

# **Grand Council Gazette**

First edition of the Grand Council Gazette







I am currently in Ft Worth, TX and enjoying the "cool" Texas weather. I will be flying to Minneapolis Saturday for Imperial Session if the thunderstorms don't cause my flight through Denver to be cancelled. All the Courts I have visited have been so warm and friendly. It is always good to meet the Ladies. It has been nice to see how their Nobles have been very supportive, and even attend the dinners and banquets. The attached picture is of Zel Neva Ladies in Las Vegas with TJ Booby Bird. All the fountains were dry with their severe drought, so we thought this picture appropriate for the occasion.

It has been great to see the many ways the Ladies are bringing in new members. Always chatting, always having fun, and answering questions. Along the way they have recruited a flight attendant, a waitress and a woman behind the desk at the hotel in Austin. I am so looking forward to getting to know each of you. Please don't hesitate to reach out if you need help. I am still having my "moments," but with so much to do it has really helped. You Ladies are wonderful!

Lady Linda Figler, GHP



**Zel Neva Ladies in Las Vegas** 

# 2022 Grand Council Happenings

- ♣ New Committee Public Relations & Marketing (more information below)
- Less Hospitals more Clinics new name is Shriners Children's
- New process for registration to include Voter and Candidate Certification Committee
- Our amazing Grand Treasurer presented a financial report to show the Grand Body where we stand with our operations funds
- Elected a new Grand Recorder, Lady Janet Larson, PGHP, PHP
- Our new Grand Inner Guard is Lady Sherri Black, PHP of Dendarah Court #10, Toledo, OH
- Discussed Shorten Grand Council

## **New Process for Registration at Grand Council**

Only need to show your Dues card once......

The Body voted at the 2022 Grand Council session that you are required to show your Court Dues card one time. When you go to registration, please have your Dues card ready. They will stamp it as normal on the back and then stamp your badge with VCC stamp. This will allow you to use your badge only to get into the business sessions. You will not be required to show your Dues card again.

This made a lot of the Ladies happy at Grand Council & am sure it will make you happy too!

If you forget your Dues card, please ask your High Priestess or Court Recorder to vouch for you at the registration desk.

### **Shrine Hospital Information**

#### New Clinics

Shriners Hospital for Children is slowly converting to Shriners Children's of "name of area or state." As new procedures are making needed surgeries & treatments less complicated with shorter recovery time, their goal is to allow the children to recover at home. As we know you can do so much better at home than in a hospital.

You can see all the new and current locations of our hospitals by <u>clicking here</u>.

Shriners Children's has been providing hope and healing to children for more than 100 years.

Our compassionate, prestigious doctors and care teams are committed to excellence in pediatric care.

https://www.shrinerschildrens.org/en

Click on the website link above to view & hear more stories of the children that Shriners
Children's has helped & our Patient
Ambassadors.





### **Shorting Grand Council**

Less time equals less money

There have been discussions about shorten Grand Council for a few years, but nothing has been voted on yet. That could change at the 2023 Grand Council. Be prepared for a proposal presentation at Grand Council next year.

## **Grand Council Operating Account**

Ways to assist Grand Council

Ways to assist Grand Council is purchasing a silver or gold Lotus jeweled necklace. The Grand Body raised \$1,684 with preorders of the necklaces during Grand Council. Thank you to all that purchased.

There are more available. Please see the order form at the end of this newsletter to purchase this beautiful necklace in either gold or silver.

Another option for ensuring operating funds for the future of our organization is to purchase LOSNA Endowment Pin, Certificates, Gold Lotus Tassel Holder, or a Gold Page. This money goes towards the Grand Council Endowment Fund which helps ensure operating funds for the future.

Please note that the email address is incorrect for the Grand Recorder. You need to email Lady Janet at <a href="mailto:grandrecorderlos@gmail.com">gmail.com</a> with any questions.



#### Grand Council New Positions – Please Welcome

Please welcome Lady Janet Larson, PGHP, as our new Grand Recorder. Lady Janet is a Past High Priestess of Hawaii Court #60, Honolulu, HI. Lady Janet will do an amazing job as our Grand Recorder.

Pease welcome Lady Sherri Black, Grand Inner Guard as our newest member of the Grand Line. Lady Sherri is a Past High Priestess of Dendarah Court #10, Toledo, OH. Lady Sherri will do an amazing job for our wonderful Organization. Please take a moment to email a welcome to Lady Sherri.

Glsherri10@gmail.com



# Public Relations & Marketing

Our GHP has created a new committee by merging several committees into one...Public Relations & Marketing. This committee includes Public Relations & Marketing, Membership, Formation of New Courts, the LOSNA Website, Quarterly Newsletter, Spirit Team and the Grand Council Database.

- Membership focus on new members & retaining current members
- ♣ Formation of New Courts encourage Ladies to work on opening a Club/Court in their area
- **LOSNA** Website − can be used as a marketing tool & information
- Spirit Team marketing fun and enthusiasm
- Grand Council Database used for communicational purposes only. If your Court Recorder has not provided the Grand Recorder with this information, please have them contact Lady Janet at grandrecorderlos@gmail.com

The Grand Board has started a quarterly newsletter with this being the first edition. We hope you enjoy it. If you have a story, fundraiser information or a bit of good news to share please send it to Lady Kim Cook, GM (alohapearls 2018@gmail.com) by 9/15/22.

We are also considering selling ad space to assist us with the cost of printing & mailing the newsletter. If you are interested, please contact me for more information.

The committee members are as follows:

- ♣ Chairman Lady Sandy Newby, PGHP, PHP
- Co-chairman Lady Janet Larson, GR, PGHP, PHP
- ♣ Co-chairman Lady Kris Sheridan, GT, PGHP, PHP
- ♣ Co-chairman Lady Diana Schmitz, PGHP, PHP
- Member Lady Roberta Ensor, G2ndCL, PHP
- ♣ Member Lady Valarie Byrd, GOrG, PHP
- ♣ Member Lady Kim Cook, GM, PHP
- ♣ Member Lady Sherri Black, GIG, PHP

#### **Grand Council Tidbits**

- If you have any suggested changes for the Ritual, please have your Court Recorder send it to Lady Charlene Carpenter, GT2Y, PGHP, Chairman of Ritual & Secret Work <a href="mailto:txgrlady@gmail.com">txgrlady@gmail.com</a>
- ♣ Bid for 2026 Grand Council Session was given by Kismet Court #86, Orlando, FL
- $\circ$  May 5 18, 2026
- o Caribbean Royale Resort
- o Villas \$355 or Suites \$205
- ♣ Silent Auction hosted by Grand Council raised \$2,316 for the Grand Council operation fund
- Registration statistical information
- o 383 Ladies
- o 35 Men
- Membership statistics
- o Membership as of 3/31/21 = 6,387
- $\circ$  New Members = 200
- $\circ$  Affiliated Members = 3
- Dual Memberships = 23
- Reinstated Members = 29
- $\circ$  Demits = 141
- $\circ$  Suspensions = 212
- Ladies that passed away = 235
- $\circ$  Total Membership as of 3/31/2022 = 6,055
- ₩ lost 1 court this past fiscal year Abara Court #80, Fort Meyers, FL
- ₩ We were privileged to present Ma'at Court #110, Roanoke, VA with their permanent Charter

Turn on your Heart Light, let it shine for all the world to see and always be your own kind of beautiful



Lady LaDonna's Hollie the Hippo made an appearance at Fun Night





Jobel Ladies having fun at Fun Night – Lady Lisa Noel, HP; Lady Paula Salyards, Princess and Lady Susan Daughtery, Recorder, PHP

The LOSNA Banner was carried by (left to right) Lady Deb Airhart, PHP Bokhara Ct #22, Toronto, Ontario, CA; Lady Kris Goodman, PHP Thea Court #5, Columbus, OH and Lady Norma Gurza, Amani Ct #22, Houston, TX, and President of the Sekhmet Club in Mexico City. This was a true North American effort with all three countries being recognized. Thank you, ladies, for your service.





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Street Address	-
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DESCRIPTION	QUANTITY	PRICE	AMOUNT
Gold Toned Lotus Necklace with clear rhinestones and 20 inch chain		\$50	
Shipping and Handling		\$5	
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Make all checks payable to Ladies Oriental Shrine of North America.

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If you have any questions concerning this invoice, contact:

Carol Sue Roberts. PGHP

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#### Ladies' Oriental Shrine of North America

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Lady Linda Figler, GHP

Janet Laron

Lady Janet Larson, GR, PGHP

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