
Grand Court of Wisconsin Order of Amaranth Newsletter

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**Message from
Grand Royal Matron
Sondra Moore**

Time is flying, we have three months to our "Follow your Dreams" session -October 8, 9, & 10th. Our Grand Secretary, H.L. Sally Acuff, will be distributing the packets by the end of July, so if you don't receive yours be sure to contact her so she can get one to you.

We will be having ADVANCE Meetings-- starting in August.

Saturday, August 1	Hope Court #11
Monday, August 3	Milwaukee Court #2
Saturday, August 8	Friendship Court #14
Friday, August 14	Racine Laurel Court #6
Saturday, September 5	Madison Court #7

Please try to attend all the meetings and help all our courts with their Advance Nights. We all need help so come and have fun with us.

We had a wonderful time at Supreme Council and saw lots of friends there. Supreme Council awarded a certificate to the Grand Court of Wisconsin for Donations of \$26.26 per Member to Diabetes Research. This great amount that you raised and we are all proud of you.

If you have any questions or need additional information on any of the upcoming events or meetings, please let me know. I look forward to seeing you at the meetings.

Be safe on your travels, and we hope to see you at Grand Court. Don't forget our Wednesday, October 7 night to get together for supper at Buffalo Bills, by the Wintergreen Resort. Time is around 5:00 pm. No RSVP required. Just come and have a fun dinner with everyone. See you at our meetings and other activities.

**Message from
Grand Royal Patron
Nathan Moore**

We have been to Supreme Council to represent the Grant Court of Wisconsin and had a great time. I made a lot of friends and the time flew. Not much sleep until we got back home.--Know what it is to be "SLEEPLESS IN SEATTLE". It is a beautiful city.

We hope you all come to our GRM & GRP Reception, it will be a delicious meal, with entertainment for your enjoyment. We are also having the Old Fashion Garden Party on Aug. 9, at Delafield Brewhaus, with delicious food, starting at 1:00pm with Social Hour.

Again, Travel to all the Courts to help for our meetings. Thank you to all for the support to the 2014-15 Officers. Again travel with us and thank you for all you support.

See you when traveling with Amaranth! Travel safe.



Ole called the locksmith and said I locked my keys in the car and please hurry.

The Locksmith says what's your hurry?

Ole says because it's a convertible, the tops down and it looks like rain.

**Message from
Grand Associate Matron
Barbara Foster**

We are in the final weeks of the Ways and Means Raffle Ticket sales for the Waterford Chrystal and the Green Bay Packer football! Drawing will be August 8, 2015 before Fond du Lac's meeting. Please make a last push and sell all your tickets. **GOOD LUCK TO ALL TICKET HOLDERS!**

As I write this, we are half way through summer. It is going by too quickly. The first summer event was Supreme Council in Seattle. Wisconsin had a great turnout in attendance. The weather was beautiful and the fellowship priceless! Our next summer event will be the reception for our Grand Royal Matron and Grand Royal Patron. August brings Advanced Nights and the Garden Party. I hope your summer activities includes these fun events and I will see you there!

I am counting the days until Grand Court in October....

Hedgehog hugs,
HL Barb Foster, GAM

**Message from
Grand Conductress
Nancy Saggio**

Summer greetings. Hope you are all enjoying the summer sunshine and warm weather. Fall is approaching faster than I even want to think about, but for now, I look forward to seeing my tomatoes ripen and am looking forward to eating them off the vine like I did with my grandpa.

In the meantime, we been working hard to get our organization out from under the bushel basket. Our promotion board was at Grand Lodge and several gentlemen took information about our Order. The most impressive thing they learned was the amount of money we have earned and what the research has accomplished. The timing was good as I learned while there one of our Masonic Sisters who uses the insulin pump just received a new updated one that is used in or on the arm instead. She is very happy with it.

The board travelled to York Rite and again many were talked with about the Order and some interest was shown. Some there do belong, but didn't realize just how much this Order has helped those with diabetes. We had an ad in their Session book. They will have one in ours.

Our board will go to Dousman for Friends and Family on August 2nd. It was interesting that when I make the arrangements the lady in charge never heard of us. I had to spell our name. This is a Masonic facility and she didn't know about us. If this isn't a sign we need to promote ourselves, I don't know what is! Get out and talk about us, get that promotion board up in your Center for all to see and try for a story in your local paper.

Our ad book will be seeking sponsors soon. See if you can get support from those in your community. It would be great to earn some extra money for Grand Court and to promote our community stores.

Enjoy the rest of the summer and don't get too burned by the sun.

Nancy Saggio
Grand Conductress

**Message from
Grand Lecturer
Vicki Kuharske**

As Grand Lecturer this past year I conducted a School of Instruction hosted by Hope Court in January and was privileged to visit each of our courts officially during the month of March. Madison Court and Racine Laurel Court each initiated a new member with the help of members from other Courts. Congratulations on a job well done. Schools were conducted at Milwaukee Court, Hope Court, and Friendship Court. Thank you all for the meals and other courtesies extended to me and a special thank you to our GRM, Sondra, and our GRP, Nathan, for their support. If you have any questions concerning our Ritualistic Work please call me at 414-258-9048 or (C) 414-975-2203. My e-mail is vickikuharske@att.net. We need to continue to work together and please support our Courts as we have our advance nights.

Our Grand Court Session is fast approaching and all Grand Floor Officers need to memorize charges for the Opening, (pages 231-245) and review the Memorial Ceremony, (pages 251-257). Please be on time for all practices as noted in the official invitation for the "Follow Your Dreams" Session. I am looking forward to working with each of you as we strive to be Wisconsin proud.

Love and Hugs,
Vicki Kuharske, Grand Lecturer

**Message from
Milwaukee Court No. 2
Lila Kimball, RM
Michael Brus, RP**

We are looking forward to all the Advance nights coming up.

Also the Reception for H.L. Sondra and S.K. Nate's to be coming before the newsletter.

We need to plan on going to the "Old Fashioned Garden Party" which will be a good time to visit with every again!

Hope to see every real soon!
H.L. Lila Kimball and S.K. Mike
Milwaukee Court #2

**Message from
Racine Laurel Court No. 6
Amanda Hansen, RM
Ernest Anderson, RP**

Racine Laurel Court meets the second Friday of each month except January and February and our meetings start at 7:00 pm. We keep our meetings short to have fellowship after and still have our members home at a reasonable time. Why not join us.

Friday, August 14 - Advance Night - dinner at 6:00 pm, meeting at 7:00 pm. Cost of the dinner is \$10.00. Officers and visitors should be prepared to join us for a School of Instruction.

Friday, September 11 - Stated meeting 7:00 pm.

Saturday, October 3 - Budget, Inventory and Audit at 9:00 am; meeting at 10:00 am, Elections and Annual reports (meeting rescheduled as our stated meeting falls during Grand Court). Lunch to follow our 10:00 am meeting.

Friday, November 6 - Stated Meeting 6:00 pm; Installation of Officers for 2015-2016 at 7:30 pm. (Installation rescheduled to accommodate Grand Court of Minnesota).

**Message from
Madison Court No. 7
Gail Piper, RM
Jack Heady, RP**

Madison Court is preparing for fall and everything it will bring this year.

We are working on coordinating the "Masonic Family Reunion" which is scheduled to take place Friday, October 23rd at the Madison Masonic Center. This event is intended to provide all interested Masonic orders an opportunity to share information about their order and perhaps get some new members. We did a large mailing to the greater Wisconsin Masonic family in June so everyone could put the date on their calendars. We hope to have a nice turnout and representation of the many Masonic Orders in the state. Detail planning will continue this summer.

Also, later this fall we will be raising ways and means funds again by providing the lunch for the Craftacular event held in the Madison Masonic Center on Sat., Nov. 28th. We will also have a bake sale at the event!

Our upcoming meetings: Tuesday, July 21st at 7:30pm; Saturday, August 1st at 10am; Saturday, Sept. 5th at 10am. (September is Madison Court's Advance Night, so meeting start time might change to an earlier start depending on what will take place at that meeting.) In October we will meet the third Tuesday evening, Tuesday, Oct. 20th at 7:30pm. We would love to have you join us! You can always call H.L. Gail Piper at 608-242-9282 to confirm dates and times.

**Message from
Hope Court #11
Ruth Burns, RM
Norm Burns, RP**

No article submitted.

**Message from
Friendship Court #14
Nancy Saggio, RM
Leland Burlison, RP**

August 8th will be the drawing we have been waiting for! The Waterford and Packer football will go to some lucky ticket holder! Do you have your tickets yet? Have you sold your Tickets yet? Make sure you ask people other than members to buy some and try for the great prizes. Come for dinner at 6:00 pm. It is beat the heat summer fun. We will do the picnic thing with brats and hamburgers. Please RSVP to sultana313@charter.net by the 2nd of August.

An all Masonic Family will be held at N5109 Oak Hill Road on Wednesday August 26th. Prospective members of ANY of the appendant bodies is welcome to attend with you. A short presentation from the groups present will be done after dinner. 5:30 gathering, dinner about 6:00. Bring a dish to pass. Meat will be provided. Again, RSVP to sultana313@charter.net.

Hope to see many of you someplace soon!

DEADLINE FOR NEXT GRAND COURT NEWSLETTER IS OCTOBER 15 FOR ALL EVENTS FOR THE MONTHS OF NOVEMBER, DECEMBER 2015 AND JANUARY 2016.

**Message from
Sunshine Committee
Mary Schultz, Chairman**

Honored Ladies and Sir Knights: Please contact me when you know of someone in our Wisconsin Grand Court family or other jurisdictions that may be in need of sunshine. I can be contacted at 414-526-2715 or greeneyesgerman@wi.rr.com. Thank you.

**Help Stock Our Country Store
By H.L. Gail Piper**

As the person in charge of this year's Grand Court Country Store I am asking that in the next few weeks you think about how you might contribute this important fundraiser for Ways and Means. Summer is fleeing and before we know it we will be counting the days until Grand Court.

In the past some of the most popular items are things people can purchase as snacks while they are staying at the hotel during Grand Court. Our out-of-state visitors especially appreciate the array of items we sell. Examples include small loaves of bread, bags of edibles like "Chex Mix" and other snack foods, etc. If you are willing and able to prepare such items to be sold at the Country Store it would be very much appreciated. If your creative side urges you to craft interesting items that could be sold at our Country Store they, too, are more than welcome.

If at all possible please have your items priced and ready to put out and sell. You can drop your donated items off at the Country Store table when you stop by to register for Grand Court. If you are not attending Grand Court and want to donate some items to sell, perhaps someone from your court can deliver them for you.

We also invite and encourage everyone to stop by and shop at the Country Store in October. The money taken in is 100% profit for Grand Court Ways and Means, and we would love for you to participate!

Thank you for your past support of this project and for considering donating again this fall. If you have any questions please contact me at (608)242-9282 or gailpiper6@aol.com.

Wisconsin Amaranth Diabetes

Have you cleaned out your closets for those slightly used formals yet? If you have formals and Tux's/Suits that are in good shape but you know you will never wear again. Well I have a deal for you. Donate them to our Gently Used Gown and Tux/Suit Sale to benefit Amaranth Diabetes Foundation at our Grand Court Session in October.

In Amaranth Love and Service,
HL Diana Kifer
Diabetes Coordinator for Wisconsin

Advance Nights Grand Associate Matron And Grand Associate Patron

Milwaukee Court #2	August 3, 2015
Racine-Laurel Court #6	August 14, 2015
Madison Court #7	September 5, 2015
Hope Court #11	August 1, 2015
Friendship Court #14	August 8, 2015

(Please remember dates and times
are subject to change)

Garden Party
Sunday, August 9, 2015
Delafield Brewhaus
3832 Hillside Drive
Delafield, WI 53018

Grand Court of Wisconsin Order of the Amaranth Annual Session

October 8, 9 and 10, 2015
Wintergreen Resort and Conference Center
PO Box 296, 60 Gasser Road
Wisconsin Dells, WI 53965-0296
1-800-648-4765
Email: www.wintergreen-resort.com

Joke

BOX UNDER BED

When Bill and Hillary first got married Bill said, "I put a box under the bed. Promise me you will never look in it." In all their 30 years of marriage, Hillary never looked.

On the afternoon of their 30th anniversary, curiosity got the best of her and she lifted the lid and peeked inside. In it were 3 empty beer cans and \$81,874.25 in cash. She closed the box and put it back under the bed. Now that she knew what was in the box, she was doubly curious as to why there was such a box and with those contents.

That evening, they were out for a special anniversary dinner. After dinner, Hillary could no longer contain her curiosity and she confessed, saying, "I'm so sorry, Bill. For all these years, I kept my promise and never looked into the box under our bed. However, today the temptation was too much and I gave in. But now I need to know, why do you keep the 3 beer cans in the box?"

Bill thought for a while and said, "I guess after all these years you deserve to know the truth. Whenever I was unfaithful to you, I put an empty beer can in the box under the bed to remind myself not to do it again." Hillary was shocked, but thought, "Hmmm, Jennifer, Paula and Monica. And since I know he's addicted to sex, three times is not too bad. She said, OK Bill, I guess I can forgive you. Bill thanked her for being so understanding. They hugged and made their peace.

A little while later Hillary asked Bill, "So why do you have all that money in the box?" He answered, "Well, whenever the box filled up with empty cans, I took them to the recycling center."

**Note from
Grand Secretary
Sally A. Acuff**

I have been informed by the Supreme Secretary that approval has been given for the printing of the new Manual of Procedure. Members should contact their Subordinate Court secretary no later than August 3 if you wish to order a new manual. The Subordinate Court secretaries should then submit their count to H.L. Sally by August 4.

The paperwork for the Grand Court session in October has been distributed. If you did not get a copy of the paperwork please contact me.

MASONIC FAMILY REUNION

On Friday October 23, 2015 Madison Court is working on a "Masonic Family Reunion" to be held in Lodge room #2 at the Madison Masonic Center. Please put this date on your calendars. More details to follow after all our plans are made. We plan to bring a representative from each and every Masonic body together to "toot their horn" and explain what they do and why someone should join.

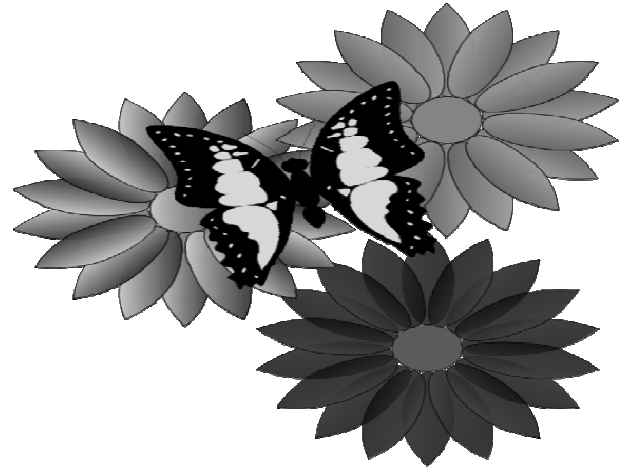
There are people out in the world that do not know what groups there are or what they are about, we hope to change that and work to bring unity within the family. This will be open to anyone and everyone so we can bring family and friends alike. This will be for the whole family.

If anyone has contact information for any of the bodies (such as Tall Cedars, National Sojourners, etc.) that are working within the State please let us know as we plan to contact the top leadership of each body to be the presenter if possible.

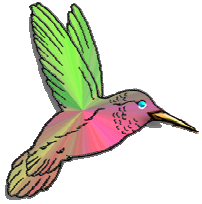
Dale Holman, Chairman
Barbara Lee Overton, Co-Chairman

**Garden Party
Delafield Brewhaus
Sunday, August 9, 2015**

If you are interested in attending the Garden Party I need to have your reservations in my hands by Tuesday, August 4. Any questions, please call Mary Schultz. Thank you.



A Patrolman had stopped Ole. As the Patrolman was talking to Ole he was bothered by these flies. The Patrolman says to Ole, what are these flies that are bothering me? Ole says they are circle flies. The Patrolman says circle flies, what are those? Ole says they circle around the rear end of a horse. Patrolman says are you calling me a horse's rear end? Ole says no sir, you are an officer I would never call you that, but you can't fool those flies.



I went to a Garden Party to reminisce with my old friends
A chance to share old memories and play our songs again....

(Ricky Nelson)

Come and smell the roses on Sunday, the 9th of August, 2015

Dinner will be served at two o'clock in the afternoon,

You, your family, friends, neighbors are all welcome

To attend the "Old Fashioned Garden Party"

The Hummingbird and Butterfly social begins (cash bar) at one o'clock:

A time for good friends, a time for good cheer

at

Delafield Brewhaus
3832 Hillside Drive
Delafield, WI 53018

You are greatly encouraged to dress for the occasion. The setting is the late 1800's for this "Old Fashioned Garden Party."

A luncheon buffet will be served including:

- Sliced Roast Beef
- Sliced Turkey
- Parsley Buttered Potatoes
- Tossed Salad
- Fresh Fruit
- Vegetable Medley
- Assorted Bars for Dessert

Included are hot rolls and butter, coffee, tea, and milk.

The cost is a mere \$20.00 per person and the proceeds will benefit the Amaranth Diabetes Foundation. (No refunds after August 1, 2015)

Please return the enclosed RSVP by August 1, 2015 with your payment
(checks to be made payable and sent to):

Mary J. Schultz
9170 South 41 Street
Franklin, WI 53132
414-526-2715 or greeneyesgerman@wi.rr.com



RSVP

Please complete the bottom half of the form, cut on dash line, and send with payment
(please remember no refunds after August 1, 2015):

Mary J. Schultz
9170 South 41 Street
Franklin, WI 53132
414-526-2715 or greeneyesgerman@wi.rr.com

Directions to Delafield Brewhaus:

From Milwaukee:

Just 35 minutes from Milwaukee! Take I-94 west and exit on Hwy 55 in Pewaukee. Stay on the north side service drive (Golf Road) heading west. At the third stop sign (Hwy. E) turn left; go under the expressway and take the first right turn (Hillside Drive). We're at the top of hill on the left.

From Madison:

Take I-94 east and exit on Hwy 83 in Delafield. Turn right, heading south. Turn left at the second traffic light (Hillside Drive) Go past the theater and Home Depot, we're at the top of the hill on the right.

Name(s): _____

Number Attending: _____

Amount Paid: _____