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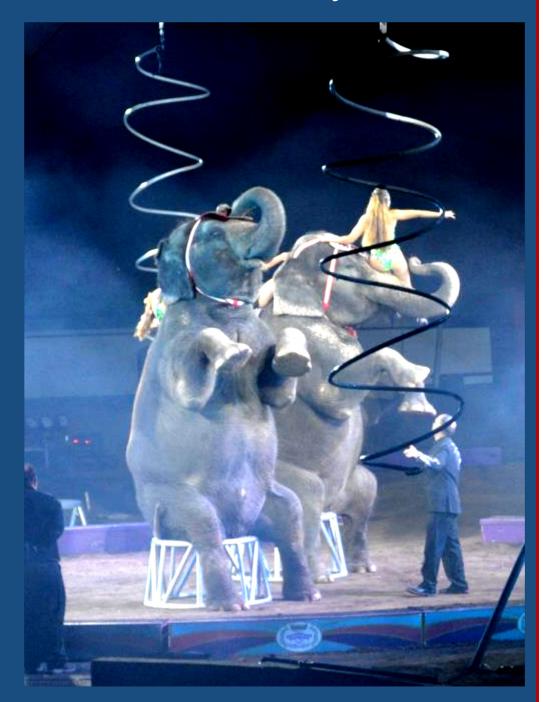


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Elephants Performing at the Shrine Circus

# Potentate's Message

Lady Sharon and I would like to thank everyone for their support during my time as Potentate of Amran Shriners. We have enjoyed our year-plus, but could not have done it without a lot of help. We will be recognizing those that helped at our February meeting. We will miss the January meeting as we are away celebrating our anniversary. Special thanks to Lady Sharon, as I would never have considered serving on the Divan, had I not had her by my side for the journey.

Although we did not make as much on the State Fair as we had hoped we did make more than the last two years and it was a lot easier on those that helped. We have our new trailer fully equipped and ready to go. It is hoped that we will be able to use it at smaller festivals and eventually give up our spot at the State Fair. Thank you to everyone that came out and worked at the fair.

Our circus had a very successful year and we made over \$60,000. Thank you to everyone that helped at the circus, especially III. Sir Sam Vaughan and Noble Donald Long, who have co-chaired the Amran Circus committee since our first circus in 1991.

Congratulations to Noble Donald Slaughter, Potentate-elect and the other elected officers. I am sure with your support he and Lady Lisa will have a very successful year. I pledge my support to you. Please see the details of Noble Donald's upcoming events in this issue.

Merry Christmas, Happy Chanukah, and Happy New Year. Enjoy your holidays and stay safe.



Fraternally,

Bob Dowen

Potentate



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# Shrine Bowl 2018



# Shrine Bowl Ends in a Tie for the First Time Since 1948

The 82nd Annual Shrine Bowl of the Carolinas, held on the campus of Wofford College in Spartanburg, SC, ended with a score of 10-10, the fifth tie overall and the first time in 70 years. The game will be rebroadcast on December 21 and December 28 on ESPNU at 12 noon on both days .

North Carolina MVPs of the 82nd Annual Shrine Bowl were Zonovan Knight of Southern Nash High School and J.R. Walker of Clayton High School. Evan Jumper of Myrtle Beach High School (SC) and Tanner Morris of Terry Sanford High School (NC) were the winners of the U.S. Army Leadership Award.

A symbolic check was presented to Imperial Potentate Sir Jim Cane for the Shriners Hospitals representing the more than \$1.5 million raised by the five Shrine temples this year.



# Divan Officers Elected for 2019



The Divan officers for 2019 were elected at the December meeting at Amran Temple. The slate of officers to be installed is as follows:

Potentate-Elect

**Donald Slaughter** 

**Chief Rabban-Elect** 

**Alvin Billings** 

**Assistant Rabban-Elect** 

Thomas Stephenson

**High Priest and Prophet-Elect** 

J. David Oates, IV

**Oriental Guide-Elect** 

Scott Lackey

**Treasurer** 

III. Sir Connie Altman, P.P.

Recorder

Ill Sir Ray Fields, P.P.



Potentate-Elect Donald Slaughter

# **Divan Installation-2019**

# Saturday, January 19, 2019 5:00pm - 11pm Wake County Shrine Club

If you are attending the installation, please complete the RSVP link: <a href="https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0a44afab2fa1f85-installation">https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0a44afab2fa1f85-installation</a>

or email at donaldandlisa54@gmail.com with your information.



# A Note from the Editor

It has been my honor and privilege to serve Amran Temple as the editor of *Amran Today*. However, I will be handing over this responsibility to the very capable hands of Crystal Weber. For all forthcoming communications, please be sure to direct your communications to her as I will no longer be serving in that capacity. Thank you all for your encouragement and support during 2018!

-Ludwik Wodka

Shriners Hospitals for Children®

# A Message from the Hospitals

To help give back to the health care system that she credits with transforming her life, Ali McManus, a past patient of Shriners Hospitals for Children and a singer-songwriter, has released a new music <u>video</u> for *Roll This Way*, her sassy take on Aerosmith's classic hit *Walk This Way*.

Born with a rare bone disorder, McManus has been in a wheelchair since she was 7. As she has addressed on the title track of her previous EP, *Unbreakable*, people tend to see the wheelchair before they see *her*.

The video also features Steven Tyler pushing Ali in her chair while singing along to *Roll This Way*. In fact, Ali wrote the song after her producer Jack Douglas, who worked with Aerosmith, told her the story of recording *Walk This Way*. Her response: "I can't 'walk this way,' but I can roll this way!"

In this new recording, with all new lyrics including her clever replacement of the phrase "just give me a kiss" to "just give me a push," Ali serves up a new kind of fearless inspiration for those navigating disabilities.

"I am so proud of her for following her dream with determination and persistence," said Angie Nenninger, RN, who has served as Ali's nurse coordinator since she was 10. "I know that her music and her story will touch the lives of many young patients who are struggling to find their way. She is truly an inspiration to us all."

"Roll This
Way knocks down
the walls,
breaking the stigma and revealing
McManus' feisty,
vivacious nature."

Ali encourages viewers to donate to one of two charities: Shriners Hospital for Children, where Ali received multiple surgeries (she is a Shriner's youth ambassador for the St. Louis Shriners Hospital and performs at fundraisers, as well as in the hospitals), and Janie's Fund, a charity founded by Steven Tyler that is dedicated to assisting young girls who are victims of abuse. All Shriners Hospitals for Children donations will go to the St. Louis and Tampa hospitals. McManus also will be donating royalties from the song.



















### **WAKE COUNTY SHRINE CLUB**

#### **New Years' Eve Dinner Dance Party**

Monday- December 31, 2018 Social begins at 6:00 pm Dinner at 7:00 pm Dance at 8:00pm

Entertainment: DJ: Jessica Lucas

\$40 per person Attire: Casual

### **BURLINGTON SHRINE CLUB**

#### **New Years' Eve Dinner Dance Party**

Monday- December 31, 2018 6:30 pm- 12:30am Heavy Hors D'oeuvres and Open Bar **Entertainment:** Pizzazz Band

\$30 per person

Contact any member of the Burlington

Shrine Club for tickets

### **LEGION OF HONOR**

Officer Installation Monday January 28, 2019 at 1900 hours Brier Creek Carolina Ale House 7981 Skyland Parkway Raleigh 27617

Please RSVP by January 21, 2019

Dress is coat and tie with service ribbons for LOH members and veterans, and coat and tie for all other men. Ladies can dress business casual, please no jeans.



Reverse Raffle at the Burlington Shrine Club



Halloween Night at Wake County Shrine Club

# **Brunswick Stew Sale**

We will be having our 2nd Annual Brunswick Stew Sale **February 9th**, 2019 at the Temple. Please contact the Temple office or see Divan members for tickets. \$8 per quart.

Set up and prep will be Friday, February 8th.



**Amran Today** 

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**Donald Long** 

Ill. Sir Wayne Brooks, P.P.

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Michael Gubernick

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#### **Wake County**

III. Wayne Brooks, P.P.

# Schedule of Events

January 19 Divan Installation— Wake County Shrine Club

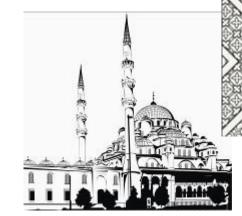
January 28 Legion of Honor Officer Installation- Carolina Ale House

February 9 Brunswick Stew Sale

# The Black Camel

Royce Williams





# Sick and Distressed

Gene Edwards

# **Past Potentates**

III Sir Bob Bass \*

Ill Sir C. Lawson \*

Ill Sir James Montgomery\*

Ill Sir Ed Glover \*

Ill Sir Jack Howard \*

III Sir Hiram Casebolt \*

III Sir Edward Givens \*

Ill Sir John Hilliard \*

III Sir Luther Hughes \*

III Sir Steve Keck \*

III Sir Mutt Jones \*

Ill Sir Leon Westbrook\*

Ill Sir Wavne Crowson \*

III Sir Tom Sanders \*

III Sir Walter Allen \*

Ill Sir Sam Vaughan, Jr.

Ill Sir Nelson Daniel \*

III Sir Dewey Crutchfield

Ill Sir Jim Covington, Sr.\*

III Sir James Jennings

Ill Sir Herb Guthrie\*

III Sir Dean Thompson

III Sir Tom McFarland

Ill Sir Frank Vaughan, Jr.

III Sir Joe Teague

III Sir Ray Fields

Ill Sir Dan Benton

III Sir Buddy Clemmons

Ill Sir Bobby Ransdell

III Sir Ron Sandritter

Ill Sir Kelly Adams

Ill Sir Bill Crosby

Ill Sir Wayne Brooks

III. Sir W. Ray Allen

III. Sir Connie Altman

III. Sir Terry Hodges

Ill Sir Jim Covington Jr.

Ill. Sir. Jim Wilson

III. Sir Roland Britt

III. Sir Charles Britt

III. Sir Harvey Ellis

(\* Deceased)