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**THE BRIDGE** is a form of communication to enlighten and encourage our members.

**2013 THEME:** “Continuing the Dynasty of Nabbar.”

### *A Message from the Illustrious Commandress*



Greetings Nabbar Court No. 123,

Another year is almost over, and what an amazing year this has been. My heart is filled with wondrous joy when I think of the excellent accomplishments achieved by Nabbar Court this year.

Daughters of Nabbar, you are a wonderful group of finer women. There is no doubt in my mind that with the perseverance and dedication demonstrated by you; you can accomplish anything. This is evident

by the extraordinary accolades received by you.

I feel so proud and honored to have served as your Illustrious Commandress for the last two years. We should all be proud of the fact that Nabbar Court is known throughout the domain for its superior qualities and the excellent contributions we have made to the Daughters of Isis.

Thank you for electing me as Illustrious Commandress. The support given me was overwhelming. It was always my desire to serve you with pride, dignity and love. Let us always stand united and continue working together in “*Building A Better Nabbar*”.

I wish each of you good health, love, happiness and a merry Christmas and a prosperous new year.

Sincerely,

*Sherry Foster*

Illustrious Commandress

Nabbar Court No. 123

Daughters of Isis

### **'14 CALENDAR**

*Save the Dates*



Jan 25 ..... Desert of Georgia Retreat, Macon, GA  
Feb 15 ..... Grand Lodge/Chapter Mid-Winter Meeting, Atlanta, GA  
Feb 27-Mar 1. GA Council of Deliberation, Pine Mountain, GA  
Apr 11-13 ..... Imperial Commandress Testimonial, Arlington, VA  
May 1-3 ..... GA Desert Conference / Gala Day, Atlanta, GA  
June 11-13 ..... Grand Lodge / Grand Chapter Session, Savannah, GA  
Aug 16-21 ..... Imperial Session, Tampa, FL  
Sept 2014 ..... Prince Hall Weekend - TBA

*Submitted by HPC Dt. S. Diane White*

### **LIFE**

Life is a song - sing it.  
Life is a game - play it.  
Life is a challenge - meet it.  
Life is a dream - realize it.  
Life is a sacrifice - offer it.  
Life is love - enjoy it.

*Dt. Brenda B. James*

Imperial Deputy for the Desert



Dear Daughters of Nabbar Court #123:

The members of Nabbar Court #123 under the leadership of PC Sherry Foster, Illustrious Commandress have established a reputation of excellence throughout the domain through our charitable, cultural, educational, spiritual and social activities. The honors and awards received this year - *collectively and individually* - are the results of the commitment Nabbar has to “being a Court of distinction.”



Maya Angelo stated “I’ve learned that people will forget what you said, people will forget what you did, but people will never forget how you made them feel.” This statement is very true and is indicative of how the daughters of Nabbar Court #123 have rallied to reach out and help those in need in an effort to give them a smile or a word of cheer. This spirit of caring, sharing and concern is indicative of how Nabbar has made me feel. I am very proud to be a part of this organization. Being the Deputy for the Oasis of Atlanta is truly an honor. You have lifted me when I was down. You have cried with me. You laughed with and you made me feel worthwhile. You have learned from me and I from you. We have shared some cheerful smiles. This sense of caring and concern was given throughout the Court. ***I will never forget how wonderful you have made me feel and I thank you very much!***

May God continue to bless each of you as you have a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

*Susan W. Gibson*

Deputy for the Oasis of Atlanta  
Desert of Georgia

## Past Illustrious Commandress SPOTLIGHT



*PC Sherry Foster*



### *A Tribute to Past Illustrious Commandress Sherry Foster... A Visionary Leader*

A "Visionary" is a person who has clear ideas about what should happen or be done in the future; a person who has a powerful imagination.....that is our very own Illustrious Commandress Sherry Foster. As Illustrious Commandress Sherry Foster closes out the second term of her office we thought it would be fitting to pay tribute to her....our Visionary Leader.

There is a profound interconnectedness between the leader and the whole, and true visionary leaders serve the good of the whole. They recognize that there is some truth on both sides of most polarized issues in our society today. They search for solutions that transcend the usual adversarial approaches and address the causal level of problems. They find a higher synthesis of the best of both sides of an issue and address the systemic root causes of problems to create real breakthroughs. This is so descriptive of our Visionary Leader, Illustrious Commandress Sherry Foster. Please join me in a walk down memory lane as we pay tribute to a Visionary Leader and re-cap the last two years of Nabbar Court No. 123 and our accomplishments.

Sherry Foster was born on March 17<sup>th</sup> in Sumter County, Alabama. She is the daughter of the late Mr. Mathew and Mrs. Amanda Foster. Sherry comes from a large family of five brothers and four sisters, she is the eighth child. Sherry was educated in the public schools of Sumter County, Alabama. She graduated from Sumter County High School in 1970. She went on to attend Alabama State University and graduated with a degree in Education and Library Science in 1976. Sherry has one grandchild, Markus Foster who lives in California and is sixteen years old and in the tenth grade.

In 2008, Sherry retired from the Henry County School System as an educator after 32 years of dedicated service. For the past two years Sherry has worked in the office of the Prince Hall Grand Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star.



Sherry is a member of First Saint Paul African Methodist Episcopal Church in Lithonia, Georgia where she currently serves on the Usher Board. Being born on March 17<sup>th</sup> gave Sherry the zodiac sign of Pisces. For those that believe in zodiac signs please indulge me for a moment. Zodiac signs are said to give us great insight into our day to day living as well as the many talents and special qualities we possess. According to my research a Pisces Life Pursuit is "to avoid feeling alone and instead feel connected to others and the world at large." Their Secret Desire is "to live their dreams and turn fantasies into realities." Pisces are said to be mysterious and alluring individuals, extremely talented and gifted in many ways. The number 2 is a very powerful number for them. This zodiac sign is acknowledged as being the trendsetter of fashion or art, the philosopher and the visionary. In their purest form Pisces are visionaries and a guiding light to all who know them. This is a great segway into Sherry's journey in the Daughters of Isis and how she became to be considered a Visionary Leader of Nabbar Court No. 123.

Sherry is a member of Ruth Chapter No. 102, Order of the Eastern Star, Prince Hall Affiliated. She served as Worthy Matron of Ruth Chapter No. 102 in 2007 & 2008. She currently serves as Treasurer of Ruth Chapter. Sherry had the honor of serving as the first District Worthy Matron of Atlanta Masonic District No. 3 East. She has also served as Grand Electa and Grand Christian Flag Bearer for Prince Hall Grand Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star. Sherry is currently Chair of the Grand Chapter's History Committee.

Sherry was created into Nabbar Court No. 123 in 2001 under the leadership of Past Illustrious Commandress, Dt. Michael Cornelius. Being an active and involved member of the Order of the Eastern Star motivated Sherry to want to become more involved. She also knew ladies who were already members of Nabbar Court and she previously attended several events sponsored by the Court including a Commandress Ball. In her words, "I guess I was motivated by that Nabbar spirit."

Dt. Foster's sister, Dt. Dorothy Cook, has been a member of Golconda Court No 16, Oasis of Newark – Desert of New Jersey for over thirty years. Her sister served as Illustrious Commandress in 1984 and also served as Imperial Deputy for the Oasis of





Newark for over ten years. Dt. Foster's youngest brother, Cliff Foster, is a former member of Nabbar Temple No. 128.

In 2006, Past Illustrious Commandress, Dt. Judith Gates appointed Dt. Foster as Marshal. The following year she was elected to the position of Inside Spy. Dt. Foster served in every position in Nabbar Court except Outside Spy and Oriental Guide. As she moved through the various positions of the Court, she used this time to learn about Nabbar Court and the Daughters of Isis. As Dt. Foster journeyed through the various positions of the Court she had the opportunity to chair and/or serve on the following Committees:

- ◆ Thanksgiving Service and Feast of Isis
- ◆ Audit Committee
- ◆ Budget Committee
- ◆ Commandress Ball
- ◆ Investigation Committee
- ◆ Sick & Distress
- ◆ Social Activities & Hospitality

Dt. Foster was elevated to Illustrious Commandress of Nabbar Court No. 123 in December 2011 and served 2 wonderful years. Who knew at the beginning of this 2 year journey that we had a "Visionary Leader" in our midst? With the theme of *"Continuing the Dynasty of Nabbar"* Illustrious Commandress Foster had a vision for Nabbar Court No. 123. She knew she had some big shoes to fill, but come to find out she filled those big shoes with no problem and raised the bar for all others that will follow her.

Some of the many accomplishments of Nabbar Court No. 123 under her leadership in 2012 were as follows:

- ◆ Dt. Veronica Cook (Illustrious Commandress Foster's niece) was crowned Desert of Georgia Queen
- ◆ Illustrious Past Commandress Dt. Joyce Coleman and Honorary Past Commandress Dt. Barbara Perkins were honored with the Wonderful Outstanding Women Award (WOW) in recognition of their many years of service to the Imperial Court
- ◆ Dt. Linda James and Dt. Sara Malone received their Honorary Past Commandress Degrees
- ◆ The Chantresses won first place in the Imperial Session Competition
- ◆ Dt. Kiema Mosley won 2<sup>nd</sup> place in the Chantress solo competition
- ◆ Dt. Patricia Miller won best props and Dt. Claudia Raymond won best make-up for the Clown Unit during Imperial Session
- ◆ The Bicycle Unit won first place in the Imperial Session competition
- ◆ Deputy for the Oasis, Dt. Susan Gibson won the Deputy for the Oasis of the Year award
- ◆ The Equestrienne Team won best dressed, best inspection and best overall at Imperial Session

As we continued the Dynasty of Nabbar, our Court achieved even more in her second tenure. Some of the accomplishments of Nabbar Court No. 123 under her leadership in 2013 were as follows:

- ◆ Nabbar Court No. 123 was recognized as Georgia Desert Court of the Year
- ◆ Dt. Darlene Key was crowned Desert of Georgia Queen
- ◆ Honorary Past Commandress Barbara Perkins received her Honorary Past Imperial Commandress degree
- ◆ Dt. J.C. Jefferson received her Honorary Past Commandress Degree
- ◆ Past Illustrious Commandress Dt. Vernice Scott was elected to the position of Imperial Auditor (The first time in Nabbar history that we have a daughter in an elected position in the Imperial Court)
- ◆ Deputy for the Desert of Georgia, Dt. Brenda James, received the Deputy for the Desert of the Year Award
- ◆ The Chantresses won first place in the Imperial Competition for the 8<sup>th</sup> time
- ◆ The Clown Unit was recognized at Imperial Session for having the largest Clown Unit

- ◆ Past Illustrious Commandress, Dt. Jacquelyn McCoy was recognized for having the best props in the Imperial Clown Unit competition
- ◆ Dt. Patricia Miller was recognized for being the best dressed clown and best all-around clown in the Imperial Clown Unit competition

During Illustrious Commandress Foster's tenure, the Isiserettes, under the leadership of Honorary Past Commandress Dt. Sharon Lane, represented Nabbar Court well at Gala Day and at various events over the past 2 years. Illustrious Commandress Foster is very proud of them. She was also proud that she had the honor of creating 24 ladies into Nabbar Court No. 123 during her tenure.

I would say by far that one of her most proud and exciting moments of her entire tenure was during her second term, Illustrious Commandress, PC Sherry Foster received the Illustrious Commandress of the Year award during the 2013 Imperial Session. In speaking to her about this award she was very humble and modest and said was so shocked when they called her name.



At the 2013 planning meeting of Nabbar Court No. 123 Illustrious Commandress Foster shared a vision of two new events that she wanted to initiate in the Court. She had a vision for Nabbar Court to have an Egyptian Tea and our very own Breast Cancer Awareness Walk.

When asked what gave her the vision for Nabbar Court to have an Egyptian Tea she said that she had previously spoken with Daughters from other Oases; mainly in the Northern Oases, and a lot of the Courts had an annual Egyptian Tea. She went on to say that the Egyptian Fashion show is a part of our Gala Day activities as well as our Imperial Session activities. Nabbar Court is a Court with a very rich history and she wanted to become a part of that history by doing something new and wonderful and indeed it was. Seeing the Egyptian Tea executed with Illustrious Commandress Foster's vision in mind was a wonderful experience. The Egyptian Tea consisted of a fashion show of Egyptian attire and little known facts that gave us an opportunity to gain a deeper insight of the Egyptian culture. In the words of Illustrious Commandress Foster "our first Egyptian Tea was outstanding."

The Breast Cancer Walk was an event that was close to Illustrious Commandress Foster's heart, since she is a 19 year breast cancer survivor. She had the vision to have a Breast Cancer Awareness Walk while attending a "Making Strides Breast Cancer Walk". She said to herself, if they can do it, Nabbar Court can also. Nabbar Temple No. 128 has had a breast cancer program for the last several years. Illustrious Commandress Foster felt that it was time for the Daughters to also do something about educating others about this disease. She went on to say that even though breast cancer affects men, it is mostly a disease diagnosed in women. Educating others about breast cancer is very important. I personally attended the Breast Cancer Walk and thought it was phenomenal. There are many Breast Cancer Walks held around the city that Nabbar Court could have attended and supported, but for our Visionary Leader, Illustrious Commandress Foster to have the vision for us to have our own walk was a great idea. Illustrious Commandress Foster commented that the Breast Cancer Walk was so successful and she was overwhelmed with joy on that day. I think that day was a proud day for most of Nabbar Court, especially those that were there to witness this inaugural event.

For the past 2 years Illustrious Commandress Foster's theme has been *"Continuing the Dynasty of Nabbar"*. What a fitting theme for a Court

with such rich history. By definition, a Dynasty is a prominent group of people whose members retain their power and influence through several generations. I think we can all agree that Nabbar has retained our power and influence for the last 2 years. Illustrious Commandress Foster is a true Visionary Leader. Visionary leaders are the builders of a new dawn, working with imagination, insight, and boldness. They present a challenge that calls forth the best in people and brings them together around a shared sense of purpose. They work with the power of intentionality and alignment with a higher purpose. Their eyes are on the horizon, not just on the near at hand. They are social innovators and change agents, seeing the big picture and thinking strategically. This is all descriptive of our Visionary Leader, Illustrious Commandress Foster.

Illustrious Commandress Foster currently serves as the Chairperson of the Desert Budget Committee and Chairperson of the Desert Daughter of the Year Committee. She lives by the following scripture: *"And whatever you ask in prayer, you will receive, if you have faith."* Her Motto is *"Do unto others as you would have them do unto you."*

When asked what her future vision is for Nabbar Court No. 123 she responded "I see Nabbar Court continuing to move in a positive direction and always standing united in whatever we do." Illustrious Commandress Foster shared the following Words of wisdom for new Daughters: My advice for new Daughters is to attend meetings, read your ritual, read the history of Nabbar Court and the Daughters of Isis. She went onto say "it is important to know about the organization of which you are a member, always ask questions...This is your Court!"

As we conclude this journey, spotlighting her accomplishments along the way, Illustrious Commandress Foster leaves us with these words "It was an honor and a pleasure to serve as Illustrious Commandress of Nabbar Court No. 123. I appreciate the respect, love and support I received from Nabbar over the last two years. The Commandress Ball in June of 2012 and the Harvest Gala in November of 2013; both honoring me as your Illustrious Commandress was outstanding and a perfect example of that wonderful Nabbar spirit that I love so much. I enjoyed every minute I represented you, and the fond memories I have of Nabbar will forever remain close to my heart. Thank you Nabbar Court No. 123!"



Illustrious Commandress Foster, a faithful and dedicated member of Nabbar Court No. 123 for 13 years...a true Visionary Leader in her own right. Though she is very deserving of this title, she may not think of herself that way. Nevertheless, her determination, success and forward thinking visions for Nabbar Court has made her an important leader, a Visionary Leader, within our Court.

It has truly been an honor and pleasure to spotlight and pay tribute to a Visionary Leader, Illustrious Commandress Sherry Foster. Nabbar Court thanks you for your leadership, guidance, service, dedication and most importantly your visions for Nabbar Court.

Submitted by Dt. Pam M. Northern



## Breast Cancer Awareness Walk

It was a crisp and brisk early morning on October 26, 2013 as the Daughters of Nabbar Court No. 123, under the leadership of Illustrious Commandress PC Sherry Foster, made *Georgia Desert History* by making their 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Breast Cancer Walk debut in Atlanta, Georgia.

It was a joyous event as the Breast Cancer Walk Team gathered at 6:00 a.m. to set up for the walk. It was apparent that each Daughter was excited and ready to work to make the event a great success. As daylight broke through the



clouds to a clear blue sky, registration ended promptly; it was time to get the event started. PC Sherry Foster gave a warm welcome to all in attendance to the 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Breast Cancer Walk. The walk opening ceremony included a prayer from our High Priest, Dt. Cynthia Lee, comments from 1<sup>st</sup> Lt. Dt. Denise Mundy, Jack Frost (the owner of Lincoln Family Group) and Deputy for the Oasis, PC Susan Gibson. The Breast Cancer survivors

(PC Gwen Daniel, PC Thelma Ingram, Dt. Veronica Cook, Dt. Timolin Jefferson, PC Sherry Foster and Dt. Kimberly Jordan) were honored, given pink sashes and shared their years of survivorship with the crowd of



anxious walker and runners. The walk started promptly at 8:15 am with a series of fun fill warm up exercises executed by HPC Diane White. The walk participants were humored with antics by the Nabbar Court No. 123 Clown Clownettes (Kup Kake - Dt. Pat Miller, Lasha - PC Jacquelyn McCoy and Peaches - Dt. Geveda Patrick) who entertained the crowd and passed out treats. The ribbon cutting ceremony performed by Illustrious Commandress, PC Sherry Foster, a 19-year breast cancer survivor, exemplifies the being of Nabbar Court No. 123 pioneering efforts to create programs aimed to support the community and raising funds to support breast cancer education. Cheers of accomplishment greeted walk and run participants as they completed the walk course and the end was drawing nearer. The excited group posed for pictures to capture the historic moment. To top off the event the survivors released 20 or more balloons to the clear blue sky.



The Illustrious Commandress, PC Sherry Foster and Dt. Timolin Jefferson would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to the 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Breast Cancer Committee, Nabbar Court No. 123, Lincoln Family Group, family and friends for supporting the 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Breast Cancer Walk.

Submitted by: Dt. Timolin Jefferson







Dt. Bridget Cox  
Chair



Nabbar Court No. 123

## COMMUNITY SERVICE

*"Small things in great ways"*

*As each one has received a gift, minister it to one another, as good stewards of the manifold grace of God. 1 Peter 4:10*



Dt. Veronica Cook  
Co-Chair

**The Community Service Team** have made valuable contributions to Nabbar Court No. 123 community service goals. They continue to make significant contributions to the community by establishing activities; encouraging teamwork and volunteerism among members; creating an ongoing partnership with other nonprofit organizations; and hands-on service to elderly and needy people.

### February



Our Community Service Committee has been working hard this year on a myriad of projects. On February 16<sup>th</sup> the community service team purchased 107 items for their senior's visitation to AG Rhodes Health & Rehab. There were 25 bags and two baskets prepared for the seniors. The following Daughters were in attendance: Dt. Rita Esters HPC, Dt. Mia Jackson, Dt. Mary Boone, Dt. Kiema Mosley and Dt. Bridget Cox. With the assistance of Noble Maurice Esters the seniors played Bingo where prizes were distributed to all winners. They provided gift baskets to the elderly with two individual large baskets for full Bingo card winners. The female seniors were also given roses from Dt. Mia Jackson. The residents expressed their appreciation for Nabbar and how much they enjoyed day.



### March

The 2013 *Tuberculosis Awareness Walk* scheduled for March 23<sup>rd</sup> was cancelled due to weather.

On March 24<sup>th</sup> went to Piedmont Park for the Atlanta Vision Walk. Assisted with setting up for the event and distributing t-shirts. In attendance were PC Sherry Foster, Dt. Veronica Cook and Dt. Bridget Cox.

### April

On April 27<sup>th</sup> Dt. Sacarshela Williams walked in the Lupus Walk Atlanta on behalf of her son Trevion on Team Trevion KOP. This event brings awareness for the 55,000 Georgians with lupus and the Georgia Chapter of the Lupus Foundation of America. Trevion has been battling lupus since age 12 and still fighting.

### September

On Saturday, September 28<sup>th</sup> volunteered at the Community Life Concepts 5th Annual Walk/Run & Health Fair at Piedmont Park. There were 15 daughters that volunteered at the event: Dt. Claudia Raymond, Dt. Geveda Patrick,



PC Jacqueline McCoy, Dt. Maggie McWhorter, Dt. Mia Jackson, Dt. Mischell Knox, Dt. Pandora Payne, HPC S. Diane White, Dt. Sacarshela Williams, PC Sherry Foster, Dt. Stephanie Wimbush, Dt. Tamara St Germaine, and Dt. Veronica Cook. We assisted with set up, directions to the event location and parking. The Clowns of Nabbar Court were at the event "Just Clowning Around", but we wouldn't have it any other way. Dt. Pandora Payne participated in the walk also. Thank you to the daughters that came out and supported this worthy cause.



Submitted by: PC Attawa Childres

### UPCOMING EVENT(S)

#### Friday, December 20, 2013

Taking Care of Our Sisters - My Sisters House of Atlanta Women's Shelter  
921 Howell Mill Road, NW  
Atlanta, GA 30318

Setup time is 3:00 pm. Serving will start at 4:45 pm.

Please bring blankets to the Dec. 14th meeting.

If you have any questions, please contact:

Dts. Bridget Cox @ 678-522-7163 or Rita Esters @ 770-498-1045.



## ***Kudos to Outstanding Daughters on their Good News and Accomplishments!***



**Dt. Erica Garmon's** son Damon Blocker a Junior at UGA has made the Dean's List, this is Damon's second consecutive time achieving this honor. Damon also became a member of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity-Zeta Pi Chapter which was voted as chapter of the year.



**Dt. Patricia Langford** is retiring from the City of East Point as Council Member after 17 years of service. She has enjoyed the experience serving the citizens of East Point.



**PC Mable Ray's** granddaughter Carmen Boykin as accepted a position as a Defense Attorney for Immigration in Washington, DC. Also, Dt. Ray's niece Nikiya Mathis was a cast member in the play "By the Way", Meet Vera Stark" at the Alliance Theatre. Look for Nikiya in on your television screen very soon!



**HPC S. Diane White** has accepted a new position as City Clerk for the City of East Point.



**Dt. Sarcarshela Williams** has accepted a new position in Labor and Delivery at Kennestone Hospital.

*Submitted by HPC Linda James*



## ***Here are some interesting things about...***

**Dt. Moira Law** – Dt. Law is former flight attendant who collects shot glasses from all over the world. While flying the friendly skies Dt. Law has collected shot glasses from Paris France to Athens Greece, not to mention the places in between and beyond. Dt. Law was the first female to set of the Board of Director for the Star of Georgia Foundation, which is an organization that helps provide support and assistance to underprivileged children, widows and children without permanent homes in the Atlanta community. [www.sogaf.org](http://www.sogaf.org) – *Created October 2013*

**Dt. Rena McElrath** - Dt. McElrath is a retired Educator and the Worthy Matron of Ruth Chapter No.102-OES. – *Created October 2013*

*Submitted by HPC Linda James*

## ***Annual Wind Down August 31<sup>st</sup>***

HPC J. C. Jefferson again opened up her home to the Daughters of Nabbar Court to enjoy our annual WIND DOWN. We celebrated the achievements from Imperial Session and the Daughters enjoyed great food, fun and played friendly games of Bingo.



## ***VOTER REGISTRATION DRIVE***



Did you know that Georgia has over 600,000 unregistered voters? The mission of the Voter Registration Drive Committee is to get them registered. In our effort to target young adults the Voter Registration Drive committee partnered with the Class Council at Clark Atlanta University. We held a Voter Registration Drive on Thursday, October 3rd from 12 noon until 2:00 pm on the campus of Clark Atlanta University. We registered 18 students. The following daughters were in attendance: PC Mary Surry, HPC Sharon Lane, Dts. Charlene Maupins, Theresa Hill, Rosa Weston, Tamara St. Germaine, Latonya Burkhalter, Pat Miller and Pam Northern. We also had 3 members of CAU's Class Council that assisted.

Our Voter Registration Drive Committee also partnered with the East Point/College Park Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. on a Voter Registration Drive at The Tyrone Founders Day Festival on Saturday, September 21<sup>st</sup> in Tyrone, GA. The festival ended early due to bad weather and low attendance so we only registered 2 people. The following daughters were in attendance: Dts. Donna Cook and Andrea Sasnett.

During both Voter Registration Drives we gave out applications for people to fill out on-site or mail in later and educated individuals on the importance of not only registering to vote, but actually going to the polls and voting.

*Submitted by: Dt. Pam M. Northern*



## HARVEST GALA

**Nov. 22-23, 2013**

Daughters and visitors gathered together on Friday, Nov. 22<sup>nd</sup> to enjoyed a hospitality of good food, beverages and fellowship as we came together to celebrate the Commandress Harvest Gala at the Sheraton Gateway Hotel. On Saturday, the ballrooms in the Sheraton was transformed into a beautiful array of harvest colors with the decorations and festive attire of the Daughters and guests in attendance. We enjoyed the sounds of "Second to None Band" as everyone danced the night away. With the annual give-away, winners won an iPad, 42" Flat Screen TV and \$100.00 in cash. HPC J. C. Jefferson won the prize of \$100.00 to the Daughter who sold the most give-away tickets. Ill. Commandress Sherry Foster was the belle of the ball as she greeted everyone throughout the night. *Submitted by HPC S. Diane White*



## Desert of GA Planning Meeting

**November 8-9, 2013**



Nobles and Daughters throughout the Desert of GA gathered together at the Sheraton Gateway Hotel in Atlanta for the annual planning of the 2014 Desert Conference / Gala Day. Al Faruk Temple and Court will be the host for the 2014 event, but Desert Conference / Gala Day will be held in Atlanta at the Sheraton Gateway Hotel. The meeting with the Daughters was well attended and committee reports from the 2013 Desert Conference / Gala Day was given. The joint meeting was productive and later on Saturday night we fellowshiped with a Western Dance.

*Submitted by HPC S. Diane White*

## Sick and Distress Report October - December, 2013

### *God's Keeping*

*To be in God's keeping is surely a blessing,  
For though life is often dark and distressing  
No day is too dark and no burden too great  
That God in His love cannot penetrate.*

*A collections of Blessings,  
Helen Steiner Rice*



### Daughter with illnesses without Hospitalization

Dt. Pam Dixon  
Dt. Marian Hunter  
Dt. Gloria Toca

### Daughters with illnesses with Hospitalization

HPC Geraldine Andrews	Dt. Charlotte Banks
Dt. Sherry Davis	Dt. Berthenia Gibson
HPC Sara Malone	

### Daughter with Illnesses in their family

HPC Geraldine Andrews	Dt. Latonya Burkhalter
Dt. Dietra Duncan	Dt. Joyce Gilchrist
Dt. Timolin Jefferson	HPC Sharon Lane
Dt. Vernelle McDaniel	Dt. Kiema Mosley
Dt. Gloria Parks	Dt. Andrea Sasnett
Dt. Yolanda Sykes	Dt. Sacarshela Williams
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### Daughters who suffered a lost of a Family Member

Dt. Pam Dixon	Dt. Mia Jackson
HPC Brenda James	Dt. Pat Miller
Dt. Bridget Smith	Dt. Tamara St. Germaine
Dt. Mary Watts	Dt. Katrina Williams

*We ask that you keep our members lifted in prayer as they continue to progress through these stressful times.*



*Submitted by Dt. Timolin Jefferson*

## The Bridge Newsletter Committee

PC Attawa J. Childres, Chairperson  
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We are pleased to greet you in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. We are excited about the opportunity to provide you with information and inspiration throughout the year. We hope you enjoy this issue of "The Bridge." Our goal is to inform, inspire, and uplift each of you.