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Greetings Fellow Nobles and Ladies,

Happy New Year!

I hope you have a healthy and prosperous new year!

We, the Divan and I, are looking forward to a great year

this year. Even though I will be stepping away from my job as Potentate I will still be involved in the future growth of our Shrine.

We have had many positive accomplishments over the last few years. I feel we are in a good position to grow, not only in our business side but also in our membership.

I appreciate all that you have done to help support our efforts. We have come together as a team and accomplished amazing things.

I would like to leave you with one of my core beliefs:

You don't build an organization, you build people, and people build the organization.

As Bob Hope would say: Thanks for the memories...



Dennis L Bryant Egypt Shrine Potentate 2023

#### T.E.A.M. "Together Everyone Achieves More" Egypt Shriners Clubs and Units Meeting Dates

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|---|----------------------------|
| Ambassadors Shrine Club                   | 2nd wednesday              |
| Brandon Shrine Club                       | 4th Monday (Odd Months)    |
| Citrus Shrine Club                        | 2nd Friday                 |
| Cracker Jacks                             | Last Friday                |
| DeMolay Unit                              | 4th Monday                 |
| Director's Staff                          | 4th Tuesday                |
| Fun N' Frolic                             | 3rd Wednesday              |
| Greeters                                  | 2nd Wednesday              |
| Hernando County Shrine Club               | 1st Tuesday                |
| Highlanders Pipes & Drum                  | Every Thursday             |
| Highlands Shrine Club                     | 4th Wednesday              |
| Honor Patrol                              |                            |
| Humidor Club                              | 4th Wednesday              |
| Keystone Kops                             | 1st Thursday               |
| Lakeland Shrine Club                      | 3rd Thursday               |
| Legion of Honor                           | 1st Thursday After Council |
| Mtg Midget Motors                         | 4th Wednesday              |

| Motor Corps<br>New Port Richey Shrine Club |                              |
|--|------------------------------|
| Past Masters1s                             |                              |
| Pharaohs                                   |                              |
| Pinellas Shrine Club                       | 4th Monday                   |
| Provost Guard                              | 3rd Thursday                 |
| Rod and Gun Club                           | 4th Thursday                 |
| Ritual Team                                | 1st Thursday (April/October) |
| Showmen's Shrine Club                      | 1st/3rd Monday (Nov-Mar)     |
| Sultans of Egypt Shriners                  | 3rd Monday                   |
| Sun City Center Shrine Club                | 2nd Wednesday                |
| Tampa Cabiri Chapter                       | 2nd Wednesday                |
| Technical Staff                            | 1st Thursday                 |
| Tin Lizzies                                | 3rd Wednesday                |
| Trike Patrol                               | 3rd Monday                   |
| Wheels Association                         | 2nd Monday                   |
| Zephyrhills Shrine Club                    | 3rd Thursday                 |



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#### Egypt Shrine 2023 Divan

Potentate.....Dennis Bryant Chief Rabban.....Dennis Bryant Assistant Rabban.....Jeffrey Zelesnikar High Priest and Prophet....James Ullery Oriental Guide.....Robert "Joey" Davis Treasurer....James "Jamie" Lowrance Recorder...Ill Sir Reginald "Reggie" Guier PP

#### 2023 Appointed Divan

| 1st Ceremonial Master.Denni | s "Roony" Moore |
|-----------------------------|-----------------|
| 2nd Ceremonial Master       | Horatio Johnson |
| Director                    | Robert Welch    |
| Marshall                    | Ron Parlett     |
| Captain of the Guard        | David Dzien     |
| Outer Guard                 | Lenny Tarrgo    |
| Chaplain                    | Jefferson Lake  |

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### Lady's Corner By: Kathy Bryant



Happy New Year! I hope that everyone has had a safe, healthy, holiday season. Just a few reminders, we will not be having a Stated meeting in January due to the elections and the installation. I would like to take this time to thank everyone for all you do for the kids. I am so blessed to be part of this great philanthropy.

Thank you again for all you do! Let's have a great 2024!

First Lady Kathy Bryant

### From the Directors Staff



The Directors Staff would like Congratulate the Newly Elected Divan for 2024 and wish them a Feztastic Year. The Director's Staff Helped with Feztival of Trees and it was an amazing event this year. We hope everyone had a Safe and Merry Christmas and a New Year. We took our float to several parades in December in Safety Harbor and Brooksville. We also participated in the Annual Children's Christmas Party at the Shrine. All of the children had a great time, they got to sit with Santa, enjoy the toy room and took home 3 gifts each, ate hot dogs and enjoyed themselves.

Prior to the Stated Meeting Wednesday December 13th Charlie Belcher from Fox 13 was presented with the Community Service Award for all he has done for Egypt Shrine. He stated that his grandfather was a member of Egypt Shrine and hopes to follow in his footsteps and be an Egypt Shriner. We hope everyone had a Safe and Merry Christmas and a New Year.

We would like to congratulate the new officers for Directors Staff. The new officers are: President – Ronald Hoedebeck P.P, 1st Vice President – Donald Olmsted, Secretary – Thomas Robinson P.P, Treasurer – Cesar Blanko, and Director – Robert Welch

We meet in our room on the 4th Tuesday of the month at 7:30 and welcome All visiting Nobles. Come join us for fun, fellowship, and to aid our Temple in everything SHRINE. We would be happy to have you as a new member. Some of the Activities the Director's Staff are involved in Include:

Ceremonials

 Arch Degree
 Parade of Units
 The Memorial Service

 Egypt Shrine Children's Christmas Party

 Annual Corn Boil Party
 Shrine Parades

Any Shriner who is not in a parade unit and would like to do any of the Egypt Shrine parades come join us on our float. Dress in black slacks, Shrine shirt if you have one and Your Fez. Come out and have fun and be engaged with your Brothers.

# January Calendar

| Sun                                  | Mon               | Tue | Wed                      | Thu | Fri                            | Sat  |
|--------------------------------------|-------------------|-----|--------------------------|-----|--------------------------------|--|
| 31                                   | Office<br>Closed  | 2   | COU<br>Meeting<br>7:30pm | 4   | 5                              | 6  |
| 7<br>Appreciation<br>Party<br>3:00pm | 8                 | 9   | 10                       | 11  | 12                             | Annual Meeting,<br>Elections &<br>installation<br>9:00am<br>Public Installation<br>1:00pm<br>Post-installation<br>party 2:30pm |
| 14                                   | Sands<br>Deanline | 16  | 17                       | 18  | 19                             | 20<br>Denim and<br>Diamonds<br>Gala<br>6:00pm  |
| 21                                   | 22                | 23  | 24                       | 25  | 26<br>4th Friday<br>6:30 Oasis | 27<br>Gasparilla<br>Parade<br>Beverage<br>Sales 8:00am<br>Gasparilla<br>Parade   |
| 28                                   | 29                | 30  | 31                       | 1   | 2                              | 3  |

# February Calendar

| Sun                            | Mon | Tue | Wed  | Thu | Fri                        | Sat                           |
|--------------------------------|-----|-----|--|-----|----------------------------|-------------------------------|
| 28                             | 29  | 30  | 31   |     | 2                          | 3                             |
|                                |     |     |  |     |                            |                               |
| 4                              | 5   | 6   | 7<br>COU<br>Meeting<br>7:30pm                          | 8   | 9                          | Sahib<br>Potentates<br>Ball   |
| 11                             | 12  | 13  | 14<br>Stated<br>Meeting<br>7:30pm<br>Sands<br>Deanline |     | 16                         | Egypt<br>Potentates<br>Ball   |
| 18                             | 19  | 20  | 21   | 22  | 23<br>4th Friday<br>Dinner | Shaddai<br>Potentates<br>Ball |
| 25<br>Putting for a<br>purpose | 26  | 27  | 28   | 29  | 1                          | 2                             |



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# January Birthday's

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Robert Hewell William Williams Paul Gott Charles Schlosser William Odor Charles Miller George Williams Lawrence Sturniolo

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In Tampa, tabs are collected at Egypt Shrine Center. The tabs are redeemed at a recycling center and the proceeds benefit the Shriners Children's Pediatric Orthotics and Prosthetic Services, LLC (POPS). Donations range from small baggies and containers to hold them.

#### What is the Shriners Children's Pediatric Orthotics and Prosthetic Services?

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### How Can I Help?

You can help by saving aluminum can pull-tabs and bringing them to the Egypt Shrine Center in Tampa with the proceeds going to the POP's Fund. You can also encourage community awareness of the tab program by getting groups such as schools, church groups, boy and girl scouts, family members and businesses in your area to participate.





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