

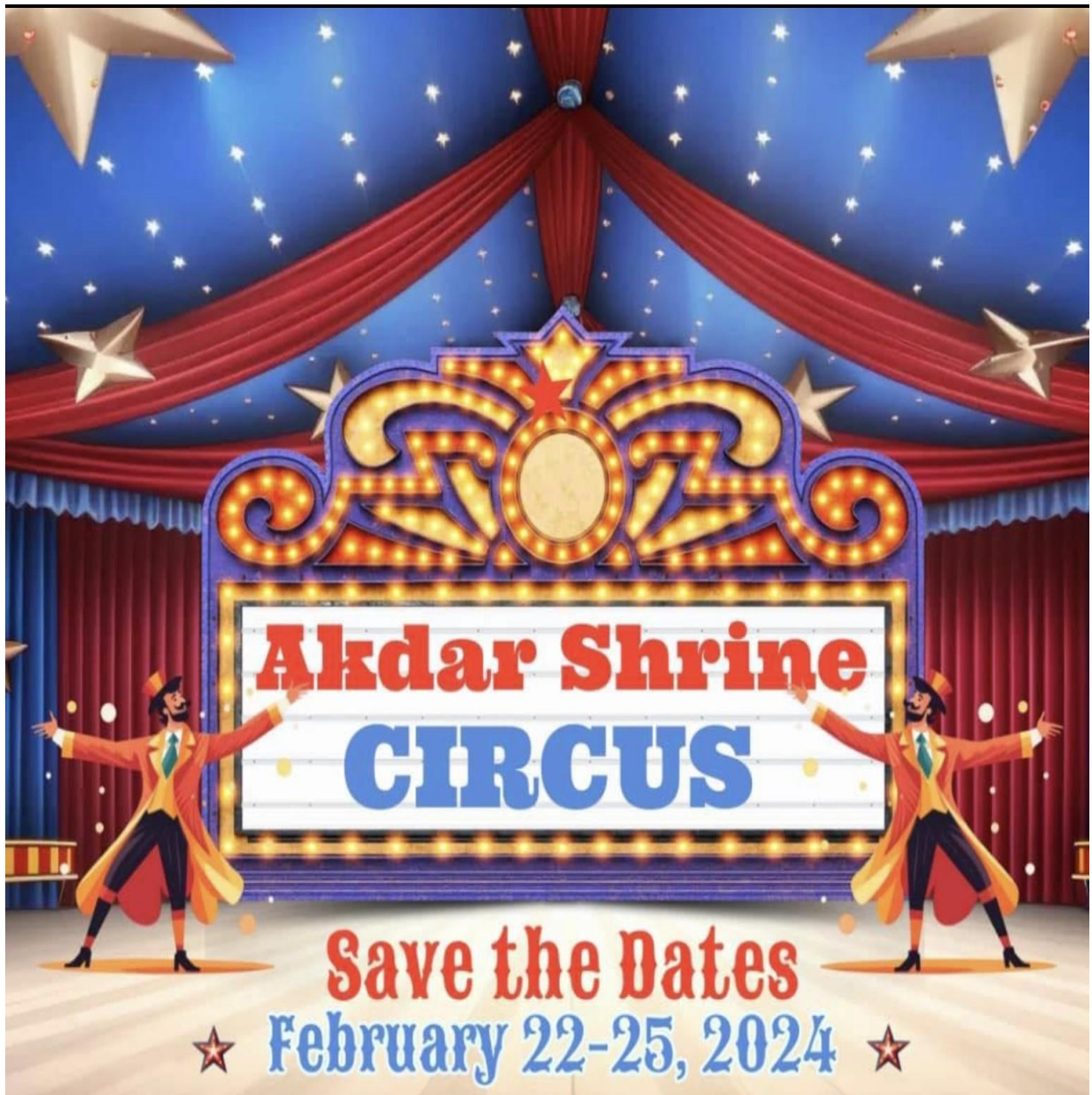


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NOTICE JANUARY STATED BUSINESS MEETING

*The Akdar Shrine Stated Meeting will be held
7pm - Thursday, January 11th, 2024
2808 South Sheridan Road, Tulsa, OK*

*For the purpose of old and new business as may
be regularly presented.*

*Chris Hammond, Potentate
Attest: Ralph Klumpp, P.P., Recorder*

NOTICE FEBRUARY STATED BUSINESS MEETING

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The poster features a green marbled background with a torn paper effect. At the top center is a black silhouette of a scimitar crossed over a crescent moon with a star. Below this is the year "2024" in a bold, black, sans-serif font. The main title "Akdar Shrine" is in a large, elegant, black script font. Below it, "Divan, Club & Unit Officer" is in a smaller, black, sans-serif font, followed by "Installation" in a medium-sized, black, sans-serif font, and "Ceremony" in a large, elegant, black script font. The date and time are listed as "JAN 6 2024" and "11:00 AM" in a small, black, sans-serif font. The location is "AKDAR SHRINE AUDITORIUM 2808 S. Sheridan Rd. Tulsa, OK 74129 (918) 836-2500" in a small, black, sans-serif font. At the bottom, there is a paragraph of text: "You are cordially invited to attend the 2024 Installation of Officers Saturday, January 6th, 2024. 2024 Divan Officers, Units, Clubs and Shrine Club Officers are encouraged to attend. All Nobles, ladies & guests are welcome Reception immediately following in the lower level dining room".

2024
Akdar Shrine
Divan, Club & Unit Officer
Installation
Ceremony

JAN
SATURDAY 6 11:00 AM
2024

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Deceased Nobles

Charles Bowerman – Created 6-26-1982
Maurice Keehn – Created 7-14-1990
Richard Blasdel – Created 2-14-2002
John Bulman, Jr. – Created 11-16-1993
Charles Trent – Created 4-14-1998
Walter Donohew – Created 8-27-2018
Eugene Gregg – Created 5-19-1973
James Rice – Created 3-31-2006
James Wills – Created 7-15-1989



POTENTATE'S MESSAGE

Nobles and Ladies... Welcome to 2024! First and foremost, I would like to thank Illustrious Sir Zac Castillo for leading us through a very successful 2023. His leadership brought our attendance, fellowship, and interest in the Shrine back to where it hadn't been in a long time. I wish him well on the rest of his Masonic and Shrine journey, wherever that may take him. With that being said, I've got some big shoes to fill.

I am very excited about the year ahead and I thank my brothers for having enough faith and confidence to allow me to lead Akdar through the year of 2024. I understand that our organization relies on many dues, donations, and fundraisers to make everything financially possible, however, I also know that without the physical help and participation of our nobility, nothing would be possible. For some, this fraternity may be just another "hat" or title to wear, but for most of us, the Shrine is a passion and a badge of honor that is worn proudly. Through our philanthropy, we give support to many children that would literally never stand a chance without us. Through our fraternity, we give support, brotherly love, and fellowship that gives each one of us an opportunity to rise to heights in charity and friendship that would otherwise not be possible.



I will do my best to carry on the great momentum we have now and deliver it to the year to come. In addition to the day-to-day business and the ever-present goal of financial stability and expansion, my focus this year will be on our Shriners. There will be plenty of opportunities to have great fellowship and many good times in 2024. I have been a Shriner for 25 years and I can say that the Shrine is my passion and so are it's Nobles.

I look forward to seeing everyone at our monthly meetings as welcome the chance to have some great fellowship with an awesome nobility. Keep in mind we would love to see you at the Akdar Shrine Kickoff Party on Jan 27th. This party is for you! Oh yeah, we also have the great big thing in February called the Akdar Shrine Circus on Feb 22nd, 23rd, 24th, and 25th. See you soon!

Yours in the Faith,

Chris Hammond, Potentate



January

2024



Akdar 2024 KICK-OFF Party - January 27th - Watch for details on FLASHNEWS or Facebook!

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4	5 Bus Office Closed Installation Rehearsal 6:30pm	6 Installation of Officers & Reception 11am
7	8	9 Divan/Unit/Club Meeting 6pm	10	11 Stated Business Meeting Dinner 6pm Noble & Ladies Meeting 7pm	12 Bus Office Closed	13
14	15 Circus Planning Meeting 6:30pm MLK Day	16	17	18	19 Bus Office Closed	20
21	22	23	24	25	26 Bus Office Closed	27 Akdar 2024 Kick-off Party
28 Ladies Without Nobles Luncheon	29	30	31			

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February

2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2 Bus Off Closed GROUND HOG DAY	3
4	5 Circus Planning Meeting 6:30pm	6 Divan/Unit/Club Meeting 6pm	7	8 Stated Business Meeting Dinner 6pm Nobles & Ladies Meeting 7pm	9 Bus Off Closed	10
11	12	13	14 	15	16 Bus Off Closed	17
18	19 Circus Planning Meeting 6:30pm	20	21  Circus Set-up 5pm	22  Circus Performance 6:30pm	23  Circus Performances 4:30 & 7pm LWN guests	24  Circus Performances 10am-2pm- 6:30pm
25  Circus Performances 10am-2pm- 6:30pm	26	27	28	29		

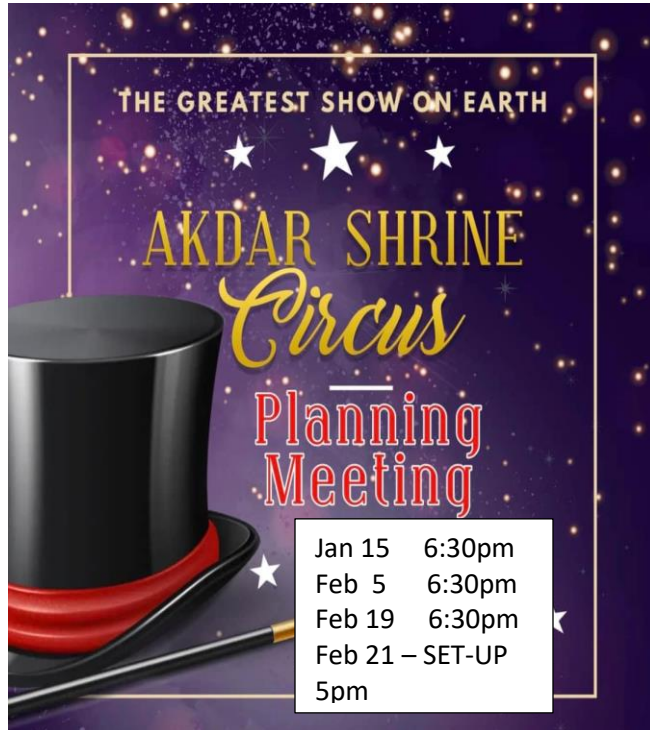
Shrine Circus February 22nd to 25th

**Shrine Newsletter deadline for
MARCH/APRIL issue
February 10th, 2024**

Send to ritasnews2020@gmail.com

Membership Count
October-November-December

Start	871
Creations	2
Affiliations	3
Restorations	3
<u>Gain</u>	<u>8</u>
Expirations	9
Demits	4
Suspensions	25
<u>Loss</u>	<u>38</u>
Associates Drop	-2
<u>Total Members</u>	<u>839</u>



List of Unit and Club Meetings

Akdar Park Users – 10am- 1st Sun
 Big Wheels – 6:30pm- 3rd Tues
 Camel Herders – As Announced
 Craig County S.Club- 6:30pm- 1st Thurs
 Directors Staff Tulsa-6:30pm -3rd Tues
 Dune Buggy-6pm – 1st Wed
 Grand Lake S. Club- 6:30pm -4th Thurs(Jan thru Oct)
 Indians-6pm –As Announced
 Kar Buffs-6pm -4th Thurs
 Kay County S.Club-6pm -1st Wed
 Keystone Lake S.Club-6:30pm -4th Mon(Jan thru Nov-Steer Inn)
 Legion of Honor-7:30pm-2nd Tues
 Merri-Makers-7pm -1st Thursday
 Mini Choppers-7:30pm -1st Wed
 Mini Kars-7pm -4th Thurs
 Misfits-6:30pm -3rd Mon
 Nomads-6:30pm -4th Mon-Club for New Shriners
 Oriental Band-7pm -1st three Mon
 Provost Guard-7pm -1st Wed
 Scooters Tulsa-7pm -4th Wed
 T-Town Tap Room #66-6:30pm-2nd Friday
 Wasono S. Club-6pm -1st Mon



MESSAGE FROM POTENTATE'S LADY

Congratulations Illustrious Sir Zac for a wonderful year of service to Akdar. I would like to say thank you to the nobility for their confidence in choosing Chris for 2024 Potentate. I will do my best to keep Akdar's interest at heart with my leadership this year. I am excited to have a fun filled year, I am also a little nervous but feel blessed to have past first ladies that will give guidance when needed. I am hoping to get some small items accomplished to beautify and clean up our Shrine. There are a few items that can't be purchased but will take some combined effort in order to achieve. Any and all help will be greatly appreciated. Together we can achieve big things. The pin design that I have chosen has such a powerful meaning to me. It is the image of a dove with the word "GRACE". It means, the exercise of love, kindness, mercy, and favor; the disposition to benefit or serve another. I usually need grace on a daily basis and pray that I show grace to others. I am hopeful that this year we will continue to grow our friendships as an organization as well as serving our Shriner children and their families. I am looking forward to the **Shrine Kickoff party on January 27** and planning for the circus which is quickly approaching.



Thanks again for this wonderful opportunity.

Sending Love,
Charlie Hammond
Potentates Lady



Shriner of the Month
Brandon Sizemore



Shrine Lady of the Month
Valarie Byrd

Scooter Unit

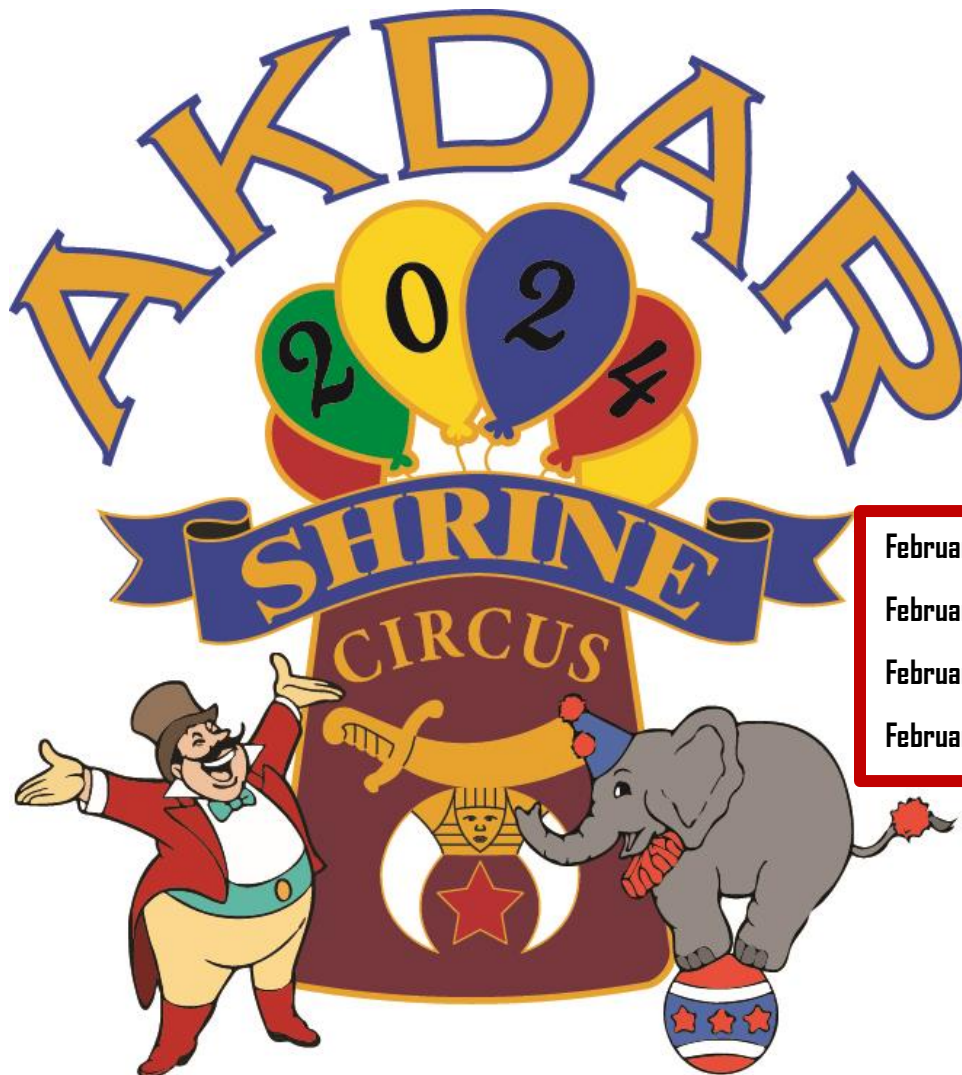
Congratulations to our 2024 Akdar Shrine Scooter Unit Officers. Nobles Pete Goltra, Director; Willard Warren, Assistant Director; Chris Haist, Secretary, Pete Goltra and Murl Ford, Co-Treasurers and Jake Jacobs, Chaplain.

We meet the fourth Wednesday of each month, Silver Skillet, 61st and Memorial. Our meeting starts at 7 p.m. You can eat when you arrive. Your family is invited and we wear our fez to show the world we are proud Shriners from the parking lot, through the meeting and back to our vehicle in the parking lot.

You do not have to have a scooter or motorcycle to belong to our unit. We have two prospective members coming to our next meeting. We have been doing more popcorn at parades than being in the parade with our scooters or motorcycles. We have been at every parade unless they are at the same time in two locations.

Yours in the Faith, Pete Goltra, Director

P.S. If you have any questions call us please: Pete Goltra, 918.254.0722 home, 918.814.8254 cell; Willard Warren, 918.637.1326.



February 22 - 6:30pm

February 23 - 4:30 & 7pm

February 24 - 10am-2pm-6:30pm

February 25 - 10am-2pm-6:30pm

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