access to the highest quality pediatric hospital in the area and a wonderful child friendly environment, we believe this will also save Shriners a good bit of expenses. Huntington Hospital, our inpatient partner up until now, did not have contracts with all of the payors that we do. This meant that in order to get inpatient services provided at Huntington Hospital, Shriners had to pay them on a per case basis. In contrast, CHLA has contracts with all of the payors we need them to. This will mean that our patients will get their inpatients services funded by their own insurance and not by Shriners for the most part. This should result in substantial savings and an opportunity to further reduce our draw on the endowment. All of this is just the first step in what will hopefully be an even larger partnership between Shriners For Children Medical Center For Children Pasadena and CHLA. As we speak we are working on a Memorandum of Understanding between the two institutions that would create the springboard for exploring other exciting ways that we could partner together to provide incredible care to children. This partnership has tremendous potential in brightening the lives of many, many children!! We will you apprised of any progress we make as we make it!!

Thank you for all you do in support of the Medical Center and for making the lives of the patients and families that grace us with their presence, the very best that they can be!

Sincerely, Chris

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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 12, 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







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SHRINERS México Newsletter

MarCom No. 1 / July 2019





Welcome to the first edition of Shriners México Newsletter. This Newsletter will be published monthly and will highlight the latest information about issues concerning at our Hospital in México. In this edition we will summarize the most outstanding activities of the year (January - July). iWe hope you enjoy it!

We would like to thank the big support of all the temples affiliated to Shriners Hospital in México: Abou Saad, Al Azhar, Al Bahr, Alzafar, Anezeh, Arabia, Bahia, El Bekal, El Maida, El Zaribah, Habibi, Sabbar, Scimitar, Sharon and Zamora Shrine.

News



Riley, one of the two ambassadors of the Shriners Hospitals for Children system visited us in February. He lived with patients and received a recognition from managers and a drawing of a patient. Thank you for your visit, you are a great

¡Thank you for your visit, you are a great inspiration for the whole Shriners family!





In March we started the first therapy session with Perros y Libros A.C. - READ México, based on the R.E.A.D (Reading Education Assistance Dogs) program that aims to improve reading skills through the company of a pet.

Shriners for Children Medical Center, Pasadena Happenings for August 2019

At each monthly Board Meeting, a medical center scoreboard is presented that lists eight activity headings;

- Promote desirable growth.
- Deliver exquisite patient care and family experience.
- Exercise wise financial stewardship.
- Patient safety and quality-1
- Patient safety and quality-2
- Academics
- Innovation and performance.
- Recruit, retain, develop phenomenal people.

Each activity has a target for accomplishment, and a listing for actual accomplishment, and an explanation of how the target was achieved. The Medical and Admistration Staffs consistently meet their targets in each category. Congratulations to these professionals.

The finance committee reports that year to date, fund raising is OK, but more help is needed this year. The majority of giving usually takes place October thru December, so, there is some confidence that more gift funds will be received toward the 2019 fund raising target, set by the Tampa Home Office. The SFCMC target is the

highest in the twenty two hospital system, and to date we are number eleven in the list of funds raised. We were given a difficult target.

The Plant and Facilities Committee is pleased to report that the new (2017) Medical Center is functioning as planned and only small issues remain for follow up. The high humidity problem in Surgeries 1 and 2 has been resolved, the parking garage water leaks are repaired and no other major issues remain. The Medical Center is a beautiful, state of the art facility, if you haven't seen it, you should plan to do so.

In October at the Shriners Golf Tournament in Las Vegas, SFMC will be represented by one of our patients, and a Shrine Patient Ambassador, ROBERTO. Roberto lives in Las Vegas and has been a Shrine Patient since 2006. He was born with bilateral cleft lip and palate as well as mild proptosis (protrusion of the eyeball) he is the care of Dr William Magee, Director of Plastic Surgery at SHCLA and now SFCMC. Roberto has had 16 surgeries and now a handsome young man. Be sure to say hi to him when you are at the Shrine Golf Tournament.

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

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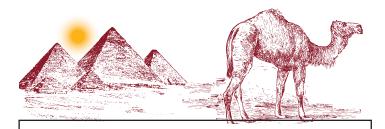
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Saturday, January 4, 2020 Meeting & Election of Officers: 2:00 pm Hospitality: 4:00 pm Dinner: 5:30 pm

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 Coy Love, P.P. Potentate Recorder