





DAUGHTERS OF THE NILE <> LINCOLN, NE-

Winter 2021

#### From Your Queen!

Past Supreme Queen, Past Queens, Officers and Ladies of the Household, Happy New Year! I hope that everyone had a wonderful holiday season and were able to celebrate with your families in some way. My family did a Facetime video together and we laughed so hard. My children were part of an online Christmas Eve service that was prerecorded and live streamed. Mia did a solo. It was so cool. I cannot believe that my year as Queen is winding down already. While this has not been the year that I had originally planned, I feel truly blessed to be the Queen during these difficult times. Thank you



to everyone who has been a part of this year by joining the Zoom events.

As of right now we will continue to have our Stated Sessions on Zoom with our next meeting on January 25th at 7 pm. A link will be sent out to the membership. I hope you can join us for our Memorial service that night. I will continue to watch what Lancaster Department of Health and Human Services says about the risk and I am hoping to still have my Nile breakfast in March. Since we cannot get together as we normally do, I am doing a Bake less Bake Sale. Everyone should have received information on this. This is a great way to help the temple still raise money until we can start meeting again in person.

I am anxiously awaiting the time when we can all be together again. I know that we can get through these times as long as we stick together even if it is virtually. I hope you all will continue to Smile with me on this journey. I appreciate everyone of you.

In Nile Smile Love, Queen Jennifer Olsen

Naphis Temple No. 66 meets on the fourth Monday of January, February, March, April, May, June, September, October, and November at 7:00 p.m.

These meetings are all held at the Scottish Rite Center Northwest Corner of 16th and L streets in Lincoln, Nebraska.

DUE TO COVID-19, MEETINGS MAYBE HELD VIRTUALLY BY THE QUEEN! PLEASE WATCH YOUR EMAIL/ FACEBOOK FOR MORE INFORMATION!

Any changes to the meeting times and/or dates are posted on the website and mailed out to all

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## Starry Reflections from our very own Past Supreme Queen, Marsha Sowers



We all know 2020 was a year none of us will ever forget, Welcome to 2021!

Ken and I are staying in Arizona and probably will not be back to Nebraska until April. The weather is great, but I will miss Christmas at home. Putting up the tree and decorations, outdoor lights, and snow. We traveled here in late September to close on our new home, everything was going as planned to come back in late November, then COVID-19 started making a strong comeback and it changed our plans.

Like everyone else, I have been staying home, not traveling (and I really miss not visiting other Nile Temples), but I have a new interest. With our new home, came two orange trees and a lime tree. My lime tree produced small Mexican variety yellow-colored limes, I picked lots in October and hope for another good crop in April. The two orange trees are full of oranges and should be ready in about three weeks. I want an orange picker for Christmas!

I have very much enjoyed our Naphis Zoom business meetings and fun activities. Zoom Bingo was entertaining, and I think those that attended had a great time. I do encourage you to take a part in the Zoom business meetings and any activities the Line Officers have planned. For right now, it is the only way we can get together. It is so important to reach out to each other.

Thought you might be interested to know that Shakar Temple No. 165, São Paulo, Brazil, initiated 4 new members with a virtual Obligation Only Ceremonial last month. In November, Athaliah Temple No. 114, Orlando, FL also added 3 members to Selket Club in Heidelberg, Germany, again with a virtual Obligation Only Ceremonial. Many other Temples have had virtual Obligation Only Ceremonials during the year.

The registration packet for the 105th Al Amira Temple No. 157 Supreme Session to be held in Calgary, AB, should be available soon. PQ Sue Krogman, Supreme Convention Committee, and her team have worked diligently to recreate and revise the registration packet. The registration packet will be easier to navigate, simpler to go through and complete.

With the starting of the vaccinations of persons in our nation and the world to help purge this virus, it is my prayer that each of us will be safe, stay healthy and meet the New Year with renewed hope and kindness. A time we can be together with our family and friends, go to Nile, raise some funds for our hospitals, and have Fun.

Keep Shining in Nile Love, PSQ Marsha

#### From the Desk of Bette Cummins, Pr. Recorder

Ladies of the Household.

I hope all of you enjoyed a Blessed Christmas and pray that everyone will stay safe and healthy in this New Year of 2021. Although the pandemic has prevented us from meeting in person and events have had to be canceled, the work of Naphis Temple continues and we have financial responsibilities we must meet. Without fundraisers, our income from dues is especially important this year. If you have not yet paid your 2020 dues, we would greatly appreciate it if you would send your check for



\$55.00 to PO Box 6355, Lincoln, NE 68506. As always, please let me know if you have changed your address, phone number or email address so that we can continue to keep you informed of Temple news.

Since our last Review, we have lost Pr. Danielle Krause who passed away on October 12, 2020. Pr. Danielle was a member of the Pageantry Unit and will be greatly missed. We were also saddened to learn of the recent passing of Pr. Karen Gulbranson on December 11th and Pr. Valerie Kuehn on December 22nd.

Please make the following changes to your Roster:

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Notice of Naphis Temple No. 66
Election of Officers
for the Ensuing Year

Stated Session Monday, March 22, 2020 7:00 p.m.



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### Princess Royal, Cathy Shultz

Greetings, Ladies of the Household Goodbye 2020 and good riddance!

The 2020 portion of Queen Jennifer's year certainly wasn't what any of us expected, hopefully 2021 will bring more activities and time to get together. I know I am missing everyone and can't wait until we are able to be together for a stated session and to HUG again!

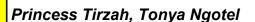
I am gearing up for my 2021/2022 year. And looking for a few good Ladies of the Household to help me out. I am on the

lookout for our next Princess Badoura, let me know if you are interested or know someone who would be. I will also need to replace our Recorder and our Banker, so if any of you would like to serve Naphis Temple in either of those capacities, please contact me.

I am looking forward to new adventures with my Nile family in 2021.

With Nile love, Princess Royal, Cathy Schultz

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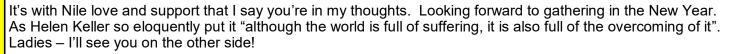


New Year Greetings,

I can't believe 2020 has come to an end. Although it's been hard not seeing everyone at our stated sessions or being able to catch up on a regular basis, I have appreciated the opportunities to gather on zoom, by phone or by text. I'm hopeful that 2021 will provide health prosperity, large family filled gatherings and opportunities for our Temple to once again show our support to the Children.

The very definition of a wildflower is to be strong in adversity and to display beauty when there is need. Vickie's Wildflowers continue to talk about ways we can creatively support each other through these tough times. If you find yourself in need of a friend, a listening ear or someone to complain about when your significant other is driving you crazy - call. I'd

love to compare spouse stories (and I've got a lot of them), tell you about my two crazy kiddos or share my favorite dinner recipes.





My name is Cindy Eberspacher and I hope that this finds all our members healthy and happy. Let us pray that this world pandemic eases some in this new year of 2021 so we can continue our philanthropy efforts for the children.

Below is a listing of members who passed in 2020.

Death of Members	Date Died	Member
Princess Gwen Williams	02-03-20	17 yrs
Past Queen Paula Beezley	07-02-20	47 yrs
Princess Donna Cave	08-28-20	35 yrs
Princess Danielle Krause	10-12-20	4 yrs
Princess Karen Gulbranson	12-11-20	25 yrs

Thank you especially to Princess Ruth Schwarz for her help, guidance and updates! I deeply appreciate each one of you! Happy New Year!!

My cell is 402-440-7259 and my email is cindy.eberspacher@gmail.com

Respectfully submitted, Cindy Eberspacher



### Princess Badoura, Laura Chytka

For many of us, 2020 has proved to be a difficult year, and we are all too grateful to close this chapter in our lives. Edith Lovejoy Pierce was born in 1904 in Oxford, England. She married an American and moved to the United States in 1929, just as the stock market crash caused economic chaos and hardships across our country and the rest of the world. She was a strong, independent, Christian woman who was also a pacifist, in that she didn't believe the problems of our world could be solved through fighting and through wars. In her life, she wrote a great deal, inspired by not only the Bible, but also the



writings of Mahatma Gandhi, the Rev. Martin Luther King, Jr., as well as her love of music, history, and peace. As we move from one calendar year to another, I feel her words are as poignant and true today, as when they were written almost a century ago:

"We will open the book. Its pages are blank. We are going to put words on them ourselves. The book is called *Opportunity* and its first chapter is *New Year's Day*."

In her life, Edith experienced two great wars, economic despair, violent civil protests, the Spanish Influenza Pandemic, and countless more that we could even imagine. She could have easily looked to the negative sides of life; ignored her beliefs, and instead, written of the worst that life had to offer. She was born before women had been given the right to vote when women were still considered the property of their husbands. Edith had so many first-hand examples of the imperfections of human beings, of what we can do to each other to destroy rather than build. However, despite all of these experiences, she still felt that each new year presented an "opportunity" to find what is great within ourselves, in that we can write new chapters and make new memories.

Queen Jennifer's year has not gone as she would have dreamed; we have not had the opportunity to share in our loves and losses together as a family of Nile women. However, a new year brings new prospects. We could easily draw our negative feelings of 2020 into the New Year. After all, it was memorable for the very fact of asking ourselves "what else is going to happen?" However, I feel that we should look to Edith Lovejoy Pierce in how we enter 2021. We have the "opportunity" to begin anew, with new essays of faith, hope, trust, charity, and harmony. Let's open this blank book of promise and see how much we have grown in our strength and humility throughout this year. Besides, after we have been through the dark, the light is ever so much brighter!

## PAGEANTRY UNIT (NOT MEETING AT THIS TIME DUE TO COVID-19)

The Naphis Temple Pageantry consists of Dancers, Treasurer Bearers and Tom Tom members and serves the purpose of promoting, encouraging and fostering the interest of the Temple, and to lend such assistance as may be required by the Queen. Business meetings are held the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each month, except for July and August. Contact Pr. Kasie Dewey 402-499-9531 interested in joining.



## **PATROL UNIT** (NOT MEETING AT THIS TIME DUE TO COVID-19)

Naphis Temple Patrol is a marching unit that is under the direction of the Queen of the Temple. The purpose of Patrol is "to promote, encourage and foster the interest of the Temple, and to lend such assistance as may be requested by the Queen." We believe our unit offers a great deal of fellowship, friendship and fun. More importantly, it is a great way to serve our Temple. Naphis Patrol welcomes you to talk with a member of the Patrol or to any of the Temple officers to learn more about our unit.

Naphis Patrol meets on the first and third Tuesday of each month with the exception of June, July and August. We meet at 6:30 p.m. at the Scottish Rite Temple. Please feel free to contact Past Queen Pat Derry at 402-416-6649 if interested. We'd love to have you!!"

## Naphis Temple No. 66 Daughters of the Nile

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Cathy Schultz
Princess Royal
Tonya Ngotel
Princess Tirzah
Laura Chytka
Princess Badoura

# DAUGHTERS OF THE NILE FOUNDATION

Your Daughters of the Nile Foundation members have been busy as usual! Many new items are being offered by the My Gift Foundation Program. Remember the pewter hearts? They are back!!!! And as beautiful as ever!!!! The front says, "You have touched my heart." On the back side there is a very pretty hand. AND it comes with a stand!!!

The new "For the Children's Pin", shows children on a piano keyboard. Talk about cute!!!! If you like cute, and you will, this is for you. This year's charm is a tear drop shape with the inscription "Footprints on My Heart." On the back there is a pair of bare feet All of this and more are available from the website:

www.donfdn.org. Don't forget that you can send Roses via the website This is a great way to donate to the Foundation and also let someone know that you are thinking of them, use as a thank you card, and so many other ways you can think of to use them.

The Foundation Board of Directors are 13 very busy ladies. They design My Gift items, brochures, manage the website Facebook pages, Constant Contact e-mails and organize the different donor programs. Sounds like a great place to have fun and do good for the children. You too may belong to the Foundation Board of Directors. Contact any Board Member, and they will be happy to help you.

Hope everyone is well and safe.

For further information,
Contact Joan Sterns
Member of the Gift Giving Foundation
Committee





#### **SHEETS FOR SALE!**

Pageantry Unit is again selling sheet sets as their fundraiser: 1800 Thread Count Luxury Bed Linens from CoZzzy Comfy. They have extra deep 18-inch pockets that fit most pillow top mattresses.

All sets \$40, except Split Kings which cost \$60. All sets come with 2 pillowcases except for twin set which has 1. Additional pillowcase sets are \$15.

Colors are: pink eggplant, sage, aqua, cream, chocolate, gray. navy. camel, white, burgundy and silver.

100% money back guarantee. You can order directly from the company at <a href="https://www.CoZzzyConfy.com">www.CoZzzyConfy.com</a> and at checkout use online code: Naphis Temple No.66 Pageantry Unit. or contact a unit member.

Kasie Dewey, Vicki Tuxhorn, Cindy Lehn, Teresa Stanley, Cindy Eberspacher

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