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ILLUSTRIOUS SIR SEB BADOYAN
SEPTEMBER 2020

POTENTATE'S NOTES



Hello nobles, ladies, family and friends! I hope this finds you well.

Can you believe September is here???

The First Lady and I certainly can't. It has been the most memorable year we have had in our 15 years of involvement with Al Malaikah Shriners.

Not a day goes by where I do not get a call, email, or text asking me **"WHAT'S NEXT?"**

"What's next" is NOT a question for the members of Al Malaikah, but instead it is our call to action. I am incredibly proud to say we have taken action on many fronts to ensure the well-being of our nobles, families, friends, and our fraternity.

Our ZOOMZOOMING on Saturday nights with our clubs and units has been great and a model for others to follow.

Our visits to YOUR Shriners for Children Medical Center in Pasadena on Fridays have been the talk of the town! As I write this, we have made ten (10) Friday visits to the Medical Center and thanks to the generous material donations and cash contributions from friends, families, the ladies groups, youth orders, temples from different jurisdictions, and nobles, YOUR Al Malaikah Shriners have been able to deliver over 1500 individually bagged gifts and over 1000 reusable masks for our kids. Please take a moment to read the First Lady's note about the wonderful people involved in making all of this possible.

Our very first (and third quarter) stated meeting was a success, with over 90 nobles taking the time to join us via ZOOMZOOMING. While we hope we can return to meeting in person soon, it is great to know how to make the best lemonade with the lemons that we have.

Our temple will be the first temple in United States to hold a virtual Ceremonial on September 12th, 2020. This event has been in the works for over three months now. We are grateful for the guidance of our Grand Master, Most Worshipful John Trauner, and our Imperial Potentate Jim Smith, for making it possible. We are so fortunate for the hard work and adjustments that our ritual cast have made to make the virtual format work. Special Thanks to Illustrious Sirs Kenny Judd, P.P. and Dave Chernik, P.P. for their ongoing support. So far, we have had 2 temples contact us for guidance in this matter and we are ready to help, and hopeful this will be used as a platform for other temples to follow and make their own. This is yet another example of your Al Malaikah Shrine temple leading the way.

The first virtual Imperial Session on July 11th, 2020 was successful. Congratulations to all newly elected and installed Imperial officers, especially to our newly installed Captain of the Guard, Matt Sturlaugson and his lady, Mandii and to our Imperial Potentate, Imperial Sir James R. Smith and to our First Lady Alice.

A big THANK YOU to our Sahara Patrol Unit and its members for continuing the tradition of presenting the swagger stick to our newly installed Imperial Sir – a tradition started in 1950! This year was little different and with the creative thinking of Noble Rick Bacca - Captain of the Sahara Patrol, Noble Gary Kahvedjian, and our Public Relations Director, Noble Danny Foxx, we were able to present the swagger stick virtually to Imperial potentate Jim Smith.

We also enjoyed our annual Cigars Under the Stars via Zoomzooming. THANK YOU to those who planned, donated, and participated in the event for another evening of fun.

And finally, after 15 years of service, first as our Assistant Recorder and then as our Recorder, Noble Rio Santonil has made the decision to resign from the position for personal reasons. We are so grateful for his service to our temple and wish him health and happiness in this next phase of his life. Based on both Imperial and temple bylaws, it is the responsibility of the Potentate to fill the vacant position. After many conversations over several weeks, I am pleased to announce that Illustrious Sir Guy Richmond, P.P. will be serving as our appointed recorder until our January 2021 Stated Meeting, where we hope he will be elected and installed. On behalf of our nobles, THANK YOU for taking on the responsibilities as our appointed Recorder and Office Manager.

Here's to everyone's continued health.

You wish is my command,
Seb Badoyan
Cell: (626) 234-4378 | Email: seb@badoyan.com



Seven years ago when Seb and I started our journey in the Divan, I had an idea of what it would mean to me and our family. I knew the vision/mission. I knew we would have a great time at many different events and make so many friends. As 2020 got closer, Seb and I had many conversations about the legacy we wanted to leave as the clock ticked down at the end of 2020. Our #1 goal was to have **FUN**, including everyone we could at every event. January, February, and March were filled with amazing events, and we loved every moment! We had no idea that March 14th would be the last time we would all be together for an unknown time.

That next week our vision became more sharply focused on the importance of staying connected to our Shrine Family and to that mission that binds us all together - the children and families we care for at OUR Medical Center. Through the incredibly generous support of the Al Malaikah family we have been able to provide hundreds of activity bags, school supplies, and masks to our kids.

I keep searching for a phrase to more clearly express how deeply humbled and grateful I am to be Al Malaikah's First Lady during this extraordinary time, to receive your generous donations and put them into action for the kids and our Medical Center. Thank you for all of the generous donations we have received. While I would love to list each person, I respect that many donors have asked that their generosity remain anonymous. Know that each day, you are helping to grant healing wishes in 2020.

As we move toward the holiday season, please stay tuned for additional opportunities to participate in our **Shrine Bag of Wishes Project**. Or reach out to me for ways you can help!

♥ *First Lady Judy*

Judy Badoyan
 First Lady
 Helping to Grant Healing Wishes in 2020
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EXTENDED Al Malaikah

ONCE IN A LIFETIME



Due to the situation that we are faced with and the many challenges that all of us are up against, I would like to encourage each and every one of you to be there for one another. As Al Malaikah Shriners we take pride in doing the right thing and supporting our Shriners Hospitals for Children. Our ceremonial is up in the air but we will have one conditions permitting.

I WOULD LIKE TO MAKE AN OFFER TO ANY BROTHER MASON WHO WOULD LIKE TO BE A SHRINER AN

APPLICATION FEE OF JUST \$100.00

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NO LATER THAN DECEMBER 31, 2020.

THE \$100.00 INCLUDES THE DUES (REG. ANNUAL DUES \$125.00) FOR THE 2020 YEAR.

ALREADY A SHRINER?

GET BACK IN GOOD STANDING

Our Nobility is very important to us. Rather than having our members worry about paying dues in the midst of this pandemic, what I would like to offer ALL of our Nobles who may have fallen behind on their dues regardless the number of years, an opportunity to bring yourself current by paying ONLY a portion of the regular annual membership dues.

Submitting a payment of \$50.00 for each year

that you are behind in your dues will make you current, this offer will be good through the end of DECEMBER. The Shrine office must receive your payment by December 31, 2020. You can mail a check to the Shrine office (665 W Jefferson Ave Los Angeles Ca. 90007) or make a payment via PayPal which has been set up on the Al Malaikah website lashriners.com Please make sure your full name and phone number are on the check along with your membership number if you have it.

For any further questions please contact the Shrine Office @ 213-7480173

COME AND JOIN US AND TAKE PART IN MANY OF THE CLUBS AND UNITS THAT WE OFFER, YOU CAN HAVE FUN AND HELP CHILDREN THAT NEED IT. YOURS IN THE FAITH

"TIME FOR GRANTING HEALING WISHES"

SEB BADOYAN
POTENTATE, 2020





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To the Illustrious Potentate, Officers, and Members of Al Malaikah Temple, situated in the Oasis of Los Angeles, I, the undersigned, hereby declare that I am a Master Mason in good standing of:

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MUST SHOW EXACT LODGE NAME, LODGE NUMBER, AND LOCATION (CITY & STATE)

I furthermore represent that I have never applied for said order, nor have I, to the best of my knowledge, been rejected by any other Shrine Oasis. If I be found worthy and my request granted, I promise to conform to all of the ceremonies, engagements, constitutions, regulations, and edicts of the Imperial Council together with those of Al Malaikah Shriners.

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April 7 to 11, 2021



WSA Wants You!

Signup for the WSA Email Express

The Purpose of Western Shrine Association:

- Promote good fellowship among the temples of WSA through unit and club participation in performances and/or competition;
- Foster the exchange of information and policies pertaining to increasing membership in the Shrine;
- Facilitate the support of the WSA local Shrine Hospitals;
- In general promote the welfare and continued growth of Shriners International, by assisting the WSA temples in implementing the Imperial Shrine programs.

To partake in the fun that is your Western Shrine Association

Your WSA is committed to changes that meet the evolving needs of its member Temples and their nobles. To achieve this goal we need your help by joining us at our Spring Jamboree and Business meeting in Las Vegas Nevada at the Golden Nugget Casino and Resort.

Here is an Opportunity for you!

WSA is actively seeking nobles to help us by volunteering to be a part of our steering and planning committees or interact as a WSA Ambassador.

If your interested in knowing more or joining our ranks contact the WSA Secretary at secretary@westernshrine.org

Special Note: WSA representatives will be at the Laughlin Nevada Ceremonial, October 15 -18, 2020

Please stop by our booth and see us.

High Priest & Prophet, Oriental Guide, Recorder, Treasurer, the Immediate (Junior) Past Potentate of your Temple, WSA Officers, and any Past WSA Presidents.

All Nobles are welcome to attend the business meeting to understand what is going on with WSA and interface and learn from the Imperial Presentation that have an impact on our fraternity.

The WSA Business Meeting:

All Temples in good standing with WSA are "automatically" a member, this includes all the Nobility of that temple (there are no dues cards for this).

The voting reps of WSA are: Current Potentate, Chief Rabban, Assistant Rabban,

Message from Al Malaikah Recorder

Hello my good friends and Nobles,

I want to take a moment to thank ILL Sir Seb for his confidence in me to act as Al Malaikah's Recorder for the remainder of 2020. When ILL Sir Seb approached me with this "opportunity".

I was not looking for a second career and was very happy to have been doing whatever I wanted to do for the last 7.5 years of retirement. The more he talked to me the more I thought maybe I could make a difference for our Fraternity and finally said YES. Thank You ILL Sir! I receive so many congratulatory calls after the announcement that I was truly taken a back. Many of you offered to help with anything I need and your support, love for the Fraternity and thoughtful insight is just amazing and much appreciated!

I have given projects to several of you with particular expertise in areas that I either don't have the knowledge or desire to delve into and the results are pouring in. You have taken a load off my plate and I thank you very much. During the Covid-19 crisis I want you to know that our Shrine Office is open Monday through Thursday from 9am to 4:30 pm and Friday (calls only) from 9am to 3:30pm. We request that you make appointments in advance for visitations and we follow Covid-19 protocol. Masks are mandatory and your temperature is taken. Also we have sanitizer so you will lather up before entering our Office. Sorry for the inconvenience but that's the way we will be operating probably for the rest of the year.



Finally, I want to thank Noble Recorder Rio Santonil for his service and wish him a Healthy and Happy retirement. Noble Rio was promoted after many years as Asst Recorder to Recorder in 2018 when I was Potentate!

Thank you, Noble Rio, for your service I now realize how difficult this job is.

Fraternally,
Guy Richmond PP
Al Malaikah Recorder

AL MALAIKAHAN

MEET YOUR CLUB

THE SANTA BARBARA SHRINE CLUB

100 HUNDRED YEARS OF SERVICE

The Santa Barbara Shrine Club of Al Malaikah Shriners has been a chartered unit since September 27, 1920.

In celebration of this club's extraordinary longevity, the oldest existing club within Al Malaikah, there has been a commemorative coin struck. The front of the coin depicts the iconic Santa Barbara County Courthouse, with the Masonic Emblem showing our connection to Freemasonry and the date of Sept. 27, the official date of the charter is September 27, 1920. The back of the coin highlights our philanthropy Shriners Hospitals for Children, and this year's Potentate Seb Badoyan. The City of Santa Barbara has highlighted the charter date with a congratulation resolution.

Although the charter date is in 1920, Santa Barbara Shriners were gathering and calling themselves a club of Shriners of Al Malaikah as evidenced in newspaper reports as early as 1915. The Santa Barbara Shriners have continued to meet, have fun, participate in many community activities and for over

forty years have sponsored a horse drawn carriage in the annual Old Spanish Days Fiesta Parade. Each year the Al Malaikah Potentate and Chief Rabban and their ladies ride in the carriage (or stagecoach). Thanks, must be given to the Santa Barbara Masonic Lodge No. 192 that has let us use the Santa Barbara Masonic Center for many of our activities in the Lodge Rooms and Dining Room for the last ninety-five years.



OTHER COMMUNICATIONS



My Fellow Nobles,



Every generation can look back in time and identify particularly challenging issues they faced. But this time is feeling different. Society is trying to figure out how to cope with an unprecedented worldwide pandemic, rampant racial injustice, a faltering economy, and an extremely divided populace. We are barreling toward an election that is likely be the most costly, ugly and divisive in modern history.

These are times that try our souls. This is when Freemasonry needs to rise above the fray and shine a light upon the darkened path.

Freemasonry is about equity for all. Providing voice to those who otherwise might have been silenced. Of stretching forth a helping hand to those in need.

My Brother, I ask you—nay, I challenge you—do we have what it takes to help society navigate these perilous times? If not us, then whom? If not now, then when?

Let each one of us commit, right now, to use the great moral lessons we gained within the lodge room to better the lives of others. When you see somebody erring, take the time to lovingly and

compassionately whisper good guidance in their ear. And grant others permission to do the same with you. Monitor your language, verbal, written, and non-verbal. Are you proud of your words and actions? Always? Each of us is a rough ashlar. Are we consistently ridding ourselves of the rough and superfluous parts of who we are, and replacing them with good habits? Identify somebody in need and creatively find ways to provide them a leg up. If we focus on these actions, we will be repairing our world, making it more civil, and thus, leaving a better place for our children and grandchildren. We do this not necessarily in the name of Masonry, but because we are Masons. It is the right thing to do. Let's do it.

Fraternally, Russ Charvonia

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Virtual WALK & RUN 2 HEAL KIDS

When: September 13, 2020
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MEET YOUR NOBLE

Noble Joseph "Joe" Campbell

Introducing... Joseph "Big Papa Joe" Campbell



Joe is Director Emeritus of Al Malaikah, which means we've been taking orders from him for a while now. He turns 87 (to hear him tell it) tomorrow! As our Stagecraft President in 1990 and Temple Director in 2000 he led Stagecraft through many Shrine Ceremonials and several Shrine Director Association events, which are always the highlight of the year.

He joined Pasadena Scottish Rite in (as he recalls) 1972, on this rough and rugged road he met a Brother by the name of Carlos Castinada. As they entered, they met a fellow (Noble) wearing a Fez, who accosted them with a Shriner Application. Both of these Brothers "enjoyed" the Second Section in 1973 and went into Stagecraft shortly afterward.

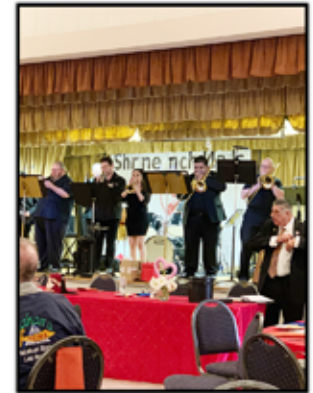
Joe is a Senior DeMolay and went into Masonry while serving in the Military overseas in Japan. He has been both a friend and a mentor to Members of Stagecraft! Although he is struggling with some medical issues currently, he always makes time for and enjoys hearing from his Brothers. If you have a moment, take time to contact this wonderful Brother who has given so much of himself to our fraternity.

MEET YOUR BAND UNIT

MILLION DOLLAR SHRINE BAND

The Al Malaikah Temple's "Million Dollar Shrine Band" has been in existence in many different forms for 115 years, dating back to its creation in 1905. The first band consisted of 12 musicians, including the founding director and alto horn player, Noble B. B. Lippman. The size of the group has been as small as 10 and as large as 90. The current "official" band membership numbers 10. 16 guest musicians regularly rehearse with the group on Tuesday evenings and perform at both official (untiled) and community events.

Members come from all walks of life, ranging in age from 19-86. Currently, there are educators, a lawyer, an engineer and pilot, a real estate agent, a retired police officer, an in-home health care worker, and a retired pipe welder. The world-famous trumpeter Rafael Mendez was also a guest musician! Many past members served in the military, including the Army, Navy, Air Force, and Coast Guard. One member, Daryl Weathers, was recently featured in a History Channel documentary. He was known for having been on two Navy ships that sunk in the Pacific Theater during World War II. Gail Gillette, as a member of the Coast Guard, delivered Marines to the shore during the island-hopping campaign in the Pacific. including pop tunes and jazz standards.



There are two music groups within the Shrine Band at this time. The first, the Concert/Parade Band, consists of woodwind, brass, and percussion players. It features all members of the band, Shriners and guests alike. The second, known as the "Shrine Inch Nails," is a small jazz/rock group that plays music from many different genres, including pop tunes and jazz standards.

The band is always looking for new members, young and old, Shriners and guests both. So, if you play a musical instrument and have an open slot on Tuesday night from 7:30-9:00 pm, please try us out. Contact the director, Raymond Rust, at (951) 264-1192.

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Al Malaikah Temple

First, let me thank you for supporting Hillbilly Clan #69 at your temple. The shrine Hillbillies from across North America have raised to date over \$14,000,000 dollars in support of Temple Transportation funds and Sponsored Shriner Children's Hospitals.

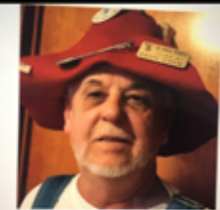
Clan#69 has been a slowly built clan over the years and until recently. Whether it be holding a hoedown with good old western music, raffles, car shows, distributing mini pizzas at Christmas to our Hospitals or any other event to make a buck for our Shriner Kids, they continue to grow and have fun doing it. To date your clan has raised over \$19,000 in support. This is the fastest growing Shrine Sideline Degree. Its copyrighted degree work is designed for both Men and women members, with strict rules on its adherence to the IMPERIAL SHRINE Tampa Constitution and By-Laws.

It is hoped that the Nobles who presently are members will recruit new members to enjoy this fun filled way of raising funds for our Shriner Kids. If you have not joined yet you are missing a lot of fun and enjoyment.

In closing, thank you again for your support of Shriner Hospitals for Children.

Honor the Cob

Henry Wandrie – Imperial Keeper of the Cob



Donald Cox - Imperial Raban



Henry Wandrie - Imperial Keeper of Cob



Mike Basye - Imperial Guardian of Still

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MEMBERSHIP MESSAGE

Greetings Nobles and Ladies of the Shrine.

We have both exciting and good news! And in 2020 who doesn't need exciting and uplifting news?

In addition to our very successful "envy of all Shrinedom" Saturday night Zoom meetings, we are now planning and committed to the first ever online Ceremonial, the brain-child of our leader, Illustrious Sir Seb Badoyan!!! We are on the way to making it happen!

The date is Saturday, September 12 at 10:00 am and open to all on Zoom. The links will be provided by the temple office and everyone will receive them late Monday or Tuesday morning in the September 7 issue of the "Weekly Al Malaikah News". If you do not receive the newsletter, please call the office or drop an email to Noble Tyler Davies.

We are going to have an absolutely blockbuster event right in the comfort of your own home, back yard, or even in the pool!! Think about it: getting the family together to experi-

ence the magic carpet ride of a Ceremonial during breakfast with the family on your computer, iPad or phone or even mirrored to your big screen TV!

Grand Lodge is excited to see how well we do, as is Imperial Shrine. Who knows who may show up?

YOU can assist in making this first ever digital Ceremonial successful by helping your Membership Team, Ambassadors, and Shrine Club/Unit Officers reach out to lodges and candidates. We need some phone and email time from everyone! Remember: JUST ONE!

One more piece of good news for the nobility and our families: the Western Shrine Association (WSA) members have elected Illustrious Sir Seb Badoyan to the office of Third Vice President. WSA is composed of fourteen temples and is dedicated to providing more opportunities to have fun and help kids and a place where we can mingle with other fami-

lies from the Western Region of the United States. Their web site is westernshrine.org and the Membership Team suggests everyone go there and look. The annual gathering will be April 7 to 11, 2021 in Las Vegas and Al Malaikah will have a great presence at this event. There are opportunities for volunteers to be a part of the steering and planning committees - so let Seb know if you are interested. Other than Imperial Session (which is also open to all nobles and ladies), this will be the largest event in Shrinedom. The Western Shrine Association will have events going on for nobles and their families.

Fraternally,
Noble Barry Balonick Chairman of Membership
Noble Jack Witz Director Ambassadors
Noble Kerry Halgrims Director of Feztivities
Noble Kris Askins Director of Mentorship

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If you would like to Help Grant Healing Wishes,
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Make checks payable to
Al Malaikah Shrine First Lady's Project



Every Noble needs a Living Trust to protect himself, his loved ones and his hard-earned assets. Why?

To Ensure:

- That when you pass away, your assets go to the people you want without expensive court interference and unnecessary legal fees
- Your spouse is properly cared for after your passing or during your disability
- Your children's inheritance is protected from divorcing spouses
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Did you know:

If you die without a Living Trust or Estate Plan, the State of California has a plan for you, but you may not like it:

1. The court will decide who gets your assets.
2. Your family will likely wait 18—24 months before getting what they are legally entitled to.
3. The court, attorneys and others will get to keep about 5% of your gross assets for themselves—money that should go to your loved ones. (If you own an average California home, that translates to approximately \$25,000!)

* Noble, if you have a Last Will and Testament, your family will still face problems 2 and 3!

If you want to subsidize the State and others, use the state's plan. If you love your family, use a better plan.

Planning takes only about 2 hours of your time and may be less expensive than you thought. It gives you peace of mind knowing that you've taken care of your family. We cater to the nobility of Al Malaikah, so consultations are always free for fellow nobles and we offer special rates to our masonic brethren only. We'll also review your old Will or Living Trust, free of charge. For Nobles who can no longer drive or are disabled, limited in-home appointments are available .

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Non-Nobles: \$2,500

Non-Al Malaikah Nobles and Masons: \$1,800

Al Malaikah Nobles: \$1,500

For more information or a complimentary consultation, Call:

(855) 878—7890

Ask for Noble Steve Oakley

OTHER COMMUNICATIONS



NOBLES ALL!

I hope this short paper finds everyone in good health and spirits. I want to thank my good friend and Brother, Illustrious Potentate Seb for allowing me to share some thoughts with each of you.

First, Dana and I are doing as well as can be expected during these challenging and difficult times. As I say, the grass is green, and the cows are fat here on our ranch. Fortunately also, Dana's elderly parents are healthy, as is our entire family.

As I write this in late July, I reflect whence we came during this pandemic. Unfortunately, my March 18th directive is still in effect. That was my hardest decision I have had to make, where all statewide masonic activities were stopped. It virtually ended my "normal" term as your Grand Master as well. But, as hard as it was, it was the right decision at the right time. I must thank all Shriners, in fact all masons for their patience and understanding and their collective support. Each month brings hope of change and return to normalcy, but unfortunately currently we seem as a state to be slipping a little backwards, but I am confident, if everyone person does their job, we will pull through this stronger and wiser than ever.

As you may recall, one of my goals this year was to highlight and educate all brothers to the very roots of California freemasonry and the start of our Grand Lodge. As I have said, it all came to being due in a great part with the influx of the migration into California of people seeking their fortunes in our gold fields. They came to California via the south through the Arizona territories, from the East via the Sierra Nevada, and from the north via the Oregon trail. History tells us that many of these men were already masons from the mid-west states and eastern areas. They brought with them their masonic ideals and most importantly their charters. Once here, and working the streams and rivers, many mason miners found other men who were brothers working the gold fields as well, and eventually rudimentary lodges along river banks started to spring up where after a hard day of mining they would gather to fellowship and practice their ritual. In a short while lodges grew in the sierra foothill towns, predominantly in the area known as The Motherlode. History also reveals that most of these fortune seekers came up dry finding no fortune, yet they needed to support their families. Hence, many left the mining towns, and traveled in to the Sacramento and San Joaquin valleys where larger towns were being established and where work was more plentiful. Eventually five lodges (Cal 1, Western Star 2, Tehama 3, New Jersey 4 (extinct) and Benicia 5) came together at the Red house in Sacramento, and in April 1850 our Grand Lodge was created and our first Grand Master, Most Worshipful John Stevenson was elected. I know this was a very abbreviated rendition of those events and I would invite all brothers to do their own research to find the complete story. But suffice to say, the immigrant mason miners played a huge role in the creation of our first foundational lodges and our Grand Lodge itself.

I also reflect to my own grandfather who came here from the Azores for the very same reason in the 1850's, to find his fortune. But he soon realized that raising beef for the throngs of miners in our area was more profitable here on our family ranch in Rough and Ready than toiling in the stream beds. I also invite you to do a little "google" search and see the unique history of my little town.

Dear Nobles, as we venture forth together, let us never forget what drew us into our gentle craft. The kind words of a brother, the ability to share such a unique experience with another, the ability to help in our philanthropic endeavors such as the Shriner hospital and all the other endeavors each body of masonry has to give. And once a mason, the freedom to continue to "...chase further light in masonry...", to interpret our ritual and it's deep meanings, and to simply work on our own inner ashlar. This is what we are all missing right now. Zoom may connect us and have its own positive traits of connectivity but shaking a brothers hand and giving that special masonic hug is irreplaceable, now more than ever.

Your Potentate, like mine at Ben Ali, III. Jairo Gomez, work hard to keep all of us informed and engaged. We at the Grand Lodge have tried our collective best to keep brothers informed and engaged through a variety of platforms including videos, Saturday night toasts, Leadership series and our Speaker series. I do hope we have been somewhat successful in those endeavors. We will get through this together with time, patience, and perseverance.

I will close with simply saying my message this year was one of Golden Opportunities. Take advantage of every opportunity that affords itself before you, no matter or big or small. Every problem has a solution, from every calamity opportunity is found and from every dark day, the sun continues to rise in the east diffusing its benignant rays upon each of us. Until our paths cross again, be safe, stay healthy and may TGAOTU bless each of you!



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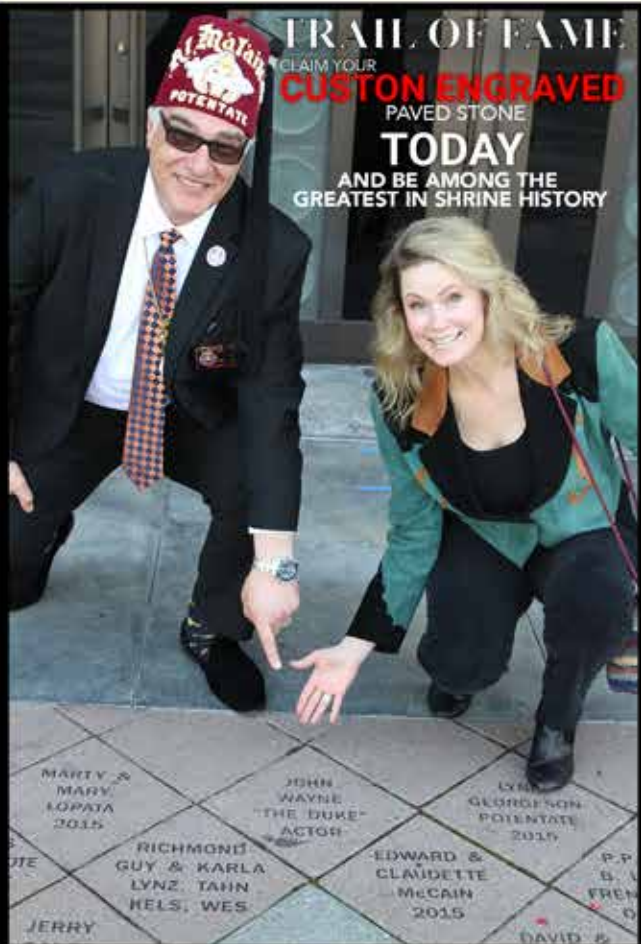
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AUGUST - SEPTEMBER 2020

WRITTEN BY CHRISTOPHER J. DOUGHERTY

Thank you for the opportunity to give an update of what is happening at the Medical Center as we go through this horrendous pandemic. This is also a great opportunity to express gratitude for all those that have helped us through thus far!

The year 2020 started out incredibly well for both the Pasadena Medical Center and the Tijuana Clinic. In 2019 both facilities had the privilege of serving the most kids they ever had – we grew over 20% above 2018! This year, 2020, started out real strong. First the Tijuana Clinic moved into a much larger facility.

They are now housed in Hospital Angeles Tijuana a very large full service hospital that is on all of the major bus lines and much more accessible for our patients and families. This move enabled our Tijuana Clinic to more than triple in size. For January and February of 2020, volumes in the Pasadena Medical Center and the Tijuana Clinic were running approximately 23% above our 2019 volumes! Then COVID – 19 came in about mid-March and as we all know everything changed. In March, April and May our volumes dropped by about 40% in Pasadena and this was due to two main

issues:

- 1) We were not able to take care of “elective” cases – only urgent.
- 2) Patients from Mexico were not able to come to Pasadena



We combatted this by offering some very innovative Telehealth visits (thanks to Home Office), that enabled us to conduct visits by connecting with smart phones and pads – this has helped us continue to care for kids a great deal. In late May we were allowed to start seeing more than just urgent patients and June and July have found us making progress in our volumes. We are now seeing approximately 65% of the volume we had pre-COVID 19 in Pasadena.

The Tijuana Clinic has not been quite so fortunate. As COVID -19 spread rapidly through Mexico many health care facilities were shut down completely for safety purposes. Our Clinic was shut down for the better part April, May and June, and re-opened in July and we currently have made our way back to approximately 50% of our pre-COVID – 19 volumes in Tijuana. We believe this upward trend will continue and we are expecting to get back to at least 75% of pre-COVID 19 volumes by the end of 2020.

Caring for as Many Kids as Possible – as SAFELY as Possible

We have always taken a great deal of pride in the safety and quality of our facilities and continue to do so. COVID -19 certainly challenged us to rapidly change to take new and even greater safety measures in our Pasadena facility and our Tijuana Clinic. Here are just some of the highlights of the changes that have been made:

- We now schedule no more than 3 patients per hour per provider to make sure we do not have a full waiting room.
- We now only allow one family member to accompany patients for their visits.
- We have spaced out the waiting rooms.
- Everybody gets a health screening including temperature check prior to entering the building.
- We have plexi-glass “sneeze guards” throughout the facility.
- We have one way traffic flows to avoid people crossing paths too closely together.
- We have physical distancing decals placed to show people where to stand so that they are not too close.
- We have developed acrylic intubation hoods for our anesthesiologists to use in the Operating rooms to promote the highest safety.
- We have every patient that is having surgery tested prior to surgery for COVID -19, through CHLA.
- We thoroughly sanitize and disinfect throughout the day.
- It is mandatory that everyone in the building wear face coverings.
- Our staff are also to wear eye protection when in close proximity with patients.

With all of these measure in place and tweaked as necessary to improve – I am very happy to say that we have ZERO positive transmitting of COVID 19 within the walls of our facilities.

Christmas in July – and Beyond!

The Al Malaikah Temple has been AMAZING in supporting our staff and the precious children we are so honored to serve! Potentate Seb and First Lady Judy came in early to provide pizza for our staff – which was so incredibly appreciated. On seeing the somewhat “sterile” nature of the facility now, they took tremendous initiative and developed plans to infuse some playful elegance into the facility. It all started with a wonderful idea they had to create activity bags for patients and families. These bags are developed for every age range and feature coloring books, decks of cards, crayons, Sudoku, crossword puzzles and more. Anything that can brighten the day and ease the anxiety of waiting in the facility. These are than placed into plastic bags so that we can have patients and families just take what they want and eliminate and potential infection concerns. These bags are a sensational hit with our patients and families, in fact, in our July Patient Satisfaction Surveys we received a comment from one of our families telling us how nervous her daughter was to come here, but on her first visit she got a bag filled with Disney items and now she cannot wait to come back!!! It did not stop there. As Seb and Judy saw the need for the kids to have face masks that were their size, they started a process of getting adorable cloth masks made for our kids!! We have received literally thousands of these beautiful, fun masks!!! Just this past week, in preparation for back to school they delivered backpacks filled with school supplies which makes this time feel more normal for our children! Thank you all from the bottom of our hearts for the compassion, kindness and generosity you have bestowed on us and the very precious children. You may not see it behind the masks, but there are lots of smiles thanks to all of you!!



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HERE COME THE CLOWNS...

Many people know the Shriners to be a fun and lighthearted organization, filled with men devoting their free time to fellowship and gallantry towards children and families. Behind the scenes, there is much more that goes into creating the pageantry and show, and the Shriner Clowns have been regarded as the source of laughter and smiles for thousands of children, often being the first image that people associate with the Shriners. The hard work and dedication that goes into creating the happy aura that surrounds them requires dedication, time, and comradery from those bold enough to don the identity of a Shriner clown, and the Al Malaikah Shrine in Los Angeles has done just that.



The Al Malaikah Shrine Clown Unit was formed and chartered in 1994, and from its inception, has played a vital role in supporting temple activities and fundraising efforts. Since that time, the driving force of the Clown Unit has been its commitment to service to the Shrine and charity to those in need. Within the past year alone, the unit has participated in a variety of events, with the most notable being the Charity Toy Ride Christmas Party, Christmas at the Cannon, and the rolling clown car shows held at the Pasadena Medical Center. The last holiday season was a festive one, and the Charity Toy Ride served as a capstone for the Shrine's hard work and fundraising activities throughout the year of 2019. The clowns showed up in full force, donning comical personas and colorful clown regalia while entertaining the multitudes of children in attendance. Spirits were lifted as they handed out kazooos, made balloons, played instruments, and made joyful noise in the dining hall of the Shrine Auditorium. Many children were eager to meet and take pictures with the stars of the show, the clowns!

The charity work continued as the holiday season progressed, and the clowns also found themselves performing similar activities for the Christmas at the Cannon event held on Christmas Eve at the Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal Church. Shortly after New Year's 2020 in January, the clowns made their presence felt at the Shriner's parade in Chatsworth. To everyone's amusement, the clown car was the life of the parade as Metall-Clown and Disco Clown showed off some fancy guitar skills.

Shortly afterwards, the COVID-19 pandemic proved to be a formidable roadblock for many gatherings and events, but through the ingenuity of Noble Todd Bowman and many others in the clown unit, the clowns were able to continue their work at the Pasadena Medical Center, though in a modified fashion, performing clown shows for the kids by riding around in the unit's clown car at the front entrance of the medical facility. Adhering to social distancing mandates, the unit was able to spread happiness and joy to those watching their antics from hospital room windows. Acts such as these serve as a reminder to children and families under our care that they are never forgotten, and that our commitment is real.

Our joy and goodwill were tested this summer with the passing our dear brother, Noble Bill Right. Being a familiar face at every function, he served as an integral part of the spirit-building process necessary for us to function as a cohesive unit. His spirit lives on, and we look forward to utilizing the energy given to us from him to continue the benevolent and charitable work of Al Malaikah Shrine through the Clown Unit.

With a growing membership and a healthy zeal for service, the clown unit welcomes fellow nobles looking to enhance their Shriner experience. The foundation of the Clown Unit is made from sincere brotherhood, fun, and service. If you are interested in joining our ranks, don't hesitate to email Noble Steve Esquivel at noble.estib@gmail.com, or contact any Noble you know who affiliated with the clown unit.





OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

Imperial Sir Jeff Sowder Continues to Serve Our Beloved Fraternity

Although Jeff Sowder's term as Imperial Potentate ended in July, he will continue to serve the Shriners organizations – and us – as Junior Past Imperial Potentate, and a member of the Joint Boards of Directors and Trustees. We are grateful for his dedication to Masonry and Shriners International.

A Personal Journey to Masonry

Imperial Sir Jeff Sowder likes to say his life is ordinary, maybe even boring. A better word might be consistent, or focused. In today's world with its endless distractions and messages competing for attention, consistency and focus can be very good qualities to have.

Jeff has lived in Toronto, Kansas, (population 275) his entire life. In fact, four generations of the Sowder family are residents of the tiny town. He has worked for the family business (which he has expanded to four successful companies) forever and been married to his high school sweetheart, Cheryl, for 45 years. They live in the same 125-year-old house they initially purchased, although they have added to it over the years. Toronto may not have a single stop light, but it has values – Masonic values. The



They live in the same 125-year-old house they initially purchased, although they have added to it over the years. Toronto may not have a single stop light, but it has values – Masonic values. The town has been home to a Masonic lodge for 148 years. Jeff's father, and several other men Jeff knew growing up, were Masons. "Everyone I looked up to was a Mason. They were all dedicated, successful, nice people," said Jeff. "I always knew it was going to happen for me." And, of course, it did – when he was 19. Ultimately, he became a leader of Masonry in Kansas. Drawing on his abilities to be focused and determined, Jeff successfully led a fundraising effort to raise \$15 million in four years for cancer research at Kansas University, allowing the school to be designated as a National Cancer Institute, under the name Kansas Masonic Cancer Research Institute.

"This put Kansas Masonry on the map," said Jeff. "It was one of the most rewarding things I've ever done."

Jeff served in many Masonic leadership positions in Kansas, including as Grand Master in 1997, as a board member of the Kansas Masonic Foundation for 25 years, and as its President from 2004 to 2011.

Taking the Next Step

Jeff's father was also a Shriner. But the local temple was 100 miles away, in Wichita, Kansas, making it somewhat difficult to be active. Still, Jeff became a Shriner, as well, joining Midian Shriners in Wichita in 1988, and serving as Potentate in 2004.

He then went on to serve at the national level, and was elected Imperial Outer Guard in 2009.

Just One

When Jeff was working to raise those funds for cancer research, he discovered the power of one – the difference one person can make. That lesson of Just One has become a belief and a guiding force in his life. He has used it to inspire his fellow nobles to, one by one, increase membership, and he used it throughout his year as Imperial Potentate to remind us all that each one of us matters, has a responsibility to our fraternity and philanthropy, and can make a difference.

Final Thoughts

Here are some of Jeff's comments from throughout his Imperial year:

- His goals:

Our goal at the beginning of the year was to try each day to make our fraternity and our health care system a little better than it was the day before. We have worked very hard to, hopefully, make that happen.

- On Membership:

We MUST all come together – to work hand in hand – helping each other at every opportunity – as ONE FRATERNAL FAMILY – to find ways to attract and then use all available methods to bring men of high moral values and outstanding leadership qualities into our fraternity. We can turn membership around but ONLY if we put forth our very best effort, hold ourselves accountable for our efforts, and make membership our primary focus every day. Our future depends on it.

- Gratitude and appreciation:

It has been my honor and pleasure to serve each of you – THANKS for what YOU do for Shriners International and Shriners Hospitals for Children every day.

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