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High Priestess

Andie K. Curry
Recorder



Cactus Chatter

Sphinx Court #65 - Phoenix, Arizona
November 2017

Lady Janet Larson - Grand High Priestess

Motto: Na Wahine Malama (The Women Who Care)

High Priestess

Halloween is over, and Thanksgiving will soon be here - I hope that all of the "Trick or Treaters" that came by your house were little and cute, and you didn't run out of candy.

My compliments to all of the officers and pro-tems for the October Ceremonial. Everyone did a great job and with few prob-



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lems. We were proud to welcome our 7 new members, and look forward to seeing you at the November 27th Court Meeting. The Patrol and Clowns did performances and the Pageantry did a walk on. You ladies all make me proud. Thank you.

As usual the Clown Unit did a Q & A for the High Priestess and gave her Gift Cards (fortunately whether she could answer the questions or not). The Gift Cards were presented to the Associate Princess for the Hospitals at the Court Meeting. Thank you Clowns for your generosity.

Lady Karen reports that the Sock Hop was a lot of fun again this year. I was sorry I could not be there. Congratulations to Lady Lou Ann and Lady Karen for all their work. Congratulations also to the Director Staff and Lady Andie for winning the Best Table/Dessert Award.

I am looking forward to the two Official Visits coming up - Director Staff on November 1st and the Past High Priestesses on November 15th. The Sun Unit is having their Holiday Meeting on November 10th, and our Court Stated Meeting is November 27th. Check the Unit Leaders section for the upcoming Christmas parties.

We will be doing the Christmas Wrapping event in December. This is a Court money maker, and we need as many workers as possible. We will need volunteers for December 8, 9, 10, 15, 16, 17, 22, 23, 24. I will be sending details via email to those who have emails, and we will also have sign up sheets at the November Court meeting.



The only person in ill health that I have been told about recently, is our Lady Jean Glover, PHP.

We are all sending prayers to her and also to all of you who have ongoing problems, and wish you all good health.

***Tinker Bell Love &
Panda Bear Hugs***

Lady Iris Colbert

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Officers' Offerings



Princess

Ladies, we had an awesome Ceremonial Meeting and Luncheon in October! Welcome to our new members; we will be looking for you at our upcoming meetings. Thank You to the Illustrious Sir Randy Peters and Chief Rabban JC Reece for joining us.

We are moving into the Thanksgiving/Christmas/Holiday Season and we will all be very busy. Our November Court Meeting is on Monday, November 27th and "kicks off" a busy round of Holiday parties for the Court Units and the Shrine. Please remember to make time for our LOS Court functions. It's a wonderful time for us to get together, be social and enjoy each others' company.

It's almost time for our Gift Wrapping fundraiser! This is always fun; spending time with other Court Members and meeting the public who are friendly and appreciative of our help. Sign up for a few hours, and dress in layers. The weather forecast looks like we will be having a warm winter but who knows what will actually happen.

***Rainbow Smiles and Yellow Roses,
Lady Mary Lou Burger
Home: 602-503-6045 email: mlburger@cox.net***



Associate Princess

Hello ladies,

It's hard to believe that October is over and that we are now in November. I hope that the cooler weather is treating everybody nicely. I will be making a stop in Southern California's hospital over Veterans Day weekend to drop off some of the goods that I have received from you all. I would like to say thank you very much for all of your donations and please keep them coming. If you need anything from me please contact me at 480-861-8209 or jfmitchell52@yahoo.com

***Owl be seeing you,
Lady Janet Massey
Phone: 480-861-8209 email: jfmassey52@yahoo.com***



First Ceremonial Lady

Hello ladies. Thank you to everyone who helped make the Ceremonial a huge success! We initiated 7 Ladies, my Mother being one of them! Please make sure to reach out to our new members. We want to make sure they come back and get involved. The Sock Hop was a blast! You missed a good time and great food. I want to personally thank the Ladies of the Director Staff for helping Lady Lou Ann in the kitchen and cooking all the food that was served!! They did a great job and the food was GREAT!!! Congratulations to the Director Staff for winning the "Best Decorated Goodie Table" at the Sock Hop. I hope to see everyone at the Florence Day Parade Saturday November 25th. I want to wish everyone a safe and Happy Thanksgiving. If you need me you can call me or email me at 480-292-1034, djlosna2020@yahoo.com.

***Raggedy Ann and Andy Hugs and Cowgirl Angel kisses,
from your Woman of the West!
Lady Debbie Jones
Phone: 480-292-1034 email: djlosna2020@yahoo.com***



Second Ceremonial Lady

Hi Ladies! It's hard to believe that Halloween has come and gone! I hope everyone is having a lovely November, even though it will not cool off. Ceremonial was great and I am excited about our new ladies and getting to know them.

Please remember that dinner for the November Court meeting will be prepared by the kitchen at the Shrine and not the Directors Staff. If you are on the permanent list and will not attend, please let me know. Also, if you are not on the list and will be dining with us, let me know that too! As I get more information on the dinner situation with the change, I will let you know. Many thanks!!

Love from your Caring Lotus Lady,

Lady Betsy Sale Ozee

Phone: 480-773-0864 email: Betsyozee@gmail.com

Recorder A BIG WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBERS

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2017 DUES ARE \$25.00 AND WERE DUE APRIL 1, 2017

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Unit and Club Happenings

Ceremonial Pageantry

It was a great Ceremonial welcoming our newest members. We are the unit that put on the 'play' for the Ceremonial.

Our unit meets 4 times a year at the Shrine and our responsibility is to bring the history in story form. I hope you enjoyed it and at our next Ceremonial, you will be able to watch it and reacquaint yourself with the story.

Our next meeting is currently scheduled for February 20, 2018. Any information concerning our Christmas party will be sent out via our Cactus Chatter Updates and the next monthly issue. We have an upcoming Travel Fund fundraiser in January on the 13th at the Shrine. This will be a Renaissance Festival. Watch for more information upcoming.

We had fun seeing all our friends at the Sock Hop and wish all our members and families a happy and healthy Thanksgiving.

Lady Kathy Kelley, Vice President

Sphinx Patrol

The ceremonial was a successful one. We had seven new lovely ladies join our wonderful organization. I hope you will come check out all the units and join one of us.

The Sock Hop was a good time for all. Thanks to all of you who came to support our Court.

Our next Patrol event is our Christmas party. It will be on December 9th at 5:00pm at Nancy Beffel's house. The address is 5345 E McLellan Rd #29 Mesa AZ. We will have a map at our next meeting. Yours in faith,

Lady Lou Ann Speas, Captain

Cactus Chatter Editor

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Director Staff

Welcome to our new members. The members of Director Staff hope you will visit our meetings and join the unit. Director Staff meets on the 1st Wednesday of each month. In fact our November meeting is on November 1, 2017. We meet at the Shrine Center at 5:30 for dinner in the Red Fez Room and our meeting is at 7:00 p.m. usually in the Computer room. Remember you can join more than one Unit, so come look us all over.

Director Staff Christmas Party is happening December 3, at the Shrine at 5:00 p.m.. This is always a fun event, so bring your spouse or significant other, and come have fun with the Director Staff.

Director Staff again will be adopting Middle School students at the special school for homeless families. We had fun collecting gifts and blankets for them last year.

Again, welcome to our new Ladies of Sphinx Court. We hope to see you at our Court meetings and our unit meeting.

Lady Mimi Bohlman, PHP, Skyhawk, Asst. Chief

The Director Staff Unit won the Treat Table contest at the October Sock Hop. Congratulations!!



If you would like to receive your Cactus Chatter online, please send a message to:
linda3492@cox.net
Lady Linda DuBois, PHP

Sun Unit

We want to once again invite all of you to join us at one of our meetings. We only meet 4 times a year – September, November, February and April. Our next meeting is scheduled for Friday, November 10th, at 11:30 am at the 5 and Diner at 11340 W. Bell Rd., Surprise, AZ. We'll have our meeting first and then lunch. Just let me know if you would like to join us, and we'll save you a spot!


As we've said many times – we have a great group of ladies working hard for the children and you might just think we're the right place for YOU. So if you have any questions please do call one of us. Be sure to keep an eye on your Cactus Chatters and the emails we send out so you can come and join us at one of our future meetings.

Lady Linda DuBois, PHP, President

Clowns

The clowns were very busy painting faces on 10/26 at Bard Medical and the 27th for Great Hearts School! Both events had direct donations to the Shrine Hospitals. We have another parade coming up 11/25, the Florence Jr. Prada Parade! All units are welcome to join the clowns in the Masonic Family entry. We also have our Christmas party coming up 12/2 and will be held at El Zaribah in the Fiesta room. The fun will start around 5:30pm, all members and guests are welcome to attend. And let's not forget the ever popular Luke AFB Wing family Christmas party 12/3. That's followed by the Shrine Kids Party on 12/10. Hope everyone is getting ready for all the holiday fun to come.

Lady Carmel Teeples, Vice President

SPHINX NO. 65 	GREETERS
Court and Unit Name Tags Choice of Red or Blue Ink Magnetic Name Tag - \$12.00 Pin Back Name Tag - \$10.00 Unit Bar - \$6.00	
Contact: Andie Lacombe 602-329-2015 Andie@curtismanagement.biz	

Greeters Unit

The Ceremonial was very well attended and we welcomed 7 new Ladies to our court. New Ladies, please try to make at least a few different Unit Meetings this month and see which one works best for you. We all know the more you are involved the more fun it is.

The next Greeters meeting is set for November 4th at 11:30 and we are going to meet in one of the meeting rooms at the Shrine Auditorium. Then those that want to will go to lunch afterwards at Ruby Tuesday's at 4415 E Monroe St, Phoenix. We are having our Christmas Party at Mimi's Café at Hwy. 101 and Shea in Scottsdale, on December 2nd at 11:30am.

Hope all our ladies are staying well and prayers to those in need or are feeling poorly.

Lady Trish Whalen, PHP, President



PHP Club

Welcome to our new members! We are so glad you joined our Court.

Just a reminder our next meeting is our Official Visit of Lady Iris Colbert, High Priestess and her Officers. We will again meet at Manuel's on 28th Street and Indian School on November 15th at 5:30 pm for dinner and meeting at 7 pm. Please get your reservations into me at slyfoxphpstamps@gmail.com, so we can give Manuel's a count.

Lady Mary Hammer, PHP has extended the Fill-a-purse project to the November Court meeting. We will take the purses and shaving kits to St Mary's sometime after Thanksgiving. Lady Mary will hopefully have a time for us to take them at the November Court meeting.

Have a Happy Halloween and I hope you get more treats than tricks!

Lady Debbie McKelvey, PHP - President

Committee Reports

Sphinx Court Membership Report:

Membership @ 09-30-2017	249
Initiated	7
Dual	1
Reinstated	0
Demitted	0
Deceased	0
Suspended	0

Membership @ 10-30-2017 257



Director Staff



Fez Cases \$30
Stabilizers \$8
Can Cozies \$3
Ginny Fain
480-345-9819

Sunshine Report

Lynn Hatch	Stroke
Rosalie Browitt	Alzheimer's - reported herself
Cyndy Lowry's husband Dave	Surgery for bladder stones
Ginger Enloe's Husband John	open heart bypass surgery
Jean Glover	Hospitalized

SPHINX PATROL

Water Bottle Holders - \$5.00
Designer T-Shirt Sleeve Pins
\$3.00 small / \$5.00 large



See any Patrol member

NOTICE * NOTICE * NOTICE

To avoid being charged for your Dinner if you are unable to keep your reservation, notify
Lady Betsy Ozee, 2nd Ceremonial Lady.

Clowns like to smile,
We laugh all the while.
Balloons are our trick
And, face painting is slick.
So give us a call



Contact the Sphinx Court #65 Clown Unit
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**Be A
Lady in Red
Join the
Ceremonial Pageantry**



Contact LADY JANE SHELDON—480-710-5975

Fun Upcoming Happenings

PARADE—Saturday, November 25th

Join the gang for a Parade in Florence Arizona on Saturday, November 25th. Parade starts at 10am, so be there for line up at the Heritage Park at 9am. This is a Masonic Family entry sponsored by Gila Valley #9 Masonic Lodge. If you don't want to make the short walk down Main Street, there is a float you can ride on and just wave at the crowd. Sphinx Court will be going out to lunch after the parade at Mt. Athos in town. It's a fun day!



HOLIDAY FUND RAISER

We will be doing the Christmas Wrapping in December for a Court money maker. Volunteer workers are needed for December 8, 9, 10, 15, 16, 17, 22, 23, 24. We need as many workers as possible, so please sign up for as many shifts as you can. Lady Iris will be sending out details and sign up times via email soon and sign up sheets will also be at the November Court meeting. Let's help make this a great fund raiser!!

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Calendar of Events for 2017 - 2018 UPDATED October 26, 2017

November

- 1 Director Staff OV—7pm
- 4 Greeters—11:30am
- 7 Sphinx Patrol—7pm
- 9 Clowns—7pm
- 10 Sun Unit—5 and Diner @ 11:30am
- 15 PHP Club OV—Manuel's @ 5:30pm
- 25 Parade—Florence @ 9:00am
- 27 Court Meeting—Dinner, 5:30pm and
Meeting at 7:00pm

CACTUS CHATTER PRICES

Personal Ad or Message - 1 Issue \$10.00
Unit or Club Ad - Yearly \$45.00
Make checks payable to Sphinx Court and send to:
Lady Linda Curry, PHP, Recorder

December

- 2 Greeters Holiday Party—11:30am
Mimi's Café
- 2 Clowns Holiday Party— 5:30pm
Fiesta Room at Shrine
- 3 Dir. Staff Holiday Party—5:30pm
Fiesta Room at Shrine
- 8-10 Christmas Wrapping—Sign Up
- 9 Patrol Holiday Party—5:00pm
Nancy Beffel's Home
- 15-17 Christmas Wrapping—Sign Up
- 18 Court Meeting—Dinner, 5:30pm
Meeting at 7:00pm
- 22-24 Christmas Wrapping—Sign Up