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POTENTATE'S MESSAGE



Greetings Nobles!

El Bekal Shrine had a fantastic month of March. Congratulations to the Tin Lizzies for a great Steak Fry. It was a great turn out, and we even had an Imperial Officer visit El Bekal Shrine. Thank you to Imperial Sir Dale Vrsalovich, Imperial Outer Guard, for visiting El Bekal Shrine during the Steak Fry.

On the topic of Clubs and Units, as always, Nobles are strongly encouraged to join one. But if there is not a Club or Unit that matches an interest of yours, talk to the Divan or other Nobles. You might be surprised at what we can do to help get a Club formed.

The Temple Leadership is continuing to do what we can to keep things interesting at El Bekal Shrine. Even going to the schools that Shriners International put on every year. Good job for our Assistant Rabban, Russ Allen and Lady Pat, for attending the AR School. Additionally, good job to our High Priest & Prophet, Lito Soliven and Lady Maila, and Oriental Guide Edwin Calayag and Lady Jasmin, for attending the Oriental Guide School.

Having gone through these schools myself, the schools are an invaluable resource for learning about being a member of the Divan. Attending these schools is the Blue Lodge equivalent of attending the Masters and Wardens Retreats that Grand Lodge does. Lots of info, and lots of being able to interact with your office counterparts at other Shrine Temples.

On April 14th is the Quarterly Stated Meeting of El Bekal Shrine. If you have not already done so, please notify the Recorder, Ill. Coy Love, PP, that you will be in attendance for the meeting.

Looking ahead for next month, on May 10th, will be the El Bekal Shrine Potentate and Nobility Gala. Thanks to a wonderful connection (cough-Dad-cough) the Gala will be held at the Segerstrom Shelby Event Center. Many know about my Dad, 1st Ceremonial Master Ted Segerstrom's car collection. Now come on down, have a fun time with Nobility and other guests, enjoy good food and company, and drool over my Dad's Shelby and Mustang Collection (Note to the Nobility: Please do not literally drool on my Dad's cars. Anyone caught doing so literally will be punished by a very strong talking to). Make your Reservation and payment to go.

Anyways Nobles, have a great month of April, enjoy your Easter celebrations. Remember that El Bekal is your Home. If there is anything we as Divan can do to make you feel at home, let us know. Keep up the good work everyone!

Sincerely & Fraternally
James Segerstrom
Potentate

EL BEKAL SHRINE CENTER POTENTATE BALL



*Illustrious James A. Segerstrom
2025 Potentate of El Bekal Shrine Center
Requests the honor of your presences for the*

2025 POTENATE BALL

May 10, 2025

Segerstrom Shelby Event Center

5 Whatney

Irvine, 92614

5:00 pm Social

6 pm Dinner

Black Tie

\$100 per person

Please RSVP by May 2, 2025 to Coy Love with your payment, number attending & your choice of dinner.

Name _____ Number attending _____

Steak _____ x _____ Salmon _____ x _____ Vegan _____ x _____ Gluten Free _____ X _____

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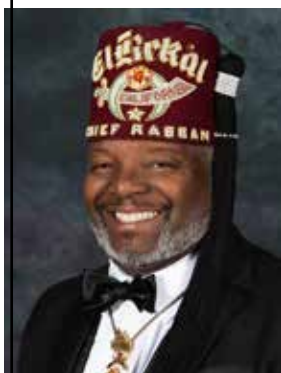
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CHIEF RABBAN'S MESSAGE



One Quarter Down

It's hard to believe that we're beginning the second quarter of 2025. For some reason this feels like the fastest year ever. In an effort to get to know our body better, I've decided that throughout the year, I will utilize this space for brief questionnaires.

1. Which blue lodge do you belong to?
2. How long have you been a member of El Bekal?
3. Please list the clubs and our units that you belong to.
4. For each one listed, why did you join?
5. For each one listed how often do you get together?
6. If you're not part of a club or unit, why not?
7. Is there another club or unit type that you would join if we had it?
8. How would you best describe your social circle?
 - I normally spend time with with fellow Shriners
 - I normally spend my time with Blue Lodge brother that are not Shriners.
 - I usually spend time socializing with people and other Masonic organizations
 - Most of the people who I spend time with are not affiliated Masonicly
8. Why did you become a Shriner?
9. What Shriners event did you enjoy the most?
10. Why?
11. What Shrine event did you enjoy the least?
12. Why?
13. Name two blue lodge, Brothers that you think would make a great addition to El Bekal.
 - 1)
 - 2)

Thank you for your participation. Please mail your questionnaire back to El Bekal Shrine or bring it to our next stated meaning.

Yours in the Faith,
Keith Jones
Chief Rabban

ASSISTANT RABBAN MESSAGE



Hello Nobles, Ladies and Honored Ladies.

By the time you read this Pat and I will have returned from Kosair for Kids (better know to most of of us as Assistant Rabban School). The weather on the whole was wonderful, as those that have been here, you never get out of the hotel, as it is connected to the airport.

We did however get a chance to go to Eegypt Shrine. It is very impressive.

We received a great deal of information that we will be able to use going forward to my Potentates' year. We received a lot of information on several fundraisers and fun activities. I hope we can implement some of these ideas in the future.

Many of you may not know but Shriners Children's is helping children in 132 countries. Our doctors are traveling to some of these countries in hopes of teaching them some of our methods and knowledge.

I will be making a more detailed report on April 14th at the next stated meeting. Please come out and join us for Dinner (free) and bring your family. I'm sure the First Lady will have some kind of program for the ladies.

Russ Allen
Assistant Rabban

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HIGH PRIEST AND PROPHET



From the High Priest and Prophet...

Greetings to the Nobles and Ladies of the mystic Shrine!

By the time this article is out, the leprechaun has eluded who dared try to catch it. Hope you all had a great celebration of St Patrick's Day!

It's been quite a busy first quarter of the year. Attended the Potentate's Ball at Al Bahr, a special Ceremony of a new noble, Noble Manny Cabanilla and the just concluded Oriental Guide Shrine Leaders conference in Tampa, Florida attended by Noble Ed Calayag and yours truly.

It was an awesome experience for me and my lady to have attended such training. The training and the knowledge gained from this seminar prepare us to tackle our responsibilities on our elected position as we move on to greater responsibilities. We were able to interact with nobles from different temples, exchanged ideas and fostered long and lasting relationships.

The presence of the ever humble Imperial Potentate, Illustrious sir Richard Burke and Lady Judy made the seminar more meaningful and inspiring. The hosting of Imperial Guide Illustrious sir Matt and lady Mandii Sturlaugson together with the members of the Imperial staff made the conference more interesting and engaging. Overall, they did an excellent job conducting such large scale training. In short, I for one learned a lot from this seminar and would definitely encourage next in line to attend such training.

We had a great time during the evening event as we rub elbows with the Imperial Potentate Illustrious sir Richard Burke and Lady Judy and the rest of the attendees and since the theme of the night was "Around the World", we were able to show our dress heritage from the Philippines, "*Barong*" for the men and "*Maria Clara*" for the ladies. As the night fades, karaoke singers lined up to belt out a song or two. Shriners International at its finest, we are here for the kids!

Blessings,

Lito T Soliven
High Priest and Prophet

ORIENTAL GUIDE'S MESSAGE



Nobility, Friends and Family,
Shrine Leaders Conference 2025

At 8:15 AM March 6, 2025 the Shriners International Foundation "Shrine Leaders Conference" open session at the Marriott Ballroom Tampa, Florida.

It's leads by Imperial O.G. Matt and Lady Mandil Sturlaugson as counterparts follows of Hospitals Lecturers on updates with Q&A and each topic of the course that brought up are really very helpful, its mission and vision relate on different avenues on industry trends on declining US birthrates, pediatric care, orthopedics, trends in burns, cleft lip & palate, Autism these are only some factors that our medical scope is getting bigger and the role of Shriners children role are expanding too.

Shriners information center is having a big task and advance technology adopting at the webfez and on a proper shrine temple policy and guidelines should be upgraded and it's not new to the nobility the declining of membership and all of these should be handled on proper management.

This updating yearly training to every newly elected Divan and is only the first step of his journey and only not to wear his first with a title Fezz heading to the top and to become a leader of his Temple on Philanthropy cause.

I've been in shrine of so many years at our counterpart in Asia and my experienced with different children with medical issues on a status needing helping hands are not enough if at every members of our philanthropic organization are not heartly dedicated and supported it, if their own dues are left behind and forget it at all.

Let's stand up for a cause as One El Bekalan.

Sincerely & fraternally,

Edwin "Edhearts" Calayag
Oriental Guide



TIN LIZZIES REPORT FOR APRIL

Well, I guess you are wondering what is going on with the Tin Lizzie parade group.

First of all, we were not able to go to the Indio Date Festival this year due to the lack of participants to get a reasonable rate on the hotels. We need to have at least three to five Royal Chariots /Dune Buggies to participate. If you are looking to get in their group contact either Mike Selix (714) 322-5950 who is the President of the Royal Chariots or Merritt Read, Club Treasurer (714) 875-6344. There are currently three Royal Chariots for sale.

We also need at least seven or more Tin Lizzies to be able to get the better rate on the hotels, so it was decided by our Potentate we would not be able to participate in the Date Festival this year.

We look forward to 2026 and being able to go to the Date Festival parade. I will be working on getting more Tin Lizzies so we can go to this parade and I will also be in contact with our sister shrine centers and try to get them on board so we can go.

Well, some more not so good news the Orange May Parade is officially canceled this year due to the cost to run the parade. It costs the chamber of commerce \$100K plus to run this parade so the chamber decided it could not afford this parade this year, hopefully the Chamber will get some sponsors next year to be able to have the parade again.

Well, on to some good news the Sea Chest/Con X steel box we purchased is now ready to accept Tin Lizzies cars for storage, Blake Messenger and myself were down last week cleaning and getting the container ready to accept rentals. The cost for renting space in the container is \$120.00 per year. We request for paperwork purposes that you rent your space year by year not month by month. If you are storing a trailer in the outside storage the cost is \$60.00 a year. Some of the trailers have been donated or given to the Tin Lizzie group and I will be looking at either selling them or renting them to Tin Lizzies to get their cars to the parades.

Well, on to some real good news, the Strawberry Festival parade in Garden Grove is a big GO, so this will be our first official parade of the new year, I would like to have a big showing so pull that Tin Lizzie out of the corner of the garage or the backyard. First change the GAS, it has probably gone bad and will mess up the carburetor. Second, put a battery charger on the car. Third, check the oil and do a little inspection to see that everything is in working order before you try and start the car.

Well, the next good news is our annual Tin Lizzie Steak Fry. As our cook Arlene Highlen posted on Facebook, it was well attended and a wonderful event. We had our DJ Tom working the sound and the CD's. He brought two ladies to teach line dancing to our guests and a great time was had by all in attendance.

I would like to personally thank all the Lizzie's and Lizzie's ladies for all their help and support also friends and families that also pitched in to help out, and just guests who just said what can we do to help, it takes a village to put an event like this on and it is not one person that makes this event a great event it is all of us, so again THANK YOU!

Well, and the next good thing is, I was talking to one of our nobles at the event and this noble seemed very excited to possibly become a car owning and parading member of our Tin Lizzie unit, he will be the newest Student Driver if he joins the group.

The next thing on my plate is to do my maintenance to get my car ready to parade and to finalize the parade dates and times so I can get this information out to our Tin Lizzie membership. It looks like we still have 10 or 11 parades still to go to for this year.

So please check out our El Bekal website at elbekal.com where you will find the most current information.

Well, that is all for now. Here is hoping we see you at our parades. **We are very thankful for your support.**

Thanks
Albert Jazwiecki
Captain of the Tin Lizzies

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NOTICE to Membership

Subject: Stated Meeting At the El Bekal Shrine Center

Monday April 14th 2025

Time Social: 5:00 pm

Dinner: 6:00 PM

Stated Meeting Starts at 7:30 pm

Remember you need your 2025 DUES CARD & FEZ

Send your Reservation's into the Shrine Center

Name _____ Number of People _____

Keith Jones
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Lito Soliven
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Edwin Calayag
Oriental Guide

Merritt Read PP
Treasurer

The Easy Way NOT to Get a Candidate



Don't be the one sitting on the easy chair or couch waiting for the right time to ask.

NOW IS THE RIGHT TIME !

Invite your Brother Mason to dinner, bring them to a event, talk to him about being a Shriner and lets make things happen around El Bekal again !

Invite a freind to dinner or a event, he may be intrested in becoming a Master Mason and joining YOUR LODGE and OUR SHRINE !



El Member # _____ Date: _____

**PETITION FOR MEMBERSHIP AND INITIATION INTO EL BEKAL SHRINE
1320 So. Sanderson Ave. Anaheim, CA 92806 (714) 563-9111**

To the Illustrious Potentate, Officers and Nobles of El Bekal Shriners International, situated in the Oasis of Anaheim, Desert of California. I the undersigned hereby declare that I am a Master Mason in good standing in

_____ Lodge No. _____ located
at _____

Furthermore, I do not now and never will hold membership in or allegiance to anybody claiming to be a Master Mason that has been declared clandestine; that I have resided within the jurisdiction of your Shrine, or unoccupied territory, not less than 6 months, as required by the bylaws of The Imperial Council and that I am not under suspension or expulsion in the prerequisite body to this Order, and respectfully pray that I may be made a member of your Shrine. If I be found worthy, and my request granted, I promise to conform to the articles of Incorporation and the bylaws of the Imperial Council and the bylaws and Ceremonies of your Shrine.

Birthplace _____ Date of Birth _____ Res
Phone _____

Occupation _____ Bus
Phone _____
If retired, list former occupation _____

E-mail: _____ Wife's name _____

Have you previously applied for admission to this or any other Shrine Temple? _____ If so which
Shrine _____

When _____

Residence _____
Number & Street, City, State, Zip

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Mail
Address _____

Hat Size _____

Print name in full : _____

Signature _____

If elected the signing of this petition constitutes the signing of the bylaws of El Bekal Shrine and Shriners International Recommended and vouched for on the Honor of (both must sign and must be members of El Bekal Shrine).

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ROYAL CHARIOT NEWS

The Royal Chariots are one of the most important units in El Bekal. They are responsible for giving rides to the Elected Divan at all parades. They are a fun group that always have a good time. Due to age and deaths, the Royal Chariots are severely in need of new drivers. Three buggy's are available for purchase. All are street legal and run very well. Contact Club President Mike Selix (714-322-5950) or Club Treasurer Merritt Read (714-875-6344) to arrange for a test drive



Gray 1959 Volkswagen Beautiful purple Shrine detailing \$3,800

Yellow 1961 Volkswagen \$5,000



Brown 1979 Mini Mark Newer 1600 CC engine \$5,000



Membership Application
for El Bekal Temple
Royal Chariots

Date ____/____/____

I desire to become a member of the Royal Chariots Unit of El Bekal Temple, Anaheim, Ca.

Name: _____ Birthday: _____ (Day) _____ (Month)
 Wife's Name: _____ Birthday: _____ (Day) _____ (Month)
 Address: _____ Telephone(____) _____ Home (publish) Yes No
 City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____
 Business Address: _____ Telephone(____) _____ Work (publish) Yes No
 City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____
 Occupation: _____ Employed by: _____
 Insurance on Dune Buggy by: _____ Policy No. _____
 Expiration Date: _____ Drivers License # _____ State: _____ Expiration Date _____

I am a member in good standing of:

_____ No. _____ in _____
 Blue Lodge _____ City and State
 _____ in _____
 Consistory (Scottish Rite) _____ City and State
 _____ in _____
 Comandery (York Rite) _____ City and State
 _____ in _____
 Shrine Temple _____ City and State

The regular active membership of El Bekal Royal Chariots shall consist only of members of El Bekal Temple in good standing who shall regularly attend and participate in all activities and conform to the provisions of the By-Laws. Membership is limited to one El Bekal Uniformed Marching Unit.

Members are required to purchase their own uniforms within 90 days of the date of approval of this application. Members must have a parade acceptable fiberglass dune buggy within 90 days of approval of this application.

Signature _____ Date ____/____/____

Recommended by: _____
 Initiation Fee: **\$50.00** Annual Dues: **\$25.00** Assements: **As Required**
Accepted: Yes No Date: ____/____/____

President _____ Secretary _____
 Signature _____ Signature _____
 Member Number _____

EMAIL...



El Bekal - Past Masters Shrine Club

Are you a new noble looking for a club to join? Maybe you have been a member for a while and looking to keep in touch with what's happening in the blue lodge? We are looking for Current and Past Masters of Southern California Masonic lodges to join our club. We have nearly 30 members on our roster and looking to grow and develop new ideas for membership and event planning. We would love for you to drop by and talk or share your ideas.

If you are interested contact Merritt Read at anapm82@aol.com, Steve Steel atkjs1969@gmail.com, or Kevin Stibich at kevin.stibich@yahoo.com.





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Sunday, May 18 at 2pm

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Orange, CA 92866

\$12 per person

Pre-Paid Reservation Form for Bethel 337's Women's Tea

Name _____ Phone _____

Address _____

Number of Reservations @ \$12 each _____

Amount Enclosed _____

Return this portion with check made payable to:

Bethel 337 Job's Daughters (with JP Tea in memo line)

Orange Grove Lodge 71 Plaza Square, Orange, CA 92866

or

Zelle

bethel337finance@gmail.com

(include comment for JP Tea)

Reservation forms due by May 4th

Questions? Contact Hailey Santley at rsvpjptea@gmail.com



Hi Nobles,

South Coast Shrine Club is a group of friendly Shrine Masons, Ladies, Honored Ladies and friends from a number of jurisdictions who enjoy each other's company, good food, fellowship and our dedication to Shriners International and Shriners Hospitals for Children. The Club has been in operation since 1954. We presently meet on alternate 3rd Wednesdays of each month at Snooty Fox, at 23028 Lake Forest Drive in Laguna Hills, just off I-5 at 1:00 pm for our "chat & chew" luncheons. Jan, Mar, May, July, Sep, Nov. The location is convenient, the food and service good and the fellowship warm and friendly.

We extend an open invitation to visit our Club. We welcome the opportunity to extend to you the hand of Shrine Fellowship and show you why South Coast Shrine Club is indeed, "The Host of the Coast".

If you have any questions, or need further information or directions, please feel free to contact us at 949/584-9716, or Scshrine455@charter.net, via e-mail. We'd be glad to see you. Please know that you're always welcome at South Coast Shrine Club.

Nobles, Ladies & Honored Ladies of South Coast Shrine Club



Hi Noble, looking for a place for lunch? May we suggest Valencia Shrine Club?

If you're looking for a place to connect with fellow Nobles of El Bekal and Shriners International, look no further than Valencia Shrine Club. We meet every Thursday for lunch and social communication, otherwise referred to in some places as 'Lies, exaggerations & old war stories'.

We gather at the Garden Grove Elks Club on Trask & Newhope in Garden Grove every Thursday for an 11:30 Social time followed by lunch, ordered from the menu, and fellowship with Brother Nobles and guests. Many of our Ladies enjoy lunching together as well, so they're also invited.

So, stop by for a visit. No reservation required, we just love company, especially Nobles.

Fraternally,
The Nobles of Valencia Shrine Club

Orange County Nobelettes

Ladies,

Would you like to meet with other Ladies in a social group for Ladies only?

If so, please consider joining the Orange County Nobelettes. The Nobelettes are a social group that raises money for the Shrine Medical Center in Pasadena.

They meet on the second Friday of the month, except for July and August, at 11:30 am.

Where you ask? At the Coco's Restaurant, 1250 E Imperial Hwy Brea, CA 92821.

Support your Shrine

Come out to your events. Have Fun

APR 2025



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| 06 | 07 | 08 | 09 | 10 | 11 | 12 |
| | Divan Business Meeting All Nobles welcome | | | | | |
| 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 |
| | Quarterly Stated Meeting | | | | Good Friday | 175 th Grand Lodge of CA Gala |
| 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 |
| Easter Day | | Earth Day | | | | |
| 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 | | | |
| Spring Fling | | | | | | |

Stay on top of what is happening at El Bekal
Go to Elbekal.com for the most current updates and any changes on the calendar

Lots of Fantastic things happing around El Bekal

Come out and see everyone

MAY 2025



| SUN | MON | TUE | WED | THU | FRI | SAT |
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| | | | | 01 | 02 | 03 |
| | | | | | | Orange parade CANCELED |
| 04 | 05 | 06 | 07 | 08 | 09 | 10 |
| | <i>Divan Business Meeting All Nobles welcome</i> | | | | | El Bekal Potentates Gala |
| 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 |
| Mother's Day | | | | | | Al Malikah First Lady's Luncheon |
| 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 |
| | | | | | | Garden Grove Strawberry Festival Parade |
| 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 | 31 |
| | Memorial Day | | | | | |

Stay on top of what is happening at El Bekal
Go to Elbekal.com for the most current updates and any
changes on the calendar

Freemason LODGES

Anaheim #207
303 W. Lincoln Ave.
Anaheim, CA 92805
Stated Mtg. 1st Wed.
(714) 875-6344

Coachella #476
51100 Jackson St.
Coachella, CA 92236
Stated Mtg. 1st Thur.
(760) 398-5157

Fontana #653
16650 Arrow Blvd.
Fontana, CA 92335
Stated Mtg 1st Mon.
(909) 730-3571

Huntington Beach #380
601 Palm Ave.
Huntington Beach, CA 92648
Stated Mtg. 1st. Wed.
(714) 536-3119

Long Beach #327
3610 Locust Ave.
Long Beach, CA 90807
Stated Mtg. 1st. Thurs.
(562) 427-0821

Saddleback Laguna #672
23685 Birtcher Dr.
Lake Forest, CA 92630
Stated Mtg. 1st. Thurs.
(949) 458-5750

Veritas Lodge #855
24642 San Juan Ave.
Dana Point, CA 92629
Stated Mtg. 2nd Thurs.
(949) 441-0357

Alhambra #322
9 W. Woodward Ave.
Alhambra, CA 91801
Stated Mtg. 1st. Monday
(626) 281-7950

Cornerstone #659
1701 W. La Habra Blvd.
La Habra, CA 90631
Stated Mtg. 1st. Wed.
(562) 691-1476

Garden Grove #351
11270 Acacia Pky.
Garden Grove, CA 92840
Stated Mtg. 1st Tues.
(714) 636-3112

Int. City Lodge #389
5155 E. PCH
Long Beach, 90804
Stated Mtg. 1st Thrs.
(714)322-8003

Menifee Valley #289
27221 McCall Blvd.
Menifee, CA 92586
Stated Mtg. 1st. Thurs.
(951) 679-9493

Solomon's Staircase #357
6841 Western Ave.
Buena Park, CA 90621
Stated Mtg. 1st. Thurs.
(714) 994-1822

Yorba Linda #469
4847 Main St.
Yorba Linda, CA 92886
Stated Mtg. 1st. Thurs.
(714) 758-5954

Artesia Sunrise #377
11531 187th St.
Artesia, CA 90701
Stated Mtg. 2nd Thurs

Brea #339
500 E. Imperial Hwy.
Brea, CA 92821
Stated Mtg. 2nd Tues
(714) 256-1452

Golden Trowel Norwalk
273
12345 Rosecrans Ave.
Norwalk, CA 90650
Stated Mtg. 2nd Thur
(562) 863-9101

Irvine Valley #671
23685 Birtcher Dr.
Lake Forest, CA 92630
Stated Mtg. 1st. Tues.
(949) 357-0671

Newport Mesa #241
1401 E. 15th. St.
Newport Beach, CA 92663
Stated Mtg. 1st. Wed.
(949) 294-4309

Temescal Palms #314
2313 Main St.
Corona, CA 92882
Stated Mtg. 1st Tues.
(951) 737-2013

Bellflower #320
9813 Beach St.
Bellflower, CA 90706
Stated Mtg. 1st. Tues
(562) 866-4953

Downey United #220
8244 Third St.
Downey, CA 90241
Stated Mtg. 1st. Thurs.
(562) 862-4176

Granada Hills #378
16535 Rinald St.
Granada Hills, CA 91340
Stated Mtg. 1st Wed.
(818) 233-0378

Pacific Rim #567
3610 Locust Ave
Long Beach, CA 90807
Stated Mtg. 1st Tue
(714)600-0613

Orange Grove #293
71 Plaza Sq.
Orange, CA 92866
Stated Mtg. 1st. Tues.
(714) 538-1443

Temecula -
Catalina lodge #524
27895 Diaz Rd.
Temecula, CA 92590
(951) 695-0811

Blythe-Needles #473
100 Murphy St.
Blyth, CA 92225
Stated Mtg. 1st Wed
(760) 922-9253

Evergreen #259
5801 Chicago Ave.
Riverside, CA 92821
Stated Mtg. 1st. Wed
PO Box 56564
(909) 261-9134

Hemet San Jacinto
#338
150 Laursen St.
Hemet, CA 92543
Stated Mtg. 1st. Tues.
(951) 925-1417

Lakewood #728
5918 E. Parkcrest St.
Long Beach, CA 90808
Stated Mtg. 1st Thurs.
(562) 354-0728

Tustin #241
Has been consolidated
with Newport Mesa and
is now Newport Mesa
#241

**Don't Forget
to visit your
BLUE Lodge.
They need to
see you too !**

If you would like to be added or need any information to be corrected,
please contact
ElBekal Editor
elbekalmag@gmail.com



IN MEMORIAM



Noble Jack M. Berrett

Noble Gary Peterson

**Please remember our
Lost Nobles as you go
through your Journeys
today.**

*“Soft and Safe to Thee My Brother,
Be Thy Resting Place”*



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Call the patient referral line at:
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To: New Master Mason

At: Your Lodge

By: You

**See Coy Love for a Flag to Present a
New Master Mason at your lodge when
he is Raised to the 3rd Degree.**

**REMEMBER! SUPPORT YOUR BLUE LODGE,
YOU MIGHT EVEN FIND A FUTURE SHRINER**

Nobles, get to know these new

Master Masons, get them interested in
Shrinedom, show them around.

Go to Elbekal.com and you can find
the Elbekalan with all the ad's in it.

LIVING PAST POTENTATES

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|-------------------------------|------|
| * Roy T. Reynolds (Lucille) | 1964 |
| * Robert R. Ruchti II (Diana) | 1974 |
| * Max G. Miller (Jean) | 1975 |
| * Ralph C. Bryson (Edie) | 1977 |
| * Ray G. Thagard, Sr. (Gayle) | 1982 |
| * T.D. "Ted" Grinager (Erna) | 1984 |
| * Fred Sorsabal (Marlene) | 1986 |
| * Fred Gutierrez (Marie) | 1990 |
| * Robert Lash (Donna) | 1991 |
| * Donald A. Nielsen (Sally) | 1994 |
| * Don Eyer (Joan) | 1998 |
| * Joe Pendergast | 1999 |
| * Ken Jahr (Nancy) | 2000 |
| David P. Suehs (Jo Anne) | 2004 |
| Donald K. Sorsabal | 2005 |
| Ron Schemm, MD (Barbara) | 2006 |
| William Salpaka (Virginia) | 2007 |
| * William "Bill" Roland (Kay) | 2008 |
| Coy Love (Margaret) | 2009 |
| * Gary Hooper (Sharon) | 2010 |
| John Rider (Barbara) | 2011 |
| George R. Boyd (Mary) | 2013 |
| Roger Ross (Lynn) | 2014 |
| * John Kahvedjian (Rosie) | 2015 |
| * Donald A. Leger (Gloria) | 2016 |
| * Carl G. Spalin (Fran) | 2017 |
| Larry Griffin (Cheryl) | 2018 |
| Mike Selix (Michelle) | 2019 |
| Merritt Read (Kimberly) | 2020 |
| Michael J Sekera (Abeer) | 2021 |
| Albert Turek (Rhea) | 2022 |
| Merritt Read PP (Kimberly) | 2023 |
| Larry Griffin PP (Cheryl) | 2024 |

Associate Past Potentate's
*Hans Lindquist, (Priscilla) 1998
Nile
David Wehmeyer (Diane) 2012
Al Malaikah

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El Bekal Patient Transportation Fund

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El Bekal Parking Lot Maintenance Fund

Payment for Dues, Reservations, Fund Raisers, Etc. should be made to:
El Bekal Shrine

EL BEKAL STATED MEETING

Monday, April 14, 2025
Hospitality 5:00 pm

Dinner 6:00 pm

Meeting 7:30 pm

Reservations by Friday, October 11th, 2024
PLEASE MAKE RESERVATIONS
Dinner & Beverages Hosted by El Bekal

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: That the Quarterly Meeting of El Bekal Shrine Temple will be held on Monday, April 14th, 2025, @ 7:30 pm at El Bekal Shrine Center. Business to be conducted will include voting on petitions received since our last stated meeting and such other business as shall come before the Nobility.

YOUR FEZ & 2025 DUES CARD REQUIRED

Fraternally,
Ill. Sir James Segestrom, Potentate

Attest,
Coy Love, P.P., Recorder