# International Shrine Clown Association 50th Anniversary History

Fraternal brothers,

In a few short years, the ISCA will celebrate its 50th Anniversary. To document this milestone event, we are pleased to announce an historic new book commemorating our special fraternity and its members. This book will be unique in that it will feature biographical portraits and stories from you, our members, and we need you to participate!

Those of you who participated in our last 25th Anniversar history book in 1988 understand the importance of such a milestone event and the memories this book will preserve. For those of you who were not a part of that project, this historic book will give you a chance to document your legacy of community service so that future generations might learn and be encouraged!

#### WHAT YOU NEED TO DO

Type your biography in 150 words or less along with two photos (one with Fez and one in costume) and send it to our publisher. Please submit deceased member's biographies and photos to be included in the Clowns Visited by the Black Camel memorial.

You may also **submit historic photographs** and **general interest stories** of 1,000 words or less for the editor's review. When sending photos please write your name, address and caption on the back.

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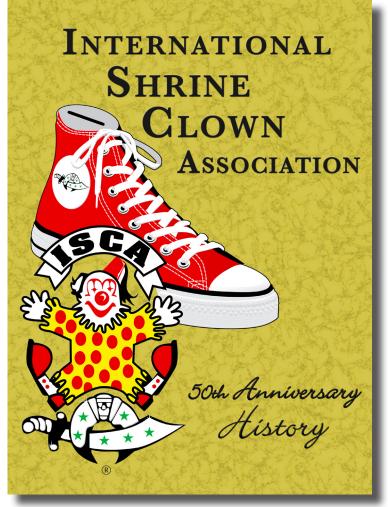
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Sincerely,

John "Hambone" Wilbanks President, ISCA

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ISCA@acclaimpress.com. Questions: direct to Dan "Cravin" Elmore, ISCA historian at <a href="mailto:imcravin@suddenlink.net">imcravin@suddenlink.net</a> or Acclaim Press.

WATTS, WILLIAM C. (Strawberry), was born in Birmingham, AL, June 25, 1927. After attending school he served in the U.S. Navy during WW II. He married Tommie Donnell and had six children and many grandchildren. They reside in Alvin, TX where he owned and operated a chain of shoe repair outlets.

"Strawberry" brought to the ISCA a long career of leadership which included Worshipful Master of St. Johns Lodge F&AM #5, Worthy Patron of West Columbia Chaot #705 O.E.S., Thrice Illustrious Master of Columbia Chapter #32, High Priest of Columbia Coun-

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cil #29, Commander of Litt S. Perry Commandry #111, Ambassador to the Grand Chapter of Texas, Steward of Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters of Texas and Chairman asonic Oak Picnic & Pilgrimage of Texas

"Strawberry" Wath SAN The was a member of El Nampie where he was appointed Ambassador, served as President of the Brazoria Shrine Club and Director of the Jesters Court #97.

In following his hobby of Clowning he was a charter member and Past President of the Braz Clowns, and Past President of the Texas Shrine Clown Association, and was inducted at the Clown Hall of Fame in Delavan as the ISCA Clowns of the Year, April 20, 1991.

He served three appointments as Ambassador for the ISCA before his election as 3rd Vice President at the 1981 Mid-Winter in Orlando, FL.

On February 25, 1984 "Strawberry" was installed as President of the International Shrine Clown Association.

William C. "Strawberry" Watts received the visit of the Black Camel on November 26, 1997.

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