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1264 Souvenir program, 1983.
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This is the 1983 Official Program for George Carden’s All International Shrine Circus, an operation of Carden International Circus Corporation at Willard in Greene County, Missouri.

This 24-page illustrated booklet sold for a dollar at the performances of George Carden’s circus, a 3-ring production that specialized in shows under the auspices of the Shriners. The booklet features portraits of the staff including Larry and Betty Carden (George’s parents), publicity stills of featured artists and acts, a complete program of the events, testimonials from Shriners, and circus-themed coloring book pages for children.

Along with tigers, bears, elephants, chimpanzees, dogs, and “Killer Willard,” a boxing kangaroo, the star artists of 1983 were Frank Arnold, Kathy English, the Garcias, the Golden Sisters, the Gutrys, Clara Oklahoma, and Tino Walenda Zoppe (aerialists), the Edwardos Unicyclists, Os-Caro (juggler), the Francarros, “Frog from Wisconsin,” David Smith (human cannonball), and John Dailey Jr. and Jorge Rosell (clowns).

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