
Grand Court of Wisconsin Order of Amaranth Newsletter

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February, March and April 2013

Message from Grand Royal Matron Laura Dessereau

I hope everyone had a wonderful holiday and found some time to visit with loved ones. This is what this time of year is really about.

Below is our Grand Lecturer's schedule:

March 2 - Madison Court - 10:00 am
March 2 - Hope Court - 1:30 pm
March 4 - Milwaukee Court - 7:30 pm
March 8 - Racine Laurel Court- 7:30 pm

Please join us at her visits as we can all learn something new!

The Grand Royal Matron visits are as follows:

April 1 - Milwaukee Court - 7:30 pm
April 6 - Hope Court - 1:30 pm
April 12 - Racine Laurel Court - 7:30 pm
April 13 - Friendship Court - 7:00 pm
April 16 - Madison Court - 7:30 pm

Join S.K. Mike and I for fun, friendship and hopefully food!

Below is our calendar of upcoming events:

February 24 - 1 to 4 pm Bowling
Root River Bowling Center
7220 W. Rawson Ave. Franklin
(RSVP due by February 16 to Laura)

April 20 - 10 to 1 pm
Eclectica Beading Center
18900 W. Bluemound Rd.
(Great Mother's Day gift!)

May 5 - 2:30 pm
Cedar Creek Winery Tour
\$5.00 per person
N70W6340 Bridge Road (#17)
Cedarburg, WI

Please call me @ 414-481-5935 or by email (ddessereau@wi.rr.com) for reservations/questions. You may invite family, friends, or maybe potential members! Let's enjoy some fun with each other. The "Jungle Jamboree" will be on Sunday, June 9 at the Delafield Brewhaus. More info will be out in late April.

I hopefully have all info in this newsletter that needs to be out. If there is any question with regards to the information above, please call me ASAP.

Hope to see all of you on our Swingin Safari of events.

Message from Grand Royal Patron Michael Brus

Hello everyone,

I hope that everyone has had a good Holiday. We will soon be starting our fund raiser and raffle to raise money for Diabetes Research. I hope that this will put an end to Diabetes and that we will have a GR...T time doing it. Several items that will be in the raffle are a Jukebox radio and a 19 inch LED HD TV plus other things.

Thank you for all your support. Hope to see you soon.



**Message from
Grand Associate Matron
June Potts**

Well, here we are at the beginning of a brand new year, with a bright clean slate. Hopefully we, as a country, will be able to fill the slate with more peace than we experienced in 2012.

S.K. Chris and I are looking forward to sending out our invitations to join us in the 65th Annual Session of our Grand Court. We hope you will all seriously consider helping us in 2013-2014. Many of our ideas and plans are starting to take form, and our success depends on every member of the Wisconsin Grand Court.

Congratulations to H.L. LuAnn, Grand Lecturer, on holding a successful School of Instruction. Her help in understanding the proper Altar work will help all our Courts improve the beauty and solemnity of our ritualistic work.

S.K. Chris still has lots of his wonderful jams and jellies available so don't miss out on getting some of your favorites!

Best wishes for a healthy and happy New Year.

A NEW YEAR'S WISH (an old Irish toast)

May you have:

Enough happiness to keep you sweet.
Enough trials to keep you strong.
Enough sorrow to keep you human.
Enough hope to keep you happy.
Enough failure to keep you humble.
Enough success to keep you eager.
Enough friends to give you comfort
Enough wealth to meet your needs
Enough enthusiasm to look forward.
Enough faith to banish depression
Enough determination to make each day
better than yesterday.

Best wishes for the New Year!

**Message from
Grand Associate Patron
Chris Christiansen**

We are still in the winter slow-down, but soon we will be running full speed. You all have copies of my letter, so you know what my plans are for raising the money to balance the budget. I will soon be visiting all the Courts and implementing them. I hope to bring the three prizes for the raffle drawing so you can see what you are trying to win. Good Luck.

With our combined efforts we will easily raise the required amount. See you at the next meeting.

**Message from
Grand Associate Conductress
Sally Lutzke**

Happy New Year!

Hope to see you at Grand Lecturer's visits and Grand Royal Matron's visits.

Remember to purchase raffle tickets. Tickets are \$1 a piece or 6 for \$5. Raffle prizes will be drawn on August 9, 2013 Advance Night at Racine Laurel Court. Also remember the 50/50 raffle.

Was able to sell S.K. Chris's jams/jellies at other various Masonic organizations during the holiday season.

Come join in the fun activities H.L. Laura and S.K. Mike have planned on their Jungle Safari and "Gift of Grace" year.

**Message from
Milwaukee Court No. 2
Pam Padgett, RM
Michael Brus, RP**

February 4, 2013 will be a stated meeting with us balloting on two petitions.

March 4, 2013 will be our Grand Lecturer's Visit with a dinner at 6:00 pm with the meeting starting promptly at 7:30 pm. Dinner reservations should be made to H.L. JoAnn DeKoning.

March 4, 2013 meeting is our Grand Royal Matron's visit along with our Grand Royal Patron. We will again have a dinner at 6:00 pm with the meeting starting promptly at 7:30 pm. Dinner reservations should be made to H.L. JoAnn DeKoning.

**Message from
Racine Laurel Court No. 6
LuAnn Hansen, RM
Ernest Anderson, 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 fellowship after and still have our members home at a reasonable time. Why not join us.

Our Grand Lecturer's Visit is on Friday, March 8, 2013. Our evening begins with a home cooked dinner by our Culinary Committee at 6:00 pm at a cost of \$10.00.

Our April meeting is on Friday, April 12 at 7:00 pm and is the Official Visit of the GRM and GRP. Join us for another home cooked dinner at 6:00 pm at a cost of \$10.00.

Reservations are a must for our dinners to H.L. Joyce Kupper at 262-886-5806.

Hope to see many of you at our meetings.

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

You are cordially invited to the Official Visit of our Grand Lecturer, H.L. LuAnn Hansen on Saturday March 2, 2013 starting at 10:00 AM. We will be having a breakfast brunch prior to the meeting at 9:00 AM. No reservations are needed.

You will receive more information about the visit of our Grand Royal Matron at a later date. Our April meeting will be the 6th at 10:00 am with refreshments at 9:00 AM.

We will be celebrating Valentine's Day on February 2nd starting at 10:00 AM.

**Message from
Friendship Court No. 14
Diana Kifer, RM
LeRoy Kifer, RP**

March 9, 2013 Regular Meeting - Dinner at 6:00 PM -
Cost \$6.00

April 13, 2013 Meeting - Grand Royal Matrons Visit-
Dinner at 6:00 PM- Cost \$10.00

Going on Safari, bring your favorite Wild Animal.
RSVP to HL Diana Kifer the Wednesday before the
meetings.

(920) 922-6012 or email: ldkfier@charter.net

**DEADLINE FOR NEXT GRAND COURT
NEWSLETTER IS APRIL 15 FOR ALL
EVENTS FOR THE MONTHS OF MAY, JUNE
AND JULY 2013.**

**Diabetes 2011- 2012
Final Summary**

A big thank you our Jr. Past GRM Mary Schultz, Jr. Past GRP LeRoy Kifer, HL Joyce Kupper, Marion Doerr, Robert Miksch, Michelle Varelas, Philip Kifer and to all the wonderful members for their added efforts in assisting in raising funds for Diabetes. There are so many events to list them all and I would miss someone so A Huge Thank You to all you supported Raising Funds for Diabetes Research in every way. The total that was sent in for the 2012 - 2013 Grand Court year from Wisconsin was \$8,500.00



Amaranth Diabetes

2012- 2013

Thank you to all you Baked, Packaged, Sold and Purchased Cookies from this year World's Largest Cookie Sale. We made \$453.00. If you did not get a change to participate in this event and still would like to donate you can help by sending in your donation to help offset the cost of containers. We had to purchase these this year and it lowered our profits by \$115.00. So there is still time to help out.

Looking Ahead

Raffles will be out soon for this year's Diabetes Fund Raisers so be on the lookout. There will be 2 - 1 night stays at the Wintergreen Resort, a meal package, Television, 1 Tiger Fleece and 1 Soaring Eagle Fleece to purchase tickets for and maybe a few more surprises.

"Jungle Jamboree"

Sunday, June 9, 2013
Delafield Brewhaus
3832 Hillside Drive
Delafield, WI 53018

Supreme Council

Order of the Amaranth

June 26-July 4, 2013
Harrisburg, PA

July 4 School of Instruction and
Leadership Training

Installation

July 5 SRM/SRP Reception

"Welcome to the Jungle"

Grand Royal Matron and Grand Royal Patron Reception

McKinley Masonic Center
4550 North Pilgrim Road
Brookfield, WI 53005

Family Day at the

Milwaukee County Zoo

Saturday, August 10, 2013
(Details to be announced)

Market Day

Sunday, September 21, 2013
(Watch for details)

Grand Court of Wisconsin Order of the Amaranth Annual Session

October 10, 11 and 12, 2013

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

Grand Lecturer's Visits

Saturday, March 2, 2013	Madison, Court #7
Saturday, March 2, 2013	Hope Court #11
Monday, March 4, 2013	Milwaukee Court #2
Friday, March 8, 2013	Racine Laurel Court #6

Grand Royal Matron's Official Visits (Accompanied by the Grand Royal Patron)

Monday, April 1, 2013	Milwaukee Court #2
Saturday, April 6, 2013	Hope Court #11
Friday, April 12, 2013	Racine Laurel Court #6
Saturday, April 13, 2013	Friendship Court #14
TBD	Madison, Court #7

Advance Nights

Grand Associate Matron & Grand Associate Patron

Monday, June 3, 2013	Milwaukee Court #2
Saturday, July 13, 2013	Friendship Court #14
Tuesday, July 16, 2013	Madison Court #7
Saturday, August 3, 2013	Hope Court #11
Friday, August 9, 2013	Racine Laurel Court #6

Western Theme Recipes

On Sept. 14th S.K. Nathan Moore and H.L. Gail Piper fulfilled their promise to provide a meal for Racine Laurel Court, the winning Court in their membership drive that took place during their year as GRM and GRP. Their prize meal had a Western theme to get people into the mood for Grand Court at the Wild, Wild West Session that was just around the corner ... or should we say trail. A number of people in attendance asked for a couple of the recipes and they are provided below.

The meal was prepared by friend of Gail's who is a Pampered Chef consultant. H.L. Gail and S.K. Nathan were there to help with food prep, set up and serving of the meal. They thank S.K. Ernie Anderson for helping them find things in the Racine Masonic Center kitchen!.

Texas Caviar

1 can pinto beans (can be with jalapenos)
1 can garbanzo beans
1 can black beans
1 can mexican mix corn, shoe peg corn or your choice
1 jar pimentos chopped
1 cup onion chopped
1 cup peppers chopped (can use a mixture of green and red)

Marinade:

1/2 teas pepper
1 teas salt
3/4 cup cider vinegar
1/2 cup sugar
1 Tbl water

Drain all cans, rinse beans, mix with chopped vegetables.

Boil together the marinade ingredients. Cool and pour over the bean mixture to marinade for at least one the two hours. Serve with corn chips or crackers, etc. of your choice.

Notes: Can add any chopped vegetables you like such as black olives. Can use less sugar if you want.

Carmel Apple Burritos

2 Granny Smith Apples, cored and cut into 1/4 inch slices
2 Tbls water
1/4 cup apple juice
1/2 cup raw sugar (this makes a richer thicker sauce

than granulated sugar)

1 Tbsp Apple Pie spice
2 Lg tortillas
1 Tbsp butter, melted

Pre heat oven to 375 degrees. Line a baking sheet with parchment paper.

Put apples in pot with water, bring to a boil then place lid on pot and let apples steam for 3-5 minutes to soften slightly. Reduce heat and add 1/3 cup apple juice, sugar and spice. Stir well. Bring to a boil again, over medium heat. Stir well then reduce heat to low and simmer until the apples are fork tender and sauce is thickened and sticky about 10 minutes. Lay tortillas on a flat surface and spoon half the apple mixture into the centre of each tortilla. Fold in the sides of the tortilla and then roll up the edges to form a tight burrito.

Place on the baking sheet seam side down. Lightly brush tops with melted butter and sprinkle with cinnamon and sugar. Place in the oven and bake until crispy and golden. about 15 min. Cut in half and place each half on a plate. Serve with a scoop on Vanilla ice cream and/or a drizzle of caramel dessert topping.