
Grand Court of Wisconsin

Order of Amaranth Newsletter

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Message from Grand Royal Matron Mary Schultz

It is hard to believe that this is the last newsletter before the Grand Court Session in October. We still have lots activities left in this term. The Grand Royal Matron and Grand Royal Patron reception is on Sunday, August 19 in Fond du Lac starting at 2:00 pm, a few Advance Nights in Racine, Madison and Fond du Lac, Market Day is on Sunday, September 16 and booths are still available. Additional information may be found later in the newsletter. Please take the time to read all the information in this newsletter.

The Grand Court Session information has now been distributed. If you have not received this year's packet, please contact our Grand Secretary, Sally Acuff or myself. Hoping to see many of you in Wisconsin Dells.

S.K. LeRoy and I attended the Supreme Council Session in Toronto. There were 18 members from Wisconsin and we all had a good time. Thank you for your support of our Order.

Just a reminder that the Grand Court books will be closing on September 15. All Ways and Means monies should be turned in to H.L. Sally Acuff by **September 1** with the exception of the Conductress' raffle.

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:

I write this article for the newsletter after returning from Supreme Council in Toronto which was attended by many members from Wisconsin.

I thank you all who were able to attend and show support for Supreme Council. The time there will always be remembered and memories cherished.

Now, it is time to get started with many activities in the Grand Court. Please look at the upcoming schedule and plan to attend as many of the events that have been planned. There will be many opportunities for fun that I certainly hope that you will not want to miss. Clear your calendar and plan ahead. Don't wait until the last minute. Grand Royal Matron Mary and I would be honored with your presence at all of the events.

Grand Court is right around the corner and plans are still in the making. October will be upon us before you know it. Plan now on attending. Call the Wintergreen and get your room reserved.

As always it is my honor to serve you as your Grand Royal Patron.

LeRoy



**Message from
Grand Associate Matron
Laura Dessereau**

As I write this letter, the heat index is at 89 and it is only 9:40 am! Please be careful if you venture out in the heat as becoming sick happens quickly.

We are excited as H.L. Mary and S.K. LeRoy will be honored on August 19. I hope everyone will attend as we celebrate their hard work.

S.K. Mike and I are in the final phase of getting our year in order. I fell behind by nearly two months due to a minor health "snafu" but I'm betting better and stronger everyday!

Our Installation is set for Saturday October 13, 2012 at the Wintergreen Resort. It will start at 6:30 pm with a reception to follow. Please join us as we congratulate those who have served the Grand Court and those who will serve the Grand Court in the coming year.

Stay cool - safe - and have fun!

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

**Message from
Grand Associate Patron
Mike Brus**

Hello Honored Ladies and Sir Knights:

I hope everyone is having a good summer and keeping cool. Cheri and I were at Supreme Council and found it to be very informative.

I want to thank everyone for contributing to the Foodless food sale. Don't forget you can still send in your contributions as we still have a ways to go.

Hope to see you at the Advanced Nights and at the Hoe Down on August 19.

Honored Lady Grand Associate Matron Laura and I have several good ideas coming into play for our year. Please stay tuned.

Hope to see everyone at some point.

Grand Associate Patron
Mike Brus

**Message from
Grand Conductress
June Potts**

It seems hard to believe Grand Court is only three months away. Time does fly when you're having fun! H.L. Sondra and I still have raffle tickets available to support the Ways and Means expenses. 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're running short on time, as the drawing is to be held at Friendship Court's September 8th meeting. Since that is also Advance Night, many of you will probably be there. Ways and Means does need your support, and the cost is only \$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00.

The wagon train will reach the end of its trail soon, so hop on and keep up with H.L. Mary and S.K. LeRoy. They're not slowing down yet!

**Message from
Grand Associate Conductress
Sondra Moore**

Please don't forget to buy raffle tickets! The raffle tickets are \$1 a piece or 6 for \$5. There are 3 prizes to choose from. Raffle prizes to be drawn Sept. 8, 2012 at Friendship Court. You do not have to be present to win. Show your support.

Please plan to attend the Hoedown reception to honor our GRM Mary Schultz and GRP LeRoy Kifer on Sunday, Aug. 19, 2012 in Fond du Lac.

Please join us for Market Day Sunday, Sept. 16, 2012 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Friendship Court in Fond du Lac Grand Court of Wisconsin, Order of the Amaranth Annual Session is October 11, 12, 13, 2012 at Wintergreen Resort Wisconsin Dells.

Don't forget items for the market table (crafts, jellies, baked goods) to help with the ways & means for our Grand Court.

So come join us for some fun at our wild, wild west session 2012. Hope to see you there!

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

Dear Honored Ladies and Sir Knights,

Milwaukee Court is dark in July and August. Our next meeting is on Labor Day, Monday, September 3, 1912 at 7:30 PM. Please join us for a short meeting followed by Bingo. On October 1, 2012 we will gather at Maxims on Capitol Dr. for an order off the menu dinner followed by our meeting and dessert at McKinley Masonic Center at 7:30 PM. We will have our Annual Reports and Election of officers. All members and friends are invited to join us for dinner. Please let H.L. Vicki 414-258-9048 by Wednesday, September 26th, if you will be attending.

We are looking forward to the Western Hoedown at Fond du Lac Masonic Center on August 19, 2012 and Market Day on Sunday, September 16, 2012 as well as the Grand Court Annual Session at the Wintergreen Resort and Conference Center and the Installation of our own H.L. Laura Dessereau as GRM and SK Michael Brus as GRP. We congratulate H.L. Mary and S.K. LeRoy on the great job they have done for our order and we are looking forward with great anticipation to your Session.

Milwaukee Court No. 2 will hold our Open Installation at 7:30 PM on Monday, November 5th. Please come and support H.L. Pamela Padgett and S.K. Michael Brus as they are installed as our RM and RP for the coming year.

May you continue to enjoy this summer but please stay cool.

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, August 10 and is our Advance Night at 7:00 pm. H.L. LuAnn and S.K. Ernie will take the Throne for this meeting. We will have a wonderful dinner made by our own Culinary Committee at a cost of \$9.00 at 6:15 pm. Please call H.L. Joyce Kupper with your reservation at 262-886-5806.

Friday, September 14 is a stated meeting starting at 7:00 pm. Come and share the evening with us for fun and fellowship.

Our October meeting has been moved to Friday, October 19 at 7:00 pm as our regular 2nd Friday meeting conflicted with Grand Court. This is also our meeting for elections and annual reports.

Congratulations to H.L. Michelle and S.K. Bob for a smooth and productive year.

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

On behalf of the members of Madison Court, I would like to invite everyone to our Advance Night on Tuesday, August 21st. There will be a potluck dinner preceding the meeting at 6:15 p.m. in the small dining room. We will be initiating two (2) new members into our Court. We are looking forward to having H.L. Laura and S.K. Mike as our special guests. We hope that many of you will be able to join us for this special evening.

September 18th is a stated meeting.

October 16th is our annual meeting with election of officers.

November 20th will be our installation of officers.

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**

Saturday, August 4 will be our friends meeting.
Please come and join us!

On Saturday, September 1 we will have initiation on the two petitions we brought in. Hope Court is in need of assistance for this initiation, so if there is any way anybody can assist, please contact Royal Matron, Sondra Moore.

Saturday, Oct. 6, is our meeting for annual reports and election.

All our meetings are at 1:30 p.m.

See You Along The Amaranth Trail!!

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

Our Advance Night has been moved to September, as some of our key people will be out of town in August. So, on August 11th, we just plan to have a good old summertime meeting.

Saturday, September 8th is Advance Night. H.L. Diana Kifer and S.K. LeRoy Kifer will be the advancing Royal Matron and Royal Patron. The meeting begins at 7:00 pm with a dinner at 6:00 for \$10.00. Contact H.L. Diana with your reservation at (920) 922-6012 by September 3, 2012. H.L. Diana will probably be contacting some of you to pro-tem, so please help her out if you can.

Our October meeting is moved up to October 6th, as the next week we will be at Grand Court. We will have elections and reports at this meeting.

All meetings start at 7:00 p.m., preceded by a dinner at 6:00. If you plan to attend any of the dinners, please make sure to make reservations so we can know how much food to prepare. You can phone me at 920-748-2338 or 920-382-6892, or email me at jepotts@centurylink.net.

CORRECTION:

There is an error in the email address that was included in the Grand Court packets for the courts to submit your information for the Necrology Report for Alice and Jim Byrnes. Correct email is:

byrnesac@sbcglobal.net

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.

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



Howdy all Pages:

We will have a short get together at 2:45 on Thursday, October 11 at the Wintergreen.

I will have your ID's and we will go over all our duties.

Please remember to bring your imagination and your Amaranth smile and have them with you at all times. Wear your favorite pastel formal and comfortable shoes.

Let's be ready for a little work and lots of fun.

Amaranth friendship:

Joyce, Grand Page
262-886-5806

DEADLINE FOR NEXT GRAND COURT NEWSLETTER IS OCTOBER 15 FOR ALL EVENTS FOR THE MONTHS OF NOVEMBER, DECEMBER AND JANUARY.

Advance Nights

Monday, June 4, 2012	Milwaukee Court #2
Saturday, July 7, 2012	Hope Court #11
Friday, August 10, 2012	Racine Laurel Court #6
Tuesday, August 21, 2012	Madison Court #7
Saturday, September 8, 2012	Friendship Court #14

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



Budget and Audit Committee Meeting
Sunday, September 30, 2012

2:00 pm

At H.L. Sally Acuff's Home
1217 Burning Wood Way
Madison, WI 53704-1053

Please RSVP with H.L. Mary Schultz
At 414-526-2715 or
greeneyesgerman@wi.rr.com

(Trustees, Finance and Audit Committee members are required. Line Officers and other Grand Court members may attend but are guests and are not part of the decision making process)

Diabetes Fundraising Projects for 2011 - 2012 Grand Court Year
H. L. Diana Kifer, Diabetes Coordinator

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: Start cleaning your closets and dresser drawers so you can donate those gently used formals and accessories for Diabetes Research. Sir Knights this can also apply to you too. Do have that Tux, Suit or Dress Shirts that don't quite fit like it used to. Do you have that tie, cufflink or tie clip collecting dust. Well consider donating them. So we can expand our sales and go to a Clothing Plus sales. (Not just Dresses anymore) Items should be clean and can be either brought to Grand Court or get them to HL Diana Kifer (me).

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 items made by our very own, HL Joyce Kupper and HL Marion Doerr. New items are always appearing on this table.

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. If interested in a booth for your own crafts or business please let us know. Spaces are still available for a minimal charge.

Just a quick note 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. HL Martha Shaw and her Merry Card Makers a huge Thank you for your continued support to our Grand Court Diabetes Fund. The cards you make are just spectacular. If you have not looked at the Cards please stop, look and purchase. They are just beautiful.

HL Joyce Kupper you just amaze me with your skill and speed (let's talk speed) of making your items, for your craft table. You do outstanding work for Diabetes Research. You truly are one of a kind. Stop by and take a look. I am sure you will find something. I know I always find something.

HL Marion Doerr you ceramic and other craft item you make are just wonderful. Your items are so pretty. I have a few and adore them. Take a look at many of Marion's item also available at the craft table.

Again Thank you the many members for you continued support. It means more than words can express.

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