

Grand Council Gazette

Sixth Edition of the Grand Council Gazette

Lady LaDonna Seger, Grand High Priestess



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Grand Executive Board of Directors







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Lady LaDonna's
Paladins





Grand Council Session "Live, Love, Laugh and Hug" May 12 - 17, 2024 Kalamazoo, Michigan



Kalamazoo was just as it sounds.....FUN. Also, informative, educational, and productive. The week was full of interesting classes, events, and of course the Market Place.

Beginning Sunday with the Church Service, the Market Place, Tours, Breakout Sessions, and the Grand Reception. Monday morning went straight into rehearsals, the School of Instruction, the Candidate's Forum and then Monday's Fun Night. This was a great event. The Circus acts were fun and entertaining. Everyone had a great time. Tuesday was a full day of getting ready, pictures, rehearsals, practices, and then the Formal Opening. Beautiful. Wednesday Session opened in ritualistic form and it was down to business. Drills were the best, funny, exciting, elegant, and best of all very entertaining. We have some very talented and imaginative ladies in this organization. Thursday brought more business and the Formal Banquet. What an exciting night. Lady Karen had 3 speakers there that were fabulous. All related to this years project AMC. Friday was business again, and then the Memorial Service. What a beautiful Service this is in honor of our Ladies who have passed. Installation was beautiful and special. Lady LaDonna kept it moving along and we were out early. What a great week. *Thank you to the Ladies of Za-hir-u-din Court No. 7 for a great Grand Council Session*.

Some important information:

- The Ritual and Secret Work changes were voted on and new Ritual Books are being printed and will be available soon.
- There is a new "Ceremonial Book" being printed.

Please watch your emails for information on when you can purchase these.



Congratulations

Lady Kris Goodman, PHP

Thea Court No. 5

Elected

Grand Outer Guard

Shriners International Imperial Session June 30 - July 4, 2024 Reno, Nevada



The Imperial Session in Reno, Nevada was fun. There were many LOSNA Ladies there to help with the Booth. This was my first time working at the Imperial Booth. I met ladies from all over. We all did a great job promoting our great Organization.

The Parade was wonderful. GHP Lady LaDonna rode in a bright yellow convertible and the many Ladies walked with her. The parade was in the evening so it wasn't as hot as the rest of the events. We had a great time.

Lady Karen PGHP, and the rest of the Grand Board represented us very well, when we presented our donation to Imperial Sir Ed Stolze.

Some of the ladies were able to attend some of the classes offered. The more we learn the more we can do.

Let's not forget the Imperial First Ladies Luncheon, It was really nice. It is estimated that close to 1500 ladies and others were in attendance. Lunch was delicious and we were entertained by some of the Children from the Shriners Children's Medical Facilities. What fantastic performances. That is one of my favorites events at Imperial Session. Seeing these children growing and learning, it is so heart warming. The children we help to support are very talented and they enjoy preforming.

Should you have the opportunity to attend an Imperial Session, I would encourage you to go. Be sure to attend as many events as possible.



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Message from Grand First Ceremonial Lady Lady Valarie Byrd



Greetings from the Grand First Ceremonial Lady, Lady Valarie Byrd.

The First Ceremonial Ladies across North America are growing into a beautiful Family. We have been taking advantage of ZOOM, which allows us to get to know one another. We have been able to share thoughts, ideas, strengths, weaknesses, concerns, Ritual questions, By-Laws questions, the Instructions questions, and we are even planning a Zoom School of Instruction, all to help make us stronger leaders for the future of our Courts.

To all my Heavenly Hawks out there, our ZOOM Socials are monthly; on the fourth Sunday of each Month, with Business Meetings each quarter. Please feel free to reach out to me either by email, @ grandhawk2728@gmail.com, text, or by calling 918-693-4375. You could also, reach out to our Class Secretary: Lady Carol Schultz @ 216-389-3759 or carolmschultz@gmail.com, either of us would love to talk with you and give you the ZOOM link information and to also, get you connected to our Classes GroupMe.

I have truly enjoyed getting to know my Heavenly Hawks. Each Lady brings their own unique talents and strengths to our class. I'm very grateful for this group of ladies that I have had the pleasure of getting to know. I hope to hear from those who have not yet been able to connect with our class or myself. I hope that any of the First Ceremonial Ladies who are not participating in our Monthly ZOOMs, will reach out by contacting either Carol or myself. I know you will each be blessed by getting to know your other classmates across North America.

I look forward to seeing some of you at the area Unit Meets coming up this Fall and on our ZOOM Socials.



From the words of Jack Skellington,
"My dearest friends, if you don't mind,
I'd like to join you by your side,
where we can gaze into the stars."



Hawk Hugs and Cheshire Cat Smiles, Lady Valarie Byrd, Grand First Ceremonial Lady

2nd Ceremonial Lady Reveal

Lady Kim Cook

Kim's Salty Anchors

Symbol - Anchor

Egyptian Symbol - The Ankh & The Eye of Horus

Good Luck Symbol - Pineapple

Fun Symbols - Mermaids tails, Beach Balls, Sun, Rainbows, Strawberries, & Pirates

Toys - Strawberry Shortcake & Smurfs

Love Symbols - Heart, blankets, hot chocolate, camp fires

Colors - Red, White, Blue, Lime & Emerald Green, Teal, Turquoise, Agua, Purple, Silver

Flowers - Yellow Rose, Tulips, Hibiscus, Daffodils, Gardenias, Sunflowers, Camellias

Farm Animals - Maude AKA Donkey, pigs, miniature highland cows, fainting goats, sheep, horses, Awesome Heelers (Austrian Shepherd & Heeler mix), & Pit Bulls

Ocean Animals - Dolphins, crab, pelicans, seagulls

Birds - Cardinals

Class Motto - Keep Smilin & Let It Go

Collectibles - Scarves

Scripture - **The Serenity Prayer**

God grant me the serenity

To accept the things I cannot change; Courage to change the things I can; And wisdom to know the difference.

Songs - God Bless the USA by Lee Greenwood

Anchors Aweigh

Old Time Rock and Roll by Bob Seger Watermelon Crawl by Tracy Byrd

Baby's Got Her Blue Jeans On by Mel McDaniels

Girl on Fire by Alicia Keys Fancy Like by Walker Hayes Let It Go (Frozen Disney)

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Under the Boardwalk by The Drifters

Sittin on the Dock of the Bay by Otis Redding

Good Vibrations by the Beach Boys

Girls just want to have fun by Cyndi Lauper

Two Step by Laura Bell Bundy

Unstoppable by Sia

See you again by Wiz Khalifa & Charlie Puth

Staying Alive by the Bee Gees

Class Grandma - Lady Janet Larson, PGHP, PHP Hawaii Court #60, Honolulu, HI
Class Advisor - Lady Patricia "PC" Mabray, PGHP, PHP Amani Court #72, Houston, TX
Honorary Class Grandma - Lady Laura H. West, PGHP, PHP Hadji Court #88, Melbourne, FL

Arami Ct. #101 recently presented "The Pink Lodge", a satire depicting our idea of a Blue Lodge meeting, to a sold out crowd, See the photos of the production. it was a BIG hit!
Submitted by Lady Janet L. Hiebert, PGHP, HP Arami Court No.101

























Ladies' Oriental Shrine of North America

https://www.ladiesorientalshrine.org

Please take some time to go on the website for more LOSNA Information

UPCOMING EVENTS

Grand Council Session 2025

May 18 - 24, 2025 Kansas City, Missouri Hosted by Tarrara Court No. 83

Grand Council Session 2026

May 10 - 16, 2026 Orlando, Florida Hosted by Kismet Court No. 86

Unit Meets

WAOUM - Western Area Organized Unit Meet September 12 - 14, 2024

> GLUM - Great Lakes Unit Meet September 26 - 28, 2024

> MSUM - Mid-States Unit Meet October 18 - 19, 2024

SSUM - Sunshine Unit Meet September 20 - 21, 2024

Ladies, We would like to share your special events with everyone also. Please let us know if you have events, with pictures, you want to share.

Please forward them to me at diane.wehmeyer2@gmail.com or

Lady Valarie Byrd at grandhawk2728@gmail.com.

2024-2025 - Grand Executive Board of Directors

Lady LaDonna Seger, Grand High Priestess		2024-2025	Tarrara Court No. 83 - Independence, Missouri
Lady Dorothy Tandler, PGHP	1985-1986	Bokara Court No. 22 - Toronto, Ontario, Canada	
Lady Liisa Drake, PGHP	1990-1991	Alturi Court No. 89 - San Antonio, Texas	
Lady Dorothy Foxwell, PGHP	1997-1998	Zulekia Court No. 35 - Norfolk, Virginia	
Lady Jenny Burchfield, PGHP	1998-1999	Asebi Court No. 36 - Chattanooga, Tennessee	
Lady Mary Sue Smith, PGHP	1999-2000	Amosis Court No. 39 - Ft Lauderdale, Florida, Member at Large	
Lady Charlene Carpenter, PGHP	2003-2004	Alturi Court No. 89 - San Antonio, Texas	
Lady Patricia Miller, PGHP	2004-2005	Kadesh Court No. 19 - Akron, Ohio	
Lady Marlene McCarty, PGHP	2005-2006	Waheed Court No. 81 - Anchorage, Alaska	
Lady Janene Hampton, PGHP	2006-2007	Kheta Court No. 59 - Casper, Wyoming	
Lady Patricia"PC" Mabray, PGHP	2009-2010	Amani Court No. 72 - Houston, TX	
Lady Jennie Crawford, PGHP	2010-2011	Sar-I Court No. 79 - Sarasota, Florida	
Lady Sandy Newby, PGHP	2011-2012	Zulekia Court No. 35 - Norfolk, Virginia	
lady Carol Sue Roberts, PGHP	2012-2013	Tahuti Court No. 44 - St. Petersburgh, Florida	
Lady Joy Moore, PGHP	2015-2016	El Riva Court No. 102 - Riverside, California	
Lady Kristine Sheridan, PGHP	2018-2019	Accaba Court No. 105 - Richmond, Virginia	
Lady Lynda Stone, PGHP	2019-2020	Bokhara Court No. 22 - Toronto, Ontario, Canada	
Lady Kate Kalmbach, PGHP	2021-2022	Ahmes Court No. 41 - Seattle, Washington	
Lady Cyndi Rudd, Grand Princess		2025-2026	Kismet Court No. 86 - Orlando, Florida
Lady Roberta Ensor, Grand Associate Princess		2026-2027	Alturi Court No. 89 - San Antonio, TX
Lady Janet Larson, Grand Recorder, PGHP		2017-2018	Hawaii Court No. 60 - Honolulu, Hawaii
Lady Diana Schmitz, Grand Treasurer, PGHP		2016-2017	Dendarah Court No. 10 - Toledo, Ohio
Lady Valarie Byrd, Grand 1st Ceremonial Lady		2027-2028	Abba Court No. 4 - Tulsa, Oklahoma
Lady Kim Cook, Grand 2nd Ceremonial Lady		2028-2029	Zulekia Court No. 35 - Norfolk, Virginia
Lady Janet L. Hiebert, Grand Trustee 1 Year, PGHP		2013-2014	Arami Court No 101 - Wichita, Kansas
Lady Linda Figler, Grand Trustee 2 Year, PGHP		2022-2023	Shaaru Court No. 37, San Diego, California
Lady Laura West, Grand Trustee 3 Year, ProTem, PGHP		2007-2008	Hadji Court No. 88 - Melbourne, Florida
Lady Sherri Black, Grand Oriental Guide		2029-2030	Dendarah Court No. 10 - Toledo, Ohio
Lady Diane Wehmeyer, Grand Marshal		2030-2031	RA-MA Court No. 95 - Santa Ana, California
Lady Jackie Sherrill, Grand Inner Guard		2031-2032	Tarum Court No. 14 - Indianapolis, Indiana
Lady Kris Goodman, Grand Outer Guard		2032-2033	Thea Court No. 5 - Columbus, Ohio

Ladies' Oriental Shrine of North America Mission Statement

Promotes fun fraternal fellowship and philanthropic endeavors supporting Shriners Hospitals for Children and community-based charities.



Attested by:



Lady LaDonna Seger, GHP

Lady Janet Larson, GR, PGHP