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POTENTATE'S MESSAGE



We've already made it through two-thirds of the year—it seems like time just goes by faster each year. For the first time in many years, we didn't have a circus on Labor Day, so many people were able to enjoy a long weekend doing what they wanted.

As of now, the circus is expected to return to the East Texas area in February. This presents both unique opportunities and challenges. When we were made aware that the Oil Palace was being foreclosed on, we had to scramble to find an alternative venue. Unfortunately, venues in the Tyler area were not available, so the circus owners had to make the difficult decision to postpone the event.

Looking ahead, there are plans for a new rodeo arena at the East Texas State Fairgrounds, and the circus owners hope to host the event there in the future. The challenge for us is that the postponement creates a \$60,000 to \$70,000 shortfall in next year's budget. If you have any ideas for fundraisers, please speak with the office or any member of the Divan. We need all hands on deck from our nobility to help with participation.

The Rose Parade is coming up, and each unit should have received the parade form. If you haven't, please contact Jason Brooks.

Speaking of contacting the office, our phone and internet system has been down more than it's been up over the past month. We've since changed phone providers and have been in constant contact with Optimum (our internet provider) to prevent this from happening again—though no promises there from the ISP.

Good luck to all the hunters—dove season began on September 1st, and whitetail season opens very soon.

Yours in Faith,
Mike Cowan

The next stated meeting of Sharon Shriners will be held on Monday, Sept 22nd 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.

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Your 2025 Dues Card/App will be required for admittance at all Stated Meetings.

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

Mike Cowan
Potentate

Attest: Craig Hughes
Recorder



Please note, that all stated meetings for 2025 will be TILED, you will need your current 2025 dues card to participate in the meetings!

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

AUGUST

| | |
|---------------------------------|-----|
| MEMBERSHIP (REGULAR) (8/1/2025) | 732 |
| ASSOCIATES | 11 |
| TOTAL ALL MEMBERS | 743 |

ADDITIONS:

| | | |
|------------------|---|---|
| CREATIONS | 1 | |
| AFFILIATIONS | 0 | |
| RESTORED | 1 | |
| ASSOCIATE ADDED | 0 | |
| TOTAL ADDITIONS: | | 2 |

DEDUCTIONS:

| | | |
|-------------------|---|---|
| DEMITTED | 1 | |
| SUSPENDED | 0 | |
| EXPIRED | 3 | |
| EXPELLED | 0 | |
| RESIGNED | 0 | |
| ASSOCIATE DROPPED | 0 | |
| TOTAL DEDUCTIONS: | | 4 |

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|-----------------------------------|-----|
| TOTAL REGULAR MEMBERS (8/31/2025) | 730 |
| PLUS ASSOCIATES | 11 |
| TOTAL MEMBERS | 741 |

A Heartfelt Thank You to Our Circus Volunteers

By Randell Farley, Chief Rabban, Sharon Shriners

What an incredible day we had at the Anderson County Rodeo Arena in Palestine! Our first circus of 2025 was truly a spectacle to behold, and none of it would have been possible without the amazing group of volunteers who stepped up to make it happen.

Starting at 11 AM, our dedicated crew loaded up the trailer and made the journey to Palestine to set up tables and canopies in preparation for our 3 PM opening. From there, volunteers worked tirelessly through both performances - 4 PM and 7 PM shows greeting customers with warm smiles, handing out suckers to delighted children, distributing raffle tickets to the kids for our Visa gift card drawing, selling programs, and making sure everyone felt welcomed as they left. Each and every volunteer played a vital role in creating a memorable experience for our community across both performances. The dedication shown by our Brothers and their families, along with our community supporters, exemplifies the true spirit of Shriner service.

This circus wasn't just an afternoon of entertainment; it was a cornerstone of our fundraising efforts that directly supports Sharon Shriners Temple operations for 2026. Every program sold and every dollar raised helps ensure our Temple can continue its important work in the year ahead. But beyond the financial impact, events like these keep Sharon Shriners visible and active in our community, reminding everyone that we're here, we care, and we're committed to service.

While this was our only circus for 2025, we're already looking ahead to the remaining circuses that will pick up at the end of February 2026. The memories created and the community connections strengthened will last far longer, and I look forward to making more memories and "Sharon Good Times" with everyone. The laughter of children, the amazement in their eyes, and the sense of community fellowship we witnessed reminded us all why we do what we do.

To every volunteer who gave their time, energy, and enthusiasm - thank you, thank you, thank you! Your service embodies the Shriner principles of fun, fellowship, and philanthropy. You helped us create something truly special, and Sharon Shriners is grateful for each of you.

We look forward to building on this success in the years ahead, knowing that with volunteers like these, our future events will continue to serve our community and support our charitable mission.

Fraternaly yours,

Randell Farley

Chief Rabban, Sharon Shriners

Turkey Ham Bingo



Thursday, November 20

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

Spaghetti Dinner - \$5 each

Shriners and their
families only

THE VIEW FROM BEHIND THE GLASS

Craig Hughes - Recorder

\$\$ MONEY, MONEY, MONEY \$\$

By now, I suppose everyone has heard about the circus “train wreck” caused by the unavailability of the Oil Palace for this year’s Tyler Circus. The loss of this venue has resulted in a delay of all our circuses - except for Palestine - until February of 2026.

As the circus is our largest fundraising event, this represents a significant loss of revenue for the year. It seems unlikely that make-up circuses held in mid-winter will generate as much income as our traditional Labor Day events.

What you may not know is that the Smith County Appraisal District is attempting to charge us property taxes for the years 2023 and 2024 due to an exemption issue. Fortunately, the matter has been resolved for the 2025 tax year. We are contesting the ruling, but the ultimate outcome remains uncertain.

The net result of these unforeseen circumstances is that our revenue is likely to fall well short of expectations, while expenses are likely to increase.

Accordingly, your Divan is exploring other fundraising options. In the meantime, however, it occurs to me that my wife, Karen, and I are able to contribute more to the Shrine - an institution that has become an important part of our lives - than is represented by my annual dues. Therefore, I intend to contribute \$500 to the Shrine in September and to make further contributions as we are able.

I know there are other dedicated Shriners who may also be in a position to make contributions of their own. I encourage everyone to consider giving whatever they can afford - no amount is too small.

As a small token of recognition, it was suggested to add a contributions page to the monthly Script, listing all contributions for the month as well as cumulative totals.

Please understand, this is not meant to pressure anyone. It is simply a humble request for a little help from those who are able to lend a hand to Sharon Shrine.

Let me know if you’d like a more formal or more conversational version, or if you'd like to format it as a letter or email.

FALL CEREMONIAL UPDATE ATTN NOBLES!!

**Ceremonial will be held on
OCTOBER 25TH this year!**

Registration will be from 2:30p-3:00p,

Ceremonial at 3:00p

Dinner will be at 5:00p

No charge for new nobles & their family.

There will be a \$10 fee for everyone else.

This is a BYOB event.

Party will begin at 6:00p

RSVP to the office

Wear your best costumes and get ready to
booogie and have a spooktacular time!

Make sure to update your candidates and
have them submit their COMPLETED
petitions ahead of time! Initiation will be
\$235. This fee covers fez, creation fees, &
2025 hospital and per capita. It will not cover
2026 dues!

You're Invited!

**Come out to the U/C Bldg
on October 4th to help
celebrate P.P. LeRoyce Jones'
90th birthday!!!**

Party will be from 2p-4p.

**Please make sure to check
your emails, more details
will be sent out later!**

September Birthdays

Samuel A Fazel

James S Cornett

Travis J Orr

Kris Kirkland

John G Greenwell

Ronald C Clinton

Kenneth R Jackson

Don D Wells

Richard V Pepper

Clifford R Todd

Ralph C Todd

Kenneth D Warren Jr

Roger W Flanagan

Frank R Allums

Daryl R Atkinson

Paul A King

Maverick J Murray

Troy J Massey

Theodore H Wachter

Gene E Decker

Randall L Lowcock

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Joseph R Hull

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Gary D Jackson

Spencer T Rye

Dustin A Tallent

Richard S Long II

Lynn H Stanley

Paul Alexander Stanley

Brian S Pool

William R Cross

Fred R Files Jr

Arthur L Layne

Thomas D Lloyd

Bill F Sadler

Scott R Lewis

Rondal L Jones

Charles L Hopson II

Joshua D Hamm

David R Driver

Lester E Kimble Jr.

Harold W McQueen Jr.

Charles H Newton

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Frank M Burgess

Michael D Stracener

Joel E Graeter

Samuel R Zigtema

Larry Terkleson

Sportsman Spectacular

**2025 drawings have
commenced!**

**Grab some tickets for yourself or
friends and family, these make
great gifts throughout the year!**

(See the next page for prize list)

SHARON SHRINERS

2025

SPORTSMAN'S SPECTACULAR

January 4th – December 27th 2025

| Date of Drawing | Prize | Date of Drawing | Prize |
|-----------------|---|-----------------|---|
| 1/4/2025 | Stevens 555 Compact Trap 20 Gauge | 7/5/2025 | Blackstone 36" 4 Burner Griddle Station with Hood |
| 1/11/2025 | Stoeger M3000 V2 Max-7 12 Gauge Semiautomatic | 7/12/2025 | Smith and Wesson M&P 9mm Pistol Shield PWS |
| 1/18/2025 | Savage Arms 64 Precision 22 LR Rifle | 7/19/2025 | Ukiah Deluxe Beat to Music Fire Pit |
| 1/25/2025 | Ruger 10/22 LR Carbine | 7/26/2025 | Taurus G2C 9 MM |
| 2/1/2025 | Savage A17 .17 HMR | 8/2/2025 | Stoeger STR 9MM Sub Compact |
| 2/8/2025 | Savage Axis XP 30-06 Springfield Bolt-Action | 8/9/2025 | Savage 64 Precision FDE 22 LR Semi Auto |
| 2/15/2025 | Mossberg Patriot Vortex 308 Win Bolt | 8/16/2025 | Ruger 10/22 LR Carbine |
| 2/22/2025 | Springfield Armory XDM 9mm Semiautomatic Pistol | 8/23/2025 | Savage A17 .17 HMR |
| 3/1/2025 | Savage Axis .243 Winchester Matte | 8/30/2025 | Savage Axis XP 30-06 Springfield Bolt-Action |
| 3/8/2025 | Ruger Predator 6.5 Creedmore | 9/6/2025 | Mossberg Patriot Vortex 308 Win Bolt |
| 3/15/2025 | Traditions Buckstalker XT .50 Cal | 9/13/2025 | Savage Axis XP 270 Winchester Bolt Action |
| 3/22/2025 | Ruger Mark IV 22/45 .22 LR | 9/20/2025 | Savage Axis .243 Winchester |
| 3/29/2025 | Taurus Judge Model 4510 45/410 | 9/27/2025 | Ruger Predator 6.5 Creedmore |
| 4/5/2025 | Pelican Bass Raider 10E 10ft Fishing Boar | 10/4/2025 | Traditions Buckstalker XT .50 Cal |
| 4/12/2025 | Taurus 605B2 .357 Magnum Revolver | 10/11/2025 | Ruger Marl IV 22/45 Lite 22 LR |
| 4/19/2025 | Heritage Barkeep Wood Burn Scroll Rimfire .22 | 10/18/2025 | Taurus Judge Model 4510 45/410 |
| 4/26/2025 | Springfield Hellcat Pro 9MM Bundle | 10/25/2025 | Taurus 605B2 .357 Magnum Revolver |
| 5/3/2025 | Taurus G2C 9 MM | 11/1/2025 | Heritage Barkeep Wood Burn Scroll Rimfire .22 |
| 5/10/2025 | Stoeger STR 9MM Sub Compact | 11/8/2025 | Baretta 92FS 9MM Pistol |
| 5/17/2025 | Springfield Armory 1911 Garrison .45 ACP | 11/15/2025 | Taurus G2C 9 MM |
| 5/24/2025 | Ruger LCP II .380 ACP Pistol | 11/22/2025 | Stoeger STR 9MM Sub Compact |
| 5/31/2025 | Kimber Micro 9MM Stainless | 11/29/2025 | Winchester AmmoA 5.56 M855 Ful Metal Jacket 500 Rnd |
| 6/7/2025 | Glock 19-G19 Gen5 9 MM | 12/6/2025 | Ruger American Flag .380 ACP |
| 6/14/2025 | Barnett Stalker 385 Crossbow Package | 12/13/2025 | Heritage Barkeep Wood Burn Scroll Rimfire .22 |
| 6/21/2025 | Pelican The Catch 100 Fishing Kayak | 12/20/2025 | Springfield XD-S Mod .2 OSP W/CTS 1500 Optic |
| 6/28/2025 | Sig Sauer P365 9MM Pistol Semi-Auto | 12/27/2025 | Rock Island Armory 1911 Rock Standard FS 45 ACP |

****Prizes redeemable at any Academy Sports and Outdoor****

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\$50 per ticket; limited to 1000 tickets numbers 000-999

Cost less than \$1 per chance

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office of updates so
corrections can be
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**If you know of any parades
and you would like Sharon
Shrine to participate let us
know!**

**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**