



Fall 2019

**Krewe of Orion Parade
"2020 Vision"**

Saturday, February 15, 2020, 6:30 p.m.

Masquerade – February 15, 2020, 7:00 p.m.

Gentlemen:

Even with our upcoming parade theme being "2020 Vision", I'm having a hard time seeing that the year 2020 and our next Krewe of Orion parade is coming up so soon. Yes, our parade and **Masquerade** will be held on Saturday, February 15, 2020. Also, mark your calendar for our Family Day at the Den, which will be Saturday, February 1, 2020. And now, here's more planning information.

First, let me tell you that our membership is still open to new or returning krewe members. Reach out to friends, neighbors, and business associates and let them know what a great time the Krewe of Orion events are and that you are inviting them to join now. Be sure to also contact guys who have been members and let them know that you want them back.

Krewe beads/throws for 2020 can now be ordered online at our website at <https://kreweoforion.com/>. Beads/throws purchased from the krewe will be pre-loaded on your float at a cost of \$35, to be included on your order. We have several new items this year that are sure to please the crowd. Orders must be received by December 1, 2019, with any balances paid by December 31, 2019. Quantities are limited, with orders being filled on a first come basis. Online orders are immediately reflected in our inventory, so your order will reserve your items as soon as you complete your order. Order online now, so you won't be disappointed when items sell out.

Members can now order **Masquerade** tickets online by going to the website. Each krewe member will receive a pair of **Masquerade** tickets for himself and a guest at no additional cost (please be sure to reserve those member tickets on the order form). Guest tickets are sold in pairs for \$180. And don't forget to order a beautiful Orion Cloisonné (colorful, encased enameled Orion parade doubloon on a chain) for you and each one of your guests. Cloisonnés make great guest favors and keepsakes and are much sought after each year by **Masquerade** revelers. Remember, order your tickets and Cloisonnés online. Your order must be received by December 1, 2019.

Once again we have secured rooms at Downtown hotels for our Members and Guests. Reserve your hotel room now for a carefree and safe parade weekend by directly contacting one of our downtown Baton Rouge partner hotels and asking for the Krewe of Orion room rate. Choose from:

Courtyard Marriott Downtown 260 3rd Street, 225-831-4646, \$140-155/night, valet/overnight parking \$25/night;
[Online Booking Available](#) (follow link). See *NOTE below.

Hilton Capitol Center 201 Lafayette Street, 225-344-5866, \$148/night, valet/overnight parking \$25/day;
[Online Booking Available](#) (follow link). See *NOTE below.

Hotel Indigo 200 Convention Street, 225-343-1515, \$154/night, valet/overnight parking \$25/night;
[Online Booking Available](#) (follow link, scroll down, and click "Book Now!" on page). See *NOTE below.

Belle of Baton Rouge 103 France Street, 225-242-2600 or 800-266-2692, \$139/night, free garage parking available.
No Online Booking Available - Call for reservations. Use Block Code: KOB14A (Krewe of Orion).

*NOTE: For clickable links to hotel URLs with online booking, go to the Orion website and select Member Portal and log in. Then select "Orion Info" and scroll down to Hotel Booking Information to select hotel link to Orion booking information. These rooms will sell out. Don't be left out. **Book a room now!**

Thank you so much for being a part of this great krewe. Together, we continue to provide an exciting Mardi Gras experience and celebration for our community.

Sincerely,

Darren Coates, Captain