



# Meccazette

Oasis of Washington, Desert of D.C.  
1908 ~ Centennial Year ~ 2008  
Illustrious Commandress—Ada A. Whitley

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## The Centennial Year comes to a Close!

Tonight the gavel will sound on the end of the Centennial Year of Mecca Court No. 2, and the administration of Illustrious Commandress, *Ada A. Whitley*.

The anticipation of the milestone in our Court's history and how the plans were to unfold were met with great expectation in December of last year. There has been the launching of the website, calendars, tee-shirts, jackets, continuation of our charitable works, Joint Ball, and Centennial Celebration to keep us mindful of the impact we have in this community.

The chapter closes on the Centennial Year, but a new chapter is unfolding with the election of officers for 2009 and the new administration led by Illustrious Comman-

dress Elect *Sylvia L. Owens*. We commend IC Whitley for her contributions to Mecca Court this year .

Well done Dt. Whitley!!

*Merry Christmas!!!*



## Calendar of Events

### December 2008

8—**Mecca Court. Election Meeting, 7:00 PM, Ballroom.**

9—MWPHGL Memorial Service, 7:00 PM.

10—GTGC Memorial Service, 7:00 PM.

10-12—160th MWPHGL Annual Session.

11—MWPHGL Award Program, Washington Navy Yard/ 11-13—116th GTGC Annual Session.

20—77th Inaugural Address of MWGM, 9:00 AM, South Hall.

### JANUARY 2009

1—NEW YEARS DAY!  
HOLIDAY

3—Inaugural Address of GWM & GWP.

19—MARTIN LUTHER KING HOLIDAY

20—INAUGURATION DAY—DC HOLIDAY ONLY!

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**Deadline for Articles and Black & White Pictures for next issue—Friday before next Court Meeting January 27, 2009)**

### Special points of interest:

**Mint Hot Chocolate**

Weight Watchers©

6 Cup(s) fat-free skim milk  
 1/4 Cup(s) water  
 1/4 Cup(s) sugar  
 1/2 Cup(s) mint leaves  
 3-1/2 oz bittersweet chocolate  
 8 Tbsp Cool Whip Lite Whopping Topping

Pour milk into small saucepan and bring to a simmer over medium heat, about 5 minutes; cover and set-aside. (Or warm milk in microwave to take chill off—milk should be warmed; not cooked.)

In another saucepan, combine water, sugar and mint leaves; bring to a boil and boil for 1 minute. Reduce heat to medium-low and simmer for 5 minutes. Our mint syrup through a fine-meshed sieve or strainer into a larger saucepan.

Add chocolate to mint syrup and reduce heat to very low; melt chocolate, stirring constantly, about 1 or 2 minutes. (Do not allow chocolate to stick to bottom of pan or overcook.) When chocolate has just melted, add 1/3 cup of warmed milk and stir to combine, being careful that chocolate does not stick to bottom of pot. When chocolate and milk are completely combined, add remaining milk to pan; increase heat to medium-low and warm through. Pour into serving cups and top each serving with about 1-1/2 tablespoons of whipped cream; garnish with mint. Yields about 3/4 cup per serving.

POINTS® Value: 4

Servings: 8

Preparation Time: 6 minutes

Cooking Time: 10 minutes

## Black History Moment!

1850—Lucy Ann Stanton of Cleveland graduates from Oberlin College with a B.A. in literature.

1987—Kurt Schmoke becomes the first African-American Mayor of Baltimore.

## Good News and Other Blessings!

*Dt. Callie S. Coleman* will retire December 31, 2008, after 32 years as Sr. Credit and Collections Clerk at the Bureau of National Affairs.

*Dt. Coleman* was elected Loyal Daughter Ruler of Magnolia Council, Past Daughter Rulers/Elks for 2009

## Dues Reminder!

Daughters, if you have not paid your dues as of yet, please do so **before** you receive a letter from Ill. Recordress Aline S. Thomas!!!

If you were not present at the Thanksgiving Service or Feast of Isis, you owe an additional \$20.00 (\$10.00 fine for each activity).

If you want to get ahead in paying at least the per capita tax for next year's dues (2009), please pay a minimum of \$26.50 now.

All honorary Past Commandresses owe an additional \$7.00 with their dues.

Annual dues are **\$75.00**

Contact HPC Aline S. Thomas at 301/ 559-4606 for details concerning your dues status. Or drop it by her home at: 6004 Riggs Road, Hyattsville, MD 20783-3146.

Let us all resolve to ease the burden of the Court in paying the Imperial Court per capita tax, by paying your dues on time!!!

*The Court thanks you!!!!*