
Grand Court of Wisconsin Order of Amaranth Newsletter

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Message from Grand Royal Matron Mary Schultz

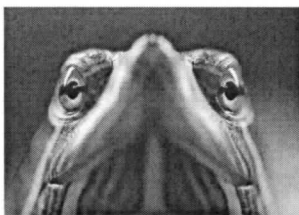
Our official visits are now complete. Thank you to each and every one of our Wisconsin members for traveling to other courts and stepping in to fill stations when asked. Thank you to each court for the dinners, flowers, honorary memberships and monetary gifts. I am truly humbled by your love and support for myself and for the Order of the Amaranth.

It is important to read the messages from each Court. These messages contain information about their upcoming events and meetings.

Lots of additional information about upcoming events is enclosed in the newsletter as well. Paint for Diabetes, Country Fair. GRM and GRP Reception and the Market Day. Please take note of the deadlines and I hope to see you at many of these activities.

If at anytime you need to contact me please call my cell phone at 414-526-2715 at any time or email me at greeneyesgerman@wi.rr.com. I am here to offer my assistance and try to answer any of your questions.

Hope to see all of you along our Wagon Trail of Events and remember to Live, Laugh and Love.



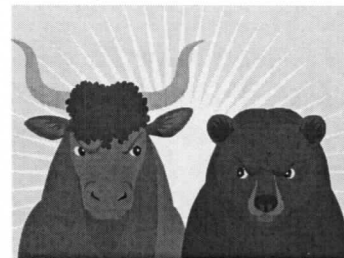
Message from Grand Royal Patron LeRoy Kifer

Honored Ladies and Sir Knights.

Thank you. Thank you, Thank you. To all the members of this Grand Court for all the courtesies extended to me during all of the Grand Royal Matron visits. The meals and flowers were great and I did appreciate them all very much. The honorary memberships given to me will be cherished for a life time.

We as a Grand Court need to find a few members. Talk up what Amaranth means to you to your friends in other Masonic organizations. Tell them all about the fun that we have and the good times that they are missing. There is enough time in next few months to get them a petition and have them ready for the upcoming advance nights where the initiation ceremony is done. I think that it would be great to have candidates for advance night. Let's see what can happen.

The Grand Court will have a lot of opportunities for all members to gather together and have lots of fun this summer. Many of these events are open and can be attended by your family or friends. This is just one way to show what Amaranth is all about. Please plan to attend as many of these as you possibly can and join us for fun, fellowship and of course many laughs.



**Message from
Grand Associate Matron
Laura Dessereau**

It's spring! It feels so good to be out in the fresh air and sunshine. I hope everyone gets outside and enjoys the spring-time weather.

Are you as excited as I am about the upcoming events our Grand Royal Matron Mary and Grand Royal Patron LeRoy have scheduled? Please plan on attending all (or a few) of these fun events as this is a good time to see each other and catch up on other courts events.

I hope you have all had the opportunity to think/sign up for the fall Market Day in Fond du Lac. Let's pull together to make Mary and LeRoy proud.

I'm also looking forward to the "Paint for Diabetes" Day on May 19. Be sure to sign up for this.

If you have accepted a position for next year at Grand Court, please get your dress order in as Kris at Odeon special ordered the color of material I wanted and would like to start sewing them. Call me if you have any questions.

Remember when we joined this Order and stood at the altar? I would encourage everyone to go over the Initiation as a reminder of who and what we are.

I look forward to all the fun festivities Mary and LeRoy have planned for us and hope to see you out there, too!

In God's Grace
Laura R. Dessereau
Grand Associate Matron

**Message from
Grand Associate Patron
Mike Brus**

Honored Ladies and Sir Knights:

I wish to thank everyone for your support. The fund raising for the popcorn is done. We made a profit of \$249. Thank you one and all for trying a new avenue of Ways and Means. It should be coming within the

next week or 2 and we will get it to you as soon as possible.

We also have raffle tickets for the sterling silver plate set which includes a tray, coffee pot, creamer, sugar dish and cake server, a soft fleece throw with black bears on it and a meal package of one set for Grand Court. It consists of a ticket for three meals. They are a dollar a piece of 6 for 5 dollars. The drawing will be held 9-8-12 at Friendship Court after the meeting.

We have the 50/50 raffle and the smiling clown donations for the Ways and Means.

Hope to see you on the wagon trail,

Mike Brus
Grand Associate Patron

**Message from
Grand Conductress
June Potts**

H.L. Sondra and I appreciate the support the membership has been giving us in our endeavors to raise funds for Ways and Means with our raffle. Remember, you can choose among three different items - a set of meal tickets for Grand Court (banquet, breakfast and lunch), a beautiful throw with a large black bear, or a silver 5-piece tea service with an additional cake server. We will be carrying tickets to every function, so be sure to see us if you need tickets. The cost is just \$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00.

There is much happening in Amaranth this spring, so hop on the wagon train and keep up with H.L. Mary and S.K. LeRoy. They've set a fast pace for us!

**Message from
Grand Associate Conductress
Sondra Moore**

Please don't forget to purchase raffle tickets there are \$1 a piece or 6 for \$5 you get to choose from 3 prizes Drawing Sept. 8, 2012. You do not have to be present to win. Show your support

HAVE A GREAT SUMMER!!! Happy Trails!

**Message from
Milwaukee Court No. 2
Vicki Kuharske, RM
Warren Krueger, RP**

Dear Honored Ladies and Sir Knights:

We have finished the hard work for the year and Milwaukee Court No. 2 wishes to thank all of you for helping us at our meetings. You made us look good and your attendance at our "Dining for Diabetes", and Friends Night in February helped us to raise over \$200.00 for the Amaranth Diabetes Foundation. Since we met in January and February we will not have a meeting in either July or August but we hope to see you at all Grand Court events.

We will have our memorial service and honor mothers at our 7:30 PM meeting on May 7, 2012 and if you are able to help us out please let RM Vicki know and arrive at 7:00 PM for practice. We will also remember those who have died in the service of our country.

You are all invited to attend our Advance night on June 4, 2012 when H.L. Pamela Padgett will advance to the throne and we will welcome our own H.L. Laura Dessereau, Grand Associate Matron, and S.K. Michael Brus, Grand Associate Patron. We will have a dinner to honor these officers at 6:00 PM at a cost of \$9.00. Reservations should be made by June 1, 2012 with H.L. Vicki, 414-258-9048. Please say yes if asked to serve as an officer that night. We all need to help each other for the good of our beautiful order.

Love and friendship,
H.L. Vicki Kuharske, RM
S.K. Warren Krueger, RP

**Message from
Racine Laurel Court No. 6
Michelle Varelas, RM
Robert Miksch, RP**

Racine Laurel Court meets the second Friday of each month and our meetings start at 7:00 pm. We keep our meetings short to have our fellowship after and

still have our members home at a reasonable time. Why not join us.

Our next meeting is on Friday, May 11 which like all the Amaranth courts will have our Memorial Ceremony. We will have a short rehearsal at 6:30 pm to walk through this important ceremony. Ladies please wear white formals or skirts and blouses.

Our June meeting is on Friday, June 8 and our July meeting is on Friday, July 13.

**Message from
Madison Court No. 7
Barbara Lee Overton, RM
LaVerne Storkson, RP**

We have been officially visited by our Grand Lecturer and the Grand Royal Matron and Grand Royal Patron. They were very pleasurable as we had the help of many members from the other Courts in Wisconsin . . . for which we give hearty thanks.

On May 22nd we will be honoring the Honored Ladies and Sir Knights who have been called to their eternal home. Honored Ladies who are officers, please wear white gowns. We hope that many of our members will join us to pay tribute to our departed members whom we will miss and who will remain "Sweet in Our Memories".

Our June 19th meeting we will be doing a "Fruit Basket Upset". Please bring your Rituals and be ready for an evening of fun and fellowship.

We will have "Friends Night" at our July 17th meeting. Members of Madison Court please ask a friend from another Court to be your friend.

August 21st will be Advance Night.
September 18th is a stated meeting.

If you know of anyone needing sunshine please contact H.L. Barbara Overton at (608) 271-8703 or H.L. Marilyn Osterlie at (608) 655-4930.

H.L. Barbara Lee Overton, Royal Matron
S.K. Laverne Storkson, Royal Patron

**Message from
Hope Court No. 11
Sondra Moore, RM
Nathan Moore, RP**

Howdy Honored Ladies and Sir Knights:

Hope Court has changed plans there will be no Advance Night or potluck on the May 5, 2012 meeting. This meeting will start at 1:30 pm. There will be a Memorial Service and honor Mothers' day. Ladies please wear white.

We need to discuss our court and the future of our court. We will be discussing this at the meeting on May 5. Please come and give us your thoughts. If you are unable to make this meeting, please mail your thoughts to myself or the secretary. Please come and show your support. We need you! We hope many of our special friends from other courts will join us for fun and fellowship.

June 2012, we will honor Fathers Day and Hope Court's birthday. We will be out of town for a family wedding and will either have to reschedule the June meeting or pro-tem Nathan, mine and Colleen's stations. This will be discussed at the May 5 meeting as well.

July 7, 2012 there will be a potluck at noon (if you do not bring a dish to pass meal will be \$5). The meeting will be at 1:30 pm. This is our Advance night.

See you along the Amaranth Trail!

**Message from
Friendship Court No. 14
June Potts, RM
Phillip Kifer, RP**

May 12 is our Memorial meeting. We will also honor Mother's Day. Remember ladies wear white. June 9 we will celebrate Flag Day and Father's Day. July 14 will celebrate Independence Day.

All meetings start at 7:00 p.m., preceded by a dinner at 6:00. Our July meeting will feature a picnic-style dinner. Please be sure to make reservations for the

dinners so we can know how much food to prepare. Our Advance Night will be in August.

**Message from
Grand Lecturer
H.L. Marilyn Osterlie**

I wish to thank all the Honored Ladies and Sir Knights for the courtesies and friendship extended to me at my official visits. My hope was that some where in the instruction some of your questions were answered. I must compliment the courts for their support of each other. We are all hurting for officers, therefore above all; we need to be patient and helpful.

Advance Nights are coming up. The Ritual says "the advancing officers shall do the Opening, Roll Call, Escort, Initiation and Closing." The lectures should be given just to keep the flow of the events on cue. If there are no candidates, the lengthy lecturers of the AP and H.L.'s of the square may be shortened. The work of our Order is beautiful and impressive, so do the best you can, but certainly do not feel intimidated or discourages.

I will be doing the instruction at Grand Court for the opening and during the session, so if you have any questions, please let me know.

Enjoy Amaranth's friendship and fellowship and remember to **SMILE**.

AMARANTH PASSPORT

Remember to have your passport with you almost all of the time. Maybe tuck your passport in your ritual. You can earn a sticker by attending the events that are listed in your passport and also by attending and participating in events that may not be listed in your passport. Stickers may be earned when visiting another court and if you protem at that court as well. However, you may not earn a sticker when attending your own court or proteming in your own court. Carry your passport along the Amaranth Wagon Trail to earn your stickers.



A few more members without special jobs at Grand Court.

I would like to thank all of you who agreed to be a page. We can use a few more if you are available.

Requirements are to carry your happy Amaranth Smile at all times, wear a Pastel formal and comfortable shoes.

If I miss talking to you, please call me.

Laughter and friendship,

Joyce, Grand Page
262-886-5806

DEADLINE FOR NEXT GRAND COURT NEWSLETTER IS JULY 15 FOR ALL EVENTS FOR THE MONTHS OF AUGUST, SEPTEMBER AND OCTOBER.

Paint for Diabetes

Saturday, May 19, 2012
9:30 am to 1:00 pm
Memorial United Methodist Church
3450 South 52 Street
Greenfield, WI 53219

Country Faire

Sunday, June 10, 2012
Activities and Social begin at 12:30 pm
Dinner at 2:00 pm
Delafield Brewhaus
3832 Hillside Drive
Delafield, WI 53018

Supreme Council Order of the Amaranth

115th Assembly
June 24-27, 2012
Doubletree Hotel
Toronto Airport, Ontario Canada

Advance Nights

Monday, June 4, 2012	Milwaukee Court #2
Saturday, July 7, 2012	Hope Court #11
Friday, August 10, 2012	Racine Laurel Court #6
Saturday, August 11, 2012	Friendship Court #14
Tuesday, August 21, 2012	Madison Court #7

Western Hoedown

**Grand Royal Matron and
Grand Royal Patron Reception**

Sunday, August 19, 2012
Fond du Lac Masonic Center
500 West Arndt Street
Fond du Lac, WI 54935

Market Day

Sunday, September 16, 2012
10:00 am to 3:00 pm
Fond du Lac Masonic Center
500 West Arndt Street
Fond du Lac, WI 54935

**Grand Court of Wisconsin
Order of the Amaranth
Annual Session**

October 11, 12 and 13, 2012
Wintergreen Resort and Conference Center
PO Box 296, 60 Gasser Road
Wisconsin Dells, WI 53965-0296
Email: www.wintergreen-resort.com

This issue of the Wisconsin Grand Court Newsletter has been paid for through donations by the membership of Madison Court #7.

Brussels Sprouts with Pine Nuts

Submitted by Gail Piper

3 - 5 T olive oil (as needed)

1-1/2 lbs fresh Brussels sprouts, halved

1 C broth (I use low salt chicken)

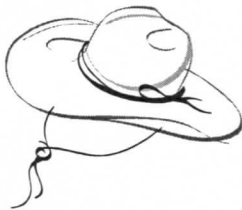
2 shallots, minced

1 T fresh marjoram, chopped (can use dried basil & thyme instead)

1/3 C whipping cream

- Put 2 T* oil in skillet and lightly brown sprouts; add broth & cover. Simmer until sprouts are almost tender (about 7 mins). Uncover and simmer until broth evaporates (about 5 mins).
- Meanwhile in a second shallow pan, brown chopped shallots in 1 T* oil until tender. Add marjoram and cream. Add shallots, marjoram and cream to sprouts and stir until sprouts are coated. In that same pan and leftover oil, gently brown the pine nuts. Then stir in to sprouts.

*Note: use more oil as needed for any of the steps.



Jam and Jelly Jars

Remember when Chris Christiansen made jams and jellies? Remember how yummy they were? What did you do with the empty jar? Well...if you see that empty jar just sitting around collecting dust, why not pack it up and bring it to your next Amaranth function and give it back to Chris. Chris is coming back into the jam and jelly business and is looking for jars. Donations of jars is greatly appreciated as well.

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 FLAG STANDARD
 BREAD TRUTH
 SALT FAITH
 OBLIGATION WISDOM
 STANDARD CHARITY

We will have a booth at Wisconsin Grand Chapter Items are needed Stop By and Shop

We will have the following at the booth.

Raffle: We will be raffling off 2 wildlife prints, 1 afghan, 1 Juke Box which is MP3 ready with a CD Player and AM/FM Radio, and a 1 night stay plus 2 Banquet ticket to be used at the 2012 Grand Court Session. Tickets will be \$1.00 each and 6 for \$5.00.

Dresses and Accessories:



We will have on sale, for a donation, gently worn formal and accessories. Stop by and check it out.



If you have a formal or accessories that you will not be needing please bring them to Grand Chapter and donate them for Diabetes.

Marty Merry Card Makers Cards:



We still have a variety of cards for \$2.00 each. Stop by and stock up. You never know when you are in need of cards.



Crafter Corner:

Stop by and check out the beautiful hand-made item made by our very own, HL Joyce Kupper and HL Marion Doerr.

We are also looking for new crafted items. also baked goods
or party mix, etc.
Items may be dropped off at the booth or give a call so arrangements
can be made to pick up items.

Future Upcoming Events Mark your Calendars

Paint to Beat Diabetes: Saturday, May 19, 2012 - 9:30 am to 1:00 pm
Memorial United Methodist Church - 3450 South 52 Street - Greenfield, WI 5321

Country Faire: Sunday, June 11, 2012 - Activities and Social begin at 12:30 pm
Dinner at 2:00 pm - Delafield Brewhaus - 3832 Hillside Drive - Delafield, WI 53018

Market Place: Join us for the 2nd annual Market Place
September 16, 2012 from 10:00 to 3:00 at the Fond du Lac Masonic Center.

Just a quick from your Diabetes Coordinator. Thank you to all who have contributed in any way to this year's efforts in raising funds for Diabetes. You are all the best. Wisconsin can be proud of the terrific job it has done. Again Thank you the members for you continued support. It means more than words can express.

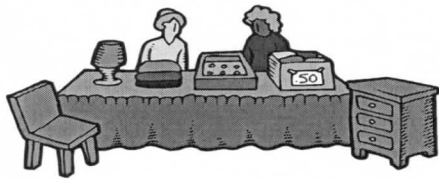
In Amaranth Love and Service
H. L. Diana L. Kifer
Diabetes Coordinator

Paint to Beat Diabetes

On May 19 we will be having a Ceramic for Diabetes event. Attendees will have the opportunity to make a Zig Zag plate. All supplies will be provided to complete this project. The cost of the Zig Zag plate project is \$20.00. Once you have completed your Zig Zag plate, you will have another opportunity to make a lace vase in either green or orange. The cost of this vase project will be \$10.00. Space is limited to 20 people so reservations are a must and need to be made with H.L. Marion Doerr at 414-541-3306 by May 14.



Market Day Event



Grand Court of WI, Order of the Amaranth is looking for vendors for their "Market Day" on Sunday, September 16, 2012. The "Market Day" will run from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. and be held at the

**Fond du Lac Masonic Center
located at 500 West Arndt St.
Fond du Lac, WI 54935**

Booth rentals are \$30.00 for a 12ft x 12ft booth. Booths are assigned on a first response, first pick. We will also have a bake sale and concessions.

All booth rental fees will benefit the Amaranth Diabetes Foundation. If you are interested, please call 414-526-2715 and we will be happy to send you more details.

