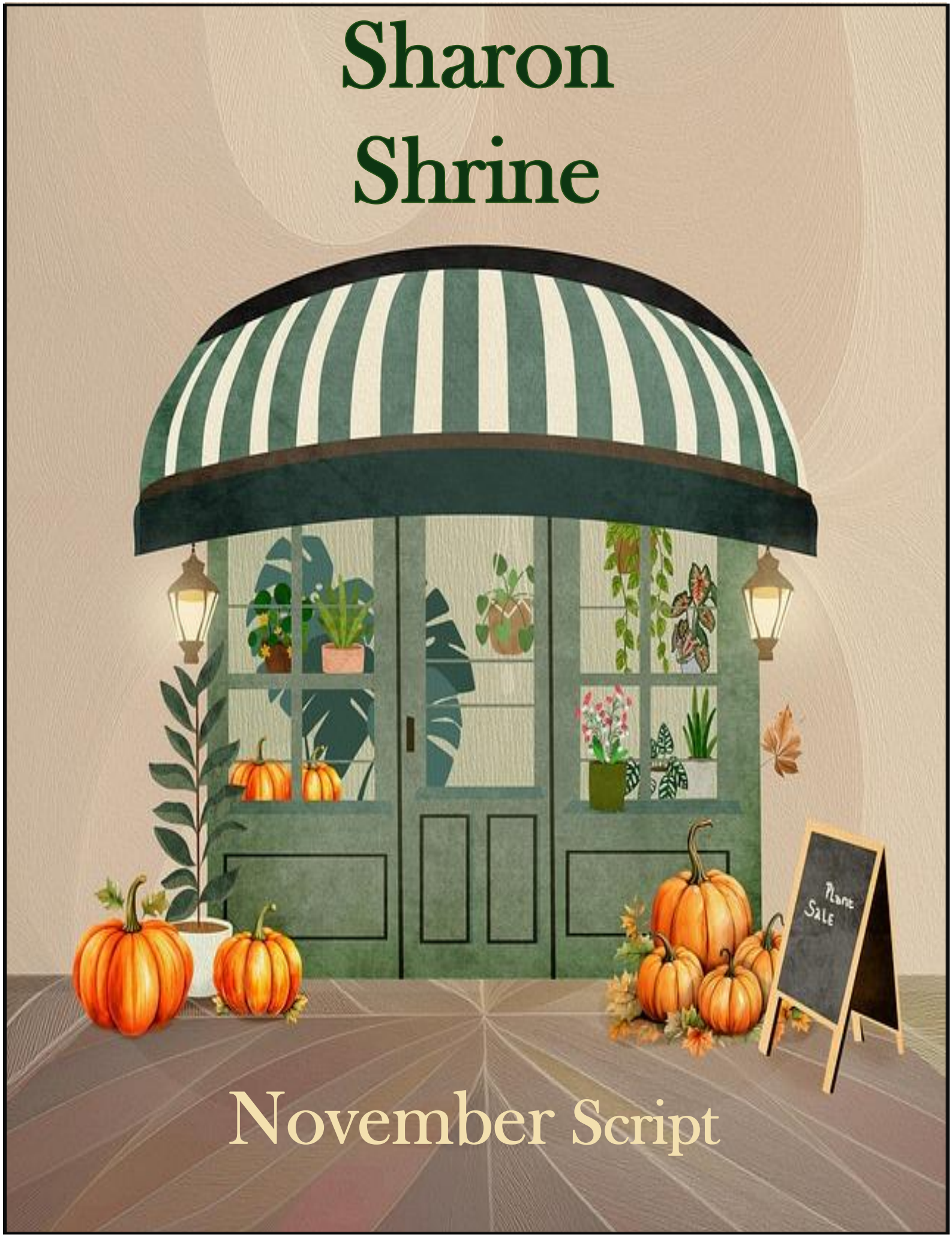
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Stated Sessions ……Fourth Monday

Chartered.....July 10, 1963

ELECTED DIVAN

RANDELL FARLEY.....Potentate

RUSSELL BROWN.....Chief Rabban

KEVIN FERRIER.....Assistant Rabban

JIM RUMSEY.....High Priest & Prophet

DAVID GRAVLEY.....Oriental Guide

CARL AUVIL, P.P.....Treasurer

CRAIG HUGHES.....Recorder

APPOINTIVE OFFICERS

GENE GAY.....1st Ceremonial Master

KURT KUNZMAN.....Director

JAMES HANSHAW, P.P.....Marshall

DAN HORTON.....Captain of the Guard

BRUCE HUGHES.....Outer Guard

JOE BARRON, P.P.....Chaplain

HOSPITAL BOARD OF GOVERNORS

RONNIE LAGRONE.....Shreveport

ADRIAN CORNEJO.....Mexico City

MATT DENSON, JIM RUMSEY.....Texas

DARYL ATKINSON.....Texas



STAFF & COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN FOR 2026

ANDY ROUNTREE.....Chief of Staff
JOE CAGLE.....Assistant Chief of Staff
BILLY ROZELL.P.P.....Assistant Chief of Staff
RICHARD COVELL.....Assistant Chief of Staff
JIM TIDWELL, P.P.....Assistant Chief of Staff
CARL AUVIL, P.P.....Hospital Benefit
BILLY ROZELL, P.P.....Hospital Transportation
JASON BROOKS.....Parade Marshall
MIKE COWAN P.P.....Galloway Calhoun Award
KENNETH SHEATS.....Parliamentarian
DARYL ATKINSON..... Temple Attorney
TODD THRELKELD.....Insurance Chairman
LARRY ROGERS/TOOTER, P.P.....Photographer
CARL AUVIL, P.P.....Public Relations Director
RANDELL FARLEY..... .....Fund Raising Chairman
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KEITH HILLIARD.....Wills, Gifts and Endowments
KURT KUNZMAN.....Golf Tournament Chairman

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JOE BARRON, P.P.....Blue Lodge Relations
KENNETH SHEATS.....Scottish Rite Relations



From the Desk of the Potentate
November 2026



Nobles,

It is hard to believe we are already into November. This year has gone by fast, and as we get closer to the end of 2026, I want to thank everyone who continues to support Sharon Shriners.

October was a busy month with our ceremonial, the Rose Parade, and the Magic Show. Thank you to everyone who helped make these events happen. It takes a lot of people working together, and I appreciate everyone who gives their time to make our events successful.

Coming up on Thursday, November 19th, we have our Turkey and Ham Bingo. Dinner starts at 6 PM, with Bingo beginning at 7 PM. This is always a fun evening, and I encourage everyone to come out and enjoy some fellowship. Remember, each family can only win one time, so please be considerate and give everyone an opportunity to take something home.

Our November Stated Meeting will be Monday, November 23rd. I encourage all Nobles to attend and stay involved in what is happening at Sharon Shrine.

We are also coming down to the final opportunity to purchase tickets for the Catalina Cove vacation getaway in Costa Rica, generously donated by Kurt and Judy Kunzman. Tickets are $100 each, and we will draw the winning ticket sometime in November. All profits from this fundraiser will go directly to our building fund. If you have been thinking about purchasing a ticket, now is the time. And remember, you do not have to be a Shriner to buy one, so help us spread the word. Thank you again to Kurt and Judy for their generosity and continued support of Sharon Shrine.

Looking ahead to December, our Kids Christmas Party will be Saturday, December 12th, starting with breakfast at 9 AM. This is always a special event for our children and grandchildren, and I hope to see plenty of families there.

Our December Stated Meeting and election of officers will be Monday, December 14th. We expect several contested elections this year, along with openings for the positions of Treasurer and Recorder. These are important leadership positions, and the decisions we make will help shape the direction of Sharon Shrine in the coming years. I encourage every Noble to attend, learn about the candidates, and exercise your right to vote. This is your Shrine, and your participation matters.

As we approach Thanksgiving, I want to take a moment to recognize how fortunate we are. I am thankful for my family, our fraternity, and the many friendships Lady Niki and I have made through the Shrine. I am especially thankful for those Nobles and Ladies who continue to volunteer, support our events, and help keep Sharon Shrine moving forward.

We have accomplished a lot this year, but there is still work to do. I encourage everyone to stay involved, support our activities, and reach out to a Noble we have not seen in a while. Sometimes a simple phone call or invitation is all it takes.

Lady Niki and I wish you and your families a happy and blessed Thanksgiving. Thank you for everything you do for Sharon Shriners.

Yours in the Faith,
Randell Farley
Potentate

The next stated meeting of Sharon Shriners will be held on Monday, Nov 23rd dinner at 6:00 pm, meeting at 7:00 pm. The purpose of this meeting is to ballot on petitions and act on other business that may come before it.

Email Address: shriners@sharonshriners.com

Website: www.sharonshriners.com

Your 2026 Dues Card/App will be required for admittance at all Stated Meetings.

Be sure to bring these three things…

Your Fez on Your Head · Your Card in Your Pocket · The Spirit of Fun and Good Fellowship in Your Heart

WEAR YOUR FEZ

We will notify everyone by email if there are any changes with the meeting date or time.

Randell Farley
Potentate

Attest: Craig Hughes
Recorder



Please note, that all stated meetings for 2026 will be TILED, you will need your current 2026 dues card to participate in the meetings!

MEMBERSHIP REPORT
OCTOBER

MEMBERSHIP (REGULAR) (10/1/2026)		672
ASSOCIATES		9
TOTAL ALL MEMBERS		681
ADDITIONS:		
CREATIONS	4	
AFFILIATIONS	0	
RESTORED	0	
ASSOCIATE ADDED	0	
TOTAL ADDITIONS:		4
DEDUCTIONS:		
DEMITTED	1	
SUSPENDED	1	
EXPIRED	1	
EXPELLED	0	
RESIGNED	0	
ASSOCIATE DROPPED	0	
TOTAL DEDUCTIONS:		3
TOTAL REGULAR MEMBERS (10/31/2026)		673
PLUS ASSOCIATES		09
TOTAL MEMBERS		682

Winner will be drawn 11/15/26!!



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Sharon Clowns

Fellow Nobles,

The Sharon Clowns are holding elections for 2027 Officers, and Christmas Partying. The Christmas Party this year will be at FD's Grill House in Tyler.

Clown Meeting November 21st 6 PM
(Elections, Men's Meeting Only)

Christmas Party December 5th 6 PM
FD's Grill House, Cumberland Village

2027 TSCA MidWinter Registration has begun for Corpus Christi, February 25 – February 27, 2027. Registration forms are available on the T.S.C.A. TX Shrine Clown Assoc Facebook site.
Register by December 27.

Please accept this invitation to join us as we Clown around and have a good time working to support the Shrine, the hospitals and of course the kids. If you are interested in being a Clown, or are just curious and want to know what Clowns do, please join us at our monthly meeting, Saturday, November 21 at the Unit & Club Building, 6 PM. Won't you join us?

Respectfully submitted,
Rob "Big Tex" Weckman
903-570-2307
RobWeckman@outlook.com

EAST TEXAS PARADE SCHEDULE

Veterans Day & Christmas Parades

NOVEMBER 2026 – DECEMBER 2026

★ NOVEMBER 2026

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 6

Veteran's Day Parade – Watkins Logan Veterans 271

Time: 9:00 am
Contact: Adrian – 430-252-9278
Need: Classic Car, run a booth, Volunteer

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 7

Veteran's Day Parade – Mineola

Time: 11:11 am
Location: Broad ST (HWY 80) Downtown Mineola
Contact: WCVETERANSPARADE@gmail.com

Veteran's Day Parade – Palestine

Time: 10:00 am
Location: Anderson County Courthouse, Church Street and Lacy Street
Contact: Dena Castor – (903) 931-3348

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 28

Chandler Christmas Parade

Time: 6:00 PM
Location: Main Street, Chandler, Texas
Registration: Chandler Chamber Parade Float Form (Online)
Deadline: November 21, 2026

Support Our Communities & Keep the Holiday Spirit Alive!

★ DECEMBER 2026

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 3

Rose City Christmas Parade – Tyler

Time: 6:30 PM
Location: Same as the Rose Parade
Contact: Tyler Rotary Club

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 5

Whitehouse Christmas Parade

Time: 3:30 PM
Location: Main Street / Whitehouse City Park area
Contact: Whitehouse Chamber of Commerce Events Portal

Palestine Christmas Parade

Time: 7:00 PM
Location: Historic Downtown Main Street, Palestine, TX
Contact: Entries can be submitted online through the Visit Palestine Christmas Parade Sign-up
Deadline: Wednesday before the parade at 12:00 PM (Wednesday, December 2, 2026).

Van Christmas Parade

Line Up: 5:00 PM at the Intermediate School parking lot
Parade Start Time: 6:00 PM
Parade End: Concludes at Connections Church, followed by the Community Tree Lighting
Deadline: Monday, November 30, 2026
Entry Forms: City of Van Document Center

MONDAY, DECEMBER 7

Carthage Christmas Parade

Time: 7:00 p.m
Location: Downtown Carthage, Texas (starting around 300 W. Panola St.)
Host: Panola County Chamber of Commerce

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 10

Troup Christmas Parade

Time: 5:00 p.m.
Contact: Chamber – 903-574-3928
Location: Downtown Troup, TX (lineup traditionally starts near Cole and Arp Drive)
City of Troup Christmas Parade Page

PARADES BRING PEOPLE TOGETHER!

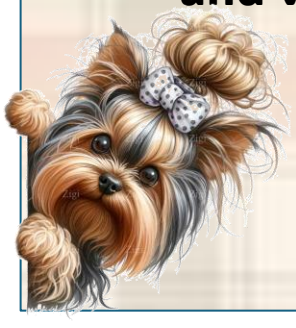
Noble Shoutout

Thank you to Joe Cagle for coming to the Temple to weed eat and mow. Your time and effort is greatly appreciated, more than you know! These kinds of acts of service truly support the Shrine in so many ways you cannot imagine. We are so grateful to you for your volunteer service to help make Sharon Shrine look it's best!
Thank you so much for your contributions!

Ill. Sir Mike Cowan, we'd like to take a moment to say thank you so much for working so diligently with the office for anything and everything! You are always willing and ready to pitch in and do the work or help problem solve. We appreciate your constant assistance and readiness to lend helping hand when you can.
We are very thankful for you!

Honorable Mentions

Last but not least, the office wanted to give a special shoutout to their furry little friends Piper Barron and Pepper and ChiChi Auvil for their visits! It's always so nice when we get to spend time with these sweet girls. They come in ready to entertain, comfort, and cuddle and we could not be happier to see them. Thank you for making our days brighter!







Thanksgiving I Spy

Bonus: Can you spot the Divan?





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Turkey Ham
Bingo & Spaghetti Dinner



Thursday, November 19

Dinner: 6 p.m. Bingo: 7 p.m.

$10 each

Shriners and their families only

Stated meeting will be Nov 23rd

The office will be closed November 26th & 27th for Thanksgiving

Join us December 12th for our annual Kid's Christmas Party!

Festivities begin at the Sharon Shrine with a 9am breakfast, and a certain little reindeer mentioned that Santa said he will be available for pictures with the kids again!



Candidates Must Be Selected Wisely…

When members of a Shrine Center elect a Noble to the Divan, they are virtually choosing that Noble on the assumption he will prove qualified for and worthy to advancement to the high office of Illustrious Potentate. Hence it is quite evident that the nomination for any Divan position should be based upon thorough and accurate evaluation of character, ability, prestige, interest and experience.

A Noble can be a good fellow, a hard worker and a loyal Shriner and yet lack the basic qualifications which make a good Potentate. Unless a Noble is fully qualified for the job, he is unfair to both himself and his Temple in seeking the office or in permitting his fellow nobles to support and promote his candidacy.

Each Shrine Temple needs and requires able high-type leadership. The following checklist may prove helpful in evaluating potential candidates for office. However, no thinking man would be so naïve or presumptuous as to believe that any on noble could possibly embody all the virtues, talents and qualifications which are set forth in the checklist. Nevertheless, the list has a practical value for self evaluation by the Noble whose ultimate aspiration is the office of Illustrious Potentate and for the advance evaluation of candidates by the voting members.

1. He should have good business judgment.
2. He should be friendly and outgoing, a good mixer.
3. He should have the ability to express himself clearly in language that will make us proud of him, rather than apologetic.
4. He should present an imposing person appearance.
5. He should be able to hold his own and advance the interest of his Temple and Freemasonry in high places as well as among the humble.
6. He should be a devote Mason and constantly promote the interest of Freemasonry everywhere.
7. He should be proud, yet humble.
8. He should have good Character and a past open to investigation.
9. He should be a good leader, have good standing in his community and be influential in its affairs.
10. He should be financially secure.
11. He should be in good health, full of energy and vitality.
12. He should be able to devote ample time to his duties.
13. He should be a man who, when he appears anywhere in public, you will be proud of and not apologetic for his shortcomings.
14. He should remember that he is a representative of Shrinedom as well as Masonry at all times.
15. His wife should be able to understand his devotion to duty; realize that he is the Divan Member and not she; be able to dress and wear appropriate clothing and be familiar with social amenities. Remember she is destined to become Sharon's First Lady.

Nominations for Divan should be based upon thorough and accurate evaluation of character, ability and interest. Remember, you are electing your spokesman and standard bearer and the one who will represent you throughout the world. We have a great Talent in our Temple. Let's seek it! Let's be fair and sincere. Let's get the very best that we can.

If you or your unit/club have anything to add to the script please have it into the office by the 21st of the month

How to Download and Use My FezCard Viewer

Download My FezCard Viewer – iPhone

1. Open the App Store on your phone.
2. Search for "My FezCard Viewer" and click on the icon.
3. Click the "Install" button to install My FezCard Viewer.

Using My FezCard Viewer

1. Open My FezCard Viewer. Enter your Shrine ID and Last Name. Type your Temple Name and click on it to highlight it as below. Click the "REGISTER" button at the bottom. You will only need to register the first time you open the app.



2. At the bottom of the screen, you will have two options: Shrine Card and QR Code. The screenshot below shows the Shrine Card option.



3. You can click "QR Code" at the bottom or swipe the screen to the left to view the QR Code for easy scanning at Temple events and functions.



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Shriners International have begun issuing permanent dues cards once again! If you still have this app and/or still plan on downloading it in the future, please see directions on how to download and fix any issues you may have!

This app is a creation of Shriners International and will occasionally experience issues. If this solution does not work for you, please contact Tampa directly by the email listed below webfezfeedback@shrinenet.org or by calling their support desk at 844-674-6266. Unfortunately, the office is limited in how much help they can provide in this situation.

Using *My FezCard Viewer* on iPhones (iOS 18.1.1)

In August 2024, an update was pushed to iPhone users to install the new iOS 18.0, which updated the operating system and apps installed on the iPhone. Many Nobles experienced issues where the *My FezCard Viewer* app would not load properly; the phone often displayed a "blank" or "white" screen instead of the usual digital membership card.

With the release of iOS 18.0.1, the issue was resolved – with a specific caveat. Now, Nobles will need to rotate their phones to "landscape orientation" for the digital membership card to load. ***And, with the release of iOS 18.1.1, an additional point was made, that the users should rotate their phones such that the line on the screen is at the TOP of the screen.*** Doing so will force-load the digital card.

If you are an iPhone user, are using the latest iOS version and are still experiencing issues, please follow the instructions below.

1) **If you encounter a white, or "blank" screen, rotate the phone to position the line at the top of the screen.**

If this does not display the digital card"

1) Uninstall *My FezCard Viewer* from your phone, and reinstall it through the Apple Store (to ensure that you have the latest/most up-to-date version available).
2) Register, using your Shrine ID (not your Member Number), your Last Name and your Temple of *primary* membership (not Associate).
3) Click "Register."
4) Rotate your phone, per above.



Should you continue to experience problems with *My FezCard Viewer*, please submit a support ticket for assistance, by visiting the "Support" tab in WebFez (Create New Incident), emailing webfezfeedback@shrinenet.org or calling our IS Support Help Desk at (844) 674-6266.