

The

Nydian



January 2018

Nydia Temple No. 4, Portland, Oregon

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

#### Queen Jennifer Moyer

Our Pixie year is beginning to wind down, and those Honeybees are buzzing around the Temple making all the necessary preparations to start a new term. I am so very grateful to all the Ladies of the Household for such a wonderful and productive year. I am blessed!

Our Membership project has been going quite well, and we have read many, many proposals. We will announce the winners of the Proposal Competition at the evening Ceremonial on January 30th. Yes, we are going to have the Ceremonial in the evening this time. There will be a drop-in buffet supper starting at 5:30 PM, and the Session and Ceremonial will begin at 7:00 PM. Plans are in place to assure that the evening will not be too late for those who must work the next day or who are unable to stay out too late of an evening.



Don't hesitate to turn in those proposals that you may have "in the works" just because we won't be able to get them in the January Ceremonial. The line officers and I are ready and willing to do "Obligation Only" ceremonies whenever they are needed and will happily come to you.

As we have traveled to the various Nile Clubs for official visits, we have been so pleased to receive your feedback on the surveys that we ask you to complete. The Strategic Planning Committee reviews each and every one of them and has formulated

#### Queen Jennifer continued

suggestions for the officers to use in their planning of events, communications, and other operations of the Temple. This is your Temple and your input and ideas are important to us. Many of the changes you have seen this year are a direct result of suggestions or concerns expressed in those surveys. Keep those ideas coming!

I wish for all of you a prosperous and peaceful New Year! Together we can make a difference and grow our membership for the good works we do. Pixie Hugs!

Gueen Jennifer



"A few Portland Shriners Hospital patients in the 1930's waiting to catch a peek of Santa in the chimney. This photo was captured in our old building on NE Sandy - and we can't get enough of it! "

# FUN FACTS FROM WAY BACK

Nydia Temple was presented its charter on April 24, 1919, becoming the fourth Temple of the newly formed Daughters of the Nile organization which began in 1913. Back in those days, and for many years to follow, articles in the "women's section" of the local newspapers printed sometimes large and sometimes small articles about Nydia Temple. With the help of Noble John Smith, historian for Al Kader Shriners and a retired librarian, and PQ Paulette Schlee, Princess Recorder, we will be sharing these fun facts from way back. Enjoy, Princess Tirzah Kathy Walliker.

Article from the Sunday Oregonian, March 3, 1940:

#### Temple Queen Makes Report:

A total of 6,285 garments mended for the Hospital Shriners for Crippled Children, 576 new garments bought or made; 39 new members initiated, ten Nile clubs visited - these are some of the accomplishments of her year as Queen of Nydia Temple, Daughters of the Nile, which Mrs. Harry M. Rowell will report at the temple's meeting Wednesday at the Masonic Temple. Mrs. Rowell will complete her term on the temple throne at this meeting, when new officers for 1940 will be elected.

Many clubs visited – during this year, Mrs.

Rowell has visited Nile clubs at Woodburn, Gervais, Canby, Roseburg, Eugene, Vancouver, Tillamook, Dallas, McMinnville and Astoria, encouraging them in their work for the hospital.

Daughters Nile have done all of the mending this year, as always, at the hospital, with six members meeting there weekly the year around. Through the efforts of Mrs. W. E. Shell, the mending chairman, two new sewing machines and seven modernistic chromium chairs have been obtained for the sewing rooms. During Mrs. this year, too,

Jennie Christofferson donated a piano for the boys ward.

In addition to the report of these accomplishments Wednesday, there will be reports of the temple chaplain, patrol and chorus. There will be a memorial service, too, for members who have died during the year.



# Evening Ceremonial and Dinner January 30th All Are Welcome.

Dinner

\$5.00

Drop~in Buffet Dinner 5:30 ~ 6:45 Informational Displays by Units



# Ceremonial

starts at 7pm

There will be something upstairs for the gentlemen during the Ceremonial



#### Wishes For the New Year

Our Clubs and our Ladies are so generous and always looking for ways to contribute to the children and to our own Hospital. When visiting at the monthly Birthday Parties, the Sewing Room, and at the Clubs' Official Visits, we find that there are needs to be met and willing volunteers to take on projects. Our task is to match the contributors with the needs.

For example, the Birthday Party Committee is in dire need of gifts for older children, say from 10 years of age through teenage years. They receive many items for the babies and toddlers, but not much for the older kids. Several clubs purchase toys and gifts to be given directly to the Hospital, but there isn't a huge need at that level for toys and gifts. The Hospital receives so many donations from so many groups and individuals that they, often, have to turn things away. Wouldn't it be great if we could send the donations from our own clubs to our own committee? They would still end up with the kids, just in a different way.

The Sewing Committee has a need for quilt squares to be traced for the ladies who do the hand work. They will supply the fabric squares and even a special pen to do the tracing. They just need willing hands who can trace a pattern. There are some clubs that like to do work parties and have some fun while they contribute items. Wouldn't this be a great project for some busy hands? Think of the quilts that would be the result.

We must always remember that our cash donations from the Temple or the Clubs MUST go to our Foundation. This is written in our Supreme Bylaws and we may not vary from that. However, donations can be made to our Temple committees and to our General Fund. Keep track of the hours spent on projects, it all counts.

Thank you to the Clubs who donated time and materials for the Holiday project this year. We are looking for more ways to have you make a statement. You can help by giving us your ideas.

The next **Nydian** deadline is **Monday February 26, 2018**Please submit articles and photos to Pr. Pam Davis

pam@pmbookkeeping.com

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Please use "Nydian" in the subject line.

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#### MEMBER GRATITUDE

I want to express my sincere gratitude to the Clubs and individual members who have stepped up to help some of our Ladies that have been struggling with keeping up their dues. Thanks to your generosity, we have been able to keep several princesses that might, otherwise, have been dropped. There are still a number of ladies on our list that we haven't been able to locate, or that we don't have a current status for. Please ask the Princess Recorder for names of members you may have information on. We would like to be able to find our ladies and take care of them. Thank you!

#### Forest Nile Club

Forest Nile Club received another beautiful pile of lap quilts from the same anonymous donor! We greatly appreciate her efforts. The quilts were brought to session in December and will be donated to the Hospital...

We are trying to find different ways to get our dolls "out there". We are looking into



Members of Forest Nile - Back: Susie, Winnie, Pam, Iva jean, Shirley, Front: Peggy, Claudette, Wendy

the possibility of putting them on the internet as that seems to be the wave of the future.

- ha make that wave of the present! We always have some in stock and are willing to make special orders, so if you have a special person who would like one, ask any member of the club.

#### Did You Know...?

Did you know there are two new Nile Clubs in the works? A club in the Hillsboro area is being organized and will be meeting on the fourth Tuesday evenings. Anyone interested in this club, please contact Princess Holly Austin or Princess Pam Davis (or Queen Jennifer). Also, there is much excitement about the "Ladies Night Out" Club. Plans for this club have begun and anyone interested, please contact Princess Donna Gray or Princess Feather Thompson (or Queen Jennifer).

## Chaplain's Report for September and October

As reported at the December Session:

Ladies of the Household needing thoughts and prayers:

Pr. Teri Lynn Allphin, Pr. E'laine Armstrong, Pr. Nellie Baker, Pr. Nadine Beck, Princess Helen Bible, Pr. Kathie Blackburn, PQ Donnaclaire Blankinship, Pr. Blanche Davis, Pr. Adell Goggins, Pr. Ramona Hall, Pr. Phyllis Hughes, Pr. Laura Hylton, Pr. Doris Johnson, PQ Sharon Kelley, Pr. Marilyn Marsh, PQ Ann Myers, Pr. Betty Schrock, PSQ Suzie Schumacher, Pr. Charlene Tucker, Pr. Billie Wallace, Pr. Janice White, and Pr. Pamela Woolcock,

Loss of family member: Pr. Reba Hardin, Pr. Janie Long, and Pr. Pam Saatkamp.

In the spirit of this special season, wishing you peace, happiness and all the best in the coming year.

Please contact Pr. Pat Stapleton, Chaplain, at 503-669-0866 or email <a href="mailto:cameraguy3410@msn.com">cameraguy3410@msn.com</a>, or Queen Jennifer at <a href="mailto:jennifermoyer01@comcast.net">jennifermoyer01@comcast.net</a> for those needing a card or call.

#### Dear Ladies.

I want to thank all of our website and email users on the Nydia Temple system. It's a wonderful way to keep in touch and get information out quickly and accurately. This last month, due to changing technology, we had no choice but to make an upgrade and change systems entirely. With that came a whole new way of working with the systems, and a bit of learning on my part. I am hopeful my learning curve will be short, without many mistakes, but that is something I just won't know until I start doing it. I thank you all for your understanding. But I really like the look of our new website. The only big change is the location of the calendar on the website – it is now located under the "Members" tab.

Happy reading,

Princess Kathy Walliker, Webmaster.



#### Where in the World is Nydia?

Hello friends, my name is Nydia and I'm taking an adventure - an adventure I want to share with all of you. Travel along with me, across the globe, stopping at fun and interesting places. I have my passport and you will need one too. Look for clues in each Nydian, and when you guess where in the world I am, get a stamp sticker for your passport. Also, every time you attend a Nydia Temple event, the elected officers have more stickers for your passport. Have fun, keep track of Nydia's world travels, and fill up your book.

To get your stickers or additional passports, or for more information, contact Princess Kathy Walliker, any elected officer of Nydia Temple, or any member of Kathy's Posse, also known as the PADIR Unit. (We'll be glad to mail to you from anywhere around the world.)

Where in the World is Nydia? In January, 2018, this is where I am:

I am enjoying my time in a city that is one of the best known, one of the largest, and for sure the most visited city in the world. The famous, and oldest, underground transit system, originally the home of steam trains, is actually 55% above ground (and now home to a half million mice). A castle located in this city is the oldest royal residence still in use by a royal family, and the first ever public zoo was opened in this city. Tourists also enjoy seeing a large tower, not totally straight any more, named for the bell inside, and not what shows on the outside. Some of the many icons of this city include swans, bearskin hats, phone booths, double-decker buses and black cabs. It's a tradition to visit a "chippie" for a classic take-away.

#### Did You Know...?

Did You know that Portland Shriners Hospital ads are on local billboards and buses in the Portland area? There is advertising on nine billboards as well as ten buses – and all ads feature very similar designs in order to evoke recognition from people who see them. Our overall goal is to keep Portland Shriners Hospital top of mind for people in the Portland community. The billboards will be up through mid-December, and the buses will be running through the end of the year.

### Hospital Sewing Committee

By Sherry Hevland, Chair

As we get ready to start a New Year, I wish to thank all of you who have been so supportive of the Hospital Sewing Committee with your donations of sewn items, material/notions, monetary donations, budgeted funds from the Temple, and time working on these projects. It is our privilege to be at the Hospital to represent Nydia Temple along with the Birthday committee and the Clerical volunteers. Thank you for helping us all "look good".

Just a reminder: We are still collecting Box Tops for Education, but the Campbell's Soup campaign has been discontinued. It would be helpful when you turn in the Box Tops to be sure they are not close to expiration, and to count the number you include. Box tops

are counted and reported to Supreme at the end of the year, and we want to be sure we get credit for them as well as helping support the Hospital.

We continue to work on the Transition Quilts, Inpatient Quilts, Pillowcases, bags, shorts and anything else we are requested to do. We look forward to all of our folks returning soon from surgeries and illness. What a great time we have! Please contact me with any questions you may have about the committee and/or how you can help.



Sewing Committee is responsible for the embroidery on these aprons.

#### Did You Know...?

Did you know that every year, the Nydia Temple Sewing Committee uses over 400 feet of elastic for bands in the construction of the kids shorts? This amount of elastic will go up and part way back down the Astoria Column! To better serve the needs of the hospital, the sewing committee is revising how the shorts are made, and while this is happening, the need for elastic is increasing. Any club or individual wishing to help out, donations of ¾" non-roll elastic is most welcome. For further information, please contact Princess Sherry Hevland, or any member of the Nydia Temple "sweat shop" at the Shriners Hospital for Children – Portland.

#### OUR THANKS AND A WELCOME

A huge thank you is in order for Illustrious Sir Ron Gamble, the retiring Potentate of Al Kader Shriners. He has been such a support to Nydia Temple during his



tenure as the leader of our local Shrine Temple. We appreciate all the support and help that he has given us this year. We will miss his jovial smile and willingness to be of service to Nydia Temple.



Welcome to the new Potentate, Art Hermanson. We are assured that he will continue the climate of cooperation and support that we are pleased to participate in with our Shriners. Be sure to congratulate IS Art when you see him and thank him. Thank him for his service, as well (he's retired Navy!!).



# Don't bury your failures. Det them inspire you!

























#### Bend Nile Club

By Pr. Kay Nelson, Ambassador

Happy winter and 2018 to all. BRRRRRR baby it's cold outside.

Blessings are welcomed by our club with a sweet new member, Katey Kelley as of Nov. 15th while Queen Jennifer performed an Obligation Only Ceremony at her OV.

We're excited to have Pr. Jenny Schwab and Pr. Debra Gallino returning....they have

been missed.

We may ask Queen Jennifer to return to Bend for a few more Obligation Only Ceremonies.

Queen Jennifer's gifts for our two Special Princesses when delivered, were welcomed with giggles and big smiles.

Our January meeting is going to be a "Dine Out" dinner meeting so our working members can join us.

God Bless Each One of You.

#### Hillsboro Nile Club

#### Submitted by Holly Austin

A New Nile Club will have its unveiling in January.

The club will be meeting at Tuality Lodge in Hillsboro (176 SE Second Ave) at 7pm on the fourth Tuesday of each month. The Masons have been very generous and have offered the use of the Masonic Building free of charge, and we have graciously taken them up on their offer.

It has been determined that since Beaver Nile closed, many of our members have lost an opportunity to participate in a local club. It has also been determined that an evening club would be greatly appreciated so that many of our working members could also participate.

"The Club" is still in its planning phases. A Constitution and Bylaws will be prepared for review at the first meeting. An ongoing discussion will also be the purpose of this club. Several of the members wishing to participate are interested in service-oriented activities, as well as a meeting, and these activities need to be better defined. Also, we don't yet have a name, hence "The Club." Some names have come to mind, but we probably don't want to call ourselves the "Hillsboro Ladies of the Night."

Come join us at our first meeting of "The Club" to be held January 23, 2018, at 7pm. Refreshments will be served.

For further information, please contact:

Holly Austin

503.537.8419

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Stealing someone's coffee is called mugging.

#### Did You Know...?

Did you know the Portland Shriners Hospital accepts donations of coffee cups? Employees and guests in the hospital dining room are encouraged to use coffee cups rather than disposable cups to save on supply and disposal costs. The hospital would love to have those cups no longer needed or wanted, used or new, regardless of what's printed on them, because it saves the hospital money. Coffee cups seem to be an item always in need.



#### Scenes from Nile Fun

Winter Luncheon: "The Reindeer Romp" was lots of fun. Queen Jennifer gave "Reindeer Awards" and when her herd

of reindeer was assembled,



they put on their antlers and romped around the room led by Rudolph!



at their OV



A beautiful afternoon with Eastmont Nile Club



Holiday Party with Nydia Dancers

A fun afternoon with the ladies of Dallas Nile Club



#### Session Notes



PADIR served a nice holiday lunch of ham with potato casserole to 54 including three men. Bob Walliker spoke about increased numbers at the hospital - record numbers of new referrals and at the fracture clinic. Queen Jennifer received some gifts for her birthday and Happy Birthday was sung to her and her "birthday buddy" Juanita Alf. Pr. Royal Reba received her first stepping stone!

Session opened in short form and all the music was seasonal, of course. During the signing of the minutes, everyone sang Rudolph, while the Queen's herd of reindeer from the Winter Luncheon stood.

Sherri Hevland reported for the Sewing Committee about 511 hours, 45 projects completed, and the donation of 2 sewing machines and 1 table. She said that shorts are now being color coded and will be laundered and reused.

Ways and Means Committee reported that there are still Nydia Cookbooks for sale, and the annual wreath auction is going on. At the Murder Mystery Dinner the lawyer and the wife did it. 178 tickets were sold, and the proceeds were split 50/50 between Nydia and the Police Club. Our half was \$2334.12!

PQ Laurie reported that she had received \$2150 so far for Holiday Giving.

Chorus asked permission to have the Mad Hatter Tea. The Sewing Committee asked to sell some donated quilts that aren't appropriate for the kids.

Kathy Walliker reported on the updating

of our website. She said that Randy, our web person, is donating many ours to help out with this transition.

We were reminded that Nydia is assigned both the Portland and Hawaii hospitals. Wal-Mart gift cards are needed to send to Hawaii, as that is more feasible than shipping items, and their needs are different than Portland's.

Queen Jennifer also received a challenge from the Queen of Arok Temple in Portland Main to match the \$100 gift card they were sending to the Mexico City Hospital, and Nydia stepped up to this challenge.

There were 21 proposals read, and four names were balloted on. Mentors were asked to get busy and help these potential new members get their paperwork in.

Pr. Brenda Boitz and Pr. Holly Austin were given Stepping Stones in gratitude for their hard work in getting the new ceremonial costumes done.

The Chorus sang both Christmas Bells are Ringing and O Hanukkah in honor of the season.

Session closed in good time to get home before dark on these shortest days of the year.

There is so much that goes on at Session that cannot be included here. It is what keeps our Temple operating. It is your business I encourage everyone to come as often as you can...... February would be a good time - Lunch is free that day. :)

This appeared in the last Nydian.

Did you realize that is was a puzzle, and not just a strange decoration?







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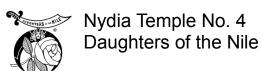
ALL SESSIONS happen on the  $1^{\rm st}$  Wednesday of each month except June, July and August. Sessions begin at 12:30. Lunch is at 11:15

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3	Stated Session - Honoring volunteers		
6		Al Kader Shrine Installation	
24	Hospital Birthday Party		
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#### 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.