

Happy New Year Nobles!

Lady Michelle and I hope that everyone had a wonderful Christmas, and are as excited as we are for the upcoming year. One of the primary goals for this year is to reenergize interest and participation in Shrine events. To help facilitate this goal, we plan to offer as many events as we can for the Nobility to enjoy. So, as you make your New Year's Resolutions, I ask that you also resolve to help support your Shrine whenever possible.

The first event for 2023 will be the Installation of Officers, and Unit & Club Calendar Meeting to be held on Saturday, January 7. The Installation will begin at 10:00am, followed by the Calendar Meeting. If any Units or Clubs need to install their officers, they are certainly welcome to do so at this time. After all our business has been concluded, we will have a wonder lunch prepared by Ill Sir PP Jim Tidwell and our Staff. We look forward to seeing everyone there!

Other upcoming events

February 18, and 19: Galveston Mardi Gras Parades. Shriners Childrens Texas is a sponsor and has requested that all Parade units participate in this event. For other Shriners wishing to participate, but are not part of a Parade unit, there will also be floats available to ride on. Moody Gardens is offering a special rate for Shriners. For more information, please see PP Ill Sir Carl Auvil.

February 18: Mardi Gras Party at Sharon Temple. For more details, see Chief Rabban John Webb.

Something new that you will notice for 2023 is a slightly different format for our monthly stated meetings. We will continue to meet on the same date and time each month, however *some* of our business meetings will be replaced with an evening of fun & fellowship. These meetings will be "Open" and Ladies are welcome to attend. We are currently planning activities for our Fun and Fellowship evenings, so if you have any suggestions, please let our Divan know.

JAN 23 2023 6:00pm Annual Meeting Tiled	FEB 27 2023 6:00pm Fun and Fellowship Open	MAR 27 2023 6:00pm 50 Year Awards Open	APR 24 2023 6:00pm Fun and Fellowship Open
MAY 22 2023 6:00pm Stated Meeting Tiled	JUN 26 2023 DARK NO MEETING	JUL 24 2023 DARK NO MEETING	*AUG 21 2023 6:00pm Fun and Fellowship Open
SEP 25 2023 6:00pm Stated Meeting Tiled	OCT 23 2023 6:00pm Fun and Fellowship Open	**NOV 27 2023 6:00pm Stated Meeting Tiled	*DEC 18 2023 Elections Tiled

*Meeting dates for August and December were changed due to conflicts with Circus and Christmas.

**The proposed 2024 budget will be presented at the November Stated meeting.

Last, but certainly not least, Lady Michelle and I want to thank everyone who have supported, and assisted us during the last four years while serving on the Divan. The journey has not always been easy, but we have enjoyed every step. We will continue to work hard for the betterment of Sharon Shrine, and hope that everyone has a wonderful year!

Fraternally,

John Threadgill, Potentate
Sharon Shriners