



Alabet Temple No. 31

Daughters of the Nile

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"Coming Together is
a Beginning
Keeping Together is
Progress
Working Together is
Success."

-Henry Ford-

Queens Message

It seems like just the other day that I was initiated into this amazing organization, and elected and installed as Princess Badoura, Tirzah and Royal! And now I have been installed as Queen of this amazing temple, Alabet Temple No. 31. And what an incredible feeling it is to know the trust and confidence of the membership in me to take on this obligation for the next year. It truly is an honor, and I hope to lead this temple with the same poise, elegance



and humbleness that the Queens before me have. I know that JPQ Jennie has left some tall stilettos for me to fill; I cannot guarantee that I will be able to, but I will promise to do everything in my power to follow in her footsteps. Many of you know that my Mom was Queen of Alabet Temple in 2008, which makes me one of the few Queens to be considered a 2nd generation Queen in this temple. It was incredibly meaningful for me to have my Mom be the one who got to crown me on this special day. I hope to be half the Queen that she was!

It was just ten short years ago, I joined this organization. Many of you have known me since I was just a kid, I feel like I have grown up around the Shriners! My first and incredibly memorable meeting of a Shriner came when my Dad decided to join the Klowns here at Tebala. I remember Sidekick and Milkshake clear as day. And all of the fun we had when venturing to all of the Klowns parades! Learning how to make all sorts of balloon animals and hanging out with the Klowns was a highlight of my childhood.

With my Dad being active in the Shrine, it soon felt like an extended family. So when I was finally old enough to join Nile, there was no hesitation on my end. I was becoming a member of a group of women who I already considered family. Though that was one of my major reasons for joining Nile, it was not the defining one. Some of you may remember when I broke my pelvic bone, when my horse fell over on top of me. Being denied pain meds in the emergency room, having the radiologist grab my broken side and try to yank on it, never getting to see my parents while waiting in between tests, not having anyone tell me what was going on. In that moment I was no longer a smart aleck 16 year, I was a terrified kid, just wanting my parents to hold my hand and tell me everything was okay. That experience is what made me realize how truly special the Shriners Hospital for Children is. In our hospitals there are no terrified children, and parents in complete panic, but rather smiling children, and parents who are comforted by the magnificent staff in the Shriners Hospitals. We support a hospital that does not just treat the patient with the highest quality care, but rather the whole family. If you have not had a chance to visit a Shriners Hospital for Children, I strongly urge you to. From the moment you walk in the door you will realize that it is like no other hospital, but rather a hospital in its own class.

This year marks the 100th Anniversary of Daughters of the Nile as an organization, and I think it is time to reflect on our past, and use those past experiences to aide in building a brighter future for this organization! I hopeto revisit why our organization was originally founded, for fun and fellowship, and introduce some new activities and ideas for this year that capture why this organization was originally started. As our founder Mabel Krows said, "All things have a beginning, first comes thought then action. Likewise all human institutions and ritualistic associations have cause to inquire into the source from whence they came. In like manner came into being our beloved order of Daughters of the Nile." Of course we will not forget our philanthropy of Shriners Hospital for Children, as they are our one of the most important aspects of this organization. This year I hope to instill new traditions, which will add sparkle to this temple. I will ask a favor of all of you this year, that you remain open minded and receptive to the new ideas that I have in store for the membership. We will not lose any of our current traditions, but rather add new traditions to them. Remember that all traditions must start as a new idea at some point, and then grow into an established tradition. As Martin Luther King, JR said, "Take the first step in faith. You don't have to see the whole staircase, just take the first step." So I will ask you to trust me and take the first step with me into 2013, and I hope you enjoy all of the fun filled events we have planned for this year

"Start by doing what's necessary; then do what's possible;
and suddenly you are doing the impossible."

-Saint Francis of Assisi

Cares and Concerns

Estelle Heidel

Mary Ann Hopper

Jeanette Norman, Ralph

Diane Oehler, Norm

Sharon Fulling, Mike

Joan Wenger, Bill

Daughters of the Nile
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invite all **members, guests** and **friends**



to an afternoon of

BUNKO



This game requires no prior knowledge of how to play;
There is no special skill or strategy to learn.
If you can roll dice and know how to laugh, you can enjoy this game.

A donation to the Alabet No. 31 general fund of **\$5.00** and an **hors d'oeuvres** to share is all that is required.

Thursday, May 30, 2013

1 pm to 3 pm

Malquist Room at Tebala Shrine Center, Rockford, IL

Contact Gloria Patterson at 847-341-5001 for additional questions. Reservations are NOT required.



RECIPES FROM INSTALLATION

Blarney Stones

- 1 cup butter, softened
- 3/4 cup packed brown sugar
- 1/4 cup sugar
- 1 package (3.4 ozs.) instant pistachio pudding mix
- 1/2 teaspoon vanilla extract
- 1/2 teaspoon almond extract
- 2 eggs
- Green food coloring, optional
- 2 1/2 cups all purpose flour
- 1 teaspoon baking soda
- 1 package (10-11 ozs.) butterscotch chips
- 1 cup walnut

Directions: In a large bowl, cream butter, sugars, pudding mix and extracts until light and fluffy. Add eggs, one at a time, beating well after each addition. Add a few drops of green food coloring, if desired. Combine flour and baking soda; gradually add to creamed mixture. Stir in chips and nuts (batter will be stiff). Cover and refrigerate for several hours. Shape into 1/2 inch balls; place 2 inches apart on ungreased baking sheets.

Bake at 350 degrees for 8 minutes. Remove to wire racks to cool.
150 servings, 2 per serving. Yield: 25 dozen.

Grandma McAndrews' Irish Soda Bread

- 4 cups all purpose flour
- 1/4 cup white sugar
- 1 teaspoon baking soda
- 2 teaspoons baking powder
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 2 eggs
- 1 1/4 cups buttermilk
- 1/4 cup corn oil
- 1 cup raisins

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Grease a baking sheet or line with parchment paper. In a large bowl, stir together the flour, sugar, baking soda, baking powder, and salt. In another bowl, whisk together eggs, buttermilk, and corn oil. Make a well in the center of the flour mixture, and pour in the buttermilk mixture. Add the raisins, and stir a few times, just until the ingredients come together into a soft dough. Turn the dough out onto a floured surface, and with floured hands shape dough into a ball. Place the dough on the prepared baking sheet, and cut a large cross in the top with a sharp knife. Place the bread on a middle rack of the preheated oven, and bake until golden brown, 30 to 40 minutes

UPCOMING EVENTS

MAY 2013

- May 1-6:00 pm Light Supper—Chorus & Dancers, 7:00 PM STATED SESSION—GERANIUMS!
May 5-12 noon practice for officers and ladies in waiting
1 pm brunch for ladies attending the ceremonial
2:00 pm Ceremony of Initiation
May 10-9-12 Sewing
Tebala's Mother's Day Dinner
May 18-1 – 3 pm, Queen's Tea hosted by PQ Marjorie Anderson, PQ Jane A. Whitaker, to be held at PQ Marjorie Anderson's
May 22-6:00 pm Board Meeting—Tebala Shrine Center

JUNE 2013

- June 5, 2013 6:00 pm light supper - Rockin' Ala Bettes
7:00 pm Stated Session--elections for Princess Badoura
June 8 11:30 am Pre Supreme Party at Garrett's
Everyone welcome to attend!

JULY AND AUGUST 2013

- JULY - no stated session
August 23, 2013 OFFICIAL VISIT OF THE SUPREME QUEEN

SUPREME SESSIONS

June 16-20, 2013, Grapevine, TX
100 Years of Nile....Texas Style
Margaret Ann Risk, Supreme Officer
Margaret's GEMS (Growth, Education, Motivation Service)
Colors: Sapphire blue, emerald green, amethyst purple, diamond
Emblem/Theme: GEM emblem

Supreme Session 2014
Omaha, NE
Marsha Sowers, Supreme Officer
Marsha's Shining Stars
Colors: Silver and Regal Blue
Emblem/Theme: Stars

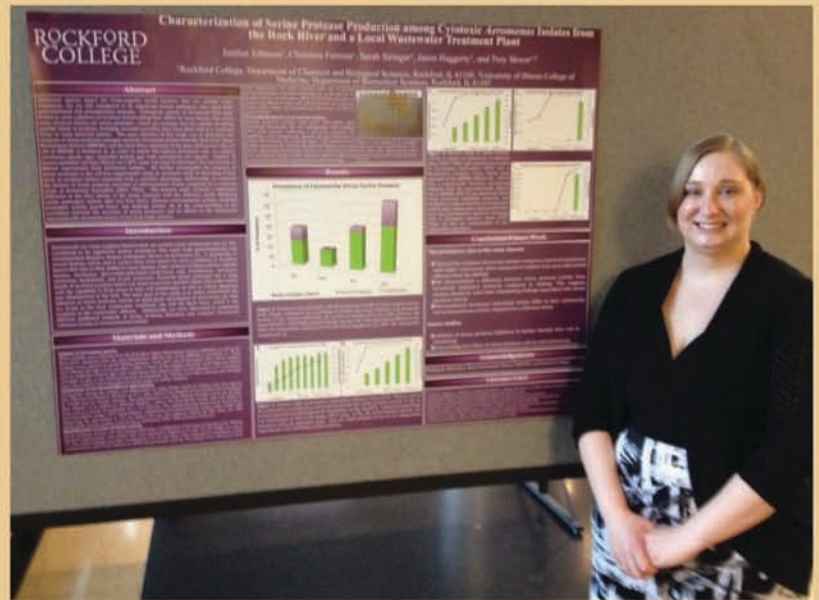
Supreme Session 2015
Albuquerque, NM
Sharon St. John, Supreme Officer
Roses of Sharon
Colors: Hot pink and purple
Emblem/Theme: Rose of Sharon emblem/hummingbird

Current Events

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR OUEEN!

Queen Jenilee recently competed (day after being installed) in the largest Mid-Western Water Conference in Springfield, IL and received first place on her scientific research presentation. In addition, Queen Jenilee competed in the University of Illinois College of Medicine at Rockford Research Day and was awarded the Dean's Council Award for her research project.

Great job Jeni!



Queen Jeni was honored this month when the Rockford College Faculty submitted her name for membership in Sigma XI which is by invitation only. Sigma XI is an international, multidisciplinary research society whose programs and activities promote the health of the scientific enterprise and honor scientific achievement.



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Queen's Tea



Hosted by:

PQ Marge Anderson
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Rockford, IL

RSVP To:

PQ Jane A. Whitaker
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May 18th,
2013
1-3pm

PICTURES!!



Margaret Phillips ready to go to work with her "briefcase".



Queen Jenilee with...
Sherry Ackerman Sonja Twombly

Alabet sponsored the
Action Team Regional
training on
April 26, 27, and 28, 2013
at Tebala.
Is this really training??



PSQ Betty Nohle models the latest in
the balloon sleeve dress with real loafers
(actual loaves of French bread)

A New Year!!

As we begin another year, our 100th, I am sure many of you are looking back a variety of years to enjoy and share memories of past years in Alabet. My membership is just over two years old so my memories go back a much shorter distance than most of you. I do, however, enjoy hearing about larger units and greater attendance than we have today so it is my fervent hope that in this 100th year we will grow. It is important that we not only grow in proposals and initiatives, we need desperately to grow in involvement and activity. For the short time I have been a member I have seen many women are proposed and initiated only to rarely, if ever, see them again.

Word is there may be a mentoring program begun by our wonderful Kami Miner who has taken responsibility to lead the membership committee. Thank you, Kami and may we all be supportive of her ideas and plans. We also need to reach out to those women who are initiated to invite them to events, offer to bring them with us, and to continue to make any other efforts to help them feel at home in Alabet.

While our numbers have dwindled for several years, it is we who can reverse that trend. As I grow in my role as Royal this year, I hope to look around and see more and more chairs filled at Session. As we reach out and fulfill our obligation, God can guide us in making the next 100 years growing years in Alabet.

Blessings,
Pr. Royal, Pat McClelland

I've just completed my second action committee training session at Tebala and I have to tell you each time was an experience!!!

An experience expressed of dedication, pride, humility & determination to continue the works of The Daughters of the Nile. I have great respect for our organization and, especially the women, all women, that work and sacrifice so that don can continue to be the force in society it is today.

Thank you for allowing me to have a part. Our membership might be declining but look at what's being accomplished with who (what) we have.

Be proud you deserve it,
Princess Tirzah, Phyllis Cain