# Grand Court of Wisconsin Order of Amaranth Newsletter

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Message from H.L. Lila Kimball, GRM

Honored Ladies and Sir Knights,

Hope all are well as several members have gotten sick., after Tennessee. Allen and Stella both got sick had to go home from Missouri.

When you get this Newsletter the Grand Lecturer visits will have been over.

May Memorials will be held and we are to wear white formals and the Sir Knights their tux.

June will bring Grand Royal Matron and Grand Royal Patron visits.

Looking forward on seeing everyone again.

HL Lila J. Kimball, GRM



## Message from S.K. Dale Holmen, GRP

Well, they say it is spring but it is hard to believe by the looks of the weather. The Calendar tells me it is Easter this weekend, so that is a good sign of spring for sure.

We are back to meeting, and as of this point most of our Courts have held their Grand Lecturer visits. Next, we will be having our Grand Royal Matron visits. They will all be held in June and I do plan to attend all of them at this point in time.

In February we held our first fun event to raise funds for the Amaranth Diabetes fund when we went golfing (mini) in February. We raised \$ 42.00. Thank you to all who attended and tried to look graceful with a putter in their hand.

The next one will be on August 28 and will be a "Command Performance of Old Time Radio". You will not want to miss this one. More details will be forth coming, but please mark down the date so you will be able to join in on the fun.

Just a little note on my travels this year. So far, I have attended five Grand Courts and will be going to the 6th one next week. In July, I plan on attending Supreme in Tulsa, OK. There are three Grand Courts I plan to attend before our own Grand Court Session in October. To say the least, it has been a busy spring for me. I do hope you are able to do some traveling if you wish. It has been a slow go for the past couple of years.

See you on the Amaranth train of life at the next stop.

SK Dale Holmen

**Grand Royal Patron** 

### Message from Amanda Grunewald, GAM

Hello Wisconsin Amaranth,

I hope this article finds you well as we get back in to the swing of our meetings. I have seen many of you along the trail already. I recently heard that Fond Du Lac was growing by two. I am so very excited for you and congratulations to the new members. I look forward to attending the Grand Royal Matron and Grand Royal Patron visits in June.

Sir Knight Jameson and I have been slowly starting to make some plans for the 2022-2023. We have begun the process of selecting our officers for the next year and those letters were sent out in the middle of March. Please make sure to respond no later than May 1<sup>st</sup>. I look forward to the next several months as we begin to finalize things.

For those of you who are planning on attending Supreme Session this July, I need to know who is planning on going to the Jurisdictional Breakfast. The breakfast is \$30 per person. I need the reservation before June 1<sup>st</sup> so that I can send the money to the proper person. Please make checks out to myself,

Amanda Grunewald. I will not be able to attend Supreme Session this year due to work conflicts. I hope you all have fun and I will see you along the Amaranth Trail.

Amaranth Love, Amanda

## Message from Jamison Kifer, GAP

Happy Spring, Honored Ladies and Sir Knights! On May 14th, Friendship Court No.14 will be initiating 2 candidates and I am personally inviting you to attend and enjoy! 7:00 start! Growth is extremely important for our Order to continue its existence!!! We need to look for men and women who find the same values as us to join the ranks or we might disappear into history. Contact HL Nancy, RM or myself and let me know if you can attend. Dinner is at 6:00 and is a potluck or \$5. The memorial service will be performed as well and we would love see as many smiling faces as possible.

As we move forward, we need to be truthful about our actions, have faith in one another, be wise with our decisions, and be charitable in our efforts and with our time. Try to travel to other courts, I would if work allowed that, but when you drive semi and roughly 450-500 miles a day and have 15-20 deliveries/pickups to do, it makes it hard. Bring up traveling as a group to carpool and save on fuel! Plan a membership event for the court! GRP Dale and I will be at Grand Lodge in June promoting Amaranth! I would hope the enthusiasm we can give to our Lodge brothers will be transported to your court should they decide to join. Put personal issues aside and look to the tenets of the Order!

HL Christin and I hope you had a Great Easter, travel safe and healthy, and hope to see you down the tracks!

S.K. Jamison E. Kifer, GAP

## Message from Cheri Brus, GC

Hello Everyone,

I don't know about all of you but I think Spring has finally sprung. The trees are starting to bud and the grass is starting to green up. Looking forward to Summer.

Not much going on for the Grand Conductress. So I will just send out some reminders. May is the month for Memorials. June is the Grand Royal Matron/Patron visits. July is Supreme Session in Oklahoma. I will be there and I hope some of you will be able to make it to Oklahoma. A good time will be had by all and who knows you might even learn something. I hope to see everyone out and about. Enjoy your Summer.

Cheri Brus, Grand Conductress

# Message from Mary Lubach, GAC

Hi this is H.L. Mary Lubach part of Mary Squared. Hope everyone is having a good Spring. The birds are back, the Flowers are up. May is our Memorial Month Please remember our Members who have left us. Hope to see you at the various Courts.

Mary GAC

### Message from Milwaukee Court No. 2 Sue Udhardt, RM Gene Hass, RP

Our next meeting will be May 2 which is our Memorial Service and our Grand Lecturer visit. H.L. Ladies please wear white and S.K. wear your Tuxedo. Also we need members from other Court to join us and help us out. Please call me at 1-414-421-0582 or I will call you to help us. Our meeting starts at 7 PM.

June 6 Our meeting will be Our Grand Royal Matron's Official Visit, accompanied by the Grand Royal Patron. We will have a dinner prior to our meeting. We do need help from other members. Join us for supper. Please call me if you would like to come for dinner.

July we will let you know what day will be meeting because our regular meeting falls on 4th of July.

# Message from Racine Laurel Court No. 6 SuAnn Gascoigne, RM Robert Miksch, RP Protem

Racine Laurel Court has had to change a few of its meetings to ensure that we make quorum.

Friday, May 13 is our Grand Lecturer's Visit and Memorial Ceremony. We begin the evening with dinner at 6:30 pm; meeting at 7:30 pm. If you are attending dinner, please let Mary Schultz know.

Friday, June 10 is our Grand Royal Matron's Official visit, accompanied by the Grand Royal Patron. Dinner is at 6:30 pm; meeting at 7:30 pm. Let Mary Schultz know if you are attending dinner.

Our July meeting has not yet been decided as many members of our court will not be here due to our

obligations at the Supreme Council Session in Tulsa, Oklahoma.

Everyone take care and be safe.

### Message from Madison Court No. 7 Judy Emerson, RM Jack Heady, RP

Madison Court had our March meeting, after being dark for 2 months. We were pleased to be together again and look forward to the coming months.

Our Royal Matron, Judy, had knee replacement surgery on April 11<sup>th</sup>, and planned to stay home from the Tuesday, April 19<sup>th</sup> meeting. We had to cancel our usual 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday meeting on April 2<sup>nd</sup>, due to a bad snowstorm. H.L. Carole Yngsdahl took over the job as Royal Matron. I do wish to thank her for this, and all the other officers for being faithful members being there to support her.

We will be having our Memorial Service at our Saturday, May 7<sup>th</sup> meeting. I am hoping we will have visitors who will come to assist in getting this accomplished! Remember, we do have a nice brunch at 9 am, prior to the meeting.

Tuesday, June 21<sup>st</sup> will be our Grand Royal Matron and Grand Royal Patron's official visit to Madison Court. There is a Scottish Rite get together on the first Saturday, so we must change the meeting. The 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday is always our other option when this sort of thing happens. We would love to have many visitors that day, to help fill our empty stations. I will be happy to receive replies from those of you who will make this meeting, or the May meeting.

Spring is here, and we all look forward to a great summer. Take time to enjoy good weather, the great outdoors, and the fellowship we Amaranth members have with each other.

# Message from Friendship Court No. 14 Nancy Saggio, RM Jamison Kifer, RP

Friendship Court #14 will hold a real Initiation on May 14th. We have "LIVE" candidates! We need some help. Faith and Wisdom. Associate Conductress and Standard Bearer. Please let me know if you can help us. Dinner at 6:00 pm, pot luck or \$5.00. Meeting at 7:00 pm. It is also Memorial so please wear white for the Honored Ladies. Sir Knights no formals please! Those helping with initiation please help for our Memorial also.

June is also the GRM, accompanied by the GRP, visit. We will also celebrate Father's Day. You are welcome to join us! 6:00 pm potluck dinner and some fun. Meeting at 7:00 pm.

July will be a picnic and Summer Fun. Same times.

### Message from Sunshine Committee H.L. Mary Schultz

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.

I hope everyone has been enjoying the sunshine notes I have sent by snail mail and by email.

Bruce Kenney reported that Judy Emerson had her knee replaced on 4/11 and is doing great.

#### Newsletter

Do you have an email address? Does the Grand Court know that you have an email address? If not, please let your court know. A suggestion at our last Grand Court session is to ask those members who receive the newsletter via the United States Postal Service to give a donation of \$10.00 to help defray the costs of this newsletter. Please let me know if you have any questions.

# Message from The Diabetes Committee H.L. Mary Schultz and S.K. Robert Miksch

Each Court should have received a glass block bank to be put out at your meetings for members to put donations in for Diabetes. The bank can be filled with coins or paper money. How is your bank doing?

The Diabetes Committee will be selling raffle tickets for the Minnie and Mickey at the GRM/GRP official visits. Minnie is 25 inches tall and Mickey is 28 inches tall.

#### Save the Date!!!!

Delafield Brewhaus Event on Sunday, August 28 for a Command Performance of Old Time Radio. Details will be forthcoming.

Ladies, Gentlemen, Boys and Girls at Heart!!!! We have a fundraising event available to the Grand Court, Order of the Amaranth to sell programs at the Shrine Circus at the Milwaukee Panther Area on Saturday, May 14 and Sunday, May 15. Proceeds will benefit the Amaranth Diabetes Foundation. Please let me know if you can assist. Saturday at 10am; 3pm and 8pm — Sunday at 1pm and 6pm.

Come and board the Train to Fight Diabetes.

#### Walk for Dyslexia-Madison

I am participating in this year's Walk for Dyslexia-Madison and am reaching out to you to consider donating to this great cause. Every donations helps a child read.

All money raised will remain right here in the greater Madison WI area to provide free tutoring to local children who are struggling to read because of their dyslexia.

More information is available at the link below. It's also very simple to donate via the new program we are using this year. If you have any questions, please let me know!

I hope you will be able to help us out.

Thank you!!!!

https://runsignup.com/Race/123838/Donate/uqgHjt5Ommz4bryk

Gail Piper gailpiper6@aol.com

#### Grand Lecturer Visits

Milwaukee Court #2 May 2, 2022 Racine Laurel Court #6 May 13, 2022

## Grand Royal Matron's Official Visit Accompanied by the Grand Royal Patron

Milwaukee Court #2 June 6, 2022
Racine Laurel Court #6 June 10, 2022
Madison Court #7 June 21, 2022
Friendship Court #14 June 11, 2022

(Please remember dates and times are subject to change)



# Supreme Council Order of the Amaranth

Tulsa, Oklahoma July 11-14, 2022

The trifold is available on the Supreme Council website. Read thoroughtly as there are many events and many deadlines. If you need copies, please let Mary Schultz know and she will be glad to print them off.

# Grand Court of Wisconsin Order of the Amaranth Annual Session

October 13, 14, 15, 2022
Clarion Hotel & Suites and
Wintergreen Conference Center
PO Box 296, 60 Gasser Road
Wisconsin Dells, WI 53965-0296
Email: www.wintergreen-resort.com

## **Recipe Corner**

#### Judy's Egg Casserole

This is the recipe Judy and Harland Emerson provided to members of Madison Court for their fundraising pancake breakfast events. The Emerson's held that event for a number of years for Madison Court at their home; court members would bake these casseroles for those events and bring them to be served. Members of Madison Court still make this casserole and take it to their before-meeting breakfast refreshments from time to time.

This casserole is prepared the day before and refrigerated overnight before baking. It can be made as a vegetarian dish by eliminating the meat and adding some cut up vegetables of your choice.

1 LB ground sausage
1 C grated cheese
4 or 5 slices of bread torn into pieces
7 or 8 eggs
1-1/2 C milk
1 tsp salt
½ tsp ground pepper
1 can\* cream of mushroom soup

Brown sausage, breaking it into crumbles. Toss cooked sausage, cheese, and bread together and place in shallow casserole dish. Beat eggs. Add

milk, soup, salt, and pepper – mix well. Pour over sausage/bread/cheese mixture, cover and place in refrigerator overnight.

If you have extra grated cheese you can sprinkle it on casserole just before baking.

In morning bake at 350 degrees for 45 minutes.

You might want to use 1-1/2 cans of soup in that ounces in cans have been reduced since this recipe was written several decades ago.

Recipe is easily doubled.

#### **Humor Corner**

**Crow Facts** 

Researchers for the Massachusetts Turnpike Authority found over 200 dead crows near greater Boston recently, and there was concern that they may have died from Avian Flu. A Bird Pathologist examined the remains of all the crows, and, to everyone's relief, confirmed the problem was definitely N OT Avian Flu. The cause of death appeared to be vehicular impacts.

However, during the detailed analysis it was noted that varying colors of paints appeared on the bird's beaks and claws. By analyzing these paint residues, it was determined that 98% of the crows had been killed by impact with trucks, while only 2% were killed by an impact with a car.

MTA then hired an Ornithological Behaviorist to determine if there was a cause for the disproportionate percentages of truck kills versus car kills.

He very quickly concluded the cause: When crows eat road kill, they always have a look-out crow in a nearby tree to warn of impending danger. They discovered that while all the lookout crows could shout "Cah", not a single one could shout "Truck."

#### Do Las Vegas Churches accept gambling chips?

This may come as a surprise to those of you not living in Las Vegas, but there are more Catholic Churches than casinos.

Not surprisingly, some worshipers at Sunday services will give casino chips rather than cash when the basket is passed.

Since they get chips from many different casinos, the churches have devised a method to collect the offerings.

The churches send all their collected chips to a nearby Franciscan Monastery for sorting and then the chips are taken to the casinos of original and cashed in.

This is done by the chip monks.

### **Little Corner of the Grand Secretaries** Desk



Honored Ladies and Sir Knights,

I do not know about you, but I am ready for Spring. Waiting for the daffodils and tulips to pop through the ground. To hear the birds chirping again, and of course get back to regular court meetings where we can visit with our friends.

I would like to thank the member who have informed me of having changes in their contact information. Please also remember let your Court Secretaries know of such changes.

If you are going to Supreme and a member of Supreme Council you will need to let me know as I have your Credentials. Please don't assume I will just send or hand them out to you. Members of Supreme Council are Past and Present Grand Royal Matrons & Patrons, present Grand Associate Matron and Patron. If you have any question, please let me know.

Point to Ponder: Why do people without a watch look at their wrist when you ask them what time it is? Why do you ask someone without a watch what time it is?

#### REMEMBER THAT YOU ARE IMPORTANT

See you in Court,

Till we meet again,

In Amaranth Love and Service H.L. Diana L. Kifer, PGRM Grand Secretary of Wisconsin

