# Grand Court of Wisconsin Order of Amaranth Newsletter

Volume 13, Issue 2

February, March and April 2019



Message from Grand Royal Matron Cheri Brus

Hello everyone:

Happy New Year to all of you. I hope you all had a great holiday. I know I did. Spending time with family is always fun. Soon we will have to think about getting back to business. In the meantime enjoy the time off, relax and recuperate. I know as of right now we have been pretty lucky in the snow fall. I know it's coming but I personally would rather it didn't. To those that love the snow I am sorry it hasn't come as of this minute but it will. Be patient.

Okay the month of March we will have our school of instruction with H.L. Barb. Foster. I would appreciate all that can make it please do so.

The date is Sat. March 30. Time will be 8:45 am to sign in. I will have coffee and some type of refreshment. The school will start at approximately 9 am. It will be held at McKinley Lodge. There will be a \$5 collection so we can order pizza for lunch. We are hoping to make it an early afternoon. April will be the Grand Lecturer's visits.

If there is any one that would be willing to assume the duties of the Grand Fraternal Correspondent and or run the craft table please let me know as soon as possible otherwise I will be making some phone calls.

I have papers that tell what the duties are and will pass them on to you. Also speaking of craft table I am calling all crafters to help by making some things that we can sell at the craft table. The money goes to ways and means. You would the items with you when you come up for Grand Court.

I am looking forward to getting to as many courts as I can during the year. So I will see you soon and everyone please look forward to more information in the next issue as I will be getting the Lake Geneva cruise organized and I know that Grand Royal Patron is planning a Pirate Party.

See you around and please keep warm and when the weather is nasty please be safe and drive carefully.

Cheri Brus Grand Royal Matron

#### Message from Grand Royal Patron Robert Miksch

Honored Ladies and Sir Knights:

Seems like I just wrote up my last article for the newsletter. Throw in a few holidays and snow and the time flies by. I hope everyone had a great Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Year's.

I really thought we were going to have a mild winter, but Mother Nature has other ideas. Snow and cold and artic blasts Oh My (and I thought lion, tigers and bears were bad). Make sure you stay nice and warm in the coming months.

We are in the planning stages for the Pirate's Banquet at the Delafield Brewhaus on June 9, 2019. This event is open to everyone, bring your friends and family. Pirate costumes are encouraged, and I already have a PRIZE for the best Pirate outfit. More to come out on this as the finer details are planned out. Remember June 9th!!!!!

Not much more to say for this newsletter.

Grand Royal Patron, Bob

This is about where I would stick a joke, however I will continue to place the joke(s) in the Humor column, so look for some good and some not so good jokes there. I challenge anyone to also supply a joke to Honored Lady Mary for the Humor column (we could use some "better" jokes "grin"). Until the next time, keep safe!

#### Message from Grand Associate Matron Betty Miller

Thank you everyone for your expressions of sympathy and prayers at the time of my husband's (S.K. H. Jon Miller) passing. My family enjoyed meeting many of you at visitation. It put a face with a name. It was very much appreciated.

LeRoy and I are selecting members to be a part of our Grand Family. When approached please give our request serious consideration. Our members are getting older and the number of eligible H.L. and S.K. are also diminishing. If you would be interested in holding a certain position, please let LeRoy or I know.

Leadership and school of instruction are being held Saturday March 30. This is for EVERYONE. It is very worthwhile. We can all learn something new. See you there.

Have a safe winter. Spring is really not far away- 2 Months.

H.L. Betty Miller, GAM

### Message from Grand Associate Patron Leroy Kifer

No Article Submitted

#### Message from Lila Kimball Grand Conductress

Hope your New Year is going great. We are looking forward to the Grand Lecturer's visits starting in March. Then we start the Grand Royal Matron's visits. Several of our members visited other Grand Court's always great seeing the work done by the Grand Officers. Looking forward to seeing everyone again. Stay warm and enjoy the New Year

Grand Conductress Lila Kimball

#### Message from LuAnn Hansen, PGRM

Happy New Year to one and all. I hope that you were all able to celebrate the holidays with family and friends. Our family enjoyed the arrival of Steve and my first grandchild – Thea Rose Hansen arrived on December 21<sup>st</sup>. She is the daughter of our son Christopher and his wife Maria.

There is an ad in the newsletter about a van going to Supreme Council. If you would like to share in this please get your reservations in by March 1<sup>st</sup>.

My Dad, SK Ernest Anderson is planning on going to Supreme. He would appreciate a roommate. If anyone is interested, please contact me. He already has a room reserved.

I hope to see all of you as we begin to travel again. H.L. LuAnn Hansen

> Message from Milwaukee Court No. 2 Vicki Kuharske, RM Robert Mehle, RP

No Article Submitted

Message from Racine Laurel Court #6 Amanda Grunewald, RM A. Gene Hass, RP

Friday, March 8, 2019: This is our green meeting to celebrate the luck of the Irish. Happy St. Patrick's Day. Come join us for some Irish festivities beginning at 6:00 pm for dinner. Free will donation. Stated meeting at 7:00 pm.

Friday, April 12, 2019: Grand Lecturer's Visit. We will have a dinner at 6:00 pm and our meeting begins at 7:00 pm.

Racine Laurel Court meets the second Friday of each month (except for January and February) and our meetings start at 7:00 pm.

Fraternally, Amanda and Gene

Message from Madison Court No. 7 Barbara Lee Overton, RM Dale Holmen, RP

No Article Submitted

# Message from Friendship Court No. 14 Diana Kifer, RM Leland Burleson, RP

Saturday, March 9<sup>th</sup> meeting (this meeting will possibly be changed.)

Sunday, April 7<sup>th</sup> Grand Lecturer Visit at 1:00 PM. Lunch at noon. (Note Date Change)

Please call before attending our meetings to make sure there are no changes.

HL Diana Kifer, RM SK Leland Burlison, RP

DEADLINE FOR NEXT GRAND COURT NEWSLETTER IS APRIL 15 FOR ALL EVENTS FOR THE MONTHS OF MAY, JUNE, AND JULY 2019

### School of Instruction Leadership Training

Hi everyone this notification that our school of instruction will now be Sat. Mar. 30, 2019. Please bring your ritual and the Manual of Proceedings. We will be using these books.

The doings will be held at McKinley Lodge, 4550 North Pilgrim Road. There will be coffee and some kind of breakfast meal at 8:30 am. We will start promptly at 9 am. We will order pizzas for lunch at a cost of \$5 per person. I would appreciate a RSVP by March 6 so I can get a count on how many pizzas need to be ordered.

Call me, Cheri Brus, at 262-332-7812 or email me at cheribrus@gmail.com.

#### Do You Have Your Body Parts?

H.L.'s and S.K"s,

Remember to collect your body parts when you attend any Amaranth function, this includes your own meetings! IF you do not have the packet, because you were not at Grand Court, let me know and I will get one to you. If you were not at Grand court, you are still able to participate as awards will be given in several areas. See your court secretary for that body part. The next event is Leadership in March.

See you there!

Nancy Saggio

# Are you going to Supreme Council in St. Louis? Would you like to share a ride?

I am looking at renting a passenger van to take several of us to St. Louis in June. I already have 5 people interested.

The cost is \$85 per person which helps cover the cost of the van and the fuel down and back.

We would leave very early on Saturday, June 29<sup>th</sup> and return on Friday, July 5<sup>th</sup>.

If you would like to travel this way, reservations are due with a check for \$50 by March 1<sup>st</sup> to H.L. LuAnn Hansen, N6271 Paradise Dr., Burlington, WI 53105.

#### Ways and Means Craft Table

Would all the courts that have crafters and or bakers please help us out for ways and means.

We need some homemade items that we can sell at convention for ways and means. It doesn't need to be anything big or a lot of one item. A variety would be nice. We could also use some baked goods to sell

at the table for little snacks for the members and guests.

All this money that is raised will go to the ways and means. Please remember it is up to all the courts to help with this project.

Thank you

# 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 <a href="mailto:greeneyesgerman@wi.rr.com">greeneyesgerman@wi.rr.com</a>. Thank you.



The Humor Column

#### Submission from Robert Miksch

Not another blond joke (Oh Yeah)

Jack, a handsome man, walked into a sports bar around 9:58 pm. He sat down next to this blonde at the bar and stared up at the TV as the 10:00 news came on. The news crew was covering a story of a man on a ledge of a large building preparing to jump.

The blonde looked at Jack and said, "Do you think he'll jump?"

Jack says, "You know what, I bet he will." The blonde replied, "Well, I bet he won't." Jack placed \$30 on the bar and said, "You're on!"

Just as the blonde placed her money on the bar, the guy did a swan dive off of the building, falling to his death. The blonde was very upset and handed her \$30 to Jack, saying, "Fair's fair... Here's your money."

Jack replied, "I can't take your money, I saw this earlier on the 5 o'clock news and knew he would jump."

The blonde replies, "I did too; but I didn't think he'd do it again."

Jack took the money.

#### MOOSE HUNT

Two hunters named Stosh and Thad, hired a pilot to fly them into the Canadian wilderness, where they managed to bag two big Bull Moose.

As they were loading the plane to return, the pilot said the plane could take only the hunters, their gear and one Moose.

The hunters objected strongly saying, "Last year we shot two, and the pilot let us take them both...and he had exactly the same airplane as yours."

Reluctantly the pilot, not wanting to be outdone by another bush pilot, gave in and everything was loaded.

However, even under full power, the little plane couldn't handle the load and went down, crashing in the wooded wilderness.

Somehow, surrounded by the moose, clothing and sleeping bags, Stosh and Thad survived the crash.

After climbing out of the wreckage, Thad asked Stosh, "Any idea where we are?"

Stosh replied, "I think we're pretty close to where we crashed last year."













### RRRRRR, There be Pirates here at the:

#### Wisconsin Grand Court Renaissance Feast!

Let it be known that on Sunday, the 9th Day of June
In the year of the realm two thousand and nineteen
Dinner to be served at two o'clock in the afternoon,
You, your family and friends' presence is humbly requested
(or walk the plank)

Pillaging and feasting to begin with libations (cash bar) at one o'clock at:

Delafield Brewhaus 3832 Hillside Drive Delafield, WI 53018

We are planning an event to entertain you as if you were the Captain and First Mate. You are greatly encouraged to dress up as your favorite lord, lady, **pirate** or saucy wench or other renaissance figure.











