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Message from the Potentate:

Nobles and Ladies of El Zagal--I want to provide you with an update on how we at El Zagal are addressing the challenges of the coronavirus (COVID-19).

The advisement given by federal, state, and local authorities is to take measures to reduce exposure in order to slow the spread of the virus and to follow universal precautions.

Due to the recommendations and as directed by the CDC, we have made the decision to POSTPONE any meetings or temple events that have more than 50 people in attendance. This includes the 2020 Circus and temple/unit events. We have not identified a postponement timeframe, however will follow guidelines issued, make frequent decisions along the way, and stay in touch with Nobility.

I am leaving it up to the individual Unit and Club presidents on hosting their meetings but ask that you be prudent and follow any guidelines as issued by local, state and federal entities.

The El Zagal Shrine business office will remain open at this time.

As always, the health and safety of our members, families and the community are our top priorities. As you have likely read or heard elsewhere, common steps we can all take to lessen the severity of this virus include:

- Regularly wash your hands, especially before/after you eat, sneeze, cough, etc.
- Disinfect surfaces of commonly used areas: keyboards, phones, desktops, door hands, sinks and bathroom fixtures.
 - Our staff is taking additional steps to sanitize and disinfect our buildings. You will also notice the removal of food (popcorn machine, for example) and other items that are frequently touched by multiple hands.
- Maintain social distance (3-6 feet).
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth.
- If you do not feel well, STAY HOME.
- Avoid areas and events of greater than 50 people.

We will continue to monitor and assess any new developments and will provide updates via email, our website, and social media when or if any new information becomes available that may further impact our events and facilities.

Thank you for all you do to make El Zagal great! 🙏

Yours in Faith,
Mike Dow
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