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POTENTATE'S MESSAGE



SCOTT SHIRKEY

It's hard to believe it's March already! Time flies when you're having fun and it's been a truly fantastic month! We kicked things off with the Super Bowl party and **Jim & Tracy Underwood** did an outstanding job planning and decorating for the event. Team Lindsey & Freddy added their magic touch to the Oasis with special decorations that set the perfect vibe. The Antique Autos hosted another successful Chili Cook off and Angela Hallberg took home the Gold, great job Angela! Our Oriental Guide **Jeremy Woodson** won the first annual Bloody-Mary competition with his custom mix of 11 secret herbs and spices, I wonder if he stole those from KFC?? Despite the fun, there were quite a few disappointed Chiefs fans at the end. Maybe next year.

Midian also had the honor of hosting the first Grand Masters class for the Scottish Rite. Over the weekend, 17 new 32-degree Scottish Rite Masons were created, including myself. It was a fantastic event, and it was wonderful to bring Masonic unity together at Midian, we look forward to hosting it again in the future.

We wrapped up the month with the Potentate's Ball and WHAT A NIGHT it was! The Vegas-style event was nothing short of spectacular. We had flashy dressed duos, custom-made center-

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2025 POTENTATE BALL WAS A BIG VEGAS HIT!



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Potentate Ball



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Through February 24, 2025

Table with columns: NAME, BORN, CREATED, DECEASED. Rows include Noble Jimmie Wenke, Noble Ronnie Van Etten, PP, Noble Larry D. Stafford.

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Subject to change

Calendar table with columns for months (MARCH, APRIL, MAY, JUNE, JULY, AUGUST, SEPTEMBER, OCTOBER, NOVEMBER, DECEMBER, JANUARY 2026) and event details.



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Table with columns: Date, Day, Parade Location, Line up, Time. Row: 3/15, Saturday, St. Patrick’s Day Parade, NOON.

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Potentate

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pieces by Jim & Tracy Underwood that lit up the night and the impressive Welcome to Midian Shrine sign out front. The Vegas vacation photo booth was a hit with many—I can’t wait to see some of those pictures! And let’s not forget about King Midas and the Mufflers who kept us entertained throughout the night, making it an unforgettable evening. A special thank you to our MC, Illustrious Sir

Bart Ogden, our amazing Aides’ teams, the Arab Patrol for the grand entrance and everyone who attended and contributed to its success—it was an amazing turnout.

Let’s keep the momentum going and make 2025 a year to remember. We’ll thrive in 2025!

Scott Shirkey Midian Potentate 2025



ATTENTION MASTER MASONS:

Keep looking, Masonic prospects are everywhere! You do not have to be a detective to search out new Masons. Don’t forget to look in your family treethat is where the best prospects are hiding!

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STATEMENTS OF THE OWNERSHIP, MANAGEMENT, CIRCULATION, ETC., required by the Act of Congress of August 12, 1970, Section 3685, Title 39, United States Code of MIDIAN SHRINERS of Wichita, Kansas, for October 1, 1988 State of Kansas, County of Sedgwick

Membership Minute

First off, a big thanks to all that attended the Leadership Launch meeting! It was the best attended in the most recent history of Midian Shrine. To me this shows all the Units and Clubs are truly committed and engaged in the success of our Fraternity.

The key to our success lies with our ability remain financially strong enough to support our Shrine Center and the events that promote Fun and Philanthropy. By promoting our mission of Fun and Philanthropy we will keep our current members excited about being a part of something that provides value to society and encourages other possible men of good nature to become a part of our great Fraternity.

The task is not an easy undergoing. As the saying goes: "It Takes A Village"!

I believe we have a Village that can muster up the fortitude to handle the task. However, we must act as a united Village with all hands engaged!

If we were to find ourselves at a house party with 50 of our closest friends, and our friend's house suddenly were to catch fire, I guarantee all the friends would start a bucket brigade to help extinguish the fire as best possible until the Fire Department showed up.

We all pitch in when there is a dire emergency!

Unfortunately, when the emergency doesn't hit us in the face as being urgent, we tend to not treat the situation with the level of attention that it deserves. This is kind of like when we might have an ailment that is bothersome to us, but we put off taking care of it until it really becomes an issue. When we seek medical help finally, we find out we have serious health issues to deal with.

I believe we may have been handling our membership challenges in the manner described above. We know we have an issue, we have a declining membership, it's bothersome, but we ourselves are still enjoying our Shrine life, so it surely isn't urgent yet is it.

Unfortunately, societies of the past have fallen due to this same attitude as other organizations have also. We are not immune to this same fate!

We must work together as the Village fighting a fire! We cannot wait until there is no point of return. All Nobles must take on their responsibility to do their part in preserving and improving our Fraternal Membership. Our success depends on our total commitment!

We have the plan and tools in place for success, all we need to do is commit to the plan and use the tools.

Imperial Sir threw down a challenge to have at least one new petition at each Stated Meeting. Let's make that happen and let's all make our Unit and Club Goals!

We only missed zero membership loss by a handful of lost members last year. If we meet our goals this year, we should actually have an increase in membership!

We can accomplish greatness, because we all have greatness inside of us. All we must do is reach down inside ourselves and let our greatness show through by our actions!

More than 24 to Thrive in 25!

Lynn Ungles

Monthly Dues Payment Plans

Midian is excited to offer its members the ability to pay dues on-line or select a monthly payment plan for their dues. This is through PayPal and is very secure. You do not need a PayPal account but it's recommended. Please note that the total amount you pay is \$10 a year more than your dues. This is to help pay for the cost of this platform and you can cancel anytime. If you have a PayPal account, enter your email, if you don't click pay with credit card.

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

OPTION 1: Stay current on Midian dues. Enroll and current dues are paid. Enrollment time is January through June.

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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.

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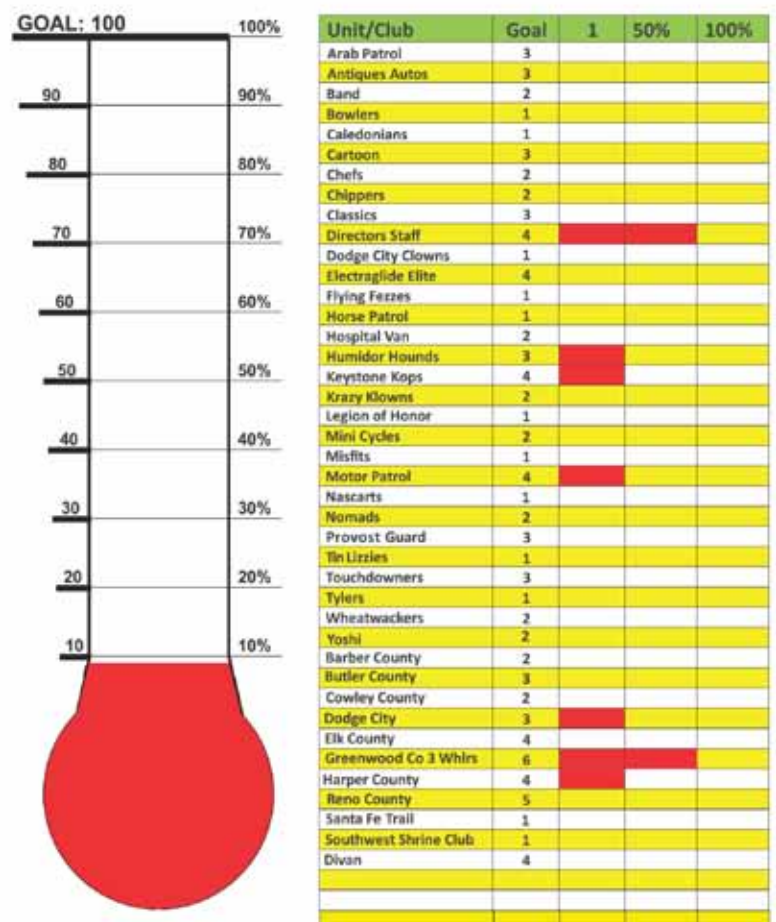
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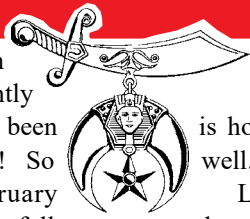
2025 Membership Goals



CLUBS

Greenwood County 3-Wheelers

CARL "C.F." COX
Reporter



Old man winter has not been kind to us last month and apparently the groundhog was right, we have been "enjoying" the last blast of winter! So much so, we cancelled our February meeting due to cold and snow. Hopefully March will be better.

As March rolls in, it will be time to get the bikes out of mothballs as we typically kick off our parade season with the St. Patrick's Day parade in Delano and then to Midian for the St. Patty's party. Watch your email for more to come on this.

Please keep Noble **Dave Pate** PP and Lady Pat in your prayers. We received word

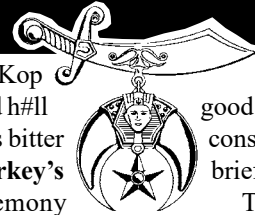
that Lady Pat fell and broke her leg just below her hip. She is home and recovering and doing well.

Last Topics, I put out a test to see who reads this article... Perhaps since our February meeting was cancelled, I got no responses to my Valentine's Day question. Let's try again. This time, when you see me, give me an Irish greeting to celebrate St. Patty's Day and let's see who plays along.

Our next regular meeting will be March 12th at the Shed, with hospitality at 6:00 and a meal and meeting to follow. Watch your email for a menu. Hope to see you there!

Keystone Kops

BOBBY "TURF" DUKES
Reporter



Well, it's official, a Keystone Kop is Potentate of Midian Shrine and h#ll didn't freeze over. Though it was bitter cold the night of Ill Sir **Scott Shirkey's** install, it was a beautiful ceremony and a fun, well attended reception back at Midian. I am also Proud to announce that Veteran Kop **Jeremy Woodson** was installed as Outer Guard and Kops **Jim Underwood** as 1st Ceremonial Master and **Richard Hubbard** as Capt. Of the Guard. We are so happy for and proud of these great Kops helping Ill Sir Scott lead us through the year. This is all FANTASTIC because it is also the Keystone Kops 50 yr Anniversary.

The Kops' Install was the following Friday and we started the night with a great BBQ dinner with lots of family and friends in attendance. We were honored to have Ill Sir **Scott** and his Divan join us for the festivities and ceremony. PP **Fred Smith** was our Installation Officer and 1st Ceremonial Master **Jim Underwood** our Install Marshal. After the install the Gold Whistles showered Chief **Heath** with our traditional "toast". We moved the party to the Oasis where we all enjoyed the evening and rocked into the night, thanks to DJ **Bill Bair** with great

music. We know the Chief had a good time and we hope it's not an omen considering Chief **Heath** lost the Unit briefcase, on his first night!

The Kops are now selling their new raffle tickets for a \$2000 cash prize. Twenty dollars a ticket or 6 for \$100. See any Kop for tickets. We hope to draw the winner at Shrine Bowl in June. We also have tickets for the Kops April 11th birthday party available.

Though the Super Bowl didn't end in KC's favor, everyone still had a lot of fun. There were winners all day long with the chili cook off, corn hole, LRC and a Bloody Mary competition, which vet Kop **Woody** won. The Kops paid out winnings to 24 lucky people during the game. The Kops are now getting ready for our Annual Mtg in KC and the big St Paddy day parade.

It's tough being a Kop; Hey Chief **Heath**, you figure out where your briefcase is yet? Vet **Cowboy** is in rehab, prayers for his recovery. What will the Kops do for their 50th party? Will the paddy wagon start this year for St Pats? Is KC big enough for both Midian and ABA Kop Units? Will let you know next month.

UNITS

Humidor Hounds & Foxes

JASON PETERSON
Reporter



The Hounds are looking for a few good Nobles to join our ranks. If you like relaxing with a good smoke and a refreshing drink, we could be friends. The Hounds meet on the 3rd Monday of each month at 7:00 pm in the Oasis. Meetings are open to all Nobles and their Lady. Come try us out and see if we are a good fit for that free space in your life.

Meetings consist of a giveaway at the end of every meeting, which is available to any member, Noble, Lady, or guest in attendance before the meeting is called to order.

Every day is MEMBERSHIP DAY! Information Night is the 3rd Tuesday of each month in the Scimitar Room at 6:30 pm. So,

bring your prospect and let them hear our Masonic message. We must share our knowledge and love of the Lodge and Shrine if we are going to survive and keep membership up. Refreshments will be available.

We still have a few Masonic challenge coins left from our fundraiser. Feel free to contact a member for information on obtaining one. (**Jason Peterson** 316-371-8616)

Provost Guard

BRIAN CAVANAUGH
Reporter



It's hard to believe March is already here! Hopefully, everyone enjoyed the Potentate's Ball and is ready for the St. Paddy's Day celebration.

In February, we welcomed two new members to the Provost Guard: **Brian Chestnut** (Lady Jamie) and **Jarrold Brewer** (Lady Mary). Welcome aboard!

The Provost Guard will be at Big Al's Bash on March 29th, featuring our PLINKO game for a chance to win an American Flag Glock 48. Come check us out at this fantastic event.

We are also holding a raffle for a \$1500 D&M Guns gift card. Yes, you read that right—\$1500! Tickets are \$10 each or 3 for

\$20. You can get tickets from any Provost member or find us at the Chisolm Trail Gun Show on March 29 & 30.

Mark your calendars for the 2025 Fun Shoot hosted by the Provost Guard at STC on Saturday, May 10th. This event is always a blast. Visit our Facebook page for signup information or to sponsor a station. All Midian Units and Clubs are encouraged to field a squad and compete!

The Provost Guard meets on the first Wednesday of every month at 7:00 PM at Midian. Join us for a meeting and/or dinner beforehand in the Oasis. Please note the new meeting time.

Trust in God and keep your powder dry.



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Million Dollar Band

RICK MILHON
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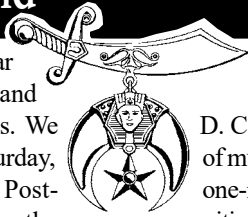
February found the Million Dollar Band rehearsing, fighting illness and rehearsing for future performances. We put our instruments down on Saturday, February 15 to hold our annual Post-Holiday Banquet. We see one another regularly but most of the time is spent playing music. We can talk to one another at the banquet. We recap the year and discuss the days ahead. This year we held the event at Playa Azul in Old Town.

We repeat our regular reminder that if you play a band instrument: woodwind or brass or drum (the Dixiekatz would add piano, banjo or guitar or all three) grab your instrument and come to a rehearsal. See if you don't think it's fun.

Our Concert Band rehearses at Horace Mann School, 1212 N. Main, Wichita at 7pm each Thursday night.

Our smaller groups, the Polkatz and Dixiekatz rehearse on alternating Tuesday evenings at 7pm in the Mecca Room at Midian Shrine. The Polkatz rehearse the first and third. The Dixiekatz rehearse the second and fourth. Come join us!

Our featured musician this month is a prolific composer whose life work extends from operas and oratorios to swing and jazz.



Edward Ellington (1899 – 1974) was born and raised in Washington D. C. Piano lessons as a child led to a life of music including many road years, many one-night-stands. All the while Duke was writing new music, arrangements that fit the musicians in his band. Among other things Duke Ellington was a member of Masonic Lodge No. 1 PHA in Washington D.C.

This note is much too short to do justice to Ellington's talent and accomplishment. We invite you to see more, much more on Wikipedia.



Antique Autos

KEE CLAAR
Reporter

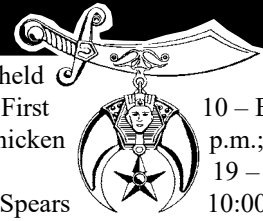
The chili cook off/social was held February 9th with a great turnout. First place went to Angie with the chicken chili.

March social will be held at Spears Restaurant on the 22nd at 5:30 p.m.

DATES TO JOT DOWN:
March 9 – DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME (we spring forward 1 hour); March 15 – St. Patty's Party; March 19 – Stated Meeting; March 21-23 – CSSA Midwinter (Des Moines, Iowa); April 5 – COPS 50-year

party – Midian 6:00 p.m.; April 10 – Easter Egg stuffing – Midian 6:00 p.m.; April 16 – Stated Meeting; April 19 – Easter Egg Hunt – Orchard Park 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

BIRTHDAYS: Noble Ray Richecky, Lady Misty Cavanaugh Prayers for Noble Willie Williams, Noble Jerry Elscott, Noble Randy Edwards, Jessie Stevens, Lady Trisha Gilbert and others that may have caught the crud that is going around.



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9	10 ARAB PATROL DON PATROL	11 TRUSTEES HOLDING CORP / BOD BAND REHEARSALS KRAZY KLOWNS	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 ELECTRAGLIDE ELITE	15 ST PATTY'S PARTY TOPICS DEADLINE
16	17 DON BAND OFFICERS HUMIDOR HOUNDS NASCARTS	18 KULINARY KUTIES BAND REHEARSALS MASONIC INFO NIGHT	19 TILERS DIVAN/LADIES STATED MEETING	20 LOS WAYS AND MEANS WHEATWACKERS NOMADS	21 CSSA MID-WINTER	22 CSSA MID-WINTER
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MIDIAN SHRINE

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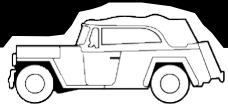
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Motor Patrol

RUSTYBUCKET
Reporter



Motor Patrol members have been busy this year. **Jeremy Woodson** was installed as Oriental Guide, **Lynn Ungles** PP as Treasurer, **Kent Butz** as Trustee, and **Matt Cook** took on the job as Chief Aide. Lynn is also Membership Chairman again this year with help from **Jeff Sowder** PIP, **John Auch** PP, **Bart Ogden** PP, and **Kent Butz**. Motor Patrol was represented at the Launch Party by **Jeremy, Lynn, Matt, and Kent**.

The Motor Patrol's monthly meeting was spirited and well attended by Captain **Chad**, Illustrious Sir **Scott, Alvin, Matt, Kent,**

Lynn, Ron, John, Jeff, Robert, Gary, Jeremy, Mickey, and our newest member **Derek Cookson**. Welcome to the unit **Derek!** Thank you to **Jeff Breault** for hosting us and for his hospitality!

Parade time is here. The first parade will be the Delano Paddy Day Parade on March 15th. Motor Patrol is meeting at 9:00am at Whiskey Dicks and will convoy to the lineup from there.



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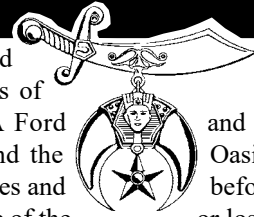
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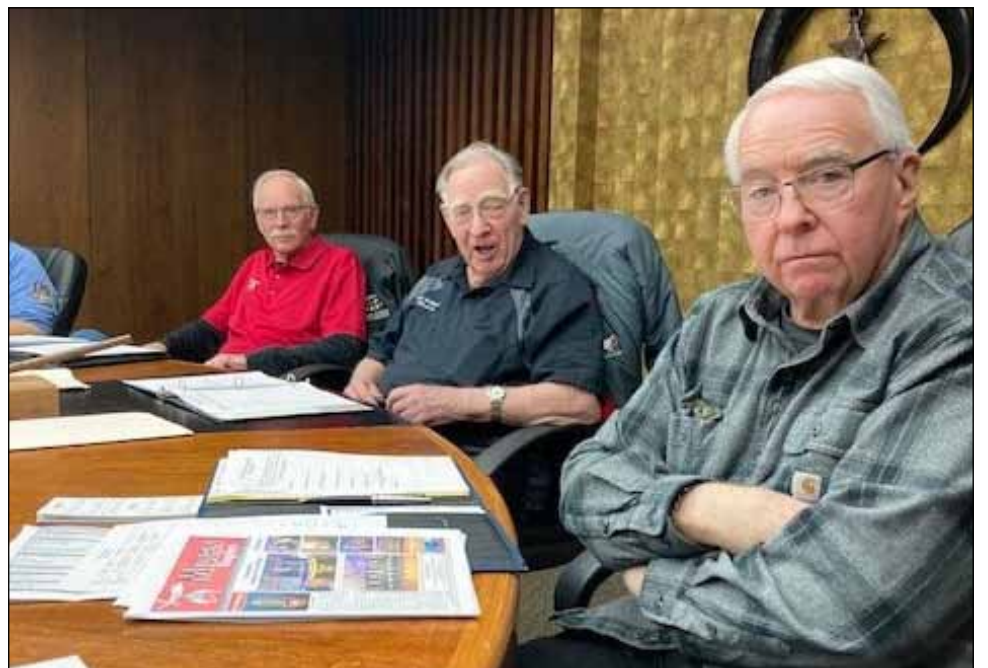
The snow has been deep and this reporter went through 2 sets of tire chains on the old Model A Ford this winter. Spring is just around the corner, so get out those old jalopies and get them ready for the first parade of the year, the St. Patrick's Day parade in greater downtown Delano.

The February meeting was delayed until the 17th of February because of the snow and ice. President **Bob** called the meeting to order and then gave out instructions for the year. Parades, dress code, preferred car wax, and on and on. Each member will receive the instruction in writing sometime in the

near future. We welcome new members and remind the old members that the Oasis Room is open for food and drink before each of our meetings. Use it or lose it. The dinner meeting with the ladies will be this month with the time and place yet to be determined.

VP **Groff** is planning some great entertainment for our unit in the coming months. The out of town trip will be one you will never forget.

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Daughters of the Nile

RACHEL RANGE
Reporter



Daughters of the Nile held our annual Soup and Chili Feed last month with quite a selection of soup and chili to choose from. Thanks to everyone who braved the cold to come out and support us.

A Ceremony of Initiation was held during our monthly meeting on January 20, where we initiated Karen Vail into Daughters of the Nile. We are excited to have her join us.

In December, we held our annual "Ugly Sweater" Session. It is always a fun meeting.

Daughters of the Nile is a group of women dedicated to making a positive impact on the world and fostering great friendships. The Daughters of the Nile

Foundation supports Shriners Children's. Any women 18 years or age or older related by birth or marriage to a Shriner, Master Mason, Daughter of the Nile, former Shriner Children's patient, or a majority member in a Masonic- related organization for girls can join. We currently meet on the 3rd Mondays at 6:30pm at Midian Shrine. We are dark July & August. Reach out to any member if you are interested in joining us.

The 2025 Open Installation of Officers will be held March 29, 2025 at 2pm in the Mecca room. A reception will follow. Princess Royal, Rachel Range will be crowned Queen.



Arami Court

JAN HIEBERT, PGHP
Reporter



2025 is off to a fast start! In February four Ladies were initiated. Please welcome Ladies Michelle Morse, Kelsey Nichols, Melissa Richard and Tamara Wyss to Arami Court.

March 8 is the date for Arami's open installation of officers. Lady Sandy Greeno will be installed as our High Priestess at 12:00pm at Midian. Other officers include: Makinzie Hogan-Princess, Julie Smith-Associate Princess, Terri Wells-Recorder, Philomena Wohlford-Treasurer, Kelly Richecky-First Ceremonial Lady and Karen Vail-Second Ceremonial Lady.

The annual flower sale has begun. We had such good luck with last year's

plants we will again be using the same supplier. Several new items have been added to this year's list - Spikes, Asparagus Fern, red Wave Petunias, Geraniums (red, salmon & pink), sweet potato vine, Purslane, Impatiens, zinnias, snapdragons, slicer tomatoes, jalapeno and more. They come in various sizes - 4" pots, 4.5" pots, 1 quart pots and hanging baskets. Don't wait! Orders must be in by March 10. Pick up date is Apr 5.

March 10 is Arami Pizza Night at Bob and Luigi's in Andover from 5pm to 8pm. Everyone is welcomed. Come on out and join us.

Until next time, be kind to one another.



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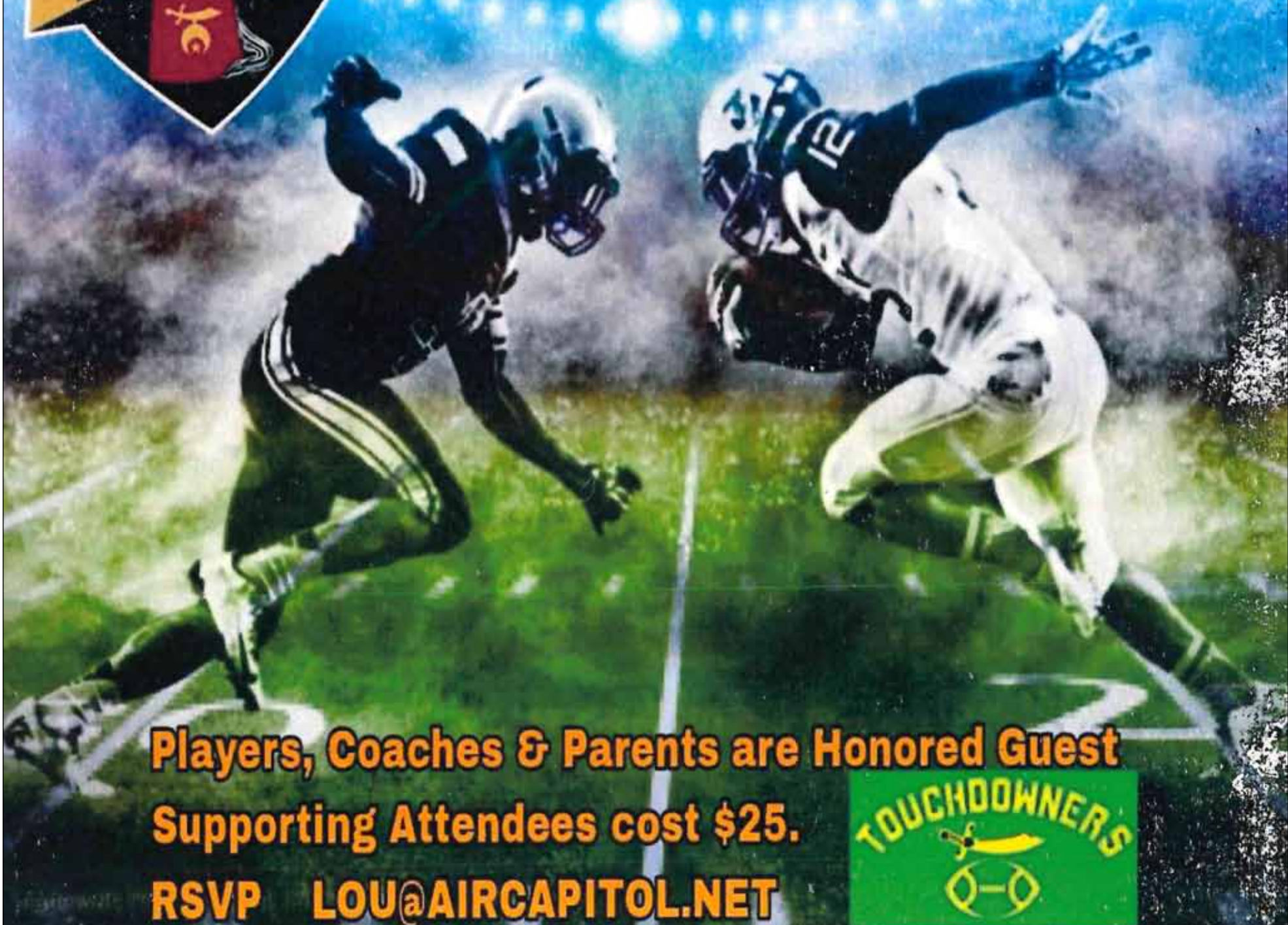
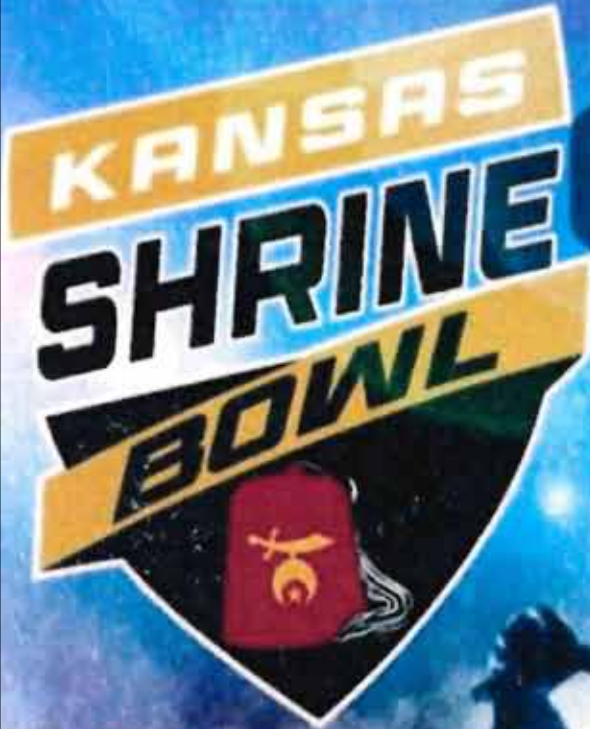
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