

THE PACKETS ARE COMING!!

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Happy Thanksgiving!!!

Thanksgiving Day is a harvest festival celebrated primarily in the United States and Canada. Traditionally, it is a time to give thanks for the harvest and express gratitude in general. In the United States, Thanksgiving Day falls on the fourth Thursday of November and Canada celebrated on the second Monday in October. The origin of Thanksgiving to the United States is generally regarded to be the celebration that occurred at the site of Plymouth Plantation, Massachusetts in 1621. This celebration occurred early in the history of what would become one of the original Thirteen Colonies that later were to become the United States. This Thanksgiving was modeled after harvest festivals that were commonplace in Europe at the time.

The history of Thanksgiving in Canada goes back to an explorer, Martin Frobisher, who had been trying to find a northern passage to the Pacific Ocean. Frobisher's Thanksgiving celebration was not for harvest, but for homecoming. In the year 1578, Frobisher held a formal ceremony in Newfoundland to give thanks for surviving the long journey in search for the Northwest Passage. (Wikipedia)

There are many songs affiliated with Thanksgiving, some favorites are: "Come Ye Thankful People Come", "Over the River and Through the Woods" and "We Gather Together". Gathering together over the river and through the woods many ladies will journey to Supreme Session 2011, "Sand and Sea Fun in the Sun", Tampa, Florida. Supreme Session is a celebration and a homecoming!

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November is typically the month that subordinate temples receive the Supreme Packet. It is an exciting time to see what activities and events are planned for Supreme Session. Supreme Session is the Daughters of the Nile "global view" versus the "local view" of the subordinate temple. Going to Supreme gives ladies the complete picture of what Daughters of the Nile is all about rather than just the small segment experienced at individual subordinate temples. Daughters of the Nile is a vibrant and exciting organization and the Supreme Session Experience will only enhance the subordinate Temples. Many ladies say that the biggest thrill is attending Session and also seeing 145 crowns sparkling in the lights. Once at Supreme Session, members feel that they are a part of something larger than just their Temple and others are experiencing joys and challenges just as they are in their home Temple.

WHAT WOULD BE SOME REASONS LADIES ATTEND SUPREME SESSION? OR WHAT WOULD BE REASONS FOR YOU TO ATTEND SUPREME SESSION?

The Action Team asked a number of ladies to give their input on why we should attend Supreme Session and what are their memorable experiences. Following are inputs from a number of ladies:

- ✓ Opportunity to meet the Supreme Queen and Supreme Officers
- ✓ To be a part of the excitement in hearing the new symbols representing Princess Badoura's year



- ✓ Listen to the accomplishments of Daughters of the Nile for the past year
- ✓ Chance to have a voice in new and exciting changes in Daughters of the Nile
- ✓ Attending is like going to a family reunion---reuniting with acquaintances/counterparts
- ✓ Experience the pageantry, color, variety, excitement, costumes and FUN of belonging to and performing with a unit
- ✓ Thrill of watching units perform and taking home new ideas to freshen-up Temple performances
- ✓ Meeting new Daughters of the Nile from USA and Canada and sharing ideas for gaining and retaining members, sewing projects, fund raisers, newsletters and social events
- ✓ Provides impetus to go back to their home temples and seek office to become a delegate in order to have a voting voice in passing legislation and electing future Supreme Queens

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- ✓ Expanding their knowledge through attending "Break-Out Sessions"
- ✓ Visiting different places in our beautiful country (USA and Canada)

SUGGESTION ON HOW TO ATTEND: Cost is definitely a factor, but a Temple could take a year to raise money to send representatives to Supreme Session. For those Temples not sending any ladies, could their Temple help financially support at least one, if not two or three ladies, to attend Supreme Session? The fundraiser could be as simple as recycling aluminum cans or having a 50/50 opportunity at session. The Temples could focus on a fundraiser aimed at off-setting the cost for Officers/Ladies of the Household Delegates to attend. Let's hope that after attending Supreme, they get the "bug" and become more involved and use Supreme Session as a networking tool for building their Temple! It has and will continue to happen!





RECOMMENDATION: ATTEND SUPREME SESSION 2011, Sand and Sea Fun in the Sun, Tampa, FL. Don't miss the fun, ladyship, love and laughter! Return your packets today!

ANOTHER OFFER----If you REALLY like bits or pieces of our newsletter, PLEASE take any of our newsletters and recycle them! Let us know, so that will keep us coming up with many more ideas! Also, you may request a topic for our website articles by emailing the Action Team!



EVEN MORE Reasons Why I Should Attend/ Experience Supreme Session



- Excitement
- E**Xcellence
- P**ositive action
- E**ducation
- R**ewards of the heart
- I**nspiration
- E**nrichment
- N**ew attitudes
- C**amaraderie
- E**ncouragement

- S**ocial networking
- U**nsurpassed fun
- P**ageantry
- R**enewed spirit
- E**nlightenment
- M**aking new friends
- E**xpanding Nile knowledge

