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Congratulations Imperial Sir Kenneth G. "Kenny" Craven & First Lady Jennifer "JJ" Craven



POTENTATE'S MESSAGE

Nobles and Ladies,

As I write this, I cannot believe that my lady and I are halfway through our year as Potentate and First Lady of Mirza. Time is for sure going by very quickly.

As of this writing, we just completed a wonderful weekend with family and friends at the 49th Annual Kansas Shrine Bowl. It was a hot one, but the fellowship with our Mirza family and friends from around the state was wonderful.

Recently, we represented Mirza in Minneapolis, MN for the annual Imperial Session. It was an honor to participate in the legislative process that leads our great philanthropy. Of course, there was time to network with friends from across the nation and have some fun as well. During the session, Imperial Sir Kenny Cravens was installed as the 2022-2023 Imperial Potentate.

As we look forward to the remainder of the year, Mirza's Annual Sportsmen's event is coming up on August 6th. I hope that many of you will join us for a day of fun. If you haven't purchased or sold your raffle tickets, now would be a great time. Someone is going to win the prizes! It might as well be you!

Don't forget, CSSA is coming up at the end of August! This is another great time for fun and fellowship. Contact the Mirza Office for more information.

As we move closer to our Fall Ceremonial on November 5th, encourage your friends that are Master Mason's to come join us in the Shrine. Let them know what they are missing out on by not being a Shriner!

Look forward to seeing you at one of our upcoming events!

KEEP DOIN' WHAT WE DO IN 2022.

Fraternally,

Yours in the faith, Illustrious Sir Jeff Thyer



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FIRST LADY'S MESSAGE

Greetings to all Nobles and Ladies,

Yes, time does fly when you are having fun! The fact that we are at the end of July is crazy! Jeff and I are having a great time representing Mirza! We had a great time in Minneapolis at Imperial Session. Although, coming back to our Kansas weather was a jolt to the system.

One of my favorite weekends of the year is Kansas Shrine Bowl. This year was no exception. The Mirza Uniformed Units Team did an outstanding job with hospitality, and it was great seeing our friends from across the state of Kansas. We even had a few visitors from Missouri! They were quite impressed with the Kansas Shrine Bowl experience.

I still have Mirza Cookbooks available. They are \$15 each and checks can be made out to Susanna Thyer. If you think you might want some as Christmas gifts, please let me know now. The stock is starting to get low, and I wouldn't want you to miss out.

I have been sending out emails to the ladies for which I have an address. The emails are sent with information or reminders about upcoming events. If you are not getting any mail from me, I either don't have your address or I have it incorrectly. Send me a message at skthyer@gmail.com and I will get you added to the list!

Hope to see you soon!

Come out and "Eat, Drink and Be Happy in 2022"

Sincerely,

Susanna Thyer First Lady 2022



Mirza's Web Address www.MirzaShriners.com

2022 Temple Activities

Jeff Thyer	.Bucking for the kids
Mark Stapleton	Kid's Night out
Mike Cotter	. Onions
Don Wheeler	Sportsmen Event
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Fred Apt	. Feztival of trees
Darrell Orender	
Joe Williford	. Whiskey/Wine @ Shrine
Jason Johnson	.Shrimp Boil
	Mirzan
	Media / Facebook
Kevin King	Family Picnic
Marty Werner	.Golf Tournament
	Easter Egg Hunt
Don Kennedy	. Clay shoot
Rusty Whitson	Pray for the temple
Randy McKee	

Check your Calendars or Mirza's Facebook page For more Information:

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To transport children to the Shriner's Hospitals for Children Maybe gone overnight.

Call Office if you are interested.

Need to fill out an application and be willing to **Join the Hospital Dad's Unit.**620-231-4180

From the Recorder's Desk Darrell Orender, PP, Recorder

It's hard to believe that 2022 is more than half over! By the time you read this the Kansas Shrine Bowl will be in the rearview mirror and the Sportsmens Event will be upon us. Let's all try to be there and make this major fund-raiser and entertainment venue a resounding success.

Looking at the calendar, Ill. Sir Jeff and First Lady Susanna have it jam-packed with fun events all the way to the end of the year. Don't sit on the sidelines!! Come and enjoy the fun and fellowship!! CSSA is just around the corner and I need to remind everyone to get your rooms reserved. We are booked at the headquarters hotel which is the Hyatt in Old Town. Also, both Nobles and Ladies attending need to pay the Registration Fee of \$30/person. Once again, this applies to Nobles and Ladies. The Ladies' Luncheon is on Thursday, and the cost is \$40. The Pub Crawl is Thursday evening and the cost is \$25/person. ALL reservations need to be made through the Mirza office. With the exception of the hotel, all payments for registration, Ladies' Luncheon and Pub Crawl need to be made to the Mirza office as we will issue a check to Midian Shrine for these.

As most of you know, dues notices are mailed from Imperial in Tampa. Notices will be coming out beginning in September. Your membership in Mirza is very important to us and your dues support the fun and fellowship that is Mirza Shrine.

Maggie is now back in the office and is recovering from her recent surgery. Stop in and say "Hi". The office is here to serve the Nobility and their Ladies. If we can be of service, please feel free to reach out to us.

Yours In the Faith,

Darrell Orender, PP, Recorder



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MIRZA WALL OF HONOR

Plaques Available Now

Over the last few years, the topic of building a Mirza Wall of Honor has been discussed. Rick Cummings and Francis DeMott, PP discussed this off and on for a while. As the time was

drawing near for Jeff Thyer to become Potentate, he decided this was a project that he would like to see come to fruition during 2022.

At that time, Francis started working to build the frame. He had a metal scimitar that he planned to use for the keystone. He also had some small metal scimitars to use for the tops of

the columns. Francis spent many hours building the wall. If you have seen it, you know it is something that will serve Mirza well.

In a surprise gathering, on Sunday, June 19 th, Past First Lady Bonnie McAdam presented Illustrious Sir Jeff and First Lady Susanna with the very first plaque on the wall in honor of their year as potentate and first lady. She also presented a plaque in Memory of Past Potentate Tom McAdam. Past Potentate's Warren Rhuems and Francis DeMott also have a plaque in their honor.

Now it is your turn! You too can have a plaque. Plaques can be purchased to honor someone, in memory of someone or just because you would like to support your Shrine. All monies given to the Wall of Honor go directly to the Mirza OMT (Operations Maintenance Trust) Fund. The

money in this fund is used solely for the Operations and Maintenance of the building. For example, many of the heating and air conditioning units are close to thirty years old. It is time

to plan for some upgrades.

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MG's

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Gerald Hardy2002	Terry Quarles2016
Jerry James2004	Mike Hamman2017
Darrell Orender2005	Randy Ervin2018
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2022 CALL PARADES

April 30th Mirza Spring Ceremonial May 28th Yates Center Days July 23rd Shrine Bowl @ Pittsburg Aug 27th CSSA @ Wichita Sept 17th Katy Days @ Parsons Sept 24th Chanute - Artist Alley Sept 24th Kincaid Fair (after Chanute) Oct 30th Independence - Neowallah Nov 5th Mirza Fall Cerimonial Dec 3rd Riverton Christmas Parade Dec 3rd Galena Christmas Parade Line-up..... Starts
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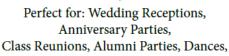
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How are you going to respond? I know this answer is different for each one of us as Shriners. I also know that not one set answer will provoke curiosity from the person asking the question to want to know more about us

So how do you do it?

- *Do you start with the need to be a Mason first? (True start, but if they know about Masonry they probably know about Shrine.) Masonry is a whole conversation on its own
- *Do you start with the history of Shrine and Shriner hospitals? (Started in 1870, as a group of masons that wanted to have some fun, and the Hospitals started in 1922)
- *Do you start by mentioning that there are 22 Hospitals we raise funds for in the United States, Canada, and Mexico?
- *Do you start by mentioning we are a philanthropic organization of Men dedicated to helping children in need?
- *Do you start with a story of a shrine kid that has been helped by the Temple?
- *Do you start with "we are a bunch of men in a social fraternity that help children"?
- *Do you start by mentioning we help children that are burn victims, have cleft pallet issues, or bone/limb deformation?
- *Do you start by mentioning the patients and their families never has to pay for treatment?

I don't believe there is a single answer to "what is a Shriner"? But please think about your next 2-minute conversation with a stranger that may possibly end up with us creating a new Noble. Who knows, it might also lead to a child getting the best medical care regardless of the family's ability to pay! This is just something to think about but could be very impactful to someone's life.

Kevin King

Marshal

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Wind Wizards

By Tom Circle, President

Hello Nobles and Ladies!

It doesn't seem like it should be time for another Mirzan, but here we are. The Wizards have been just be-bopping around and enjoying being Shriners and Brothers. We have added new members, rode in a few parades, and even just took the weekend to ride together. Let's dive in and find out what's happened!

Our membership has grown by Four, yes count em, FOUR new guys! We want to give a formal welcome to Rusty Whitson aka "Porky Pig", Brad Kyle nka "Mario", Mike Reed nka "Tonka, and Steve Reed who has not had a name picked yet. (I'm sure it won't be long). Let's give a big rev of the throttles to these men who are on the road with us in brotherhood! Welcome, men!

The Wizards, just like everyone else did their share in onion sales, and to be honest. I don't think any of the guys want to even look at an Onion for a while! A big shout out to Dopey (Justin Stapleton) and Taz (Jason Bennett) who worked their taillights off to sell them darn onions!

While the Wizards haven't made every parade so far this season, we did make it to a little hometown parade in Parsons, during Katy Days. Sometimes the little ones aren't the most glamorous, but the people really appreciate a showing! A big rev of the throttle to all the guys who made it!

As most of you know, we had a gun raffle again this spring. The winner was drawn at Spring Ceremonial. Let's really give it up to Robin Billingsly, from the Parsons Ks., area for being the lucky draw of our spring raffle!

And on a tail end note, some of us Wizards were able to make a ride down to Bentonville, Ark., to visit our Brother Happy (Chris Stapleton). We made a weekend of it, had a crawfish boil, and just spent time together as

Brothers. Thanks to all that made the ride, we put lots of miles on the bikes and we'll be having another get-to-gether after our Poker Chip run coming up in August.

As we pull onto the on-ramp and start to make that speedometer climb, remember to keep the shiny side up and the rubber sticking in the twisties!

-BALOO (Thomas Circle) 2022 President, Mirza Shrine Wind Wizards



MIRZA STATED MEETING

Official Call of the Potentate

July 27th, 2022 at 7:00 PM

Notice is hereby given that the Stated Session of Mirza Shriners will be held at the Shrine Center for the transaction of such business as may come before the Nobility

> Jeffrey L. Thyer, Potentate Darrell Orender, PP, Recorder

MIRZA STATED MEETING DINNER

July 27th 2022 at 6:15 PM

Join your Shrine friends at Mirza for a complimentary dinner and fellowship before the Stated Meeting

HOSPITAL DADS MEETING

Mirza Shrine Center April 20, 2022 at 5:30 PM

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WHISKEY AND WINE @ THE SHRINE



October, 15th, 2022 starting @ 4PM

Come join the Mirza Shriners from 4:00 to 7:00 October 23rd for an afternoon of Come join the Mirza Shriners for an afternoon of fantastic food and fine liquid tastings. The food trucks will be parked and selling in front of Mirza to be enjoyed by all. For access to the tastings, just a \$20 donation to enter and receive a complimentary wine glass and several tasting tickets, while they last. You must be 21 with proper ID to enter. Designated Drivers (also must be 21) are admitted for free.

Once inside Mirza, the below vendors will be offering tastings of their liquid goodness. Games and a raffle with outstanding prizes will be during the event. Also during the event, bottles may be purchased directly from the wine vendors.

If you have any questions call the office.

We hope to see you all there!

New Nobles of Mirza's Spring Ceremonial 2022



Fall Ceremonial Is Upon Us! Get your petitons in Now.



A Couple of Your Mirza Divan Men:

Don Kennedy

Outter Guard (First year on the Mirza Divan)

Don is a third generation Master Mason at Vulcan Lodge 229, in Walnut Kansas. H was initiated to the Degree of an Entered Apprentice 04/10/2018, Passed to the Degree of a Fellow Craft 11/13/2018, and was Raised to the Sublime Degree of a Master Mason 04/27/2019. Don crossed the cold sands of the desert 05/01/2021 to ultimately cross the hot sands of the desert on 10/02/2021 to gain further infamy with the Nobels of the Mystic Shrine. Don graduated from PSU with a Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering Technology May of 2003 and has worked for Emerson Electric, Orica Explosives, Morton Salt and currently works at Ash Grove Cement.

Don is the father of five kids. Joshua, Katelynn, Abel, Emily, and Robert. His oldest, Joshua, was Initiated to the Degree of an Entered Apprentice 12/28/2021 on Saint Johns Day, making him a fourth generation Mason at Vulcan Lodge 229. Katelynn will be a returning member of the Shrine Bowl Band. Abel is a 4.0 student and a member of the 5 th place KSHAA 4A State Debate Team. Emily is in Middle School and has taken up wrestling. Robert is in Kindergarten.



Fred Apt

Oriental Guide (2nd year on the Mirza Divan)

Fred is a 4th generation Mason and the current treasurer, and PM of Iola Lodge # 38. Fred is a 2nd generation Shriner where he joined in 1997. He is a current Member of Hardly Able Fire Unit & Tri-County Shrine Club.

Fred is a semi-retired engineer, doing CAD & other eneering from home.

Fred's wife Janet, works part-time as a Registered Dental Hygienist for CHCSEK's Dental Outreach Team with the Women, Infants & Children (WIC) Programs throughout Southeast Kansas Counties.

Betty & Jerry Skidmore, PP 1992 are Janet's parents

Janet & Fred have 3 children & 8 grandchildren, in Salt Lake City, UT, Bossier City, LA & Mission, KS





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