

NYOSA Spring Session

April 25th thru 26th, 2025



Dear Nobles and Shrine Family:

In a few short months we will all gather in Montecassino Resort, Downsview, Ontario Canada to celebrate the 2025 Spring Session of the New York Ontario Shrine Association. We want all of you to know that NYOSA is not just an event for Potentates and Senior Divan Members, but NYOSA is always open to all Nobles and their Ladies!!!! We are currently finalizing the plans and our Illustrious President Joe Johnson, and his Lady Joyce are working hard to ensure this year's spring and fall events are among the best!! As a reminder because this event will be in Canada those traveling across the boarder please ensure you do not have any weapons or homemade food items, plants or meats in your possession.

We are honored to have Imperial Sir Richard Burke, Imperial Potentate, with Imperial First Lady Judy in attendance. Also, Imperial Sir David Hamm, Imperial Captain of the Guard, with Lady Charlene, Chairman, Board of Trustees Leslie D. Stewart, M.D. and Lady Megan as our Imperial representation at our spring session. We are also excited to have a Shriners Patient Ambassador attending to tell their story.

The Officers of NYOSA will be taking our Imperial representatives out to dinner on Thursday evening. Unfortunately, the Hospitality Room will not be available until Friday for those arriving early. But our President Joe Johnson will open his suite as a Hospitality Room for those who are arriving Thursday night.

Friday, April 25th is open to enjoy the sights and shopping in the beautiful Downsview/Toronto area. All meals on Friday will be on your own. (A list of great restaurants in the area will be provided). Registration will be open in the Hotel Lobby from 2:00 to 5:00 pm and the Hospitality Room will be open at 2:00 and stay open till 11:00 pm for fun and socializing (With a supper break from 5 to 7:30 pm).

Saturday, April 26th begins with a catered breakfast buffet from 7:30 am - 9 am. Breakfast includes an assortment of Scrambled Eggs, Home Fries, Bacon, Sausage, Toast, Bagels, Fresh Fruit Preserves. Following breakfast, the Nobles will attend our Spring Business Session from 9:30 am to 11:30 am while our Ladies will attend a wonderful Ladies Program hosted by Lady Joyce with the Imperial Ladies (9:30 - 11:30 am).

Dress for Nobles during the day on Saturday will be Business Casual with Fez, for the Ladies think spring attire. (NYOSA Officers will wear our standard black Jacket, shirt, tie and NYOSA Jewel, with grey slacks for the business meeting).

Following the morning programs lunch will be served from 12 noon – 1 pm featuring Assorted Sandwiches & Wraps, Assorted Pizza, Mixed Green Salad. From 1:30 to 2:30 the Imperial

Potentate will speak along with First Lady Judy on her Special Project. Also, during this time our Patient Ambassador will tell their amazing story.

After the formalities and business being concluded, on Saturday afternoon the Hospitality Room will be open until Saturday Dinner. The dinner will have a “Touch of Class” by being a Black Tie Event. Tuxes or Dark Suit for Nobles and appropriate cocktail dress or long dress for Women. Social hour with Hors d' oeuvres will be from 5 pm – 6 pm.

Dinner will include Caesar Salad, Penne al Sugo, Braised Short Rib, Mashed Potatoes, Seasonal Veg, and Lemon Gelato with Fresh Berries. After dinner there will be a live band to provide music and dancing. Following the Hospitality Room will open for a night cap. It promises to be a genuinely Great evening. Finally, we will bid you farewell on Sunday morning with some Great memories!!

It will be a WONDERFUL time and will only be BETTER with YOU!

Ill. Sir Terry A. Byard P.P.

Director General

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