



March
2026



Zulekia Court News



Ladies Oriental Shrine of
North America
Zulekia Court No. 35
Instituted December 14, 1940

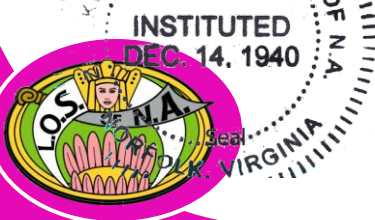
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Message from the High Priestess

Ladies,

As we enter March, I find myself reflecting on how quickly this year has passed. It feels like we just began, and in the blink of an eye, the year is coming to an end.

This will be my final newsletter article serving as your High Priestess, and it has truly been a wonderful year together. Let us always remember why we exist: **Fun, Fellowship, and Philanthropic endeavors.**

There will never be enough words to express how grateful I am to each and every one of you for all that you have done this past year. Together we have made positive changes that will help **Zulekia Court #35** continue to grow and succeed. Each of you has made an impact on our Court, our community, and most importantly, our **Shriners Children's family**. I am extremely proud of all that we have accomplished, and I am especially excited to see my Special Project—the construction of a handicap ramp—get underway and completed.

A very special thank you to **Wendy**, our Building Operations Chairperson, and **Janet**, our Rental Manager, for the countless hours they have given. Because of their dedication and hard work, the Court has saved a significant amount of money. Your efforts are deeply appreciated.

Grand High Priestess, Lady Cynthia Rudd's visit in November was truly a "*Whimsical Moment*" and one I will always treasure. I had the pleasure of spending eight wonderful days with her as we traveled from ACCABA Court #105 to Zulekia Court #35 and the final destination, Ma'at Court #110. Our time together was filled with fellowship, laughter, and even a little adventure as we discovered a few coffee shops along the way. It was truly a magical and memorable visit.

Seeing the difference we make in a child's life is one of the greatest rewards. Knowing we have helped not only a child but also their family brings true joy. Standing side by side with the **Khedive Nobles**, we will continue to accomplish great things for our Shrine patients and our community. Let your passion for **the Ladies Oriental Shrine of North America** and **Zulekia Court** continue to inspire you to make a difference.

Congratulations to the **2026 Khedive Divan** for their leadership and dedication. Thank you for always being there when we need you and for your continued support of Zulekia Court #35.

Message from the High Princess Continued

I would also like to welcome our newest Ladies who recently went through the **Ceremony of Initiation**: Ladies Maureen, Carmella, Debra, Jasmine, Virginia, and Johanna. Congratulations as well to our Line Officers as they advance in rank, and to all officers of our Units and Clubs for the coming year.

Ladies, we are still looking for a **First and Second Ceremonial Lady**. Please consider taking that leap of faith. Each of you has the ability to lead and serve. Together, we continue to strengthen our organization and make a difference in the lives of our Shrine Children.

As Helen Keller once said,

"Alone we can do so little; together we can do so much."

Fraternally,

Lady Cheryl Valeriano

High Priestess Zulekia Court #35

Flamingo Hugs & Mermaid Kisses



Message from the Princess

Ladies,

As my year as Princess ends, I would like to share that serving as Princess has truly been an honor, and I am grateful for the support and encouragement I have received throughout the year.

This past year our Court enjoyed several successful events and fundraisers that brought members together in fellowship and celebration. Highlights included our Christmas Party combined with the Court's 85th Birthday Celebration, where members and guests gathered for a festive potluck evening filled with holiday spirit, delicious food, and beautiful decorations. Our Jingle of Opportunity fundraiser was also very successful, with strong participation and several lucky winners. Grand Visitation on November 9, 2025, was another memorable event made possible by the dedication and hard work of many volunteers, from planning and decorating to preparing a wonderful meal. In addition, our 85th Anniversary shirt fundraiser was well received and helped commemorate this special milestone year. We thank everyone who helped plan, support, and participate in these events throughout the year.

As we look ahead to the coming year, there is much to be excited about. Ladies, I want to thank all of you who said yes to being part of my Court. I truly look forward to a fun-filled year working together. Each position is very important to our meetings, and it is so important that we plan to attend whenever possible. As we all know, emergencies do come up, but let's all do our best to be present and support one another whenever we can.

Please also save the date for March 22, 2026, for our Installation, and be sure to RSVP to Lady Jennie Vogl. We will also have practice on Friday, March 20, 2026, at 6:30 PM, so mark your calendars—I look forward to seeing everyone there.

Looking ahead, I am very much looking forward to the 112th Grand Council "Sun, Waves, and Mermaids" Session, which will be held May 10–15, 2026, in Orlando, Florida. It will be a wonderful opportunity for fellowship, celebration, and representing our Court.

Thank you again for your support during my year as Princess. I am truly looking forward to serving you as High Priestess for the ensuing year, and I am excited for all that we will accomplish together.



Lady Christina Martin

High Priestess - Elect

With Phoenix Love and Wookiee Hugs!

IMPORTANT DATES

All meetings at Zulekia Court #35

Unless Otherwise Noted

Please look for upcoming

IMPORTANT DATES

In your email

Here are Some Upcoming dates
for March & April

Monday, 3/16 @ 6:30 PM -

Lady Shrine University

Topic: Building Event Training

Thursday, 3/19 @ 6:30 pm -

Zukies meeting

Friday, 3/20 @ 6:30 PM

Installation Practice

All Elected & Appointed Officers

Saturday, 3/21 @ 4-7pm

Bethel 3 Chili Dinner Fundraiser

at 176 Bayview Ave, Norfolk

Sunday, 3/22 @ 2 pm

Zulekia Court Installation of

Officers

Tuesday, 3/23 @ 6:30 pm -

Peninsula Ladies Shrine Club @

Joe and Mimma's Italian

Restaurant, Yorktown

Thursday, 3/26 @ 6 PM -

Ways & Means

Thursday, 3/26 @ 6:30 PM -

Building Operations meeting

Friday & Saturday, 3/27 & 28

Bethel 42 JDI Dinner Theater @

Bayside Lodge

Friday, 3/27 @ 6 pm

Jan's Gals BUNKO NIGHT

Saturday, 3/28 @ 1 – 4 pm

Chesapeake Shrine Club

Oyster Roast

Wednesday 4/8 @ 6 pm - Norfolk

Ladies Shrine Club @

Mom & Pops, Norfolk

Monday, 4/13 @ 6:30 pm - VB

Ladies Shrine Club @ Outback

Steakhouse, Kemps River, VB

UNITS

Patrol Unit

2nd Tuesday | 6:30 PM
Zulekia Court #35 Building
Captain Lady Jennie Vogl

Clown Unit

Quarterly
Zulekia Court #35 Building
Directress Lady Lynn Hollandsworth, PHP

Pageantry Unit

1st Wednesday | 5:30 PM
Zulekia Court #35 Building
Directress Lady Carol Wicks

Zukie Line Dancer Unit

3rd Thursday | 6:30 PM
Zulekia Court #35 Building
Captain Lady Bobbie King, PHP

CLUBS

Norfolk Shrine Club

Mom & Pop's Restaurant
Bayview Boulevard
2nd Wednesday | 6 PM

Past High Priestess Club

Meets in
April, June, October & February
4th Monday | 7 PM
Zulekia Court #35 Building

Peninsula Shrine Club

Joe and Mimma's Italian
Restaurant 5740 George
Washington Highway, Grafton
4th Tuesday | 6:30 PM

Suffolk Shrine Club

Plaza Azteca Restaurant
Main Street Suffolk
2nd Saturday | 11:30 AM
President Lady Veronica Cianetti

Virginia Beach Shrine Club

2nd Monday | 6:30 PM
Outback Steak House
President Lady Joanne Norton-Kolinsky

Message from the Associate Princess

Hello Ladies,

As our 2025-2026 year comes to a close, I wanted to congratulate Lady Cheryl on a fun & successful year. I would also like to extend my heartfelt thank you to all the ladies and their nobles for all the love and support I received this year during our Jungle Golf, tab collection, Hospital Toy Drive, and our Annual Ornament Sales fundraisers. With everyone's help, we were able to donate a total of over \$11,000 to several projects near and dear to our hearts, including Shriners Children's Hospitals, Khedive Transportation Fund, and both Lady Cynthia Rudd, GHP Special Project, and to our incoming GHP for 2026-2027 Lady Roberta Ensor, GP Special Project.

I am thankful and blessed for your continued faith in me and for electing me to be your Princess for the upcoming 2026-2027 year. Again, Thank you for everything you do for me, our Court, and Shriner Children's.



With Cheshire Cat Smiles & Monkey Hugs,
Lady Deb Lawrence
Princess-Elect



Message from the First Ceremonial Lady

Hello Ladies,

First off, I want to congratulate Lady Cheryl on a great year. I also want to thank all the units, clubs, and members for their wonderful support during the 2025-2026 fundraisers. We raised a total for the year of \$6,611.45.

Looking ahead to our 2026-2027 year, I am excited for the coming year, and I know that with your love, support and guidance, I will continue to learn, grow and soar to new heights. One of our hospital fundraisers this year is our 4th Annual Jungle Golf fundraiser. Please come out to Jungle Golf in Virginia Beach on April 19th from 2 PM – 5 PM. The cost is \$15 per person, with all net proceeds going to our hospital fund.



Dolphin Kisses & Salty Anchor Love,
Lady Kathy Gardner
Associate Princess-Elect
Kim's Salty Anchors



Membership

If you know of any ladies that may be interested in joining our great organization, give them a petition. Petition fees are \$40 and must be paid with the petition and before the candidate can be interviewed. If you need petitions, they are available at the Recorder's desk, or if you are sitting in the building, they are also located in the office desk drawer.

Lady Christina Martin | Lady Deb Lawrence
Membership Chair

Building Operations | Building Rentals

To the ladies who make up the building committee and continue to come to the monthly meetings, THANK YOU! The committee needs all members to attend. That sounds dramatic, but it is our building, be informed/be involved! Right now, we need a secretary. The responsibility requires you to attend the monthly meeting and roughly one more hour to write up the minutes. We meet monthly on the last Thursday of the month.

Lady Wendy Kraemer, Building Operations Committee Chairperson

BUILDING RENTALS

Since the beginning of the year, we have hosted 6 events, and the calendar spots are filling up quickly with 25 other rentals already secured for this year and into next. What a great gift we have in our building space, and we do this by word of mouth and not a dime in advertising!

We continue to host NAPA Auto Group! Though this event is now a Patrol Fundraiser, they still need volunteers to help with setting up and especially cleaning up after the meetings. I will continue to add those events to the Building Event Monthly Calendar.

As part of our mission of outreach to the community, we have welcomed a Military Family Readiness Group to meet in our building roughly 10 times per year at no charge. A member in good standing has agreed to sit the building for all events, so no other help will be needed from the Court.

Come out March 16th! LSU EVENT- Building Event Training Pizza and Soda will be served and I will teach you what it takes to "sit" the building. Each shift is a little bit different; however, all are really pretty easy. If you can't make it then, we will do another training on May 4th. Please continue to support the building by volunteering your time a few hours a month! Many hands make for small work. I have included the April and May calendar so you can see where we need help. Please call, text or email me to get your name on the calendar.

APRIL RENTALS:

April 1st NAPA Dinner – Patrol Catering Fundraiser 4:30P – 10P

April 12th Wise Scholars Spring Fling

Shifts Available 1:30P – 3:30P
3:30P-6P

April 18th Wilson Sweet 16 Party

Shifts Available 2P-4P
4P-6P
6P-10P

April 25th Alexander Party

Shifts Available 3P-6P
6p-9P

MAY RENTALS:

May 2nd Gomes 85th Birthday Party

Shifts Available 1P-4P
4P-7P

May 21st IRHS Retirement Party

Shifts Available 3:30P-7P
7P-10P

Respectfully submitted,
Lady Janet Barringer, Building Rental Manager



Shriners
Children's™

Recorder's Desk

Ladies, have you paid your 2025 DUES?

Check your card, it should show 2025 to be current.

Dues are now \$35.00.
PHPs (Lifetime Membership) \$30.00;
50 Year Members \$15.00

Your dues support the Court, Grand Council, and the Shriners Hospitals. Dues must be current to request a demit. **It's now time (April 1st) to pay your 2026 dues!**

I have bylaws (\$10) and a few rituals (\$20), and Proceedings (\$25.) Please email me a few days prior to our meeting what you would like, so that I ensure to have them for you at our meetings.

Thanks to the ladies who send their reports electronically before the meeting. They can also be hand carried, as long as a copy makes it to my desk before the meeting ends.

Thanks,
On Soaring wings of Eagles,
Lady Luann Smith, PHP
Recorder - Zulekia Court #35





Coordinator of Units

Ladies,
Stay tuned for upcoming parade opportunities, and information regarding after drill party at the 112th Grand Council Session in May.

Join the fun!

Lady Lynn Hollandsworth, PHP
Coordinator of Units

Patrol

Happy Spring Ladies!
Patrol Unit meets the second Tuesday of every month at 6:30 pm (except July & August) at the Court building, please come out and join us.

Respectfully,
Lady Jennie Vogl
Patrol Captain

Clowns

Ladies,
The Clown Unit meets quarterly, and we invite you to join us at our next meeting at the Court building. Come find out about the behind-the-scenes life of a clown!

With peace, love and joy!
Lady Lynn Hollandsworth, PHP
Directress

Pageantry

Ladies,
The Pageantry Unit meets on Court night (first Wednesday) at 5:30 in the meeting room. We are the ones that hold the banners during the Story in the initiation ceremony. We love to have visitors...come check us out!

Our Officers for the year: Directress...Carol Wicks
 Assistant Directress...Linda Allen PHP
 Secretary...Brenda Sue Hill
 Treasurer...Maria Priester

(Note*** The Court meeting in April is April 15th...so we will also meet on the 3rd Wednesday in April)

Lady Carol Wicks
Directress

Zukie Line Dancers

Happy Spring Ladies!
Do you like to have FUN? Do you like to DANCE? The Zukie Line Dancers Unit meets the third Thursday of every month at 6:30 pm (except July & August) at the Court building, please come out and join us.

Fishy Kisses & Octopus Hugs,
Lady Bobbie King, PHP
Captain



Norfolk Ladies Shrine Club

Dear Ladies,

The Norfolk Ladies Shrine Club meets quarterly at Mom and Pops restaurant in Bayview Shopping Center in Norfolk. All ladies of Zulekia Court are invited to attend.

Lady Maria Priester
President, Norfolk Ladies Shrine Club



Virginia Beach Ladies Shrine Club

Greetings-

The Virginia Beach Ladies Shrine Club meets the 2nd Monday of each month at Outback Steakhouse | Kemps River Crossing at 6:30 PM. Please come out for a fun evening with great food and fellowship. We look forward to seeing.

Lady Joanne Norton-Kolinsky
President

Suffolk Ladies Shrine Club

Greetings from Suffolk,

The Suffolk Ladies Shrine Club meets the 2nd Saturday of each month at 11:30 at Plaza Azteca on Main Street in Suffolk. All of our court ladies are welcome to join us, and we would love for you to come join us for lunch.

Lady Veronica McClellan
President of the Ladies Suffolk Shrine Club

Peninsula Ladies Shrine Club

The Ladies of Peninsula Ladies Shrine Club extend an open invitation to all Zulekia Court members to join us at any one of the Club's upcoming meetings. We meet the fourth Tuesday at 6:30pm at Joe and Mimma's Italian Restaurant in York County. Please join us for a great meal filled with plenty of laughter and good times.

Looking forward to seeing you all there!

Sandy F., Sherri, Caren, Margaret, Sandy N., Gina, Colleen, Cheryl B, Cheryl V., Hailee, Helen, and Dawn

Good of the Order



*Happy
85th
Birthday*



*Zulekia
Court
#35*



How to Donate

Is there someone
you would like to Honour?

Or a Birthday or Anniversary
you would like to celebrate?

Or a family member or friend that
you have lost that you want to
recognize & remember?

Consider making a
Court Donation in their name.
You can designate where you
want your donation to go.

- Shrine Hospital
- LOSNA Special Project
- Shrine Temple
- General/Hospital Fund

It's easy to do....

- Complete a form
- All Check Should be made payable to:
Zulekia Court #35
EXCEPT:
Donations to Shriners
Children's or Khedive
Transportation Fund
These should be made payable
to **Zulekia Court #35**
Hospital Fund
- Return Form with Check
To Lady Luann Smith, PHP
Court Recorder

DONATIONS

If you want to make a donation to the Shriner's Hospitals or Khedive Transportation Fund through Zulekia Court, you will need to make out your check to "**ZULEKIA COURT #35 HOSPITAL FUND**" And mail it to the Recorder, with the donation form below.

COURT DONATION FORM

TO: _____
Shrine Hospital, LOSNA Special Project, Shrine Temple, General/ Hospital Fund, etc. (**Circle one**)

FOR: _____
In Honor of, Memorial, Celebration of Birthday/Anniversary, etc. (**Circle one**)

GIVEN BY: _____
Your Name as 'given by'
NAME: Of person who should receive the acknowledgement (**ALSO THEIR ADDRESS**)

ADDRESS: _____

The Recorder will fill in portion below for court records:

DATE: _____ **CHECK #:** _____

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT SENT: _____ Date

NOTE: Form to be used by Members, Units, Clubs, Classes, Associations, Family and Friends and submitted with the check for the donation to the Court Recorder.

115th Grand Council Planning Committee

Hi Ladies,
Grand Council 2029

Ladies it will be here before we know it. We are working on assigning committee Chairs and members if you are interested please let me know.

We are also starting work on our next Basket Bingo meetings will start shortly.

If you are going to Grand Council please remember to take notes of things you liked and did not like.

Fishy Kisses & Octopus Hugs,
Lady Bobbie King, PHP
115th Grand Council Committee General Chairman
(757) 504-5066

Khedive Shriners



2026 Elected Divan

Randy Murphy, P.P., Potentate
Dave Wilson, Chief Rabban
Terry Riley, Assistant Rabban
Bill Bickel, High Priest & Prophet
Jim Bowen, Oriental Guide
J. Leon Stocks, P.P., Treasurer
Wayne Kelly, Recorder

Greetings

I would like to thank the ladies of Zulekia Court and all the ladies of LOSNA for their continuing support of Shriners Children's, Khedive Temple and Shrinedom in general. If I can be of any assistance to you, please feel free to call me at 757-420-4510.

Wayne Kelly
Khedive Recorder

Upcoming Events

April

Zulekia Court #35 Hospital Fundraiser

JUNGLE GOLF

April 19, 2026 | 2PM – 5 PM
Fun for the Whole Family

All Proceeds go to Shriners Children LOVE TO THE RESCUE®

Jungle Golf
302 23rd St
Virginia Beach
VA 23451

\$15 Per Person
Children 5 and Under FREE

For Tickets Contact:
Kathy Gardner (757) 404-9843
Come Out For An Afternoon
Of FUN & FELLOWSHIP

All Donations Are Tax Deductible

Not Wheelchair Accessible
Limited Parking

May

Zulekia Court #35
Presents
THE HILLBILLY EDITION OF FAMILY FEUD Live

Friday, May 1st, 2026

Social: 6:30 PM
Pre-Feud Fun & Games

Dinner: 7 PM
Vittles Included:
BBQ
Baked Beans
Cole Slaw
Chips
Cupcakes

The Feudin' Starts at 7:30 PM

**Tickets: \$15 in Advance
\$20 At the Door**
Set Ups for Adult Beverages will be provided

**Wear Your Best Hillbilly Duds...
And Come Out for Hollin' Good Time!**

For Tickets or questions call:
Deb Lawrence (757) 339-3734
Jennie Vogl (757) 339-8687

Zulekia Court Building
641 Woodlake Drive | Chesapeake

Zulekia Court #35 Line Officers

Zulekia Court Recorder Lady Luann Smith, PHP

Zulekia Court 3rd Year Trustee-Elect Lady Cheryl Valeriano, PHP

Khedive Divan

**Come Out for a Rootin' Tootin' Night of Fun & Fellowship
And see Zulekia Court's Line Officers
face off against The Khedive Divan**

NON-REFUNDABLE | All Proceeds will go towards the General Fund of Zulekia Court #35
Payments are not tax deductible as a charitable contribution

June

Mark Your Calendars

**The Grand High Priestess Banquet
Will be
Friday, June 26th**

**It's Sure to be a
Very
Magical Evening!**

September

Mark Your Calendars

LOSNA Zulekia Court #35 Presents
BASKET

BINGO

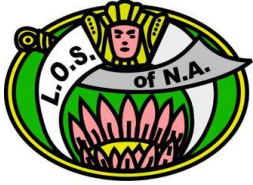
Saturday, September 26, 2026

Doors open at 12:30 PM
Bingo starts at 1:30 PM

**At
Khedive Shrine Center**

Upcoming Events (Cont'd)

ON-GOING



115th Grand Council Fundraiser

Dress Length Black Garment Bag
(24" width x72" length non-woven)

\$40.00 payable to Zulekia Court &
add 115th GC fundraiser in the memo line

The embroidery will include the
LOSNA emblem, your name, title
(if applicable) & your Court Name & No.

A shorter version is available.

All order forms must be turned
into Lady Bobbie King, PHP.