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NOTES FROM THE POTENATE - *Il. Sir Chris Wirts*

November 1776

The month of November was very challenging for the Continental Army. The British and Hessian forces were wreaking havoc on the Patriots. Some of the key events included:

Battle of Fort Washington (November 16): About 8,000 British and Hessian forces under General William Howe and General Wilhelm von Knyphausen attacked the American stronghold on northern Manhattan. Colonel Robert Magaw surrendered after being overwhelmed, resulting in nearly 2,800 to 3,000 Patriot soldiers captured as prisoners of war.

Evacuation of Fort Lee (November 20): With Fort Washington lost and the Hudson River controlled by the Royal Navy, General Washington and General Nathanael Greene abandoned Fort Lee directly across the river in New Jersey, leaving behind vital artillery and supplies.

Retreat Across New Jersey (Late November): British General Charles Cornwallis led a rapid invasion into New Jersey. Washington's shrinking army retreated across the state toward the Delaware River and into Pennsylvania, plunging American morale to one of its lowest points of the war.

Did you know? There was no national Thanksgiving Day proclaimed or celebrated across America in 1776. The first official national Thanksgiving proclamation was issued on by the Second Continental Congress on November 1, 1777, and was celebrated on December 18, 1777.

The proclamation was written to celebrate the major American military victory over the British at the Battle of Saratoga, which was a critical turning point in the Revolutionary War.

Unlike modern festive family celebrations, it was a solemn religious observance. The proclamation called for a penitent confession of sins and forbade "servile labor and unbecoming recreation" on that day.

For the soldiers of the Continental Army, the celebration was incredibly bleak. Stationed on the march toward Valley Forge, George Washington's troops celebrated the first national Thanksgiving with meager rations of water and boiled beef because they lacked flour and bread.

Nobles, ladies, family, and friends, let us be especially thankful this Thanksgiving as we remember and honor those who came before us. At your gathering, please share a piece of 1776 history with your children and grandchildren.

Thank you to the Nobles, Ladies, and volunteers who helped make the Spirit of Halloween Party a success. We welcomed more than 250 children and family members, making it a truly rewarding experience. Nobles are also visiting Spirit Halloween stores to display the Fez and share what the Shrine is all about. Thank you to everyone who joined us for the stated meeting night out at the Pint House. Those who missed it missed another great event. Lastly, as part of our public outreach campaign, we gathered at the Pond Bar and Grill to support its owner, a newly initiated Entered Apprentice Mason from Spangle Lodge. While there, a patron approached us and asked about our funny hats. That's what it is all about!

By the time you read this, we will have paid tribute to our veterans at the patriotic Salute to Vets. Thank you to everyone who helped make the ceremony meaningful, especially Noble Cory and Lady Heather, along with PPs Kim Burg and Kurt Kimberling.

From the Hospital. Shriners Children's Spokane remains committed to delivering the best care to more children in the right places. Our results remain strong: outpatient visits increased 10.7%, outpatient surgeries 15.1%, and referrals 15.5%. The new, online fracture clinic scheduling system has reduced wait times and improves provider efficiency.

The North Side Clinic is doing extremely well and efforts are being undertaken to develop a plan for another Clinic out towards the Liberty Lake/Post Falls area.

Please have a wonderful Thanksgiving Holiday.

Chris Wirts

Potentate El Katif

Chairman of the Board, Shriners Children's Spokane

NOTES FROM THE RECORDERS DESK - *Il. Sir John Robertson, P.P.*

Here we are heading into the seasons of Remembrance, Gratitude, and the Celebration of Life. As you know we are very Thankful for the Veterans and their families of the past, present and future, their sacrifices and actions in helping to preserve what we feel to be the world's greatest nation. Not because it is the United States of America but because of the light we carry to bring peace, freedom and goodwill to all men, women and children of the world regardless of their religions, or ethnic backgrounds. As Shrine Masons we also carry that same light to help lead good men, women and children to live as a good citizen, neighbor, brother, friend and more.

Each of us carries the responsibility to share the lessons of Freemasonry with those around us in our everyday life as well as those we meet along the journey of life. Through our kind actions of holding the door open for someone, allowing someone else to go ahead of you, helping your neighbor mowing the lawn, racking leaves,

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November Birthdays

Nov. 1 :Walter J Haig II
Ed D Williams
Kevin R Holling
Nov. 3: Edward E Booker
Nov. 4: David J Askey
Thomas C Shirk
Nov. 6: Douglas D Morgan P.P.
Ronald G Tee
Jay A Smith P.P.
Nov. 7: Randall J Kimberling
Nov 8: Jon C Lind P.P.
Gordie T Cockle
Fred W Nowland
Nov. 9: Leo E Soucy
Hunter D Fulton
Nov. 10: Thomas R Williams
William K Buterbaugh
Nov. 11: William O Musgrove
James A Abajian
Nov. 12: Floyd F Klinkenberg
Kevin D Geris
Marshall J Lichtenwaldt
Nov. 13: Alphonso J Conetto
Mark Schreindl

Nov. 14: Kenneth R Massender
Stephen M Sykora
Nov. 16: Robert S Lobdell
Nov. 17: James W Babb
Kurt G Kimberling P.P.
Nov. 19: Robert W Valentine
Nov. 20: James R Walesby
Joseph Baird
Nov.. 21: Paul Lindley
Nov. 23: Roy K Breedlove
Nov. 24: David D Burnham
Nov. 25: Terry L Reed
Martin Rinehart
Nov. 26: Daryl W Miller
Ron A Cockle
Brendan T Monroe
Nov. 27: JClarence S Brown
Daniel X Cook
Nov. 28: Brett T Westerman
Barry Baker
Nov. 29: Jessie D Salazar
Carson M Gemmill
Jacob Thomason



Please take a moment to look in your copy of the directory and make sure we have not missed anyone.

Please email OfficeAdmin@elkatif.org or call 509-624-2762 if you know of any Noble who has passed!

We are happy to report that there is nothing to report this month.

May peace, love and harmony prevail!



EL KATIF SHRINE

EASTERN WASHINGTON TEMPLE FOR THE SHRINERS

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506 W 2nd Ave
CONTACT ERIC THOMPSON | (509) 714-6169
PROSPEC IS WELCOME ON THE 4TH FRIDAY

HAS YOUR CONTACT INFO CHANGED?

We are getting ready to publish the New El Katif Roster!

We have had several bounced emails, wrong phone numbers, return mail.

Please check WebFez or Current Roster to verify if your info is correct!



Have any updates?

Email:

Officeadmin@elkatif.org

Call:

509-624-2762

Thank You!

HOSPITAL HAPPENINGS

KRISTIN MONASMITH, DIRECTOR, MARKETING AND COMMUNICATIONS

A New Level of Confidence for Gladys

Gladys, 17, of North Idaho, loves playing golf and performing trumpet in her school's marching band. But for much of her life, moving with confidence has been challenging.

Born with spina bifida, she underwent spinal surgery in China that damaged nerves in her left leg, limiting her mobility. After being adopted at age seven, her parents immediately brought her to Shriners Children's Spokane, where she has received care for the past decade, including surgeries with pediatric orthopedic surgeon, William Bronson, M.D., and several types of knee-ankle-foot orthoses (KAFOs).

Then, a new possibility emerged.

McKenzie Gunselman, CPO, learned of a new option that could significantly improve Gladys' mobility: a microprocessor-controlled KAFO, also known as a C-Brace. The innovative brace responds in real time to her movement, providing greater stability, balance and confidence.

It took nearly two years, but Gladys received the brace earlier this year. She as the first patient in our Shriners Children's system to receive this advanced technology.

The results have been life changing.

Controlled through an app on her phone, Gladys can easily adjust the brace to assist with sitting, standing and walking. Her mom Ashley says Gladys, who once fell frequently, now rarely falls. And she's taking her newfound confidence onto the golf course. She can lock the knee in place for greater stability and control during her golf swing. "Walking has been challenging, it's still kind of challenging, but this brace helps me in so many ways. I am more confident, stable and getting stronger and it has really improved my golf swing!"

For Gladys, this is about more than a brace. It's about being able to participate in the activities she loves, pursue her passions and move through life with greater confidence. Gladys' story is a beautiful example of what happens when innovation and our compassionate care helps each child reach their fullest potential.



One Mission, One Future: Vision 2035



Strategic Indicators September 2026

	September	YTD
TOTAL Outpatient Clinic:	2105	16,880
New Patient Visits	629	4,833
Other Clinic Visits	1362	10,838
Outreach Visits	61	848
Telehealth	53	361
Outpatient Surgeries:	82	749
Inpatient Surgeries:	12	122
Surgeries performed at other facilities:	1	28
Spine Fusion Surgeries:	4	48
Total Locally Received Donations:	\$706K	\$1.7M
New Hires:	4	24
Volunteer Hours:	128	1410

Inpatient Satisfaction:	Q3 2026 = 100%
Ambulatory Surgery Satisfaction:	Q3 2026 = 96%
Medical Practice Satisfaction:	Q3 2026 = 95%

(The quarterly number reflects percentile rank as compared to our peers)

Vision 2035: Four Pillars

Visit the Compass 2035 Dashboard for current SC Spokane statistics.

- Best Care
- More Kids
- Right Places
- More Value

2026 Hospital Operating Budget: \$ 27M





You need to have your **current dues card
in order to enter the meeting and to
participate in the voting!**

*** Our Stated meeting, December 2nd, is our annual meeting in which we elect our 2027 Divan officers and representatives for the 2027 Imperial Session. We are also introduced to the appointed officers for next year. We will be presenting and voting on the proposed budget for El Katif and Shrine Park (SSW) 2027. ***

EL KATIF CLUB & UNIT REPORTS

Welcome to all, and thank you for your support here! Have an article to submit? Email your article to OfficeAdmin@elkatif.org no later than the 10th of every month!

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Jerry Schieche, PP - Reporter

Don't miss the annual Tribute to Veterans on November 4. This is always a great evening and well worth the effort to attend. It is always open to the public and maybe this event will show your prospective candidate that we do care about people and enjoy each other. I believe that Illustrious Sir Kim Berg and Illustrious Sir Kurt Kimberling will have something to do with the show. I don't believe that I have ever been disappointed in anything those two had anything to do with. I am sure it will be a great event.

Illustrious Sir Chris and Lady Peggy are doing all they can to make every event something to be proud of. Do your part and attend and make it more special. Read the "Word" so you know what is happening.

November is a time of year for giving thanks and for family. May each and every one of you enjoy the holidays with your family and whenever possible,

you can always enjoy your Shrine Family. That is the part of our Fraternity that is so hard to convey to a non-Mason. We truly have a very caring family of Masons and Shriners.

Jerry Schieche, PP

Bethal 44

Doug Schroader - Reporter

At Bethel 44's September's meeting, seven girls were initiated and became Jon's Daughters. Bethel 44 meets on the 2nd and 4th Monday at 7PM at Concordia Lodge. Side liners are welcome and encouraged to come.



Memories





GREETERS
BOB VALENTINE, Reporter

GREETERS --- At the Greeters Meeting last **OCTOBER** attended by 12 of the 17 Greeters, **AND** we have a new Greeter, Mr. Mike Young , who is the Tallest one of the Greeters **NOW**. Peter Brewer, Hospital Administrator, stopped by our meeting for a brief visit, and informed us that the recent changes in the admitting process for the Fracture Clinic are slowly taking hold -- that requires that patients contact us for an appointment, whereas before they could just walk in. By implementing an appointment-based system, we can more efficiently accommodate the growing number of patients utilizing our Fracture Clinic. This also helps reduce wait times, so patients do not have to sit for extended periods before being seen by a doctor. We are still receiving some walk-in patients, but the numbers are moving in the right direction as more healthcare providers become aware of the new appointment requirements and communicate this information to patients following their X-rays. Now we will have to be more flexible and do our best to maintain great communication with our patients and their families... Much more news to come very soon regarding that.

Our current hospital is undergoing some physical changes necessary to accommodate our ever-increasing **NEW** Patient load from the Fracture Clinic and the Sports Medicine Department. Peter has been quite busy meeting with and supporting the current construction & coordinating the eventual construction of the **NEW** facility up North. Keep up the good work, Peter !!!

Just a quick reminder that the Winter Greeters Uniform is now in effect --- Grey slacks, white shirt and the current Greeters Tie, with the Dark Blue or Black Blazer & the current ID badge on the lanyard and -- of course your **FEZ**... !

The Two Benches Project, by the Greeters is coming along, and should be **IN PLACE** **NOW** -- and be installed in proximity to the **NEW** **STATUE** at the Shrine center. Many thanks to the Jim Babb family and to the other two guys who want to remain anonymous. And thanks to Ron Cockle for the fabrication of both the benches.

Nobles – please remember the Blanket Program for any donations you might be thinking of giving. The blankets sure put a smile on those patient's faces!!

Greeter Members as of 2026

Paul Allen, Jim Babb, Greg Cooper, Billy Eberly, Phin Haglin, Ben Kruse PP, Jon Lind PP, Ken Massender, Mel Neil, Stacy Roark, Doug Schroeder, Jim Stewart PP, David Swannack, Jim Tourtillotte, Bob Valentine, Mike Young

South Spokane Shrine Club
John Robertson, PP - Reporter

As you are reading this, the month of October has all but come and gone. Halloween will be upon us in the coming days. With any luck our beautiful fall weather will hold out for a few more weeks. November is fast approaching with the celebration of Veterans Day, Election day and Thanksgiving. It is a time to honor those men, women and families that have served, are serving or supporting family members that are or have been in the Military services. In doing so we must be good citizens and exercise our rights that they have so valiantly fought for over the history of our country.

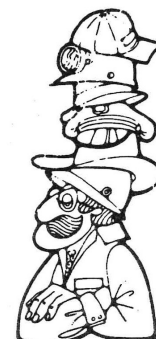
We had our annual Brown Bag Auction this month and it was a great turnout. Lots of laughter, great brown bag items and I am sure no one went home disappointed with what they had purchased. The fellowship was fantastic as we all enjoyed everyone's company. It was nice to be back in a meeting after having a couple of them canceled due to the remodeling at Darcy's and with the fair being going on in September.

We will be holding our elections at the next meeting in November so please be sure to attend and if you are interested in holding an office please reach out to Nobles Rod Higgins and Denny Hogan for more information. Jamie and Jennifer have done a great job this past year in leading the way, helping the club be active and making sure that all the events are fun.

May your Thanksgiving festivities be full of family and fun. May you always know that we are all part of a family and are only but a phone call away.

A quote from Denis Waitley- "Happiness cannot be traveled to, owned, earned, worn or consumed. Happiness is the spiritual experience of living every minute with love, grace, and gratitude."

**Masons
wear many
different hats**



**One of Them
Should Be a
Fez**

Museum Committee
The Museum Curators - Reporters

So you want to be a Potentate...

This is all well and good, but the big question is "what does it take to get there?" Well you will have to spend some time, well actually, quite a bit of time on the Shrine's Divan. The word Divan means several things but, in our context according to Webster's Dictionary, it refers to a royal council. In the Shrine, the Divan is the "board of directors" or "executive council" of the organization, and serves as the team that handles all business and activities of the Shrine.

Every Shrine Center or Temple has their own Divan, and the minimum number of Divan members is set by Imperial by-laws at five, with each of these being elected by the Nobles of that Shrine. All Shrine Temples have at least five members on the Divan, but some have seven that are elected. For temples that have more than five or seven members on their Divan, the additional positions are appointed by the Potentate.

There are two more elected officers that are considered part of the Divan, the Recorder (Secretary) and Treasurer. These two officers are not part of the "progressive" line and may serve in the same office for more than one year when elected to do so. The appointed positions are or can be "progressive" but are at the will of the Potentate.

Having been derived from Freemasons, like most Masonic organizations, the Divan is a "progressive" line, which means that one new person is elected to the line each year, the other members of the Divan move "up" one position, and the Potentate retires from the line and becomes a Past Potentate.

Each position in the line has a title, having been derived from Arabic tradition, and each has a set of defined duties and responsibilities. Potentates as well as Past Potentates are addressed as "Illustrious Sir" (Imperial Divan are addressed "Imperial Sir"). If individuals are re-appointed and/or re-elected to the Divan each year, in the time it takes to move up from Outer Guard to Potentate, he will have had exposure to and responsibility for every aspect of the operations of their Shrine. In order from the top, the positions in the Divan are:

Elected Positions: Potentate, Chief Rabban, Assistant Rabban, High Priest and Prophet, Oriental Guide, Treasurer, and Recorder.

Appointed Positions: First Ceremonial Master, Second Ceremonial Master, Ceremonial Director, Marshal, Captain of the Guard, Outer Guard, and Chaplain.

If you wish to know about specific duties in each position, there is a vast amount of resources (Past Potentates) that can be accessed by asking questions and/or visiting the El Katif Historical Museum for a look into the past.

Robert Brolliar
Museum Reporter

Fraternal Relations
Ryan Leonard - Reporter

Greetings Nobles!

I hope this note finds you doing well. It's hard to believe that as I write this, summer is nearly over and fall is almost upon us. Where does the time go? Throughout the year I have asked the Nobility to share with the Fraternal Relations committee important events such as a Lodge's centennial celebration, a Brother Mason reaching his 50 year membership milestone or an award, or other events going on within our El Katif jurisdiction that we can share with the Nobility! We're now going to shift gears a bit and ask you to let us know what sort of information you would like for us to share with the Nobility.

On that note, I'd like to remind the Nobility of some upcoming events.

On Wednesday, November 4th, El Katif will be holding its annual Salute to Veterans at the El Katif Shrine Center, located at 7217 W Westbow Ave in Spokane. Please check your Constant Contact email for more details, or call the Shrine office at 509 624-2762 for additional information or questions.

On the youth group front, Noble Doug Schroeder had nothing new to report at this time, but he wanted to remind the Nobility of the following.

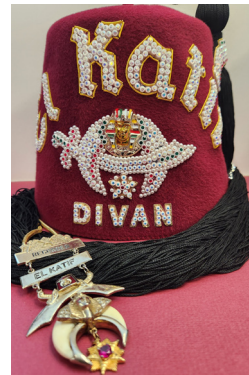
Empire Chapter DeMolay meets on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month at Audubon Park Lodge, located at 2821 N Northwest Blvd in Spokane.

Job's Daughter Bethel 44 meets on the 2nd and 4th Monday of the month at Concordia Lodge, located at 3219 N Argonne Rd in Millwood.

If you have anything you would like to share with the Fraternal Relations committee, please contact Noble Ryan Leonard at 509 951-1263 or via email at ryanleonard1969@gmail.com, or Noble Doug Schroeder at 509 999-3702 or via email at dbschroeder-1@msn.com.

That's all for now Nobles! We look forward to seeing you soon!

Fraternally,
Ryan Leonard



Actors
Ryan Leonard - Reporter

Greetings Nobles!

I hope this message finds you doing well. It's hard to believe that summer is almost over, and that fall is almost upon us. Where does the time go?

Here is a recap of October's trivia question. In 1978, director John Carpenter directed a horror film which took in \$70 million at the box office. What was the name of that horror film, and how much was budgeted for the making of that movie?

The answers are Halloween and \$300,000.00.

And now, November's trivia question. Name the movie in which the following quote was spoken, and who said it.

"Three things to remember as you get older: 1.

Never pass up a bathroom; 2. Never waste a hard-on; and 3. Never waste a fart."

The answers will be revealed in the December edition of the Word.

The Actors had the month of October off as there was no stated meeting, but rather an Oktoberfest celebration at the Pint House in Spokane Valley. To all of our new Nobles who have been raised this year, you have undoubtedly heard this at some point during your Masonic journey, and it's very true with Shrine, but you're going to get out of the Shrine what you put into it, so take a little time to check out the different clubs and units El Katif has to offer, join one and then get involved in the fun!

The Actors are also looking forward to the annual Salute to Veterans to be held during the November stated meeting on Wednesday, November 4 at 7:00 PM. Please check your constant contact email or the Word for more details.

While there will be no Hot Sands ceremonial at El Katif this year, the Actors will be ready to perform other Cold Sands ceremonies throughout the year, as we have candidates to initiate. We will also look forward to hosting next year's Hot Sands Ceremonial at El Katif.

Finally, the Actors are always looking to add to their ranks (a subtle hint for you Nobles who haven't yet joined a club or unit). If you enjoy dressing up in costume and performing on stage, or if you enjoy working with stage lighting as well as set up and take down, then we want to hear from you! Please contact our president, Noble Ryan Leonard, at (509) 951-1263 or via email at ryanleonard1969@gmail.com.

That's it for now, Nobles! I look forward to seeing you soon!

Faternally,
Ryan Leonard

**Continuing from the
Recorder**
John Robertson, PP - Reporter

or shoveling their driveway. Even our words of saying hello, Thank you, Please, You are Welcome, have a nice day help to create an atmosphere of peace and harmony. These are all actions related to the "Golden Rule" and if practiced regularly it becomes natural, when it is natural it becomes sincere and when it is sincere it is looked upon as that guiding light that helps to attract good men to want to become better men.

I would like to take a moment to say Thank You to all the Nobles that have stepped to be part of committees and to assist Ill Sir Chris and the Divan this past year by helping to make El Katif stronger moving forward into the future. This helps us to be a strong entity, bringing good things to our community through our fraternal activities and our philanthropic donations. El Katif is blessed to have such good men who are willing to help make a difference for the future. I will not name all of you, and you know who you are, and what you have helped to bring a change with, but I am grateful for each of you.

Please remember to pay your dues asap, you can send in a check, pay for them online and as a last resort you can call us, and we can pay them to line up over the phone with you. We are here to help guide you in this process and we want to also "Thank you" for continuing your membership in the Worlds Greatest Fraternity and in helping to support the greatest Philanthropy. Remember that your Club and Unit election results need to be turned into the office before the end of November. We would like to see you strive to have your Elections in October next year so that we are able to update next year's rosters in a timely manner for printing. Remember that you will also need your current dues card to vote in the El Katif Elections and on the Budgets in December.

May each of you all have a blessed Veterans Day and Thanksgiving with laughter, smiles, family and friends. All of you working and celebrating together is what makes this the greatest Fraternity. May you all have days blessed with good health in this journey we call life.

John Robertson PP- El Katif Recorder

Mobile Unit
John Robertson, PP - Reporter

Here we are heading into the 4th quarter of the year. Sunlight in the days is getting shorter, the moon is out a little longer and the temperatures are cooling off some. The colors of fall are starting to appear and our parade equipment is resting again for the winter. We would like to thank everyone that made it out to the Valley Fest parade and their efforts in making the event a positive one even though we were near the end of the parade and the sideliners were heading home due to the cooler evening temperatures. Let's start looking at the list of parades for next year and establish a good road map so that we can be out in force letting our communities we visit and live in know that Shriners are here having fun in bring awareness to our Fraternity and our Philanthropy.

Remember we need to make sure and continue to support Ill Sir Chris, Lady Peggy and the Divan by attending all of the fun events that take place through out Spokane and those that are at the event center. Fun and Fellowship are key components in being a Shrine Mason. Together we make a difference as we all work towards a common goal.

"Autumn is a season of abundance. The greatest abundance we can share is a table surrounded by Friends." ..Author unknown..
Reporting on behalf of all the Mobileers past and present and future John Robertson PP

Moonies
Jaimie Bockstock - Reporter

The Moonshriners surprised a Shriners Hospital patient named Evelyn with a new adaptive bike made just for her. The bike represents many hours of selling elephant ears. We would like to thank our volunteers for helping us at the elephant ear booth.

In conjunction with the South Spokane Shrine club, we had our fair appreciation dinner for everyone who worked at both the elephant ears and the shrine booth. A great time was had by all.

The Moonshriners participated in this year's Shriners Hospital Telethon. We presented a check for \$15,000 to the hospital during the telethon. The telethon raised over \$165,000. We wish everyone a happy Thanksgiving.

CBSC
Noble Richard Redick, CBSC

Dear Nobles:

The next state meeting of the CBSC will be Friday, November 6th. Oasis opens and social hour begins at 6 pm, with the dinner and meeting opening at 7 pm.

The Rainbow Girls are preparing and serving dinner. While the menu is not ironed out, yet, they want to do something for the Thanksgiving holiday, and I am sure they will not disappoint. This is your Shrine Club; the more the merrier, and November will be a great time to turn out. We have annual elections on the docket, the Rainbow Girls providing dinner, and when you show up, we shall be all the more glad for the sacred fellowship that unites us as Shriners. I especially desire to extend this invitation to our Special Ladies. This is your Shrine Club, too. Please, bless us with your presence on this festive holiday occasion.

There is a piggy bank at the front of our meeting room. Noble Darrell Lamastus has placed it there for the Rainbow Girls. This is for their charitable fundraiser, and their charity is our hospital. I understand that ONLY CHANGE may be placed in the piggy bank (no bills).

- Noble Richard Redick, CBSC Reporter

Legion of Honor
Robert W Brolliar - Reporter

Legion of Honor

The winter months are closing in and we are preparing for holidays and cold weather. As we bundle up for outdoor missions and put the parades in our rear view, we keep the love of our fellow veterans past and present in our hearts. Over the next couple months, the Legion of Honor is looking forward to the El Katif Shrine "Salute to Vets" sharing the day with all Shrine members, and donating to the Washington State Veterans Cemetery to purchase boughs with ribbons to be placed at each headstone and by assisting in the laying of them in early December.

The Legion of Honor is always looking for veterans and active duty to join our ranks to continue our mission and support each other. If you are interested in attending one of our meetings or just want to discuss what we do, please contact a member of the Legion of Honor for information and when and where our meeting taking place.

Robert Brolliar





Who are the Shriners?

A fraternity built on fun, fellowship, and the principles of brotherly love, relief, and truth. Most importantly, it's a group committed to helping children (and their families) with specialized medical treatments.

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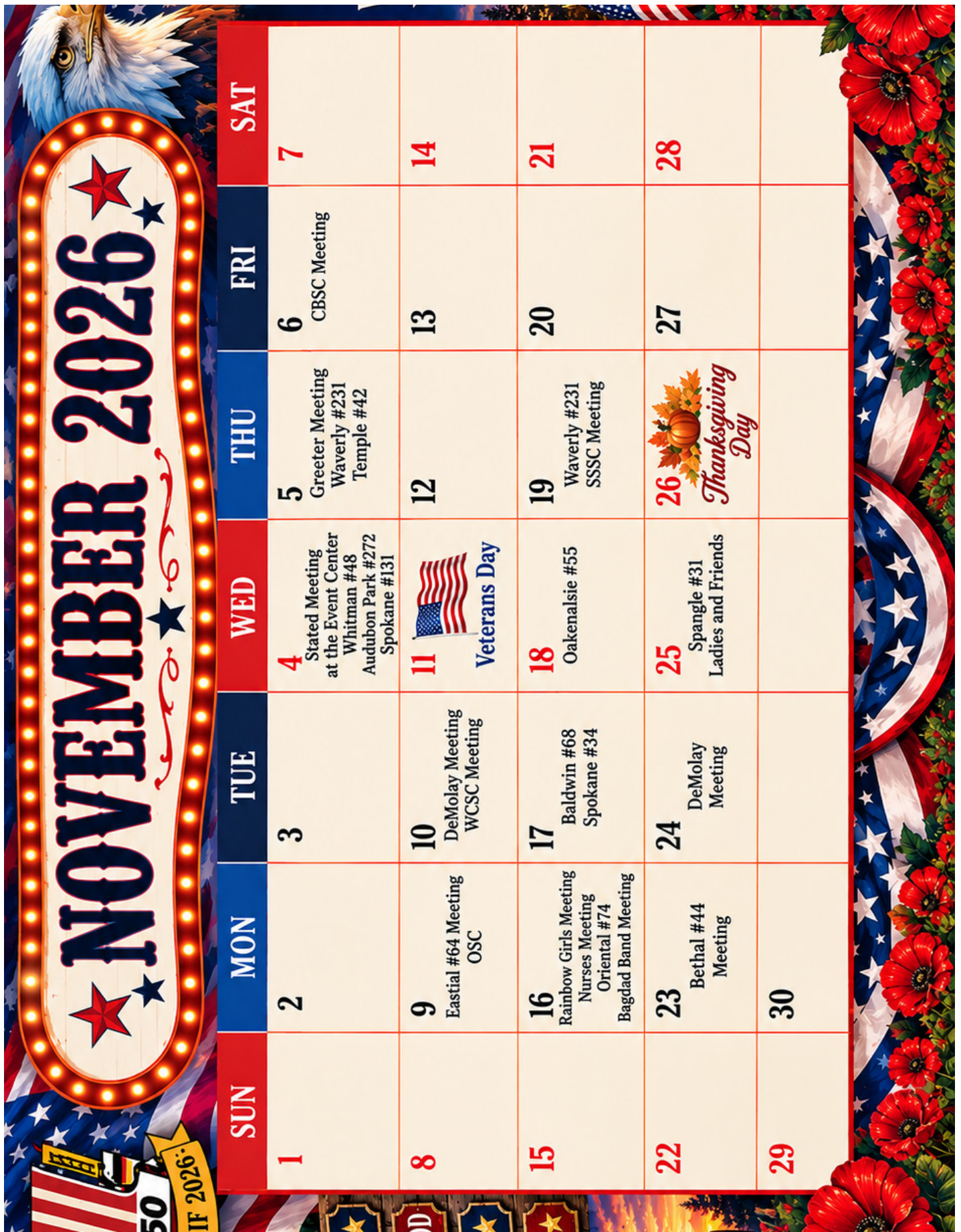


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