

The Nydian



Nydia Temple No 4 Daughters of the Nile - Portland, Oregon

Queen Gail Mitchell Martin ❤️ February/March 2022

Nile News and Events

Temple News, Clubs & Units, Coming Events,
and More



Your greatness is not what you have,
but what you give.

Chartered April 24, 1919

Stated Session is the first Wed of each month Sept to May

Luncheon 11:15, Session 12:30

Al Kader Shrine Center,

25100 SW Parkway Ave, Wilsonville, OR 97070

www.nydiatemple.com

The Queen's Message



Dear Nydia Temple No.4 Ladies of the Household,

Happy Valentine's Day!! February is the month to celebrate Love, and we certainly did this at our session on the 2nd. It was wonderful to see so many of you, and my great pleasure to treat you to the Queen's Tea at the outset. My heartfelt thanks go out to Pr. Carol Addison-Lippert and her team who organized and served it for us! Nydia officers, I trust you will have used those blank valentines I gave you, and warmed the heart of another.

Princess Tirzah Donna presented me with a Stepping Stone, a gift from our officers, which I so appreciate. I will be giving one to someone at our next session. This is a lovely gesture, remember, and a great way to give to the Nile Foundation, as well.

We have such a wonderful membership, working in spite of Covid and its restrictions, to benefit the children up at the hospital. The Sewing Committee amazes me continually with their hours of work and production. Units and clubs are creating fundraisers, from purse sales to a Mad Hatter's Tea Party, and we are succeeding in making a difference. Thank you all for all you do.

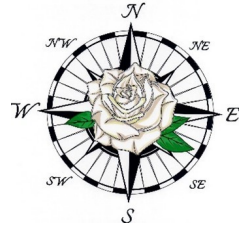
My Queen's Project, the quilt raffle, is doing very well. Again, I thank Princess Adell Goggins for creating such a fabulous work of art for us. We will hold the drawing at our March session.

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Registration is open for our Nile Supreme Session in June, to be held in Dallas, Texas. Join us for this exciting communal adventure, if you can.

Nile Love to you all,
Your Queen, Gail Mitchell Martin



New Session and Ceremonial Veils Presented to Nydia by Pr. Nydia


At Nydia Temple February 2022 Session, our Princess Nydia--the blind spinner--who is actually a spinner, presented to the Temple two hand-spun, hand-knitted veils for session and ceremonial use.

Joy Stevens was initiated during our centennial year. She looked at our fabric store veils and thought 'somebody' should make something for the next hundred years--oh I'm somebody. Joy has spent the lockdown time spinning and knitting these veils and hand-painting a storage box for the Ceremonial Veil. Joy used as close to period materials as available today for her master creations. We used the Session Veil today. Joy will also be assembling information about her work and materials for repair (should we ever need them).

The presentation was made during Queen Gail's Appreciation Tea, so there was a good attendance for the event.



Session veil

Many Princesses talked with Joy both before and after her presentation. I hope you can come to Temple in March to see the Session Veil. 



Joy Stevens with ceremonial veil and storage box

Did You Know...?

. . . Did you know the name of Shriners Hospitals for Children® system has officially changed? **Yes, it is now known as Shriners Children's®.**

This is big news! This year, the Shriners Hospital System is celebrating its 100th year and now there's a new name, to match the current trends in health care. Today, there is an emphasis on outpatient care, and some hospital locations have become clinics or outpatient centers and no longer officially hospitals. During all these changes, the Portland Hospital has remained a hospital and its official name is now **Shriners Children's Portland®**. Also, the Honolulu Hospital has remained a hospital, and its name is now **Shriners Children's Hawaii®**.

During the transition time you may see both names being used, but officially the names have changed, and **we need to start using the new names now!**

For more information about Shriners Children's Portland® and Shriners Children's Hawaii®, you can visit the websites at www.shrinerschildrens.org/en/locations/portland and www.shrinerschildrens.org/en/locations/hawaii.



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WHY REBRAND TO SHRINERS CHILDREN'S?

> In 2022, Shriners Children's will celebrate 100 years of providing pediatric specialty care, regardless of the families' ability to pay for services.

> Shriners Children's has made bold changes throughout our 100-year history to ensure continued innovative pediatric specialty care, world-class research and outstanding medical education. Now is the time to push that farther.

> Our brand transition to Shriners Children's enables us to meet the evolving needs of our patients, our families and our partners while adapting to advancements in treatments, research, transportation and prevention education.

> The brand Shriners Children's reflects our position as an international health care system, helping children who need specialized care.

> Driven by compassion and concern, Shriners Children's remains committed and dedicated to changing the lives of children, sharing our wealth of compassion and expertise with children everywhere — by reaching and caring for more kids in more places.

> Our patients will continue to be served and receive our trademark compassionate, wrap-around care.

Nydia Temple Sewing Committee

February 2022

February started out great with 8 of our 10 committee members at the hospital for Tuesday sewing! This wonderful crew has “kept on truckin’” the last two years keeping the hospital supplied with requested items and quilts for the patients. Many at-home sewing ladies have contributed items such as shorts and wheelchair/walker bags. A special thanks to Adell Goggins, Lois Ann Sharpe, Ann Ingalls, Shirley Stanfill, and the ladies of Tirzah Nile Club who have recently contributed close to \$2,000 worth of materials which they converted into 102 small quilts, pillowcases and wheelchair/walker bags. Tirzah has for many years been a great supporter of supplies and finished items for the patients at Shriners Children’s Portland.

We appreciate all the donations of fabric and finished items! Thank you so much!

Sherry Hevland, Chair, Nydia Sewing Committee



Hospital Christmas Trees

The following note was in a recent “Rise & Shine” publication from Shriners Children’s Portland. Princess Anjee Thompson and her committee did an awesome job and made our Temple proud.

“A note from our Administrator:

I hope you and your loved ones had a wonderful holiday season. A special thanks to Daughters of the Nile and the Sewing Ladies volunteer group who created a collection of fabulous Christmas trees throughout the Portland Shriners Hospital. Their hard work and kindness lifted the hearts of our patients and our hospital team.

Dereesa Reid, MBA

Hospital Administrator, Shriners Children's Portland”

From Pr. Recorder



Hi Ladies!

In an effort to save money for the Temple and to get this notice out in a timely manner, we are trying something new. After all, we ARE forward-thinking women who aren't afraid to try new things. This is your annual dues notice sent via email. No written notices will be sent (except to those ladies without email) which saves the Temple approximately \$2 per MEMBER.

ANNUAL DUES NOTICE

It is time to renew your Annual Daughters of the Nile Membership. Nydia Temple's annual dues (\$32) and Supreme Temple Per Capita (\$9) total **\$41.00** through March 31, 2023.

Dues may be paid by cash, check, Venmo (@Jennifer-Moyer-60), or credit card. Please note that a \$2.00 fee applies to credit card payments.

Members might consider adding an additional amount with their dues payment to help support our Retention Fund for members with financial issues, or to contribute to the General Fund of the Temple.

If you have a **GOLD** dues card (2021) currently, please pay **\$41.00** to renew your membership for 2022.

If your current dues card is **WHITE** (2020), you are behind for one year. Please remit **\$82.00** to bring your status current and to renew for 2022.

If your card is **GREEN** (2019), your membership is in danger of lapsing. If your dues remain unpaid by March 31, 2022, your membership will be terminated. Please contact the Pr. Recorder to make arrangements, we can work with you.

NOTE: Affiliated/Plural members pay dues only **\$32.00**. Life members pay Per Capita only **\$9.00**.

From Pr. Recorder continued

Send payment to:

PQ Jennifer Moyer, Pr. Recorder

If you are currently unable to pay, contact Pr. Recorder at ### or by email: nydiarecorderno4@gmail.com. You are valued and we can assist you.

Thank you all for your cooperation with this new process. By saving money here, we can direct our efforts to supporting the children and the Shriners hospitals.



ELECTION OF OFFICERS 

Nydia Temple No. 4 will hold Election of Officers

March 2, 2022 at the Stated Session

Session begins at 12:30 PM

Al Kader Shrine Center – Wilsonville OR

Officers to be elected:

Queen

Princess Royal

Princess Tirzah

Princess Badoura

Princess Recorder

Princess Banker



Time is how you spend your love.

-- Nick Laird

Tirzah Nile Club

February 2022

Tirzah Nile Club is again meeting in the newly remodeled Tigard Orenomah Lodge.

Our December meeting was held at the Black Bear Restaurant in Wilsonville. We invited our spouses, and most were there. We enjoyed this outing very much. We were honored to have our Queen attend and join Tirzah. Welcome Queen Gail!

Queen Gail brought her quilt to show the group. Her quilt is beautiful and handmade by our Pr. Adell Goggins. She is selling chances, and the drawing will be held at the March session.

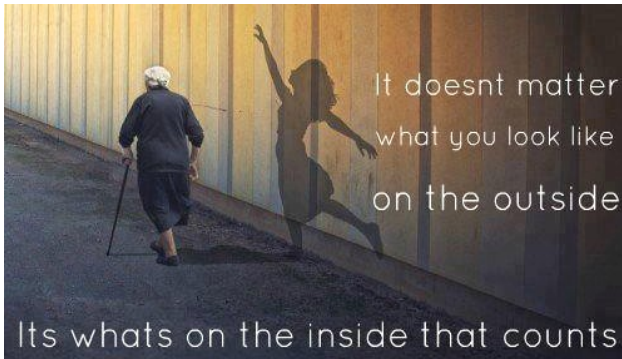
Since February is our birthday month we decided to hold this meeting at the same Black Bear restaurant in Wilsonville on February 8th at 11:00 am. We wore red. Again our spouses were invited to attend.

Picture is Shirley Stanfill with her gift in recognition of all her years of service to Tirzah Nile Club at their Feb. 8 meeting.



A Tirzah Note from the Queen

As your Queen, I was delighted to join in Tirzah Nile Club's 60th Birthday Celebration and was given the honor of cutting the cake. This lovely and industrious group then gave an additional gift of \$500 to our Nile CRA and CEF funds. Thank you Tirzah Nile Club and President PQ Joan Blizzard for a wonderful luncheon and meeting.



Did You Know...?

. . . Did you know that there now is a permanent Shriners clinic in Medford, Oregon? The Portland Hospital has been providing outreach services in Medford for 30 years, and due to the needs for more and frequent care, an office space has been leased to establish the Shriners Children's Medford Clinic. This is the first off-site clinic in the Shriners system. This new clinic furthers the call to care for more kids in more places.



Nydia Chorus

By Sue Nash

COME JOIN THE CHORUS

We have had princesses join Nydia Temple in the last year who may enjoy singing. We just want you to know we would love to have you join the Chorus

We meet the 2nd & 3rd Wednesdays of each month from 10:30 to about noon at the Al Kader Shrine Center. Business is taken care of on the 3rd Wednesday.

This year we will be performing at Supreme. We also have cool robes & collars to wear at ceremonials. We have been getting by with electronics and by singing *a cappella*, but now have a new accompanist - Cindy DeRoos! Welcome Cindy! ❤️

Drop in at any meeting or contact Pam Davis, director.

Do you only read the Nydian on-line?

Do you get two Nydians because there are two princesses at your same address?

To save trees and save the temple funds, you may now opt out of receiving a printed and mailed Nydian. You may opt back in at any time.

Pr. Recorder Jennifer will maintain a list of those opting out. Contact her for further information or to opt out!

The Nydian Needs You!

One of the essential tasks which come along as a regular activity is our quarterly distribution of the Nydian. I'm not talking about the creation of articles (although we heartily endorse and welcome those), but specifically the act of attaching mailing labels to each copy, and then ensuring these are placed in proper order in mail trays which are then delivered to the Post Office.

It's not a difficult task, but certainly one that is time consuming and time sensitive. After all, we are printing about 450 copies and we want our members to receive information in a timely fashion!

However, when I have helped with this activity, I have found it to be genuinely fun when done in the company of other Ladies of the Household! You've no doubt heard the adage "Many hands make light the work," and this certainly applies to the distribution tasks for our newsletter.

So, do you think you can spare some time on a quarterly basis to help with this task? We would love to have you participate! Even if you can't promise to help every quarter, your willing hands would be very welcome, and your smiling face would be a treasure to behold! Please contact Pr. Royal Nancy Coddington so your name can be added to the of list of helpers. Fame and fortune may not come your way, but heartfelt appreciation will. Many thanks!

Nancy Coddington Pr Royal



Annual



Mad Hatter Tea

Put on by Nydia Chorus'



\$15



Hat Fashion
Show

Thursday March 24, 2022
at 11:30 am

Silent
Auction

Milwaukie Masonic Lodge

Hat Contest

For tickets or reservations contact

Yummy Food

Pr. Sue Nash 925-216-4445
or any Chorus member

Door Prizes

Get your tickets early, seating is limited!

Thoughts from Pr. Tirzah

It was fun time visiting Nile Clubs this year; I enjoyed meeting everyone. Thank you for the delicious luncheons and hospitality.

As Pr. Tirzah I presented “The Steps To Becoming a Princess”. I am just going to highlight the steps. For greater review please refer to Nydia’s Yearbook on page 23 or contact any officer with questions.

Complete the Proposal for a woman who meets the eligibility requirements. The Proposal form can be found on Nydia Temple’s Website under Members, or you can contact Pr. Recorder, PQ Jennifer Moyer. She has the forms and may even help you with the completion.

Submit the completed Proposal to Pr. Recorder. The Proposal will be read at the next Stated Session.

After 30 days at the following Stated Session the Proposal(s) will be balloted on by the membership.

A letter of invitation along with the Petition is sent to the new candidate. Once Pr. Recorder has received the Petition and fees, the candidate will be scheduled for a Ceremonial. The temple is required to have two Ceremonials a year, or if the candidate is unable attend a ceremonial or wants to be a member right away, the Temple can do an Obligation only.

Why is it so important to be looking for women who would make good Nydia members?

The Temple loses between 35 to 40 members due to death, demits, or drops due to nonpayment of dues every year. Therefore, we need to initiate at least 40 new members just to maintain our level of membership.

Our membership has now dropped below 500. Ow!

Without Nydia there would be no friendships or ability to make new friends.



Without Nydia money donated to DON Foundation and helping Shriner’s patients would cease.

Thoughts from Pr. Tirzah continued

Maintaining our membership and adding new members is our number one focus.

Please help Nydia Temple to grow. We cannot stand still we must advance. Your officers cannot do it alone. Just think what would happen if we all proposed one new member every year and brought in one third to two thirds of the women proposed: The Temple would be number one with our donations, have many volunteers at the Shriners Children's Portland, and have more fun social activities.

Did You Know...?

. . . Did you know that it saves Nydia Temple money when members keep the Princess Recorder updated with current address and phone number? The temple has an account with the Post Office, and each time mail is returned due to an incorrect address money is deducted from the account. An example is that a returned newsletter costs the temple \$1.80, and then to re-mail it costs another \$1.80, which is in addition to the postage for the original mailing. This adds up to approximately \$5 per mailing. (Also, reminder, any member wishing to opt out of receiving the newsletter mailed, and read it on the website only, please contact the Princess Recorder, by email at nydiarecorderno4@gmail.com or calling ####)

ZULEIMA TEMPLE NO. 13 DAUGHTERS OF THE NILE

PRESENTS: ZULEIMA'S 100th Anniversary Party and Event

Friday May 13 and Saturday May 14th in Eugene

Suzie Schumacher, PSQ, General Chairman ###-####

Activities include: Princess Tea Party, Luncheon & Ceremonial, and The Rose Banquet: A Medieval Feast
Special Guest SQ Donna Kramer

(Pr. Recorder Jennifer has more info)



Directory Updates

Address & Contact Changes

Will be included in the upcoming directory

Recently Initiated

Sunny Klampe
Darlene Robinson
Cindy DeRoos
Dawn Martin

Reinstated

LeeAnn Quiroz
Margaret Jacob
Nora Timm
Kathy Warren
Theresa McKinley
Penny Norvell

A Note From the Editor



I have been putting the Nydian together since 2011 when Queen Lorraine appointed me. My how time flies. She wanted Nydia to have the best newsletter. Well, we got awards three times since then - third once and best twice.

I have always tried to give you something interesting, informative, readable, and a bit fun. I hope I have succeeded and that you have enjoyed reading it as much as I have had putting it together... Thank you for reading the Nydian. ❤️

HALOS Nile Club

By Pam Davis, Secretary

In case you didn't know, HALOS is an evening Nile Club that meets in the Masonic Lodge in Hillsboro. HALOS was organized as a closer alternative for working princesses on the west side of Portland who could not attend a daytime club and did not want to travel up to the hospital for Nite Lites Nile Club.

Unfortunately, many of the ladies over here who *could* join us have not yet done so. We hope they will come check us out. We know if they did, they would keep coming... And so we are a very small group. However, we have a good time with each other and despite Covid shutdowns, etc were able to earn a tidy sum to give to Queen Gail at our OV in January.

There was pizza and visiting and a presentation to Queen Gail before the Nydia officers gave their reports. Isn't this a nice looking group?



Left to Right: Pr. Tirzah Donna Grey, Pr Badoura Linda Hatch, Sylvia Evey, Marie Chambers, Queen Gail Martin, JPQ Holly Austin, Jennie DePee, Wendy Thompson, Pr. Royal Nancy Coddington



So in retrospect, in 2015 not a single person got the answer right to "Where do you see yourself five years from now?"



In this issue are a baker's dozen Valentine hearts just from me to you. Can you find them all?





Chaplain's Report

Reported at January Session

Reported at February Session

Sickness/injury-

Encouragement-

PQ. Betty Rinck fell recently and is recovering at home

Pr. Amy Gordon's dad, who has Leukemia, tested positive for Covid

PQ. Judy Smith - Covid

Pr. Cindy DeRoos - Welcome

Pr. Anne Camp hurt her leg

Pr. Dawn Martin - Welcome

Pr. Claudette Scheller dealing with heart issues

Pr. Winnie Carey for wisdom

Pr. Kay Nelson having health issues

Zuliema Temple is 100 years old this spring

Pr. Nancy Stanek sinus infection

Illness/injury-

Pr. Pam Woolcock has fallen a couple of times

Pr. Betty Rinck broke her pelvis

Pr. Patti Baldwin is dealing with vertigo

Pr. Claudette Scheller is home on hospice

Pr. Shirley Stanfill is not feeling well

Pr. Kathy Felder is continuing to heal from heart problems

Pr. Sydney Bush had ER visit last week

Pr. Shirley Stanfill strained her shoulder

Pr. Winnie Carey has many doctors visits this month

PQ Jennifer Moyer hurt her back

PSQ. Suzie Schumacher's husband is having heart problems

Passed Away

Passed Away in December

Pr. Maureen Richardson - Jan. 2022

Members

Pr. Gloria Shaw-Walker - Jan. 2022

Pr. Deanne Miller

Pr. June Morris - Dec. 2021

Family Members

PQ Carol Livie's husband

Memorials are never easy. They bring up memories of the loved ones we lost, whether those memories bring us joy or sorrow.

PQ Gerry Brown's brother, Ed

Today we wanted to remember those that we love, both the ones that have gone before us and the ones here with us today.

Pr. Margaret Elliott's husband

We may grieve the ones we have lost, but we have a room of ladies here to love.

Pr. Rhonda Coverdell's dad

So ladies, I want you to know that I pray for you each day. I pray that God's favor wraps around each of you and covers you.

Pr. Tami Cartwright's Son-in-law

I pray you will feel the endless kindness of those near you and that you all truly know that you are loved.

Isaiah 40:31

....but those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary; they will walk and not be faint.

Memorial Service

Heavenly Father,

We come before you with heavy hearts. These sisters and friends we have lost have placed a hole in our heart. We ask that you walk among us with your healing presence. Bring to our minds the understanding that these ladies are now at peace and rejoicing with you. Lord, listen to the cries of our hearts as we remember those that have gone before us today. Amen



Memorial Names

PQ Ruth Rewey 2000

PQ Margaret Spivey 1984

Walked On

Juanita Alf

Nan Baker

Annabel Bednarz

Helen Bible

Katharine Bland

Sharon Blankenship

Freda Drexelius

Nancy Evans

Wilmajean Funken

Jerry Lou Gerber

Dorothea "Crackers" Graham

Harriet Gray

Kathy Hervey

Linda Hurley

Dottie Inman

Rita Lanman

Erma Loree

Deanne Miller

June Morris

Thelma Otto

Claire Peterson

Doris Rhoads

Maureen Richardson

Juanita Shearer

Lorna Spain

Mildred Unglesby

Gone from Our Sight



*Dancing With
the Angels*

Flown Home



*No one is actually
dead until the
ripples they cause in
the world die away
-- Terry Prachet*

*Grief is an
expression of love
invite it in as a
sacred gift.*

*Grief is just love with
no place to go.*

Calendar

Upcoming Dates - All activities are tentative and dependant upon government mandates and social distancing requirements.

March 2022

3/2 Stated Session (Elections)

3/20 Nydia Officer Installation

3/24 Mad Hatter Tea

April 2022

4/6 Stated Session

May 2022

5/4 Stated Session

5/13-14 Zuliema 100th Anniversary (see pg 13)

Save the Date!

June 1, 2022 Kick off to Supreme luncheon, presented by PADIR

June 12-16 2022 Supreme Session 2022 Dallas TX

Aug 11-13 2022 NW Daze "Big Sky Boogie", Helena MT

Aug 27-28, 2022 Supreme Queen's OV

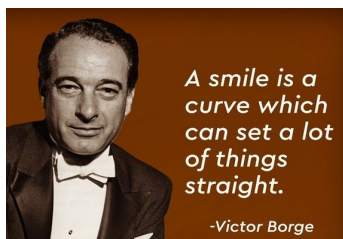
If you can't be a good example, then you'll just have to be a horrible warning.
>Catherine Aird

Courage is knowing it might hurt and doing it anyway.
Stupidity is the same.
And that's why life is hard.
>Jeremy Goldberg

Let us not take ourselves too seriously. None of us has a monopoly on wisdom.
>Queen Elizabeth II

Random Thoughts

We are what we repeatedly do.
Excellence, then, is not an act, but a habit.
>Aristotle



Imagination is more important than knowledge. Knowledge is limited. Imagination encircles the world.
>Albert Einstein

You are the sky.
Everything else is just the weather.
>Pema Chodron

I try to take one day at a time, but sometimes several days attack me at once.
>Jennifer Unlimited

Inside every older person is a younger person - wondering what the hell happened.
>Cora Harvey Armstrong

A male gynecologist is like an auto mechanic who never owned a car.
>Carrie Snow



2021 ~ 2022 Officers' Contacts



Queen Gail Martin
Jr. Past Queen Holly Austin
Pr. Royal Nancy Coddington
Pr. Tirzah Donna Gray
Pr. Badoura Linda Hatch
Pr. Recorder PQ Jennifer Moyer
Pr. Banker Paula Levin
Pr. Chaplain Michelle Wolbaum

Mission Statement

Nydia Temple No. 4 is a subordinate temple of the international, fraternal organization known as Daughters of the Nile.

We are a social and charitable group comprised of units and clubs.

We provide opportunities for our members to support and promote Shriners Hospitals for Children.

We contribute volunteer hours and in-kind donations to the hospitals, to provide a nurturing environment for the children they treat.

Monetary donations through the Daughters of the Nile Foundation provide financial benefits to the hospitals, allowing decisions to be made in the best interest of each child.

“All the text enclosed within this book/newsletter belongs to a Daughters of the Nile member and she has received this book/newsletter in good faith and understands no information may be made available to non-members of the Order, with the exception of a caregiver.”



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Daughters of the Nile

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Ceremonial Veil and hand painted storage box

Ships don't sink because of the water around them. Ships sink because of the water that gets inside of them. Moral of the story, don't let what is happening around you, get inside of you and weigh you down.

No, we don't need more sleep.
It's our souls that are tired,
not our bodies. We need
nature. We need magic. We need
adventure. We need freedom. We
need truth. We need stillness.
We don't need more sleep, we
need to wake up and live.

-BROOKE HAMPTON