

LADIES ORIENTAL SHRINE OF NORTH AMERICA



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Ankh Court is an organization of women, which is an extension of the Ladies Oriental Shrine of North America. Our purpose is to support the Shrine Hospitals with our time, talent and gifts.

Ankh Court #92 October 2023 – December 2023 Newsletter

October 14, 2023

Message from the High Priestess

Dear Ladies of Ankh Court.

I am hoping that you all are ready to enjoy fall 2023. This newsletter article includes August 18 & 19, 2023, the Official Visit of our Grand High Priestess, Lady Karen Przytula. On Friday the 18th, Lady Karen enjoyed meeting Mark Whitney Stephens, Potentate of Asiya Shrine, His Lady Lori, Vince Tom, Assistant Rabban, members of Ankh Court & families at the Rock Bottom Restaurant and Brewery in Campbell, CA. Our evening was enjoyable and not only about the delicious food we ate but also the quality time we spent together, connecting, and building stronger relationships for supporting the Shriner's Children.

Lady Denise, AP took pictures & videos of our lunch & after meeting; I would love to thank her for that.

We had our OV meeting on August 19th at 2pm at the Masonic center; the meeting went well. Luckily, Lady Karen, who has a good habit of taking pictures, posted pictures after the meeting on Facebook. I would like to thank the PHP Club for serving our GHP & members the delicious lunch. As usual, Lady Vicky Cooley, PHP & Princess, baked delicious cakes and cookies.

I also want to thank the audit chairperson, Lady Susan Ramsey, PHP & the committee who carefully audited the books of our Court, Units and PHP Club. The GHP was able to review and inspect them quickly with only a few corrections & issued her inspection report. Thank you all for giving me the documentations, which GHP asked for, in a timely manner.

From Sep. 21 to 23, the 2023 WAOUM was held in Portland Oregon. Of 17 courts, 14 were present: eleven Ankh Court officers, members and four family members attended. One of the things that I love about being part of the Ladies Oriental Shrine is the enjoyment of different things that we do together. For the Drills, our Rosebud Klowns unit leader Lady Carol Searle, was very creative & did a great job. I would like to thank Lady Vicky Cooley and her husband for putting together the cars & the ladies; who performed at WAOUM. I was very proud of our ladies; they were well received driving two classy cars in the Drills. We all had a great time together as usual. It was great to have a short and sweet visit with Lady Linda Cerates, PHP, at her new court. I took the formal dresses I saved from the July 15, 2023, Garage sale; they were selling them for \$20 a piece.

At the Sep. 28, 2023, Court meeting we were able to vote for the two petitioners for membership. There will be Ceremony of Initiation on October 26, 2023, please come as early as you can and celebrate Halloween with us. Also, we voted no changes to the Courts Rules & Regulations.

Our November Court stated meeting is a week early on November 16th, 2023. Since it is close to Thanksgiving, we will celebrate the holiday together with our Court members.

On December 3rd, 2023, Ankh Court will celebrate Birthdays & as well as the holidays at the Masonic Center from 11:30 am to 3:30 pm. We have no December court meeting because everyone will be busy getting ready to celebrate the holidays. Line officers, please remember that the due date to submit your last Newsletter Article for this year is December 20th, 2023.

With Classy Car's Love!



Lady Abby Demissie, KP

High Priestess

From the Recorder's Desk

Dear Ladies of Ankh Court

We just came back from WAOUM in Portland, it was so much fun, I would like to thank Carol Searle for her hard work in organizing the skit and Vicky and Walt Cooley for making the cars used in the skit. It was fun participating in the skit and I know the audience enjoyed it.

At our next meeting, which is October 24th, we will be initiating two new members, come and welcome them to our court.

Please check your dues card and make sure it has 2023 on it. If yours does not, then please send in \$42.00 to me. Make checks payable to ANKH Ct. 92.

If you have any questions, I can be reached at 408-772-2046 or by email at suetefft77@gmail.com. 2023 dues cover April 1st, 2023 - March 31, 2024.

Denise Hadar, our Associate Princess, is busy raising funds for the court. Some of the current projects are selling See's Candy, Gift Cards, Pasta Sales, quilt opportunities, and court dinners. You can contact

Denise for more information.

Lady Sue Jefft, PKP

Recorder

Important Dates

October 24th, 6pm dinner, 7:30 Court meeting and **Initiation**.

November 16th, 6pm dinner, 7:30 Court meeting

December 3rd, Court Birthday and Christmas party.

December 20th, Newsletter articles and photos due.

Princess

Dear Ladies of Ankh Court;

We really need your participation to have a successful Court. Several of our most active members have moved and others are restricted for health and/or injury issues. If you are at all able Please join us for dinner and social time before our October 24th and November 16th court meetings. It would be wonderful to have as many ladies as possible attend the October meeting when we will initiate 2 new Ladies.

We have an active website and a facebook page that we encourage you to visit to see what is happening.

Please email me, kandi32008@gmail.com , call or text me at, 831-601-6961 if you or a family member are ill, injured, or would just like to talk. A prayer list is emailed at least once a month so let me know if you could use some extra support.

I like to email Jacquie Lawson cards. If you do not want to receive a card, or if you do please let me know via email.

October, Birthday Ladies 1. Helen Azbill, 10/2 2. Janice Moseley, 10/4 3. Susan Logan 10/6 4. Thelma Trickett 10/9 5. Kirsten Mauck 10/13 6. Judith Quinones 10/14 7. Kimberly Terry 10/18 8. Diana Cook 10/26

November, Birthday Ladies

1. Sandra Thulander 11/3 2. Susan Amirsehhi 11/6 3. Julia Blessing 11/12 4. Marti Harrigan 11/12 5. Bettina Kohlbrenner 11/17 6. Claudia Unger 11/18 7. Carolyn N. Roberts 11/22 8. Abby Demissie 11/26 9. Faye Stehlik-Castro 11/27 10. Cathleen Rogers 11/28 11. Gladys Reyes 11/29

December, Birthday Ladies

1. Caroline Ayre, 12/11 2 Susan Van Horn, 12/13 3. Megan Avalos, 12/15 4 Sharon Brentnall, 12/24 5. Suzanne Tefft, 12/26 6. Bunny Martz, 12/30

I hope see as many of you as possible at Court meetings and functions over the coming year.

Hummingbird Kisses

Lady Dicky Cooley, PJP
Princess



Associate Princess

Dear ladies of Ankh court #92

I hope everyone is doing well.

I would like to say that we worked very hard on the month of July; putting together the Garage sale, unfortunately, it was not as successful as we planned to be, believe it or not! We were not in charge of the weather! Yes, the day of our Garage sale the weather was extreme hot, and that, kept our potential customers at home, in the comfort of their air conditioner (who can blame them?) We hope for the next time, we have better luck.

We are working very hard to meet our budget for the year and we have many ways to make it happen!

Pasta sale - please let me know if you would like some.

We still have our Quilt opportunity, please visit the online forms to order your tickets, and give or send to me the check or cash at the meeting.

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSe8J54g1M6W7MEppK6uQOKMIZGWMCKd1PgEy2MRzdAVSpW3rQ/viewform>

The See's Candies sale -please visit the LOSNA -Ankh Court #92 page – for your See's Candies order that you need to pay on the website.

https://www.yumraising.com/secure/losnac_valley_of_sweet_delight86/den_had4201/candy

The Gift Cards - please sign up to the site to order– but you need to give or send to me the check - or order, using the order list that I may provide at the meeting.

<https://www.raiseright.com/enroll?enrollCode=URC9WB2SMLN8>

See you at the meeting!
Have Courage and Be Kind!

Lady Denise Kadar

Associate Princess


First Ceremonial Lady

Dear Ladies

I hope everyone has had a wonderful summer. The highlight for me was the road trip to Portland for this year's WAOUM. Lady Carolyn joined me on this adventure and it was so much fun. I had never driven that far north and the drive was beautiful. Wednesday we drove as far as Ashland, with a stop in Vacaville where we tried Raisin Cane Chicken fingers (we both agree ketchup does not belong on chicken but their signature sauce isn't bad) and a quick stop in Weeds for gas. The next we were off to Portland to meet up with rest of the Court. The hotel was really nice but I pity anyone else that slept on the pullout beds.

Friday morning after enjoying breakfast many of our members were driven over to Shriner Children Hospital located on what the locals call Pill Hill. It was very impressive and from our guide said, we'll know for their research. They have a fracture clinic and specialize in spinal curvatures.


I did not attend the fun night dinner because I got to go to see my nephew Alex and great niece. It was a fun evening and I would be glad to iodate you with pictures of little Leona next time you see


me. 

Saturday was our business meeting which went pretty good as soon as they learned to make motions that covered housekeeping updates instead of making motions for amendments individually. More importantly everyone was polite and respectful to one another.


In the afternoon was the drills. Lady Abby was escorted in by Lady Sue Tefft. Lady Carol Searle had come up with a cute and funny skit and Lady Vicky and her husband Walt delivered on two fabulous cars. It was a lot of fun and everyone seemed to like it. Pictures are on facebook on our Court page and will be posted on the website soon.

Sunday was the day to say good bye. After a full breakfast that my nephew and his wife and Leona had with me (it was fun introducing her to everyone in the Court that stopped by. I told she's

adorable ) and settling our bill we headed into Portland to have coffee with Carolyn's son Eddie before hitting the road. Again a beautiful drive with a stop in Corning at the Olive Pit (OMG yummm) for lunch/dinner (lunner??) and a stop in Redding for the night. The mattress on the bed

was wonderful 

Our adventure ended on Monday in Santa Cruz where we switched hat and I attended Lady

Carolyn Eastern Star meeting. Can't wait till next year when my little red car  will head down to Buena Park. Oh and for the record there were no speeding tickets issued this year. Lol

Phoenix love,

Lady Cindy Schulenburg

First Ceremonial Lady

Second Ceremonial Lady

Dear Ladies of Ankh Court,

It was great to have a chance to meet our Grand High Priestess at the Pruneyard this summer and then to see her again at WAOUM in Portland! With driver, Cindy, the road to and from Portland was a breeze. We made an overnight stop in Ashland and on the return we made another stop in Redding. Seeing both California and Oregon from the road was a treat. Of course, the Ankh Court skit was a delight and will be the talk of the court for a long, long time. It was the highlight for me. Great times to be sure!

By now, our email list has been fine tuned and in good order. If you have any changes that need to be made please let Lady Abby Demissie, High Priestess know and we will update our lists.

Warm regards,

Lady Carolyn Roberts, 2nd CL

Past High Priestess Club

I wish to thank Lady Debbie Finney for being in charge of the PHP Club bake sale at the August 17th OAM dinner. The sale earned \$192.00 and there was enough cake and cookies left for the official visit of our Grand High Priestess.

Our next meeting date has not been set.

With Filly love



Lady Susan Van Horn, PHP

Club President

Rosebud Klown Unit

Greetings Rosebud Klowns,

For those who went to the Portland WAOUM, we all had a good time. Our skit with the Ambassadors, Beep, Beep, The Little Nash Rambler, was a big hit! People came up to me afterwards and said they really enjoyed it. Walter and Vicky did an unbelievable amazing job on the Cadillac and Rambler. The Klowns thank you.

We have a Klown meeting on Thursday, October 5th at 7:30 pm by Zoom. The Zoom code will come out soon. Hope you can come. We need someone to step up to the plate and be the secretary or treasurer of the Klowns or be pro-temp for the rest of the year. We need to talk about our fundraiser. Do we usually do a dinner? Look forward to seeing you at the meeting

Lady Carol Searle,
Rosebud Klown Leader



Ambassadors

Hi Ladies,

Ambassadors Leader's Report

Summer is over and now looking forward to FALL with the cooler weather.

The Ambassadors Unit have been quiet but thinking about the next item.

Our next meeting, we will have the Court HP as our guest at our Zoom meeting **on November 13th. 7 pm**

We hope that if you are a member of the Ambassadors Unit you have your new member eye open at all times. Our POS Court would love to welcome Ladies of our interest, that have a love of helping children. If you need help with information about our group, please let our VP Kitty LaFavor know and she will be happy to help you.

Our Audit is over for this term and hopefully things will be in fine form next go around. There were a few things that needed attention and they were done. I thank each of you for your time getting our things in order. It was a challenge but we are strong and got it done.

Please feel free to call me if you have an interest in joining us, the AMBASSADORS, as a member or would like to come to a meeting to learn more about us. We are a fun and caring group of ladies who care about the challenges of the Shriner Kids.

Angel Hugs to each o you,

Lady Jan McCormick, PNP

Ambassadors Leader

Ankh Court Zoom Meetings

If you want a Zoom meeting set up please contact me and let me know date, time and group.

Abby Demissie, HP 1(510) 847-5996 and email address ankh92ladies@gmail.com

Ankh Website

From the desk of the web site committee

We are planning to have an additional page on our website, with a Button - for the purpose of collecting donations for our organization.

Given the fact that sometimes members or donors do not have a checkbook or cash available, or do not have the time to mail in checks, it will be easier to donate with a click of a button on our website.

We have searched around for the best rate available, considering the most reliable and trustworthy software company on the market today. We find that SQUARE is a good choice, given its reputation, and because their rates are better for what we need, for each transaction:

Square charges 2.6% + \$0.10 PayPal charges 2.89% + \$0.59

We learned that ANKH Court #92 already has an account with Square, so it appears that the best and quickest solution is to use SQUARE.

All donations will go directly to the Bank Account which the Treasurer oversees.

We may also have an option, to put another specific Button on the Website, for the purpose of payment of the dues from members only; again, all the monies would be deposited in the Bank Account that only the Treasurer and authorized officers oversee.

If another fundraising project arises and it is necessary, we may put an additional Button for the specific purpose. Keep in mind that all the monies will be deposited in the Bank Account specified and controlled by the treasurer.

[HOME \(ankhcourt92.org\)](http://HOME (ankhcourt92.org))

Sewing Committee Report

Hello Ladies of Ankh Ct #92!

We met at the SJMC on June 5th. Jr PHP Lady Cathy Rogers and Lady Carol Bish helped to cut and prepare 8 tie blankets for PHP Lady Susan Logan to tie for us. PHP Lady Vicky Cooley is sewing many pairs of shorts and I am finishing up Quilts and Pillowcases. These items were taken and donated to the Hospital during the GHP Visit. There was a total of 110 items donated this year so far.

The sewing committee donated to the Sacramento Shriners Children's Hospital 20 pillowcases, 9 quilts, 14 tie blankets in total and 67 pairs of shorts for a total of 110 items.

We also donated 14 pairs of shorts to the Honolulu Shriners Children's Hospital per the request of Lady Thelma Lam HP, Hawaiian Court (thank you Lady Cathy Rogers, JPH for the contact information). We voted on this philanthropy motion in our Court and it was approved. It's not much but every little bit helps. They don't have a sewing committee and the Hospital was needing shorts so I sent what we had on hand at the time which was before the horrific fire on Maui. That hospital is in need of hospital gowns we were told. We received a letter from Shriners Hospitals thanking us for our donation. This is philanthropy among our Courts to help other Courts and Hospitals for Shriners Children.

Thank you very much Ladies for all your efforts to support our Shriners Children's Hospital as this is our Mission.

If anyone is interested in donating fabrics such as Cotton, flannel or fleece, we would very much appreciate it. The cost of fabrics is very high due to the Pandemic.

The next meeting to be determined at a later date.

Thank you and I hope to hear from you soon.

Cardinal Love,

Lady Debbie Finney, PHP

Sewing Committee Chairman

djf165@sbcglobal.net or (408)838-7552

Audit Committee Report



Time to Audit our Books!

Ladies,

During the Grand High Priestess's visit, there was a mix up with the Klown's Rules & Regs. The envelop was old and the rules and reg. sheet slipped out of the book. The Grand High Priestess did not find them, but they were in the bottom of the bag. Lady Abby notified the Grand High Priestess that she and Lady Sue Tefft search the bags and found them and sent a copy to the Grand High Priestess. My apologies, as chair of the Audit Committee, to the Klown Members for this mix up. It is now cleared up.

There was also a problem with a bankcard from one of the groups. Lady Abby is working with the leaders of the group to get this straightened out.

Thank you all for your hard work. I appreciate the hours you spend keeping our books up to date and in line with the requirements of the Grand Council.

Please note the dates for the next three audits: November 14, 2023, February 13, 2024 and April 9, 2024.

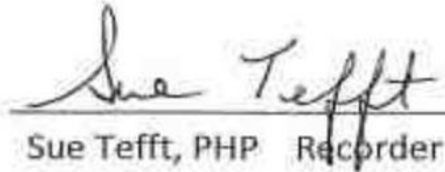
If you have any questions please call me.

Lady Susan Ramsey, PHP

Audit Committee Chair



Abby Demissie, HP



Sue Tefft, PHP Recorder

**ANKH COURT NO. 92, San Jose, CA
2023 - 2024
GRAND COUNCIL APPOINTMENTS**

Lady Abby Demisse

Lady Vicky Cooley, PHP
Lady Debbie Finney, PH
Lady Margaret Leutholtz, PHP
Lady Susan Logan
Lady Susan Ramsey, PHP
Lady Susan Van Horn, PHP
Lady Nancy Walker, PHP
Lady Marilyn Webster, PHP

High Priestess, Page

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SHRINERS CHILDREN'S

Lady Lynette Breed, PHP Chairman
Lady Susan Ramsey, PHP
Lady Julie Reynoso, PHP
Lady Debbie Finney, PHP

PHILANTHROPY

Lady Sue Tefft, PHP Chairman
Lady Linda Cerates, PHP
Lady Maureen Snyder, PHP

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Lady Katherine LaFavor, PHP Chairman
Lady Cathleen Rogers, PHP
Lady Vicky Cooley, PHP
Lady Linda Henke, PH
Lady Susan Van Horn, PHP

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Lady Nancy Blessing-Walker, PHP Chairman
Lady Barbara Frost, PHP
Lady Leona Reif, PHP

FORMATION NEW COURTS

Lady Jan McCormick, PHP Chairman
Lady Victoria Carmona, PHP
Lady Susan Logan, PHP
Lady Elaine McCutcheon, PHP
Lady Janice Uhler, PHP

PHOTOS

Portland, 2023 WAOUM

