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Wichita, Kansas

POTENTATE'S MESSAGE



HAROLD BREWER

Wow, how fast the 2024 year went by. This year we had a great turnout for our Festival of Trees. The totals will be coming out later. I would like to thank everyone who helped this year and all the Nobles that worked at the event for their units or clubs.

We enjoyed the Christmas parties that we were able to attend. I would like to take this opportunity to thank our Aides this year. I also want to thank the 2024 Divan for their assistance this year.

Here it is January 2025. This will be my last Topics letter. I want to say it has been a real pleasure to serve as your Potentate.

On January the 15th at the stated meeting, we will be having our nominations and voting for the new Divan for 2025. January 18th will be the Public Installation. I would love to see all the Nobles be at the Stated Meeting for elections and attend the Installation. It is something that everyone should attend at least one time.

Yours in the faith,
Harold Brewer
Midian Potentate 2024

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December Stated Meeting



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In Memoriam

Through December 20, 2024

NAME	BORN	CREATED	DECEASED
Noble Gerald L. Mason	03/13/1942	05/03/2003	11/30/2024
Noble James Gilman, Jr.	12/31/1931	05/23/1959	12/02/2024

Membership Minute

HARD WORK

I want to **THANK EVERYONE** for all the work that **YOU** have done this past year with Midian’s membership effort. **NO ONE** ever said membership is easy – in fact as we have all found out it is **HARD WORK!!** While we did not get to the goal we set for 2024, the commitment that was shown by everyone gives us hope that we will do **EVEN BETTER** in 2025.

The Midian Membership Team owes **Illustrious Sir Harold Brewer** a deep gratitude of **THANKS** for his support this past year. Anything we needed he gave us and he was there at **EVERY Masonic Information Night** to support our membership efforts.

I would also like to **THANK Bart Ogden, Lynn Ungles, John Auch and Kent Butz** for their tireless work throughout the year...each and **EVERY** week **EVERYONE** on the committee has labored for the good of our fraternity and Midian.

Nothing worthwhile ever comes easy and membership success is no exception. If your club or unit did not meet your membership goal in 2024 take a hard look to see **WHY** you did not meet your goal.....in most cases it was simply lack of commitment. **LET’S ALL RECOMMIT to our membership efforts with a goal of BEING BETTER than we were in 2024.**

A new year is now here and **Illustrious Sir Lynn Ungles** will be the Midian Membership Chairman in 2025 under the direction of our new Potentate. **It is up TO ALL OF US to bring good men into our fraternity and then offer them the opportunity to become a SHRINE-MASON. TOGETHER we can be SUCCESSFUL!!**

THANK YOU for the privilege and honor I have had this past year to serve as your Membership Chairman – let’s all get behind **Illustrious Sir Lynn** and make 2025 the best year ever!!

Jeff Sowder

For MEMBERSHIP information

or assistance please call:

Jeff Sowder	620-583-4228
John Auch	316-259-6092
Lynn Ungles	316-640-0607
Bart Ogden	316-648-6525
Kent Butz	316-706-6290

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There are 5 options to enroll based on your situation. Just go to midianshrine.org and click the “Pay Dues” button to sign up!

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OPTION 2: Stay current on Midian dues. Enroll and next year’s dues are paid. Enrollment time is June through December.

- You will pay \$15 a month for the next 12 months which will pay your following year’s dues. After the 1st 12 months you will continue to be charged \$15 a month which is applied to future dues.

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Option 4: Pay Annual Midian Dues. No Enrollment time. This is a one-time payment and not a subscription.

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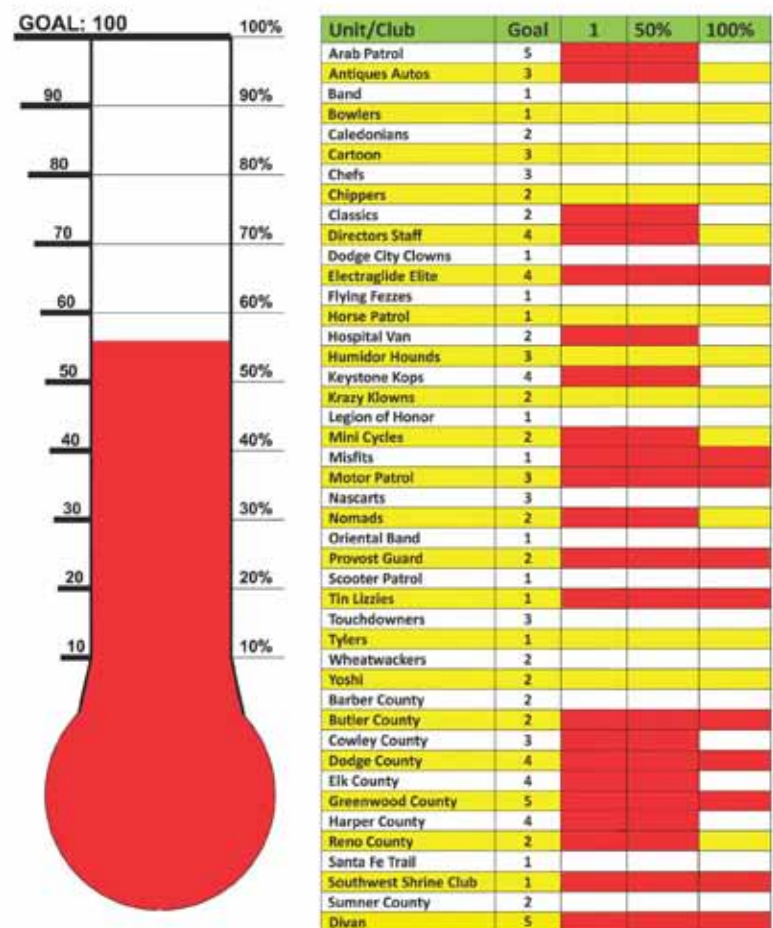
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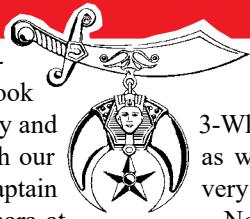
2024 Membership Goals



CLUBS

Greenwood County 3-Wheelers

CARL "C.F." COX
Reporter



Happy New Year!!! I hope everyone had a Merry Christmas and took time to enjoy the season with family and friends. We wrapped up 2024 with our annual Christmas Party hosted by Captain Noble **Travis Wyss** and Lady Tamara at the She Shed. We had a great meal catered by TNT Catering and lots of Shrine fun and fellowship. If you missed it, you missed a fun evening. As we closed out 2024, special thanks to our Liaison, Assistant Rabban Noble **Richard Steele** and Lady Trish for keeping us informed all year. Remember, you are always welcome to come see us over here in Greenwood County.

at the December stated meeting. We had a good turnout of 3-Wheelers to support Captain **Travis** as we presented our checks to our very own Ill Sir **Harold Brewer**.

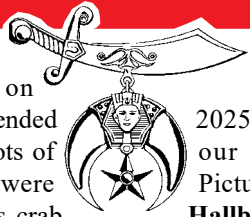
Now it's time to pass the torch. Our 2025 officers will be installed this month and are Nobles: **Scott Starkey**, Captain; **Steve Richard**, Lieutenant; **Jeff Sowder PP**, Secretary; and **Jed Morse**, Treasurer. Let's all get behind our leadership team and have a great 2025!

Our next regular meeting will be January 8th at the Shed, with hospitality at 6:00 and a meal and meeting to follow.

We gave our annual donations to Midian

Harper County

DOUG MURPHY
Reporter



The Buckin T's annual Christmas party at Lodge 206 on Saturday, December 14th was attended by 37 Nobles and their Ladies. Lots of good food, snacks and desserts were enjoyed by all – especially Kyla's crab dip and **Murphy's** award-winning chili. The Dirty Santa gift exchange saw a lot of cool gifts and stealing of several counts (bottles) of Larceny.

Liaison **Jim Hallberg** conducted the installation of 2025 officers who were elected at our meeting on December 12th.

Pictured from left to right are **Jim Hallberg** – Liaison, **Cord Denton** – President, **Eric Mathis** – Vice-President, **Doug Murphy** – Recorder, **Craig Denton** – Treasurer. We wish each a successful year.



UNITS

Sultans

LYNN UNGLES
Reporter



In one of our previous Membership Topics Articles, we mentioned the creation of a new club for our newly created Nobles.

This past Ceremonial, **Christopher Fleming** was elected President and **Dallas Barnes** as Secretary.

The Midian Sultans is a club that every new Noble belongs to for a period of 2 years in which they can learn more about Midian Shriners and find new home units and clubs that match their interests. Each new class of new Nobles elects a President and Secretary to serve until the next class comes in. During this period, they schedule meetings for the members to have an informal learning session from our seasoned unit and club members, to inform them about what each unit and club offers for them. We also educate the Sultans members on the other internal workings of the Shrine that many of us take for granted.

Congratulations! We look forward to your leadership and involvement in inspiring the Sultans to actively engage in all of Midian Shrine's experiences.

Andrew Saindon from our Spring Class served his position of President well. Great work **Andrew!**

We encourage all the Midian membership to support the continued success of the Sultans Club, assisting our new Nobles find a Unit or Club as a permanent home. This will allow them to enjoy their experiences as a valued Noble throughout their life's journey and help in the future growth of our Great Fraternity.



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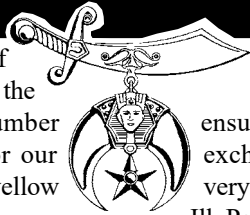
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Midian Classics

#2 ON THE LIST
Reporter



Welcome to 2025 and all of the functions that are planned for the new year, including a record number of parades that are scheduled for our old and not so old cars and one yellow pickup truck.

The Unit Christmas party was held at Bluebirds Bar & Grill, with 97.3 percent of the members present. The new officers were installed by Ill. Sir **Harold Brewer** and witnessed by Treasurer Ill. Past Sir **Lynn Ungles**. President **Giesen**, VP **Groff**, Secretary

Premer and Treasurer **Towns** took the oath of office for the ensuing year. The Ladies had a gift exchange and all Nobles received a very nice gift from outgoing President Ill. Past **Sir Terry**.

Don't forget the New Years' Eve party. The January dinner meeting will be held January 8th at Midian Temple. The meeting will start at 7 PM sharp, per incoming President **Giesen**.

Remember, put the trickle charger on your old cars for the winter.



Motor Patrol

CHAD TOMPKINSON
Reporter



As the year winds down, we still fit a few things into the last month. We started with **Mark Kastens** and Lady Jo Ann heading up our tree at the Feztival of Trees and doing a great job. They brought enough items to make it the best tree in the room (if we are judging). The tree had a \$1,000 check thanks to **Ungles & Associates** and the Motor Patrol among many other gifts. **Mark** and Jo Ann left enough time to take a picture with Santa as shown below. **Matt Cook** also joined in hoping of making the "Nice" list for a change. On Saturday several of us showed up to work, sample the Clausmopolitans, courtesy of **Steve Julian** and **Jeff Breault**, and take time to pose with the tree.

During the Feztival of Trees we also took in a Stated Meeting and had dinner at the Oasis. A special thanks to **John Auch** for volunteering to donate that night. We had to fit in one other meeting. Thanks again to **Jeff** for hosting us at Marquee Motors where we brought in a catered meal with libations. On a sad note, many members attended a memorial for long time member of the Motor Patrol, **Andy Johnson**. He will be missed,

and **Andy's** family is in our thoughts and prayers.

Lastly, we met at Rolling Hills for a Christmas Party with about 50 members and ladies in attendance. There was a great buffet along with several awards for the day. **Norm Conley** upheld his tradition with a slew of "Normie" awards. Captain **Jeremy Woodson** and **John Auch** handed out awards for our annual shooting event to **Steve Julian**, **Jim Hallberg**, and myself. Sportsmen's ticket sale awards went to **Mark Kastens**, **Mo Thompson**, **Ron Capps**, **Matt Cook**, and **John Auch**. These guys absolutely crushed it this year with a much-appreciated effort! Rookie of the year was **Alvin Turner**, and some horse award was given to **Jeff Breault**. He must be some sort of a jockey or something. **Lynn Ungles** was chosen as Motor Patrolman of the year. For anyone that doesn't know, **Lynn** does a tremendous amount for the club and Midian as well. We also want to thank Captain **Jeremy Woodson** for everything he has done this year. **Jeremy** always made sure that we were organized and having fun. Just as we all should!



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
JANUARY			1 NEW YEARS DAY - MIDIAN CLOSED	2 CHRISTMAS TEAR DOWN DIRECTORS STAFF MOTOR PATROL	3 AWARDS BANQUET	4 DON SOUP LUNCH
5	6 ANTIQUE AUTOS YOSHI KEYSTONE KOPS KOPPETTES	7 BAND REHEARSALS	8 MOTOR PATROL BOD CHEFS CLASSICS MINI-CYCLES GREENWOOD COUNTY LEGION OF HONOR DODGE CITY COWLEY CO	9 CARTOON FLYING FEZZES HARPER COUNTY HORSE PATROL	10 ELECTRAGLIDE ELITE	11 DONE-THANKS FOR THE MEMORIES PARTY
12	13 ARAB PATROL DON PATROL	14 TRUSTEES HOLDING CORP / BOD BAND REHEARSALS KRAZY KLOWNS	15 TILERS DIVAN/LADIES STATED MEETING <i>TOPICS DEADLINE</i>	16 LOS WAYS AND MEANS WHEATWACKERS	17 INSTALLATION PRACTICE DINNER	18 INSTALLATION AND PARTY
19	20 DON BAND OFFICERS HUMIDOR HOUNDS NASCARTS	21 KULINARY KUTIES BAND REHEARSALS	22 CALEDONIANS KRAFTY KREW HOSPITAL VAN DRIVERS	23 MISFITS	24 BUTLER CO KOPS INSTALLATION	25 LAUNCH EVENT WICHITA PIPES & DRUMS
26	27	28 BAND REHEARSALS MASONIC INFO NIGHT	29 LOS MID STATES MEETING	30	31 FIRST LADIES MEET & GREET	

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
FEBRUARY						1
2	3 ANTIQUE AUTOS YOSHI KOPPETTES BAND REHEARSALS	4 BAND REHEARSALS	5 PROVOST GUARD MOTOR PATROL TOUCHDOWNERS	6 DIRECTOR'S STAFF	7 SCOTTISH RITE REUNION	8 SCOTTISH RITE REUNION
9 SUPER BOWL PARTY	10 BAND REHEARSALS ARAB PATROL	11 TRUSTEES HOLDING CORP / BOD KRAZY KLOWNS BAND REHEARSALS	12 MOTOR PATROL BOD CHEFS CLASSICS MINI-CYCLES GREENWOOD COUNTY LEGION OF HONOR DODGE CITY COWLEY CO	13 CARTOON FLYING FEZZES HARPER COUNTY HORSE PATROL	14 ELECTRAGLICE ELITE	15 <i>TOPICS DEADLINE</i>
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23	24	25 BAND REHEARSALS MASONIC INFO NIGHT	26 CALEDONIANS KRAFTY KREW HOSPITAL VAN DRIVERS	27 MISFITS	28 BUTLER CO	

*A Big "Thank You" to all who donated at the
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CHILDRENS HOSPITAL

Million Dollar Band
Reno County
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John Matrow
Michael Nuessen

FEZTIVAL OF TREES

Midian Classics
Brendon Barnhart

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Antique Autos
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Electraglide Elite
Humidor Hounds
Misfits
Motor Patrol
Provost Guard
Greenwood County
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Brendon Barnhart

KOPS

Brendon Barnhart

Brothers,

I want to thank all of you for volunteering to put yourselves on the drivers' list. We made 25 van trips this year. We used 18 different drivers, transporting 14 different patients.

What a great thing we do! I want to thank you for your support and please show Mark the same support. May you have a great Christmas and Happy New Year to you and your family.

Steve Towns

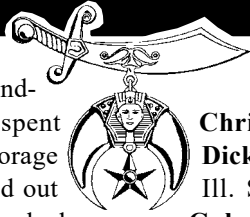
Arab Patrol

NORM CONLEY P.P. Reporter

The patrol supported the December Stated meeting by attending. Our monthly meeting was spent sorting and clearing the Patrol Storage room at Midian. The captain filled out the list of next years' officers and worked on filling out the form for the Scimitar award. The unit will present checks for the Sunshine Fund, Operating Budget and report on the \$1500 donation of the FOT to the operating fund and the support to the Shrine Bowl sponsorship. We will be presenting the colors at the Installation of officers in January. Happy New year and congratulations to incoming Potentate **Scott Shirkey** and welcome the new Oriental Guide **Jeremy Woodson**.

Patrol ladies Amber West, Traci Danler, Beth Olson, Anita Simpson, Jackie Wilson and Melanie Rhorer joined to help prepare the FOT tree.

Captain **Brian West**, Lt. **Devon Olson**,



PC **Kyle Rhorer**, Noble **Nick Rohr**, Noble **Roth Christopherson**, **Jamie West**, PC **Dick Simpson**, Noble **Alan Geist**, Ill. **Sir Norm Conley**, and Noble **Gabe Hughes** worked Festival of Trees.

Michelle Tomes birthday celebration was held at Midian with her family and the Patrol unit.

Congratulations to Doctor Ill **Sir Doc Rensner** on his retirement last month.

Debbie and I, Veteran Patrolman **Benny Eggle**, Vet. **Al Bass** and Lady **Retta**, **Roth Christopherson** and Lady **Connie** attended the Ambassadors Christmas dinner on Friday 13.

Spanky (**Bill Stevenson**) and Dottie need good thoughts. Candy Mitchell is recovering. **Devon Olson** and Lady Beth's daughter has been suffering from a mysterious malady and all of them need to be in our thoughts.

Million Dollar Band

RICK MILHON Reporter

The Million Dollar Band hopes that 2025 has gotten off to a good start for you and yours! I'm still breathless, recovering from how fast 2024 went by. Pedal to the Metal! Maybe it's my age.

The Million Dollar Band performed 22 times over the course of the year. Last month for example: December 9 the Concert Band played for the residents of Reflection Ridge Senior Living; December 14 the Dixiekatz played for the Victorian Christmas at Cowtown; December 18 the Dixiekatz performed before Stated meeting; and December 19 the Concert Band entertained the Residents of Prairie Homestead.

The Band continues the quest for new membership in 2025. We especially want to add to our Shriners, but will still welcome community volunteers who want to play our wind ensemble/symphonic band music, our polka music and our traditional jazz music.

Next up is Midian's Installation on the 18th of this month. See you there!

We continue our composer sketches with a salute to the composer of "God Bless America", Irving Berlin. He was born in the Russian Empire on May 11, 1888, one of eight children. The family left Russia during the pogroms against Jews, along with families of such famous Americans as George and Ira Gershwin, Al Jolson, and Louis B. Mayer of MGM.

Earning a living by playing piano and



singing led to his becoming a song writer. He started writing music for stage shows and then for movies. He wrote an estimated 1,500 songs and set the tone for tunes America played and danced to for a substantial part of the 20th century.

Irving Berlin was a member of Munn Lodge No. 190, New York City, the Scottish Rite Valley of New York City and Mecca Shrine Temple 63. He died in 1989 at age 101.



Antique Autos

KEE CLAAR Reporter

Hope everyone had a good Christmas and a safe and happy New Year's celebration.

Antique Autos had their Christmas party at the Candle Club, with 33 people in attendance.

According to our birthday list, we



have no birthdays or wedding anniversaries this month. If we missed you, we are very sorry and if you will let me know, you will be added.

Antique Autos next meeting will be January 6th in the Isis room.

Provost Guard

BRIAN CAVANAUGH Reporter

Happy New Year Nobles and Ladies!

I hope that everyone got to enjoy some time with friends and family during Christmas and New Years. Hope that Santa left something blued under the Christmas tree.

Our December meeting doubled as a Christmas Party. The 2025 Provost officers were installed by Ill Sir Harold Brewer after the dinner.

Your 2025 Officers are: Marshall – **Mark Seaman**; Captain – **Shawn Wolfe**; Treasurer – **Russell Walker**; Secretary –



Brian Cavanaugh; Sickness and Distressed – **Steve Towns**.

The Provost Guard is hosting the 2025 Fun Shoot at STC. It will be held Saturday May 10th. This is always a great time. Please visit our Facebook page for signup information or if you'd like to sponsor a station. All Midian Units and Clubs should field a squad and compete in this great event!

The Provost Guard meets on the first Wednesday of every month @7:30 at Midian. Please join us for a meeting and/or dinner beforehand in the Oasis. Happy New Year!

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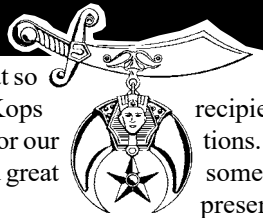
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BOBBY "TURF" DUKES
Reporter

In November you can only eat so much ham and turkey, so the Kops changed it up with a BBQ feast for our November social. Good food and great friends, you can't beat it.

Festival of Trees was again a big success for Midian. The Koppetts once again set up a beautiful tree arrangement giving all the other Units a run for their money. Thanks to everyone who put in the time and effort for another successful year.

The Kops send a "Special Thank You" to these guys for their efforts in contributing to another successful year. PP **Ron Capps** for keeping us warm and dry, **Jim Underwood** for keeping big blue running, **Jeremy Cates** for keeping us all hydrated at events and **Jarrold Phillips** for seeing the Kops meet our membership goal.

The Kops Christmas Party was a great time wrapping up our year. We Thank everyone for joining us for a perfectly cooked steak dinner. Special guest included Ill Sir **Harold Brewer** and Lady Phyllis, Chief Rabban **Scott Shirkey**, Asst Rabban **Richard Steele**, Ceremonial Director **Fred Smith** and Membership Chair **Lynn Ungles** and their Ladies. After dinner Chief **Hubbard** and his Lady presented the Kops top Unit awards. Lady Cristin chose Lady Tracy Underwood for the Carol Coons award And Chief **Richard Hubbard** chose **Bobby Dukes** for the Pappy Coons

award. Congratulations to both recipients. We appreciate your contributions. **Jim Underwood** and **Bobby** had some fun at Chief **Hubbard's** expense presenting him his 2nd Gold Whistle.

You can only wear 1 Gold Whistle so the Chief was presented with a "pop up" salute and his very own look alike "Dallas Cowboys" bobble head and then he was gifted a new "little pink" whistle. Santa and Mrs. Clause showed up bringing gifts to all the good little boys and girls. Yes, there were a few good kids in our group. Thanks to our DJ and his Lady for wrapping up the night with karaoke and dancing.

It's tough being a Kop: Congratulations to **Jarrold Phillips** for being installed Master at Mulvane Lodge. Chief **Hubbard**, remember to wear the "right" whistle next year. Are you in one of the many "compromising" pics at Xmas party? A special Thank You to all the Koppetts who stood by us this year. You are very special to us and we appreciate you and what you do. What will you do next year to contribute to the Kops success? Happy New Year to all of Midian Shrine!



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