# TEHRAN SHRINERS BULLETIN

### FEBRUARY 2021



## John L. Denton Potentate

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### From:

## **The Desk of Your Potentate**

January has started off under a full lock-down, but that did not deter us from having great Zoom meetings. The Ceremonial Installation and dinner was a lot of fun for me and Lady Jean. We sincerely hope you felt like it was an evening out and you also had fun getting all dressed up and getting out of your homes for a short while. Everyone looked absolutely great at the dinner drive through pickup, sure hope you enjoyed your meal.

By the time you receive this bulletin you should have received the 2021 Directory. Illustrious Sir Mark Dawson and Lady Sandra have spent a great deal of time creating the annual Calendar and making some necessary changes in the WebFez database. A special thank you to both of them and everyone for sending updates.

I also want to thank everyone for the help and support that was given to me and Lady Jean on our road to this place in our lives.

Just a few things I want to pass on to everyone for the year 2021. The Temple office will be open from 9:30am to 1:30pm Monday–Friday. Closed on Saturday, Sunday, and Holidays and opened 7 Days a week by phone at (559) 251-1991. All scheduled events will be conducted via Zoom until we are allowed to meet in person.

All our thoughts and prayers go out to those who have suffered a loss since we last met. If you know someone who needs a card, please give me a call and I will contact our Sunshine Committee Chairman. Please, everyone stay safe during these trying times.

We just completed our first Stated Meeting on Zoom and I have to confess I was a total nervous mess. Zoom is a fantastic way for Nobles living outside the Fresno area to join in a meeting and it will be available even after we can conduct a session in person. Zoom is also challenging for the person at the podium. I lost my place in the agenda, my papers fell on the floor, and of all the meetings I have conducted over the years this was my worst. So, please forgive. I promise I will practice so Zoom will be my friend and yours as well. Welcome to the new norm.

I received my first Covid shot this morning and so far no adverse reaction, not too bad. Please stay safe and follow the guidelines. Looking forward to an in-person get together for FUN and FELLOWSHIP in 2021!

Your Humble Servant, John L. Denton

## First Ladies 2021 Project

## Assistive Devices Help Children Reach Their Goals

Congratulations to the 2021 Elected and appointed Officers of Tehran Temple. What a great night we had with the Drive-By-Dinner (75 dinners) and Zoom Installation. We have heard that everyone had a great time getting out, even if it was drive-by and pick up. Thanks to our friends, Noble Jim (Al Malaika Shrine) & Lady Diane Lotspeich for coming up from Ventura to help us make the event a success and allowing Tehran members to just have a fun time. I would also like to say a big "Thank You" to PP Richard & Lady Bobbie Herrinton, Noble James & Lady Dawn Keeton, PP Randy & Lady Pam Forrester and Noble Bill & Lady Cathy Pfister for their generous donations to the First Ladies Project. It is exciting to know that I am well on my way and I can now start coloring in my "Goal Chart".

The Ladies of Tehran Temple had a great time on Zoom January 11, 2021 holding their first program. We enjoyed finding out different traits of our personality by drawing a "Pig". Then it was "Show & Tell" and shared what we had been doing since we have been closed down due to Covid. Our next program, February 8, 2021 at 1 PM, will be "Bingo". Ladies programs will be held on the second Monday of each month until we can once again get together. The First Lady's Aides Pat Dougherty, Kerri Ganns and Jane Gamonian are busy planning each month's programs. A special thank you to PP Mark & Lady Sandy Dawson for helping make the Zoom Program a fun afternoon.

Thank you again for supporting the First Ladies program, **Assistive Devices**, and for all you do. And thank you, both Shriners and Ladies, on behalf of the children at the Northern California Shriners Hospital for Children, "A place where healing starts and grows." By providing help today, they will have a brighter tomorrow.

Join me and let's "Stroll Along the Sand Dollar Shore."



2021 First Lady

Jean Denton





Happy Valentine's day!

Get some flowers, a nice bottle of Champagne and some yummy chocolates for that special person in your life. After a year in near isolation we all probably don't need the chocolate.

I am in the process of filling out my application to AA and Weight Watchers and looking forward to when I will feel safe renewing my membership to the gym. I really don't know why I am renewing the gym membership as I have belonged for several years and have not lost a pound.

Well, it's a new year and our membership really needs to increase. Have you replaced yourself in Tehran? If you have, try to do it again. And, if you haven't, look around for your sons, grandsons, nephews, friends and neighbors. If they aren't Mason's, would they make a good brother?

Keep up the faith. Hope to see you at a Shrine function in the very near future.

Wayne Schwartz, Assistant Rabban



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## **HOSPITAL NEWS**

I recently received a copy of the Northern California Shriner's Hospital magazine "Straight from the HEART". In it was a story about 10 year old Trinity and benefactors of the spine program, Allan and Sherry McVicar, Although not Shriners, the McVicars were impressed by the work we do at the Shriner's Hospitals and found that the Northern California Hospital earns high marks from independent charity-rating organizations for using donated resources wisely. Trinity is a life-long Shriner's patient who was born with a form of muscular dystrophy and by the age of 10 was developing a life threatening scoliosis. As the spine curves and collapses it causes pressure to be put on the internal organs, like the heart and lungs, which can result in death. Dr. Rolando Roberto, a renowned spine surgeon at our Northern California Hospital, used state of the art technology to straighten Trinity's spine. The technology is referred to as MAGEC (Magnetic Expansion Control) in which rods are attached to the spine which are adjustable with magnets and by remote control. The child needs only to lay on a special table when the magnets are activated, lengthening the spine and eliminating the need for repeated surgeries as the child grows. Our Sacramento hospital has some of the latest technology, including the EOS X-ray Imaging System, which allows the doctor to view a 3-D image of the spine while using only 1/60th to 1/100th of the ionizing radiation dose of conventional imaging.

Our 2020 First Lady, Pam, was so impressed and thought this was so important for our children, that she made this her project. Even with the challenges of 2020, through your support, she raised in excess of \$8,000 dollars for Scoliosis care and a check will be presented in person when the Hospital Board is able to meet at the hospital again.

The Shrines purpose is to help more children in more places. Thank you for supporting the Shrine and Tehran!

High Priest & Prophet - Randy Forrester, PP

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May your day be filled with joy and laughter as you celebrate your birthday.

May you eat and drink and make merry because you deserve all that and more.

#### Belated January Birthdays

Andy R. Weare Dean L. Sigle Benjamin "Ben" David Neu William E. Gonsalves Donald L. Crawford James Gary Fisher Jonathan J. Jackson Robert A. Jeffress Reynante "Rey" M. Magbanua Alson E. Wise Jr. Venie R. Puntanilla Chris E. Wevmouth Jeffrey A. Hessman DPM John F. Gilbert James "Jim" C. Stahl P.P. Christopher Joseph Guillen Charles Erwin Perez Matthew Christopher Dawson

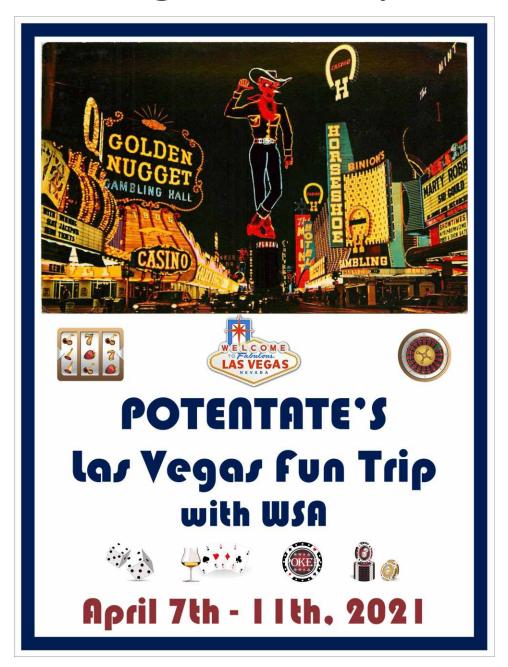
#### February Birthdays

Richard "Bud" R. Roduner

Billy K. Gong Byron A. Pretzer Paul Kalinian Richard "Dick" E. Herrinton P.P. John K. Baird DDS Richard Charles Bernier Sr. David A. Coleman Gary J. Frago James "Chip" E. Williams Jerome "Thor" A. Thormann Jr. Herbert Randolph Knowlton Jr. Rudolph Rudy G. Perez Roberto "Bobby" G. Perez P.P. Bryan "Shades" K. Kincade Alan A. Hansen Jason I. Weiner Larry C. Minasian

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## **Register Today!**



Golden Nugget, Las Vegas



## CALL FOR YOUR RESERVATION: 844-468-4438 (toll free)

In order to obtain the WSA special group rate, the WSA guests need to identify themselves by using **group code GSWSA21**.

DO NOT USE WSA they may not find the block!

Housing Information is as follows: The dates for WSA 2021 convention are April 7th to 11th, 2021. The WSA Group code GSWSA21 room rates at the Golden Nugget are:

Carson Tower King or Double room (April 7th and 8th) – \$69.00/night\* Carson Tower King or Double (April 9th, 10th and 11th) – \$109.00/night\*

\*All rates quoted do not include Resort Fee and current 13% applicable state and local tax, (Resort Fee and taxes subject to change as dictated by the City of Las Vegas.)

\*The daily Resort Fee of \$15.00, plus applicable 13% tax, will be added to each guest room account which entitles each guest to the following items:

#### RESERVATION CUT-OFF DATE

The last day for accepting reservations into the WSA group block is March 8, 2021. Reservation requests and/or name/date change requests received after 5:00 p.m. local time at the Hotel on the cut-off date will be accepted based on rate and/or category availability.

Full text of housing information available at <a href="https://www.westernshrine.org/housing-2021">www.westernshrine.org/housing-2021</a>

# Register by February 15th for reduced rate. More information & form available at www.westernshrine.org

#### 2021 WSA Registration Form

January 15, 2021

Name:	Lady:Date:					
Address:	City/State:					
Phone: ( ) Cell: ( )	E-mail:					
Shrine Temple: Title:						
	d Events subject to change)					
2021 WSA Activ	ities	Per Ticket(s)	# of Tickets	Total		
Registration fee (Nobles only) No fee for Ladies (pos	\$110.00					
Registration fee (Nobles only) No fee for Ladies (postma	\$130.00					
Welcoming Box Lunch in Hospitality Room	(Thursday Noon – 1 pm)	\$20 pp or \$35/couple				
Ladies Luncheon	(Friday 11:30 am)	\$45.00				
Mob Museum tour	(Friday 3 pm)	\$20.00				
Mandarin Degree (this is a head count check)	(Saturday – 3 pm)	TBD*				
Reception - Cocktail party before Counterpart/S (Fric	hrine evening lay Evening 5 pm – 7 pm)	\$15 pp or \$25/couple				
Presidents Banquet (Festive attire with Fez)	(Saturday 6:30 pm)	\$60.00 each				
Activities/Events to Do (TBD*- plea	se sign up & we will call wit	h prices and/o	or details	)		
ZOOM training (session #1)	(Thursday 1 pm)	n/c				
Cornhole Competitions (vis	it registration for details )	n/c				
Photo Competition (vis	it registration for details )	n/c				
ZOOM training (session#2)	(Friday 11 am)	n/c				
LOH & Patrol in ranks inspections	(Friday 3 pm)	n/c				
Beard and Mustache Competition	(Friday 4 pm)	n/c				
Motor Corp Competition	(Saturday Morning)	n/c				
Non-Motor/Trike Race Competition	(Saturday Afternoon)	n/c				
Hillbilly Horseshoe Competition	(Saturday - 1 pm)	n/c				
Home Brew Competition	(Friday Afternoon)	n/c				
Klown Competition (this is a head count chec	k) (Saturday Afternoon)	TBD*				
Meet a Patient Ambassador	(Saturday – 2 pm)	n/c				
Poker Tournament (this is a head count che	ck) (Saturday – 2 pm)	TBD*				
Oriental Band – mass band in costumes	(Saturday – 3 pm)	n/c				
Please Mail your Form and Check (must be posti	marked on or before March	8) Total En	closed:			

Make your check out to: Western Shrine Association and mail to:

# TEHRAN SHRINE DRIVE THRU DINNER (INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS)





Drive thru Shrine dinner









# TEHRAN SHRINE INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

Master of Ceremonies
Dick Herrinton, P.P.
Chief Rabban Larry Goeringer
& Lady Jeanne



Potentate John L. Denton & First Lady Jean













Chief Rabban Larry Goeringer & Lady Jeanne



## MERCED-MARIPOSA SHRINE CLUB HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY!

Noble Ray Baker left us January 6, 2021, 6:15 pm, at home with his family by his side.

He was Secretary/Treasurer of the Shrine Club for many years as well as a past president. The club will miss him greatly.

Ray was very much an extrovert. He loved being with people and the COVID-19, along with the cancer, took such a toll on him. He loved the Masonic family, which includes the Scottish Rite and Shrine families.

NEXT MEETING: WHO KNOWS?
WHERE: We Hope at Bella Nita Restaurant
2684 Shaffer Rd., Atwater
WHO: Shriners & Ladies

When we are able to meet again, notices will be sent out!

Have questions or need more information? Call:

Rudy Perez 209-769-3962, or Bev Baker 209-358-2769



Shrine Club Officers for 2021 Noble Rudy Perez, President Noble Max Madayag, Vice President (Bev Baker, Secretary Pro-Tem)



# 2021 Pacific Coast Cruise Hosted by Past Potentate Randy and Lady Pam 7 Day Princess Cruise June 19, 2021

Prices starting at \$909\* for Interior

\$1209\* for Ocean View \$1969\* for Mini-Suite \$3119\* for Suite

\*Per person double occupancy.

\$200 deposit per person double occupancy \$400 for per person double occupancy for Suites Ask about upgrading to plus Package includes Pre-paid gratuities, wifi, Premier Beverage Package Final payment March 15, 2021

Los Angeles, California
At Sea
San Francisco, CA
At Sea
Catalina Island, CA
San Diego, CA
Ensenada, Mexico
Los Angeles, California

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	FEBRUARY 2021					
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 Pageantry Practice	2	3	4	5	6
7 Super Bowl Party*	8 Supreme Queen <b>OV</b> Sharon Temple, Dinner	9 Temple GuardUnit/ Patrol Unit Mtg OV	Fresno Shrine Club Mtg Daughters of the Nile Mtg	Legion of Honor Unit/ Flying Shriner Club Mtg	12	13
14 Valentines Day Heappy Valentine's Day	15 Scottish Rite Bulletin Deadline	16 Clowns Unit Mtg	17 Nile Sewing	18 Roustabouts Club Mtg	19 Novkeps Unit Sweetheart Mtg	20
21 Clowns Sweetheart Brunch & Cake Bake	22 Temple Belles Mtg	23 BOD Mtg "Board of Directors"	24	25 Merced/Mariposa Shrine Club Mtg	26	27 Nile Bunco
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Feb 7	Super Bowl Party
Feb 8	Supreme Queen OV, Sharon Temple
Feb 9	Temple Guard/Patrol Mtg - OV
Feb 10	Fresno Shrine Club Mtg
Feb 10	Daughters of the Nile Mtg
Feb 11	Legion of Honor/Flying Shriners Mtg
Feb 15	Sottish Rite
Feb 15	Bulletin Submission Deadline
Feb 16	Clowns Mtg
Feb 17	Nile Sewing
Feb 18	Roustabouts Mtg
Feb 19	Novkeps Sweetheart Mtg
Feb 21	Clowns Sweetheart Brunch & Cake Bake
Feb 22	Temple Belles Mtg
Feb 23	BOD Mtg "Board of Directors" - 6:30 p.m.

Merced/Mariposa Shrine Club Mtg

Nile Bunco

Pageantry Practice

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Feb 25

Feb 27





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	MARCH 2021					
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 Pageantry Practice	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9 Temple Guard Unit/ Patrol Unit Mtg	10 Fresno Shrine Club Mtg Daughters of the Nile Mtg	11 Legion of Honor Unit/ Flying Shriners Club Mtg	12	13
14	15 Scottish Rite Bulletin Deadline	16 Clowns Unit Mtg	17 St. Patrick's Day Nile Sewing	18 Roustabouts Club Mtg	19 Novkeps Unit Mtg OV	20
21 Daughters of the Nile Installation	22 Temple Belles Mtg	23 BOD Mtg "Board of Directors"	24	25 Merced/Mariposa Shrine Club Mtg	26	27
28 Hillbillies Club Mtg	29	30	31			
		Notes: BOD - Board of Directors; open to all Nobles OV - Potentate's Official Visit * Denotes Temple/Shrine Event ** Lady's Event; all Nobles' Ladies are invited to attend.				

Mar 1	Pageantry Practice
Mar 9	Temple Guard/Patrol Mtg
Mar 10	Fresno Shrine Club Mtg
Mar 10	Daughters of the Nile Mtg
Mar 11	Legion of Honor/Flying Shriners Mtg
Mar 15	Scottish Rite
Mar 15	Bulletin Submission Deadline
Mar 16	Clowns Mtg
Mar 17	Nile Sewing
Mar 18	Roustabouts Mtg
Mar 19	Novkeps Mtg-OV
Mar 21	Daughters of the Nile Installation
Mar 22	Temple Belles Mtg

Mar 23 Mar 25

Mar 28



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BOD Mtg "Board of Directors" - 6:30 p.m.

Merced/Mariposa Shrine Club Mtg

Hillbillies Mtg

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## Join in the FUN via Zoom

Meeting ID: 208 485 9416 Passcode: tehran Sunday, February 7th!