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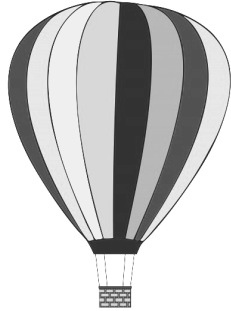
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## **Message from Grand Royal Matron Cheri Brus**

Hello everyone,

As I am sitting here thinking of what to write I am nice and cozy. The wind is howling and it is cold but like I said I am warm. I do believe that someday we will have sunshine and warmer weather but until then we have to put up with what Mother Nature feels like throwing at us.

I have done some traveling, enjoying everyone's friendship. Also am planning on doing some more. I will be going to the Jobe's installation at Green Lake in August. April 27 I will have gone to an honor Masonic's program in Bristol. My travels will also include Eastern Star Grand Chapter in May, Grand Guardian banquet in May, Grand Royal Matron/Patron visits in June and Supreme Council in June.

I have been working on my Lake Geneva Cruise and the invite is in this newsletter. I would love to have as many people as possible that way the group price is lower. We will go out to lunch afterward at a family restaurant called Popeye's Galley and Grog. This cruise is also special to me as Mike and I would

have been celebrating 50 years of marriage in August. So to me your company will be much appreciated.

Sir Knight Bob and I are working on your Grand Court session. Please remember if you can to come to the Friday Night Banquet as there will be silent auction, bag raffles and a surprise which I am not able to say anything about. My group is diligently working out the plan. Also if we have any crafters please help out with items for the craft table. I will also accept gently used nicer items for the table also. There will be more information for the silent auction and bag raffle in future newsletters.

I wish everyone a safe and wonderful summer and remember S.K. Bob and I would appreciate as much participation in our summer plans.

Also remember this is everyone's Grand Court, if you have any idea's or questions please don't hesitate to speak up.

I know I will see everyone around and hope you will at least say hi.

In closing I have this to ask;

What do you call a letter that fell in the mud?  
(Black Mail)

Cheri Brus Grand Royal Matron

**Message from  
Grand Royal Patron  
Robert Miksch**

Honored Ladies and Sir Knights:

I can't believe it.....I actually got my article submitted on time. There is a first for everything (and maybe the last hehehehe).

I attended three quarters of the Grand Lecturer's official visits and would like to commend HL Barbara Foster on a job well done. It is not easy to herd cats but she made it look easy.

As I indicated in the last newsletter we will be having a Pirate event at the Delafield Brewhaus on June 9<sup>th</sup>. There is a flyer contained within the newsletter with the details and reservation information. Pirate costumes are encouraged, and there will be PRIZES for the best outfits. I am the Judge (and do accept bribes). Please bring friends and family – the more the merrier. Remember June 9th!!!!

Not much more to say for this newsletter.

Grand Royal Patron,  
Bob

As usual I have placed 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 to all of the members who have accepted offices for this coming year. LeRoy and I will be contacting the members for service on the many committees. We have taken careful thought to whom we should ask to serve. We hope that you too will take our request with special deliberation. We must realize as our Grand Court is shrinking in size, the number of members we have to serve is very

limited. We hope each and every one will find some way to serve the WI Grand Court. We are welcome to comments.

**Message from  
Lila Kimball  
Grand Conductress**

Hope your all are having a beautiful day, we need to enjoy this weather before it gets bad again.

We have finished the Acting Grand Lecturer's visits.

Then moving on to the Grand Royal Matrons Visits so will have another busy month

We need to start planning on the Grand Royal Patrons Pirate's party on June 9. Friends and family are all invited.

Hope to see all of you at these events.

H.L. Lila Kimball, Grand Conductress

**Message from  
Grand Associate Conductress  
Amanda Grunewald**

Hello All!!!

Racine Laurel Court will be holding another Dinner and a Show fundraiser on Sunday, July 21<sup>st</sup>, 2019. The specific details are still being worked out, but it will be held at the Racine Masonic Center. Please encourage all of your members to help us by showing your support. There will be a 50/50 Raffle during the show as well. More information will be coming shortly, so please watch your e-mails as well as snail mail.

Thank you for all your help in this endeavor.  
Amaranth Love,  
Amanda Grunewald  
Grand Associate Conductress

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

Dear Honored Ladies and Sir Knights,

Welcome Spring! The grass is greening, the flowers are up, and the temperatures are trending warmer. We hope everyone had a blessed Easter or Passover. This is the time of year we reflect on the goodness of our Father in Heaven. Let us all remember to love one another and treat each other with respect.

Milwaukee Court is in the process of changing our by-laws and we are meeting at **7:00pm**. On **May 6, 2019** we will have a practice at **6:30pm** for the Memorial Service. Ladies wear white and men a dark suit or black Tuxedo. We are looking forward to **June 3, 2019** and the visit of our own H.L. Cheri Brus, GRM and S.K. Robert Miksch, GRP. We will have dinner at **5:30pm** followed by our meeting. Please make reservations with H.L. Sue Uhardt, 414-421-0582; e-mail [SueUhart@aol.com](mailto:SueUhart@aol.com) or H.L. Vicki Kuharske, 414-258-9048; e-mail [vickikuharske@att.net](mailto:vickikuharske@att.net).

We will be changing the date of our meeting in July as it conflicts with Supreme Council. We will notify you of the date when it is confirmed by the Masonic Center. Please contact H.L. Vicki if you are willing to be a pro-tem officer in May for the Memorial Ceremony or June for the visit of our GRM. Your help and support is always appreciated.

Please continue to keep H.L. Sondra Brelsford, H.L. Laura Desserau in your thoughts and prayers as they continue to heal. They are both missed as are all our members who are dealing with health issues and unable to attend all our meetings and activities.

Amaranth Love,  
Vicki Kuharske, Royal Matron  
Robert Mehle Royal Patron

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

Friday, May 10, 2019: Join us for our "Kitchen" supper at 6:00 pm. Cost is a free will donation. Meeting begins at 7:00 pm. We have our Memorial Ceremony this meeting. Ladies should wear white dresses, men white shirts and tuxes or dark suits.

Friday, June 14, 2019: Picnic dinner at 6:00 pm. Cost is \$10.00. This is the official visit of the GRM Cheri and GRP Bob. Our meeting begins at 7:00 pm.

Friday, July 12: Join us for another "Kitchen" supper at 6:00 pm. Cost is free will donation. Our meeting begins at 7:00 pm.

Mark your calendars for Sunday, July 21 as Racine Laurel Court will be hosting another Dinner/Theater event. Watch for details.

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**

At our May 4<sup>th</sup> meeting we will be honoring those Honored Ladies and Sir Knights we have lost since our Memorial Service in May of 2018. Who knows maybe the Easter Bunny will show up during breakfast.

Saturday, June 1, GRM/GRP official visit with a 9:00 am breakfast and meeting at 10:00 am.

Madison Meetings (all subject to change depending on availability of the building)

July 6 at 10:00 AM

August 3 at 10:00 AM  
September 7 at 10:00 AM  
October 5 at 10:00 AM – Annual Meeting  
November 2 at 10:00 AM – Installation ????  
December 7 at 10:00 AM – Christmas Party

I want to thank H.L. Carole Yngsdahl for stepping in for me while I have been unable to attend. I am not sure what the next step in my treatments are going to be but should know more after my April 9<sup>th</sup> CT Scan and Doctor visit.

I also thank everyone for all the prayers and cards. They have all been greatly appreciated.

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

Happy long-awaited Spring everyone.  
We hope you are enjoying the warmer weather.

Our meetings are on the following Saturdays  
starting with a 6:00 pm Dinner.

Meetings begin at 7:00 pm

May 11, 2019 - Memorial Service- Mother's Day

Honored Ladies wear White &  
Sir Knights Tux's or Dark Suits

June 8, 2019 - Father's Day

The Official Visit of HL Cheri Brus, GRM  
accompanied by SK Robert Miksch, GRP

July 13, 2019 – Let's Celebrate with a Picnic

All our courts are in need of our visiting members to help to fill stations. If you are able to travel, I know all the courts would appreciate the help.

If you will be joining us at our meeting please give a call so we make sure to have plenty of food. You are always welcome.

See you in Court.  
HL Diana Kifer, PGRM, RM &  
SK Leland Burlison, PGRP, RP

**DEADLINE FOR NEXT GRAND  
COURT NEWSLETTER IS JULY 15  
FOR ALL EVENTS FOR THE  
MONTHS OF AUGUST, SEPTEMBER  
AND OCTOBER 2019**



**ROAD CLOSURE**

The Pilgrim Road bridge over Capital Drive will be closed beginning approx. June 1<sup>st</sup>. It may still be open for our June meeting. We will let you know. This closure will be in effect until early Sept. The instructions for assessing McKinley Lodge are:

Coming from the West you will need to reach Capital Drive via Calhoun or Barker.

From Bluemound Road. Go East on Capital, you will want to turn Left across West bound Capital Drive as you near Pilgrim Road bridge. At the top of the hill near North Shore Bank there is a street that goes behind small shopping area that includes Walgreens. This street will bring you to the North side of bridge.

Coming from the East on Capital, no problem. Exit will be same.

As you leave McKinley everyone will want to go to street on the right behind Walgreens, follow around shopping area. You may exit onto Capital Drive to go either East or West.

## Do You Have Your Body Parts?

Honored Ladies and Sir Knights,

After hearing some of you say you wish you could somehow get all the Skeleton parts that you were or might miss receiving, we put our heads together and came up with a way that will benefit you, Ways and Means AND our Diabetes Foundation.

You may PURCHASE the body part you are or will be missing. It is as follows:

Arms and Legs \$1.00 each  
Hands and Feet \$5.00  
Pelvis, Head, Parrot \$6.00  
Hat \$7.00  
Body \$8.00

Remember, if you buy the body parts, they add up to prizes and the top prize is a FREE night at Grand Court this Fall.

I will have ALL BODY PARTS with me at ALL functions I attend. Please pay in cash. Can't wait to start giving out more parts!

Nancy Saggio  
Keeper of the Parts

### Kringle Sales

We are once again selling O&H Bakery kringles to benefit the Amaranth Diabetes Foundation. Order forms are included with this mailing. Cost of each kringle is \$12.00 and orders and money are due to Mary Schultz by September 30, 2019. Let Mary know if you have any questions, her information is on the kringle order form.

### 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 our Grand Court Session 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 [greeneyesgerman@wi.rr.com](mailto:greeneyesgerman@wi.rr.com). Thank you.

**The Supreme Council  
Order of the Amaranth, Inc.  
"Reflect the Future Assembly"  
June 30-July 3, 2019**

If you are attending the Supreme Council and are a voting delegate, please get in touch with our Grand Secretary, Diana Kifer for your credentials. If you are interested in going to the Jurisdiction Breakfast, please get in touch with our Grand Associate Matron, Betty Miller as the money is due to Betty ASAP.



## The Humor Column

### Submission from Robert Miksch

#### Girlfriends Sister:

I was a very happy man. My wonderful girlfriend and I had been dating for over a year. So we decided to get married.

There was only one little thing bothering me.

It was her beautiful younger sister, Sofia.

My prospective sister-in-law was twenty-two, wore very tight mini-skirts, and generally was bra-less. She would regularly bend down when she was near me. I always got more than a nice view.

It had to be deliberate. She never did it around anyone else.

One day she called me and asked me to come over. 'To check my Sister's wedding- invitations' she said.

She was alone when I arrived. She whispered to me that she had feelings and desires for me. She couldn't overcome them anymore.

She told me that she wanted me just once before I got married. She said "Before you commit your life to my sister".

Well, I was in total shock, and I couldn't say a word. She said, "I'm going upstairs to my bedroom" she said, "if you want one last wild fling, just come up and have me".

I was stunned and frozen in shock as I watched her go up the stairs.

I stood there for a moment. Then turned and made a bee-line straight to the front door. I opened the door, and headed straight towards my car.

Lo And behold, my entire future family was standing outside, all clapping!

With tears in his eyes, my future father-in-law hugged me. He said, 'Paulie, we are very happy that

you have passed our little test. We couldn't ask for a better man for our daughter. Welcome to the family my son.'

And the moral of this story is:

Always keep your condoms in your car.

#### Roommates:

Mrs. Ravioli comes to visit her son Anthony for dinner.

He lives with a female roommate, Maria.

During the course of the meal, his mother couldn't help but notice how pretty Anthony's roommate is.

Over the course of the evening while watching the two interact, she started to wonder if there was more between Anthony and his roommate than met the eye.

Reading his mom's thoughts, Anthony volunteered, "I know what you must be thinking but I assure you, Maria and I are just roommates."

About a week later, Maria came to Anthony saying, "Ever since your mother came to dinner I've been unable to find the silver sugar bowl. You don't suppose she took it, do you?"

"Well, I doubt it, but I'll email her, just to be sure." So he sat down and wrote an email:

Dear Mama,

I'm not saying that you "did" take the sugar bowl from my house; I'm not saying that you "did not" take it. But the fact remains that it has been missing ever since you were here for dinner.

Your Loving Son, Anthony

A few days later, Anthony received a response email from his Mama which read:

Dear son,

I'm not saying that you "do" sleep with Maria, and I'm not saying that you "do not" sleep with her. But the fact remains that if she was sleeping in her OWN bed, she would have found the sugar bowl by now.

Your Loving Mama

Moral: Never BS you mama

