### August 2025



# President's Message

As we continue with our Florida Summer weather: it is HOT, stay hydrated, lots of H2O (water) and fluid replacement (no alcohol) and limit your Sun exposure between 12 noon- 4pm (Sun is at its maximum high temperature range).

Why are you a Shriner, and why do you participate in your Shrine Club activities? It's not to impress the Imperial Potentate, or your Shrine Temple Potentate or even your Shrine Club President. We do it all for the KIDS, our Shrine orthopedic and burn KIDS our Annual Christmas Patry Shrine KIDS, It's all about the KIDS period! It's not about any one Shriner no matter the position they have held in the past or currently. We do it because we care and what we can do to make their quality of life better. We do it because we are Masons and a Shriners.

Our summer monthly lunch meetings have been a little low in attendance, I know we all have a life outside of Shriners meetings and things come up, just keep us in your thoughts on the second Wednesday of the month and join us for our monthly Shrine Luncheon.

Just a few heads-up reminders for our future events, I know Christmas is five months away, but we will be stuffing our pillowcases for our Annual Kids Christmas Party (we celebrate Christmas with the 1<sup>st</sup> graders at Wimauma and Reddick Elementary Schools) Dates and times to be provided as its gests closer to the event. Also Mark your Calendars, Day Timers, Palm Pilots, any electronic devices or 3M Sticky Notes for Friday March 20,2026 for the RED SKELTON TRIBUTE SCCSC fundraiser. You don't want to miss the new charters Red will be impersonating. More information in months to come. It's all about the <u>KIDS</u>, not one person or position.

Fraternally,

Robert W. Jenkins, President 2025 Sun CityCenter Shrine Club

# Chaplain's Corner

#### **Isaiah 6:1-4**

#### WHAT WE NEED IN THE DOWN TIMES

<u>Intro</u>: Verse 1 mentions the death of King Uzziah. He was the tenth king of Judah and he was a very godly man. He was highly influenced by the prophet Zechariah and, unlike many of the other kings, he never totally departed from the worship of the true God. Under his influence, the southern kingdom attained power, wealth and success unlike any it had enjoyed since the days of Solomon. Made heady by his success as king and by his blessings from the Lord, Uzziah made the mistake of offering incense in the Temple, **2 Chron. 26**. He was stricken with leprosy by the Lord for his disobedience to the Lord. He died in that leprous condition! Disobedience to the Lord is a serious thing!

Well, evidently, Isaiah is disturbed by the death of the great king. After all, he had reigned for 52 years. His death signaled the end of a time of great prosperity and consistency. For Isaiah and the entire nation, it ushered in a time of uncertainty, change and doubt. Yet, for Isaiah, this is to be a time of rediscovery. Apparently Isaiah had his attention focused on Uzziah, but now that Uzziah is dead, his attention is redirected back to the Lord. What must have been a down time in the prophet's life became an uptime. That which had help his attention was removed and Isaiah had a fresh encounter with God. What happened to Isaiah in this event spotlights for us what we need during the down times in our own lives.

We all have down times in life! Those down times can grow us, or they can ruin us, which depends upon what has our attention. Let's look into these familiar verses and think for a while on the thought *What We Need In The Down Times Of Life*. Learning what to do when life turns down will help us to get back up in short order.

### I. V. 1-4 <u>WE NEED TO SEE WHAT ISAIAH SAW</u>

- A. V. 1 <u>He Saw God's Position</u> Isaiah saw God in His sovereignty. An earthly king may have died, but the Lord still reigned. He saw the Lord in all His glory. And, it had a profound impact on the life of Isaiah. (Ill. When life seems to fall apart at the seams, we need to remember the God Who is in control of it all! What appears to be a tragedy to us may be the greatest thing that could happen in our lives. Ill. **Job**! Ill. **Rom. 8:28; 2 Cor. 4:17**.) (Ill. We need to remember just Who is in control!)
- B. V. 2-3 He Saw God's Personality The angelic beings in the temple proclaimed the thrice holy nature of the God of Heaven. Even those sinless creatures were careful to honor the holiness and purity of the Lord. Notice that they covered their faces with their wings. They also proclaimed the glory of the Lord! Isaiah finally understood that Uzziah might have been a good king, but the Lord was a holy God and He and He alone deserved the glory for all of life! (Ill. We need to remember that God's prime characteristic is His holiness! Our duty before the Lord is to honor His holy nature by living holy lives before Him. We are to recognize His right to glory by giving Him all the glory for everything in our lives, 1 Cor. 10:31.) (Ill. Isaiah learned that this thing was not about Uzziah or Isaiah, but it is all about God! He, and He alone deserves to be in the place of honor and glory!) (Ill. Be careful not to assume the place that belongs to Him alone!) (Ill. During the downtimes of life, we need to remember Who is working all things out of His holiness and for the glory of His Name, James 1:17!)
- C. V. 4 <u>He Saw God's Presence</u> We are told that the "house was filled with smoke". This was a symbol of the presence of God. You will notice that God's "train" filled the temple! That speaks of His robe. God was the central figure in the Temple! Isaiah was reminded, rather forcefully, that Uzziah might be gone, but the Lord was still there! He had not been forsaken even during this downtime, but the Lord was still with Him in great glory! (Ill. We need to remember this truth as well! If we are saved, we are never alone, but even during the downtimes of life, we still have the presence of the lord with us at all times, Matt. 28:20; Heb. 13:5.)

## Monthly Luncheon

### **Catering by:**



### August 13th<sup>th</sup> at 12 noon

Please go to the new <u>Luncheon page</u> and fill out the new form for your reservations

## Suest Speaker



We have grown tremendously in 50 years. From a hearse to 4 ambulances, from 20 volunteers to 440, to a new training center and a fully renovated and expanded headquarters — yet our mission has always been the same. We are "Neighbors Helping Neighbors."



# Chat & Chew

Latitudes Apollo (off of Hwy 41)
131 Harbor Village Lane
Apollo Beach, FL 33572



Thursday, August 28th @ 2:30 PM

Please go to the new <u>Chat & Chew page</u> and fill out the new form for your reservations



Anniversaries					Aug 20	024 (Eastern Time - New York)
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
28	29	30	31	1	2	Bob & Ida Jenkins
						Matt & Bianca Cordoves
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11	12	13	14	15	16	17
				Bob & Cheryl Russell		
18	John & Nancy Rehling	20	21	22	23	24
	John & Nancy Renning					
25	26	27	28	29	30	31

Happy Anniversary to all our members who have an anniversary in August!



Birthdays					Aug 2	025 (Eastern Time - New York
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Happy birthday to all our members who have a birthday in July!

# Thoughts and Prayers

### **Bill Bierce**

Bob & Lee O'Roak

**IS Jim and Pat Blevins** 

IS Ken Buckland

John and Janice DeCaluwe

**IS Rich Leger** 

**Dale Bieber** 

**Iva Jenkins** 

**Don Churchill** 

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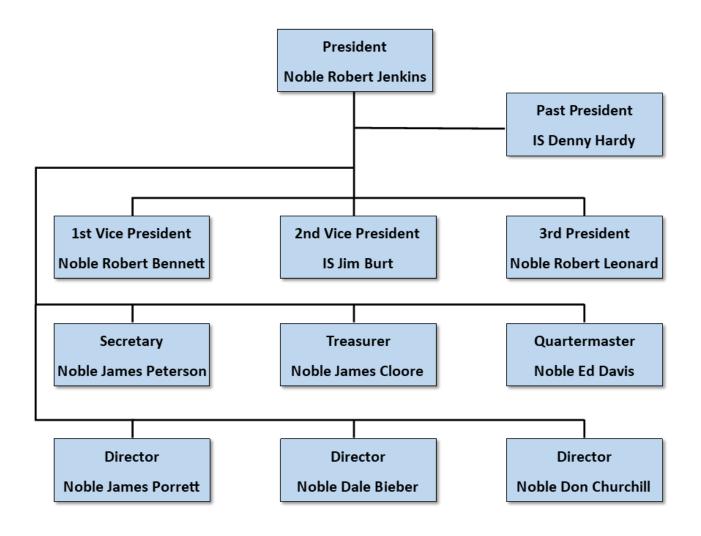
# Upcoming Events

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