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Welcome to our three newest Nobles,
Keller Hayes, Cody Steffen and David Gibson, who were brought in
to Ararat Shrine during the August 13, 2025 stated meeting.



Ararat Shriners Ceremonial October 18, 2025

**8:00am
Breakfast**

**9:00am
Arch Production**

**10:30am
Ceremonial/Ladies Program**

**12:00pm
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WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 8, 2025
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 2025
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2025

Food & cash bar following meetings

Meeting 7:00PM • Regular Order of Business
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Nick Baldi
Recorder

Jeremy Yates
Illustrious Potentate

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of the Shrine News are due by
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Office Hours: Monday–Thursday 10am–4pm
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(Temple stated meeting nights, open until 7pm)

Pote's Notes

Nobles,
What a fantastic time we had at CSSA this August! The energy, the laughter, and the camaraderie were truly unforgettable. It was heartening to see increased participation across the board—hours of fun and fellowship that reminded us why we do what we do. The CSSA Victory Party and Mouse Races brought additional opportunity for celebration as we honored the many awards Ararat earned. Thank you to everyone who made it such a success! And a special thanks to the 2025 Aides for continued dedication to making our events fun and memorable!



September brought a great opportunity to connect with our community at the Blue Springs Fall Festival. It was wonderful to be out in public, sharing our mission and spirit with festival-goers. Looking ahead, we have even more chances to raise public awareness and share the joy of Shrinedom. Local parades are a great way to show our presence and engage with the community—whether you're riding, walking, or cheering from the sidelines, your involvement makes a difference.

I encourage all of you to attend the upcoming ceremonial as we welcome in another class of eager new Nobles. Let's also make a special effort to reach out and help them get involved right away. A warm welcome and a helping hand can go a long way in ensuring they feel connected and engaged. Let's show them the joy and purpose that comes with being part of this great fraternity.

Finally, let's rally to support the Circus and Festival of Trees. These are incredible chances to make an impact, and I encourage each of you to find a way to be involved. Whether it's volunteering, spreading the word, or simply showing up to support, your presence matters.

Fraternally yours,
Jeremy Yates
Potentate



UPCOMING EVENTS CALENDAR

OCTOBER

- 2..... Bingo(AM Radio)
- 4..... Gladstone Parade
- 4..... Chili Cookoff
- 6..... Divan Meeting
- 8..... Temple Meeting
- 9..... Bingo(Motor Escort)
- 16..... Bingo(Pipes and Drums)
- 18..... Fall Ceremonial
- 18..... Festival of Champions
- 23..... Bingo(Clowns)
- 25..... Independence Halloween Parade
- 25..... Aides Murder Mystery Party
- 30..... Bingo(Richmond)

NOVEMBER

- 1..... JCSC Shrimp Boil
- 1..... Decorate Temple for Christmas
- 6..... Bingo(Ole Cars)
- 7-9 CSSMA
- 8..... Veteran's Day Parade
- 10..... Divan Meeting
- 12..... Temple Meeting
- 13..... Bingo(Director's Staff)
- 20..... Bingo(Hospital Transportation)
- 20-23 Ararat Shrine Circus
- 27..... Thanksgiving
- 27..... No Bingo
- 27-28 Office Closed

DECEMBER

- 4..... Bingo(Patrol)
- 6..... All Temple Christmas Party
- 8..... Divan Meeting
- 10..... Temple Meeting
- 11..... Bingo(Cooking Club)
- 13..... Children's Christmas Party
- 18..... Bingo(Anyone Can Help!)
- 25..... Christmas
- 25..... No Bingo
- 25-26 Office Closed
- 31..... Camel's Milk



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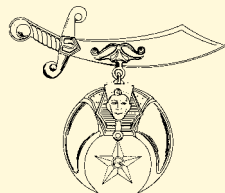
Thank you to the following Nobles who drove for a total of 107 hours the month of July!

Steve Elliott.....	13 hours
Ben Kenney.....	29 hours
Sam Manthei	18 hours
Dennis Marchant.....	13 hours
Ralph Wright	22 hours
Jeff Yahnig	12 hours

Thank you to the following Nobles who drove for a total of 104 hours the month of August!!

Ben Kenney.....	18 hours
Sam Manthei	17 hours
Ralph Wright	43 hours
Jeff Yahnig	26 hours

Please remember that for every hour the drivers receive 25 Crown Jewel Points. It's a great way to earn your points.



Central States Shriners Membership Association Conference



November 7-9, 2025
ARARAT SHRINE
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Friday-November 7th

REGISTRATION OPENS
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Saturday-November 8th

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MEDIA RELATIONS
BREAK
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RETENTION-SCOTT SCHUSSHLER CEO
ADVENTURES UNKNOWN
WRAP UP
COCKTAILS, DINNER & ENTERTAINMENT

Sunday-November 9th

BREAKFAST
TARGETING MEMBERSHIP
WITH A PLAN
"WHO IS YOUR TARGET"
BREAK
COMMUNITY OUTREACH-
WHY IS IT IMPORTANT?
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August 2025 Temple Meeting Notes

BY STEVE COSTIGAN, HIGH PRIEST & PROPHET

The August 13th stated meeting of Ararat Shriners was called to order at 7:00 PM at 499 HWY 7 by Illustrious Potentate Jeremy Yates.

Temple officers present were Illustrious Potentate Jeremy Yates, Noble Ben Allen, Chief Rabban, Noble Keith Stoneking, Assistant Rabban, Noble Steve Costigan, Jr., High Priest and Prophet, Noble Nick Baldi, Recorder, Noble Scott Towler, Ceremonial Master, Noble John Foster, Director, Noble Bud Higginbotham, Captain of the Guard, Noble Barry Hord, Marshall, Noble David Johnson, Outer Guard, Noble Larry Potter, Jurisdictional Marshal, Noble Wes Wingfield, Chaplain and Illustrious Sir Henry McDaniel, Jr., Chief of Staff.

The meeting was opened in due form. Chaplain, Noble Wes Wingfield, read the following list of Nobles who had been visited by the Black Camel: Robert Hinsin, John Washburn, Donald Hoagland, and Maynard Taber.

Resulting from a motion suspending the reading of the minutes of stated Temple meeting for the duration of the term of office of the current Potentate, the minutes of the July 9th stated meeting were not read.

Illustrious Potentate Jeremy Yates then called for the reading of petitions, creations, affiliations and associations. Noble Nick Baldi, Recorder, announced there were none.

Illustrious Potentate Jeremy Yates asked for the reading of restorations. Noble Nick Baldi, Recorder, reported there were none.

Illustrious Potentate Jeremy Yates called for the reading of demits. Noble Nick Baldi, Recorder, reported that there were none.

Illustrious Potentate Jeremy Yates called for the reading of remissions. Noble Nick Baldi, Recorder, reported that there were none.

Illustrious Potentate Jeremy Yates called on Illustrious Sir Henry McDaniel to perform a short form ceremonial. Three candidates were brought into Ararat Shrine. The new Nobles are Keller Hayes, Cody Steffen, and David Gibson. Nobles applauded and welcomed them. Illustrious Potentate Jeremy Yates then gave some words of wisdom to the new Nobles and congratulated them on beginning their journey in the Shrine.

Illustrious Potentate Jeremy Yates let the Nobility know that a copy of the Treasurer's Report is always available if requested.

Illustrious Potentate Jeremy Yates, called for gifts and contributions.

The Warsaw Shrine Club donated a great check to Noble Ben Allen, Chief Rabban, for the 2025 Circus.

Noble Larry Potter, representing the Carroll County Shrine Club, made a donation to the 2025 Circus and the 2025 Festival of Trees.

Illustrious Potentate Jeremy Yates called for any visiting Nobles. There was one, Illustrious Sir Merv Terrill, P.P. 2014, Al-Kaly Shriners.

Illustrious Potentate Jeremy Yates called for committee reports.

Noble Ben Allen, Chief Rabban, reported on the 2025 circus. He thanked Warsaw and Carroll County Shrine Clubs for their donations for the circus. He let everyone know that the Circus Kick Off Party will be on September 13 and that T-shirts and pins are still available. Illustrious Sir Jim Kerns then recognized the members that were present on the Circus Committee. He stated that the circus tickets will go on sale soon and talked about the new pricing tiers. He also invited everyone to the next circus meeting.

Noble Scott Towler, Ceremonial Master, reminded everyone we will be having a

Ceremonial on October 18th. It will take place in the morning. Noble Glenn Helverson then spoke about community outreach including, the Fall Fun Fest in Blue Springs and CSSMA.

Noble Duke Diamond gave the Bingo report. He thanked all of the bingo workers for coming to help every week and encouraged everyone to come out, they can use the help. He gave a great donation to the Temple from Bingo and to Hospital Transportation "For the Kids" from the Bingo players.

Noble Leroy Graham reminded Nobles the Hospital vans takes many trips as well as using flights to transport children to the Hospital they need. He asked if anyone was interested in becoming a driver to get in contact with him. Noble Dr. Tom Tryon told a story about the last trip he took to St. Louis. He met a family with a son who was told he would never be able to walk. They then found Shriners Children's. The son is thriving today as a SWAT team member. He reminded Nobles that this is why we do what we do.

Noble JW Page gave the Sportsmen's Raffle report. September 20th will be the raffle drawing. There will be an early bird drawing after the meeting.

Noble Bill McPherson reminded everyone that the Parkville Parade is coming up on August 23. The CSSA parade will be on August 30.

Illustrious Sir Henry McDaniel talked about the Building Committee. He let Nobles know that they are actively meeting and looking at buildings, but it will take time.

Illustrious Potentate Jeremy Yates reminded everyone about the following events: Bingo every Thursday, 2026 Pote's Trip Presentation, Parkville Parade, CSSA, Circus Kickoff Party, Blue Springs Parade, Gun Raffle Drawing, and the CSSA Victory Party and Mouse Races.

Illustrious Potentate Jeremy Yates called for the Good of the Order.

Noble JW Page, Provost Marshall, reminded Provost members to attend the next meeting as they are voting on a bylaws change.

Noble Phil Meisenheimer, Chief Aide, reminded Nobles events going on at CSSA. On September 27th the CSSA Victory Party will include mouse races. Mouse sponsorships are available now. There will also be a Murder Mystery Party in October.

Illustrious Potentate Jeremy Yates recognized the following Past Potentates: Illustrious Sir John Hay, P.P. 2003, Illustrious Sir Richard Floyd, P.P. 2012, Illustrious Sir Merv Terrill, P.P. 2014, Al-Kaly Shriners, Illustrious Sir Henry McDaniel, Jr, P.P. 2018, Illustrious Sir Butch Pugh, P.P. 2019, Illustrious Sir Jim Kerns, P.P. 2020 and 2nd CSSA Vice President, Illustrious Sir Michael Aulgur, P.P. 2021, and Illustrious Sir Steve Elliott, P.P. 2021, Tangier Shriners.

Illustrious Potentate Jeremy Yates recognized the following Emeriti members: Noble Jimmy Jones, Ringmaster Emeritus, Noble Stan Harrington, Motor Man Emeritus, Noble Nick Baldi, Treasurer Emeritus, Noble David Johnson, Shrineta Emeritus, and Noble Bud Higginbotham, Captain of the Guard Emeritus.

Illustrious Potentate Jeremy Yates recognized the following Imperial Provost Line Members: Noble Trenton Kelley, Imperial 2nd Lieutenant.

The Potentate called on the Chaplain for the Benediction. Noble Wes Wingfield gave the Benediction.

Waiving all forms and ceremony the Potentate closed the meeting at 8:20PM.

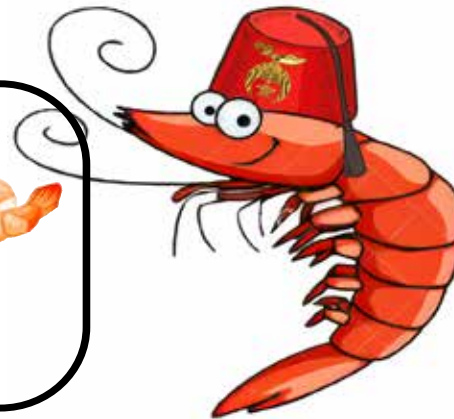




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September 2025 Temple Meeting Notes

BY TONY BROOME, ORIENTAL GUIDE

The September 10th stated meeting of Ararat Shriners was called to order at 7:00 PM at 499 HWY 7 by Illustrious Potentate Jeremy Yates.

Temple officers present were Illustrious Potentate Jeremy Yates, Noble Ben Allen, Chief Rabban, Noble Steve Costigan, Jr., High Priest and Prophet, Noble Tony Broome, Oriental Guide, Noble Weston Miller, Treasurer, Noble Scott Towler, Ceremonial Master, Noble John Foster, Director, Noble Bud Higginbotham, Captain of the Guard, Noble David Johnson, Outer Guard, Noble Larry Potter, Jurisdictional Marshal, Noble Wes Wingfield, Chaplain and Illustrious Sir Henry McDaniel, Jr., Chief of Staff.

The meeting was opened in due form. Chaplain, Noble Wes Wingfield, read the following list of Nobles who had been visited by the Black Camel: Charles Luppens, Jr. and James Waggoner, Sr.

Resulting from a motion suspending the reading of the minutes of stated Temple meeting for the duration of the term of office of the current Potentate, the minutes of the August 13th stated meeting were not read.

Illustrious Potentate Jeremy Yates then called for the reading of petitions, creations, affiliations and associations. Illustrious Sir Henry McDaniel, Chief of Staff, announced the following petitions for creation: David Taylor, Rolan Ross, Bradley Mudd, Eric Mesa, Fred Ver Steraete, Fred Lewis, Carl Wright, Alexander Tash, and Matthew Jones. There was a vote, with no objection, all petitions were accepted.

Illustrious Potentate Jeremy Yates asked for the reading of restorations. Illustrious Sir Henry McDaniel, Chief of Staff, reported there were none.

Illustrious Potentate Jeremy Yates called for the reading of demits. Illustrious Sir Henry McDaniel, Chief of Staff, reported that there was one for Randy Hicks and it was a matter of record.

Illustrious Sir Henry McDaniel then called Noble Michael Wheeler, Recorder Emeritus, to come forward to receive a certificate for the Imperial Emeriti Award.

Illustrious Potentate Jeremy Yates called for the reading of remissions. Illustrious Sir Henry McDaniel, Chief of Staff, reported that there were none.

Illustrious Potentate Jeremy Yates called on Noble Weston Miller, Treasurer, to give the Treasurer's Report. He gave the report. It is always available to view.

Illustrious Potentate Jeremy Yates, called for gifts and contributions.

Nobles Mike Montgomery and John Foster from Richmond Shrine Club, presented a check to Hospital Transportation and to the 2025 Circus.

Illustrious Potentate Jeremy Yates called for any visiting Nobles. Noble George Thompson, Greeters Director Emeritus, reported that there were none.

Illustrious Potentate Jeremy Yates called for committee reports.

Noble Ben Allen, Chief Rabban, reported on the 2025 circus. Donations and sponsorships aren't as high as usual, any sales would be appreciated. There are also circus T-shirts and Dad and Mom pins still available. Illustrious Sir Jim Kerns talked about the circus scripts that have been mailed out. Any circus program ads need to be turned in by October 17th.

Noble Duke Diamond gave the Bingo report. He started by letting Noble Tony Broome, Oriental Guide, know he was truly missed at bingo. He gave a quick report and a great donation from bingo. He also reminded everyone that they are welcome to come help with bingo any Thursday night. Noble Tony Broome then told the best joke he has had all year, even though he said it was a true story. He then presented a check "For the Kids" from the bingo players.

Noble Scott Towler, Ceremonial Master, reminded the Nobles that the Ceremonial is October

18th and starts at 8am. He encouraged all to show up and make this a great day for the incoming Nobles. Noble Glenn Helverson, Membership Chairman, challenged Nobles to invite someone to an event at the Shrine so they can see what it is about. He then talked about community outreach and how volunteers are need for the Blue Springs Fall Fest. All of the tips from the beer garden go to Ararat Shrine since we were the non-profit of the year.

Noble Leroy Graham let Nobles know that Hospital Transportation was doing great. He thanked Noble Ralph Wright for driving the van to CSSA for the parade. He said that there was a drivers meeting in St. Louis and he learned that Shriners Children's St. Louis was ranked #8 out of 2800 hospitals in the United States. He also thanked the new Nobles who have volunteered to drive.

Noble JW Page gave the Sportsmen's Raffle report. September 20th will be the raffle drawing. This is the final push for tickets. There was also an early bird drawing.

Noble John Spottswood talked about the Festival of Trees. It will begin November 7 and run through December 6. He let Nobles know about some of the sponsorships he has obtained. They will also do a weekly drawing this year where tickets will stay in the drawing after winning.

Illustrious Sir Henry McDaniel talked about the Building Committee. He let Nobles know that they are actively meeting and looking at buildings, but it will take time so please be patient.

Illustrious Potentate Jeremy Yates thanked everyone who came out to CSSA. Especially the Chief Aides who worked so hard to make the hospitality room great. A wonderful time was had by all who attended.

Illustrious Potentate Jeremy Yates reminded everyone about the following events: Bingo every Thursday, Circus Kickoff Party, Blue Springs Parade, Gun Raffle Drawing, and the CSSA Victory Party and Mouse Races, Cordell's 90th birthday party, Gladstone Parade, Chili Cookoff, Fall Ceremonial, Festival of Champions, Independence Halloween Parade, and Murder Mystery Aides Party.

Illustrious Potentate Jeremy Yates called for the Good of the Order.

Noble John Hooper spoke about the Chili Cookoff on October 4th. Everyone is invited to participate. Judging opportunities are available too.

Noble Phil Meisenheimer, Chief Aide, reminded Nobles that on September 27th the CSSA Victory Party will include mouse races. There were quite a few winners at CSSA to celebrate. There will also be a Murder Mystery Party on October 25th. It is dinner and show for \$30, please rsvp with the office.

Illustrious Potentate Jeremy Yates recognized the following Past Potentates: Illustrious Sir Hank DeVry, P.P. 2005, Illustrious Sir Kevin Sleyster, P.P. 2010, Illustrious Sir Ed Graves, P.P. 2015, Zamora Shrine-Birmingham, AL, Illustrious Sir Henry McDaniel, Jr, P.P. 2018, Illustrious Sir Butch Pugh, P.P. 2019, Illustrious Sir Jim Kerns, P.P. 2020 and 2nd CSSA Vice President, Illustrious Sir Michael Aulgur, P.P. 2021, Illustrious Sir Steve Elliott, P.P. 2021, Tangier Shriners, and Illustrious Sir Donnie Fowler, P.P. 2022.

Illustrious Potentate Jeremy Yates recognized the following Emeriti members: Noble Mike Wheeler, Recorder Emeritus, Noble George Thompson, Greeters Director Emeritus, Noble David Johnson, Shrineta Emeritus, and Noble Bud Higginbotham, Captain of the Guard Emeritus.

Illustrious Potentate Jeremy Yates recognized the following Imperial Provost Line Members: Noble Trenton Kelley, Imperial 2nd Lieutenant.

The Potentate called on the Chaplain for the Benediction. Noble Wes Wingfield gave the Benediction.

Waiving all forms and ceremony the Potentate closed the meeting at 7:53PM.



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Ararat Shrine Circus, Nov. 20-23

Cable Dahmer Arena

Thurs. 10am children’s show; 7pm public show;

Fri. 7pm; Sat. 10am, 2pm, 7pm; Sun. 1pm

Circus Dad and Mom Pins

The following Nobles have invested in our Circus by purchasing the 2025 Shrine Circus Mom and Dad Pins. THANK YOU!

They will receive 25 Crown Jewel Points for each pin.

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Ralph J. Wright

2025 CIRCUS SALES

(AS OF 9/16/2025)

TOP SALESMEN

Robert E. Morton, Jr. \$4,250.00
Joshua D. Diamond \$3,145.00
Nickolas A. Baldi \$2,110.00
Lawrence H. Teters \$2,060.00
John E. Foster \$1,565.00

TOP UNITS/CLUBS

C - Warsaw Shrine Club \$10,580.00
C - Richmond Shrine Club \$9,255.00
U - Ole' Cars \$4,845.00
U - Sand Buggies \$2,160.00
C - Tri-county Shrine Club ... \$2,100.00

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Member Number _____

Club/Unit _____



2025



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Ararat Drone Club Wins First Place

Ararat Drone Club brought home **first place** at the 2025 Central States Shrine Association Motor Corps Competition in Des Moines. Illustrious Sir Jim Kerns, Nobles Patrick Hosely, Larry Cory, Dennis Marchant, and Tangier Oriental Guide Dave MacDonald represented Ararat with strong performances after months of practice.



Lady Heather Hosely and 2024 Abdallah First Lady Barbie White showcased their skills in the Ladies Division, while CSSA First Vice President Illustrious Sir Todd Gullickson and Imperial Sirs Marty Bartlett and Ron Devol joined the fun with exhibition flights. Our Noble pilots are fortunate to have the support and encouragement of our Ladies, whose presence and energy helped lift the team throughout the competition.

This is the **only drone competition in all of Shrinedom**, and the excitement is growing. Tangier, Arab, Moolah, and Abdallah Shriners are already planning to field their own teams, ensuring even more competitive energy in the years ahead. With Imperial Sirs actively participating, this news is expected to spread quickly across Shrinedom.

The trophy was presented at the CSSA Motor Corps banquet, marking a proud accomplishment for Ararat. Congratulations also to the Ararat Ole Cars for their trophies and dedication. Looking ahead, the Ararat Drone Team will be **showcased at the Shriners International Education Foundation** this spring to highlight this innovative new competition. Special shout-out to Illustrious Sir Mark Dobson, one of the founders of Ararat Drone Club.



Teachers Welcomed with Smiles, Laughter, and Shriners' Support

BY ETHAN HOLDER

On Monday, September 8, the Warsaw Shrine Club continued a special tradition for the third year in a row, visiting all four Benton County elementary schools to support local educators.

Each year, the Shriners donate gift cards to every elementary school teacher in the county to help them start the school year on a positive note. Their mission is to make a meaningful impact on the education and lives of children in the community by supporting the teachers who give so much of themselves to their students.

Benton County is home to four elementary schools across three different school districts: Lincoln Elementary, Cole Camp Elementary, Warsaw South Elementary, and Warsaw North Elementary.

The day began bright and early at Lincoln Elementary at 7:30 a.m., followed by a stop at Cole Camp Elementary. After a short break, the Shriners continued on to Warsaw South Elementary in the afternoon, finishing the day at Warsaw North.

At each school, the group was welcomed with smiles, laughter, appreciation, and even a few hugs. In total, the Shrine Club presented 118 gift cards valued at \$50 each, adding up to \$5,900 in donations for teachers across Benton County.

"These teachers dedicate countless hours of their own time and resources to educate, raise, and love the children in our community" the club said. "The gift cards are just a small token of our support and gratitude. We are proud to bring a little happiness to those who give so much."

The Warsaw Shrine Club wishes all students, teachers, and staff a wonderful school year ahead.



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The Officers and Nobles of Ararat Shrine express their sincere sympathy to the families and friends of these departed Nobles:

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Maynard Taber	Naples, FL	04/28/1928-07/20/2025
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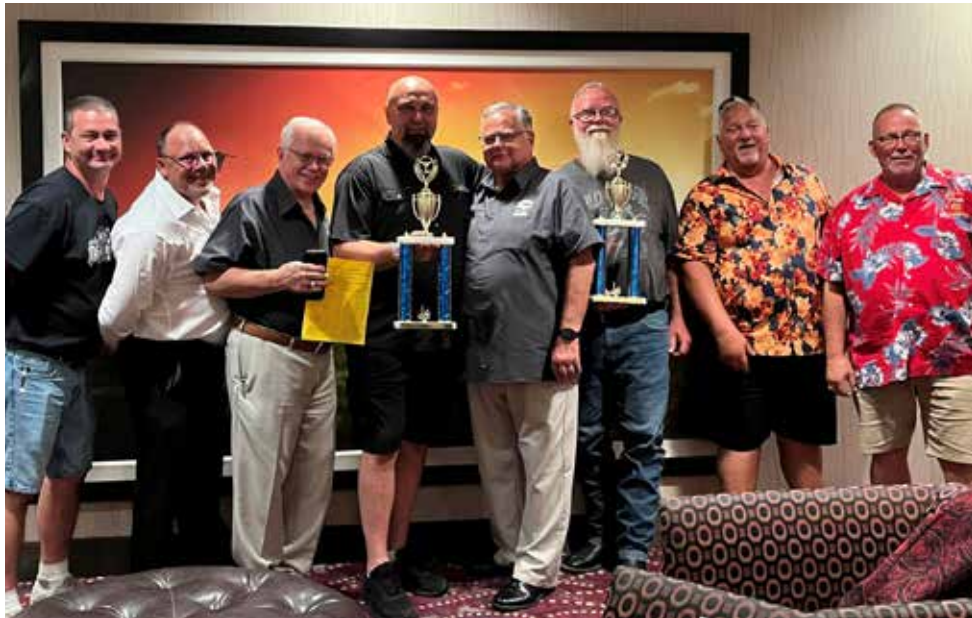
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Ole Cars

The Ole Cars Unit had a wonderful time at CSSA in Des Moines, Iowa this year. We had a great showing where we brought home two 1st place trophies! One for Original Show Car and one for Modified Show Car. On top of that, we always have a great time with our Shrine Family back at the hotel. Thank you to all that came out and we are looking forward to next year.





CSSA 2025



BINGO ASSIGNMENTS

The following is a list of units/clubs scheduled to furnish 3 members to assist in helping the Bingo Committee on their assigned Thursday evening.

Workers report to the Bingo Desk at 5pm on your scheduled night. Directors/Presidents, if you are not able to fulfill the assignment, please contact Mick Owens at 816-225-0991 so he can find replacements.

OCTOBER

2-AM Radio

9-Motor Escort

16-Pipes and Drums

23-Clowns

30-Richmond

NOVEMBER

6-Ole Cars

13-Director's Staff

20-Hospital Transportation

27-No Bingo

DECEMBER

4-Patrol

11-Cooking Club

18-Anyone can help!

25-No Bingo



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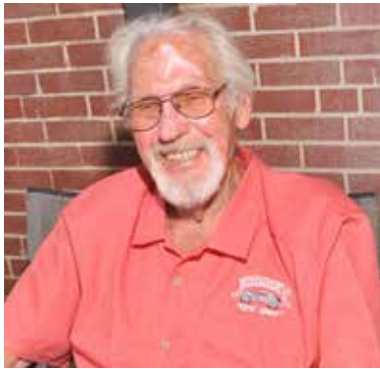
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Ada #444	305 SW Front St	Orrick	64077	2nd & 4th Thursday
Alpha #659	2121 Gentry	N. Kansas City	64117	2nd & 4th Monday
Amsterdam #141	State Hwy Y and State Hwy J	Amsterdam	64723	2nd Tuesday 7:30
Angerona #193	State Hwy, JJ	Missouri City	64072	1st & 3rd Tuesday
Appleton City # 412	315 E. 3rd Street	Appleton City	64724	3rd Monday 7:30
Arrow Rock #55	307 7th ST	Arrow Rock	65320	2nd Thursday
Barbee #217	503 S Locust	Sweet Springs	65351	3rd Thursday
Barry Daylight #17	2000 NW Barry Rd	Kansas City	64154	3rd Wednesday
Belton-Grandview #450	307 N Scott	Belton	64012	1st & 3rd Tuesday
Blue Springs #337	908 Main St	Blue Springs	64015	1st & 3rd Thursday
Brookfield #86	200 Linn	Brookfield	64628	2nd & 4th Tuesdays
Buckner #501	611 S Sibley St	Buckner	64016	1st & 3rd Tuesday
Butler #254	1203 N. Orange	Butler	64730	1st & 3rd Thursday
Cairo #486	209 Martin	Cairo	65239	2nd & 4th Thursdays
Callao #38	300 Market St.	Callao	63534	1st & 3rd Mondays
Cambridge #63	627 Industrial Blvd	Slater	65349	1st Tuesday
Cass #147	405 Independence	Harrisonville	64701	1st & 3rd Thursday
Cecile Daylight #305	120 S. Pleasant St.	Independence	64050	2nd & 4th Wednesday
Censor #172	201 Pearl St.	Macon	63552	2nd & 4th Mondays
Christian #392	1901 S. Broadway	Oak Grove	64075	2nd & 4th Thursday
Clark #610	Main and Hubbard	Clark	65243	1st & 3rd Thursday
Clay #207	110 ½ Main St. PO Box 424	Excelsior Springs	64024	1st & 3rd Mondays
Clinton #548	1109 E. Ohio	Clinton	64733	2nd & 4th Tuesdays
Compass #120	2121 Gentry	North KC	64118	2nd Thursday
Cooper Lodge #36	717 Main St.	Boonville, MO.	65233	2nd & 4th Tuesdays 7pm
Corinthian #265	402 E Russel Ave	Warrenburg	64093	1st & 3rd Monday
Country Club #656	3516 Blue Ridge Cut-off	Kansas City	64116	1st & 3rd Monday
Crescent Hill #368	24 E. 3rd St.	Adrian	64720	2nd & 4th Thursday
Fayette-Howard #4	182 Hwy 5 North	Fayette	65248	1st & 3rd Tuesday
Fidelity #339	5625 NW Hutson Rd	Farley	64151	1st Wednesday
Grand River #276	1905 E 281 street	Cleveland	64734	2nd Monday
Granite Lodge 272	601 W Broadway	Sedalia	65301	3rd Tuesday 7pm
Hale City #216	139 Hwy & 8th St.	Hale	64643	1st & 3rd Monday
Harry S Truman #1941	120 S Pleasant	Independence	64050	4th Tuesday
Higbee #527	Division St.	Higbee	65257	2nd & 4th Thursdays
Higginsville #364	701 W. 22nd St.	Higginsville	64037	2nd & 4th Monday
Holden #262	1192 S.W Hwy 58	Holden	64040	1st & 3rd Thursday
Huntsville #30	110 N. Main St.	Huntsville	65270	1st & 3rd Tuesday
Independence #76	120 S Pleasant	Independence	64050	2nd & 4th Monday
Index #54	709 Old Hwy 7	Garden City	64747	4th Monday
Ivanhoe #446	8640 Holmes Rd.	Kansas City	64131	1st & 3rd Thursday
Jackson #82	300 State St.	Linneus	64653	2nd & 4th Monday
Jewel #480	1480 Broadway	Pleasant Hill	64080	2nd Tuesday
Kansas City #220	1330 E Linwood Ave.	Kansas City	64109	2nd & 4th Tuesday
Knob Noster #245	1124 N.E. 75	Knob Noster	65336	2nd & 4th Thursday
Lexington #149	126 1/2 N 11th St	Lexington	64067	3rd Tuesday
Liberty #31	10 E Franklin	Liberty	64068	2nd & 4th Monday
Marceline #481	201 Main St.	Marceline	64658	1st & 3rd Thursdays
Mc Donald #324	120 S Pleasant	Independence	64050	1st & 3rd Monday
Milton #151	Hwy 63/24	Milton	65270	2nd & 4th Friday
Moberly #344	401 W. Rollins	Moberly	65270	2nd & 4th Monday
Mount Hope #476	6898 N 131 Hwy	Odessa	64076	1st & 3rd Thursday
Mt Washington #614	9515 E. Independence Ave	Independence	64053	2nd & 4th Friday
Platte City #504	100 Main St.	Farley	64028	2nd Monday
Ray #223	205 W. Main St	Camden	64017	1st & 3rd Thursday
Raytown #391	6309 Overton	Raytown	64133	1st & 3rd Thursday
Richmond #57	315 Clark St.	Richmond	64085	3rd Monday
Rising Sun #13	2000 NW Barry Rd	Kansas City	64154	1st Saturday
Shawnee #653	425 Benton St.	Warsaw	65355	2nd & 4th Tuesday
Sheffield #625	903 Harrison	Kansas City	64106	2nd Thursday
Summit #263	2409 S. M-291 Hwy	Lees Summit	64064	1st & 3rd Tuesday
Swope Park #617	8521 Oldham Rd	Kansas City	64138	2nd & 4th Thursday
Temperance #438	119-A N. Bridge St.	Smithville	64089	1st & 3rd Wednesday
Temple Gate #299	903 Harrison St	Kansas City	64106	1st 3rd Tuesday
Trilumina #205	18 E Morrow	Marshall	65340	1st Thursday
Wakanda #52	14 N Main	Carrollton	64663	2nd & 4th Thursday
Wallace #456	Herndon St. and Gladstone Ave.	Bunceton	65237	2nd & 4th Wednesday
Warren #74	300 W. Bridge St.	Keytesville	65261	2nd & 4th Thursday
Waverly #61	108 E Kelling Ave.	Waverly,	64096	2nd Tuesday
Windsor #29	107 Commercial St.	Windsor	65360	1st & 3rd Tuesday

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