

Cactus Chatter

Sphinx Court #65 - Phoenix, Arizona April 2019

Lady Kristine Sheridan - Grand High Priestess

Motto: "Together, we can make it work !!"

High Priestess—Elect

Hello Ladies, We are off and running into a new year with our court. Please remember to bring your friends and family to the Installation of Officers on April 14th at 4pm. I am proud to be your High Priestess this up com-



ing year and I welcome the opportunity to represent Sphinx Court, #65.

We are going to have a fun and exciting year with all of our new members who just joined us. As a friendly reminder please get active and go visit the units. They have a lot to offer in the ways of friendship, camaraderie, and an occasional laugh or two that when you go home your cheeks hurt from laughing so hard, don't forget the tears of joy. The units is where you can see where all the hard work comes from. Each unit has something different to offer to all of our members. Please take the time to go and visit them. It takes an Army to run Sphinx Court and we have the ladies who are tough enough for

It takes an Army to run Sphinx Court and we have the ladies who are tough enough for the job. I look forward to working side-by-side with the men in El Zaribah Shrine. They are looking forward to seeing us in more and more parades, along with going to and helping out with each other's events as well. I can't wait to see you all in Richmond, Virginia for Grand Council. We have work to get done and it's going to be hard not to perform but, I can't wait to see all of your performances.

Inspirational quote:

Class of 2019-2020 Lynda's Phantoms of the North

Motto: "Laugh when you can, Apologize when you should, Let go of what you cannot change." "Success is not final; failure is not fatal: It is the courage to continue that counts."- Winston Churchill **Owl be seeing you,**

Lady Janet Massey

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Howdy Ladies. What an Amazing Year I had! I can't thank you all enough for all the donations, gift cards, money for my special project and all the love you showed me! You are all truly AMAZING! I am so excited to be your new Princess! Congratulations to our new High Priestess Lady Janet. It is going to be a fun and wonderful year! I want to welcome all the new ladies from our Ceremonial. Please do try and come to some unit meetings, that is where the real fun is!

Raggedy Ann and Andy Hugs & Kisses, from your Woman of the West! Lady Debbie Jones

Phone: 480-292-1034, Email: djlosna2020@yahoo.com.



Associate Princess—Elect

Spring Ceremonial is now complete and we welcome the 11 new Ladies who joined our Court. What a wonderful day it was, too! We look forward to getting to know all 17 of the new Ladies we've initiated this year as they visit the units and attend Court meetings. It was a successful year for membership and I thank all who helped along the wāy.

am looking forward to the upcoming year. Our Court project is setup and I can't T wait to share the details with you at our first meeting on April 22. Please come and hear all about it! The Salt Lake City hospital has a need and we're going to help fill it!

Live every moment, Laugh every day, and Love beyond words Your Caring Lotus Lady, Lady Marsha Young, Phone: 623-266-6099, Email: marsha.young@cox.net



First Ceremonial Lady—Elect

Hi ladies of the court, It is I, your 1st Ceremonial Lady elect with my first article for this year. First is my thanks for electing me to continue my journey towards the east. Second, thanks to Marsha Young for her help and the list of names she has gathered since her last tea and at the volunteer day we attended where we received 25 names. My teas for the year are already on the calendar and I am hard at work with collecting names (One from my Village Inn after dinner the other night!). It is amazing the interest you can garner when you talk about the kids. I will have business cards that you can hand out when you hear that someone may be interested, and they can send me a message or I will take the contact info and get them on the list.

September 21 is the date of the first tea and I will be sending out information after the summer to the units for their assistance. I am looking forward to the challenges of the next year. Thank you to everyone that came to the dinners. I hope that I made good choices for you all and you were happy with the food. Good luck to Maria our new mushroom! See you all at the installation of officers

Octopus Hugs, Lady Kathy Kelley Phone: 480-797-9601, Email: kathy.kelley2@cox.net

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Second Ceremonial Lady—Elect Thank you for placing your trust in me as your soon to be 2nd CL. I am very excited to embark on this new adventure and know I can count on each of you to help me through the challenges I'm likely to face.

Please plan on attending the April 22th Court Meeting and dinner. It's a lot of fun and a great way to get to know each other. We have a lot of new ladies and several existing members who we miss and would like to see more of. We'd love to have you all with us to kick off the new year.

The dinner starts at 5:30pm and costs \$12. Advanced reservations are required. For April, we will be serving meatloaf, potatoes and gravy. Please RSVP to me no later than April 15th if you will be attending. For those on the "permanent" list if you're unable to make it please let me know by the 21st as well.

I am very much looking forward to serving you as 2nd CL and attending Grand Council in May.

Lady Maria Parrish, Second Ceremonial Lady - Elect Phone: 602.956.9639, Email: mariaparrishh@gmail.com

Recorder

A BIG WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBERS

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ROSTER CHANGES

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****NOTICE****

If you would like to have your email address in the next Court roster, please send an email to Linda at lkcurry1@cox.net from the address you would like included giving permission to publish it.

******2019 DUES ARE \$30.00 AND WERE DUE ON APRIL 1, 2019******

Make your check payable to Sphinx Court #65 mail to c/o Linda Curry, 1550 N El Camino Drive, Tempe, AZ 85281-1426 Your self-addressed, stamped envelope for return of your dues card is greatly appreciated.

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Unit and Club Happenings

Clowns Hello Ladies and Happy Spring! We are excited to have our very own PJ as our High Priestess!

April 6th the Clowns were invited to clown around at the National Guard Easter Egg Hunt. Clown installation will be held on Friday, April 19th at 6 pm at the National Guard Armory 5636 East McDowell Rd. Elected officers are: Mechelle Gaines, President; Holly Nicholls-Swortzel, VP; Marsha Young, Secretary; Donna DiCola, Treasurer. Clown of the Year will be announced at the Installation - we are all in suspense as who this will be!

Lady Holly Nicholls-Sworzel. Vice President Elect

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



Contact the Sphinx Court #65 Clown Unit Andria Granado, President @ 480-510-2806 sphinxcourtclownunit@gmail.com

Ceremonial Pageantry

Ceremonial Pageantry will have their installa-tion of officers on April 15 at El Zaribah Shrine at 7PM. Come early for no-host dinner and stay to see the officers installed in their positions. Come and enjoy the evening with friends.

Ceremonial Pageantry did a wonderful job with the help of the court ladies at the Ceremonial on March 16 as we brought in a group of amazing new ladies. Ceremonial Pageantry has elected to not perform at Grand Council this year, we will do a walk on, so bring your court vest, white blouse and black pants. Shoe color is at your discretion. See you at the court installation.

Lady Kathy Kelley, Vice President Elect



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



Director Staff

The Director Staff is continuing our latest project of making fleece blankets for local chemo patients. If you would like to join us, we'll be gathering on Wednesday, April 3rd at 5:30pm down at the Shrine to continue our efforts.

Our Installation of Officers is planned for April 17th and the members are providing a pot luck! Everyone is invited, so we hope that some of our newest members will join us. We will meet in the Red Fez Room at 5:30pm for dinner and the meeting starts at 7pm. Members should contact me and let me know what you will be bringing for the pot luck.

The Director Staff wishes Lady Janet and her Officers a wonderful Installation and Year!! Lady Karen MacDougall, PHP, Asst. Chief Elect

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PHP Club Our April meeting will be April 18, 2019 at a restaurant, TBD, with dinner at 5:30pm and meeting at 7pm. Invitations will be sent out soon. We will be welcoming our new member, Lady Mary Lou Burger, Jr. PHP. Our new officers are: President: Lady Gina Baird, PHP Vice President: Lady Mimi Bohlman, PHP Lady Karen MacDougall, PHP Secretary: Lady Iris Colbert, PHP Treasurer: To our new High Priestess, Lady Janet Massey, we wish you a lovely Installation and you and your Officers a fantastic year!

Lady Gina Baird, PHP, President Elect

Sphinx Patrol

Welcome to our newest members! We hope you will come out and visit the Patrol and the other Units to see which one you would like to join.

April is a busy month for all of us! Congratulations to the elected officers and especially to Lady Janet! May your Installation and year be a wonderful experience.

I hope you will find time to join the Sphinx Patrol for their Installation of Officers on Tuesday, April 16th. We'll be in the Red Fez Room for dinner at 5:30pm and our meeting at 7pm. We might even find room to practice before the meeting. Hope to see you there!

Lady Karen MacDougall, Captain Elect



Greeters Unit Ladies: Congratulations to our newest mem-

bers and welcome to Sphinx Court #65. Our upcoming meeting will be our Installation of Officers and Official Visit which will be held on Saturday, April 20 at 11:00 a.m. at Mimi's Café, 8950 E. Shea Blvd, Scottsdale. First we will have a special election to fill two of our offices, President and Secretary with the installation of all officers to follow. This meeting will also be our Official Visit with our newly installed High Priestess, Lady Janet Massey. We hope you can join us. RSVP to Iris Colbert @ 480-990-1298 or e-mail at iriscol81az@aol.com.

Our next regular meeting will be Saturday, September 7 - place to be determined. Please also mark your calendars for our "un-birthday" party in July tentatively scheduled for Saturday July 13th. I promise you this "un-birthday" party will be one not to miss! More information to come.

Lady Andie Lacombe





Welcome to all the newest members of Sphinx Court!

From:

The Past High **Priestess Club**

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Committee Reports

Sphinx Court Membership Report:	
Membership @ 02-25-2019	248
Correction	-2
Affiliated	0
Initiated	11
Dual	0
Reinstated	0
Demitted	-1
Deceased	0
Suspended	<u>-11</u>
Membership @ 03-29-2019	245



Lady in Red Join the Ceremonial Pageantry



Contact LADY JANE SHELDON 480-710-5975

Personal Pet Sitting

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Sunshine Report

3/26-Lillian Ryan, in Hospice

Ladies, Linda Curry, PHP, will be sending out the Cactus Chatter Updates via email and Karen MacDougall, PHP, will be her back up. If you hear of anyone with good news or sickness, contact Linda or Karen so we can get the word out to our members.

If you want your email in the Court Roster, send an email with permission to Linda Curry, PHP— lkcurry1@cox.net





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SPHINX COURT #65 WAYS and MEANS

At our first meeting in April we're going to kick off the first opportunity to own \$500. Tickets will be available at the meeting and the first drawing will be at the November meeting, just in time for Holiday Shopping! Then in December we will kick off the second opportunity to own \$500, with the drawing to be held at the March 2020 meeting.

We are going to have a table at Corn Fest again this year. We'll be selling opportunity tickets and some other items and all the proceeds will go to the Court for our budget.

Marcia Cherry has made some jewelry organizers for the Court to sell, as well. The organizers have multiple uses. You can use it to organize your jewelry or make up or your grandkids hair ties or your hair ties. They come in several different patterns and make great gifts for any occasion. The price on these is one for \$15 or two for \$25.

2019—HOLD THE DATE

April 22 — Sphinx Court #65 Monthly Meeting — 7pm

May 11-18—Grand Council in Richmond, VA

May 28—TUESDAY Sphinx Court #65 Meeting—7pm

September 12-14—Western Area Organized Unit Meet— Alaska

September 23—Sphinx Court #65 Meeting—Dinner at 5:30pm, Meeting at 7pm

October 7—Grand High Priestess Official Visit to Sphinx Court #65

November 23—Sphinx Court #65 Ceremonial—Meeting at 9am, Lunch to follow

December 23—Sphinx Court #65 Monthly Meeting—Dinner 5:30pm, Meeting at 7pm.



Sphinx Court No. 65 Ladies Oriental Shrine of North America

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Calendar of Events for 2019 UPDATED March 31, 2019

APRIL-2019

- 4/08 Installation Practice, 6pm
- 4/14 Installation of Officers, 4pm
- 4/15 Ceremonial Pageantry Install, 7pm
 4/16 Sphinx Patrol, Installation, 7pm
 4/17 Director Staff Installation, 7pm
 4/18 PHP Club Installation, 7pm TBD

- 4/19 Clown Unit Installation, 6pm At National Guard Armory
- 4/20 Greeters Installation and OV, 11am Mimi's Café, Scottsdale
- 4/22 Court Meeting, Dinner 5:30pm, Meeting at 7pm.

MAY-2019

- 5/01 Director Staff Meeting, 7pm
- 5/09 Clowns Meeting, 7pm
- 5/11-18 Grand Council in Richmond, VA

 - 5/21 Sphinx Patrol Meeting, 7pm 5/28 Court Meeting, Dinner 5:30pm, Meeting at 7pm. (TUESDAY)

<u>JULY-2019</u>

7/13 Greeters' Un-Birthday Party, TBD