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# Grand Court of Wisconsin

## Order of Amaranth Newsletter

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### Message from Grand Royal Matron Mary Schultz

It is truly hard to believe that I am your Grand Royal Matron. I thank each and every one of the Wisconsin members for this opportunity. I will do my best to fulfill all the responsibilities that are expected. Please remember that I am working and will try and attend everything that is required, but there are only so many vacation days in a year.

At the end of the newsletter I have listed all the calendar events that I have planned with various other members to raise money for diabetes. I hope you can attend one or several of these events.

Remember when you travel to bring your passport. Many stickers were given out at our "Day of Training" on October 30. Thank you to all who traveled far and wide to attend this event. Thank you to our presenters for this activity: Gail Piper, Sally Acuff and Marilyn Osterlie. Thank you to Diana Kifer for the wonderful luncheon she put together.

Installations of the subordinate courts are happening during the month of November. Please try and attend these and support all of our Wisconsin courts and don't forget your passport.

If at anytime you need to contact me please call my cell phone at 414-526-2715 or email me at [greeneyesgerman@wi.rr.com](mailto:greeneyesgerman@wi.rr.com).

Hope to see all of you along our Wagon Trail of Events.



### Message from Grand Royal Patron LeRoy Kifer

Thank you! Thank you for this opportunity to serve this Grand Court as its Grand Royal Patron along the side of Honored Lady Mary Schultz Grand Royal Matron. We had a very good installation and celebration afterwards for those who were there at Grand Court. Thank you to all who made this a most memorable occasion.

I must say that we needed to make some very difficult decisions regarding some money issues during Grand Court and I do appreciate the understanding of everyone that was there. I believe the right decision was made. Our membership has decreased over the years and the money needed to run the Grand Court needed some adjustment. Thank you for understanding our thoughts.

Please help the newly elected officers in the endeavors to raise the funds for the Grand Associate Patron Mike.

We have many new things coming your way this year and hope that all members of the Grand Court will participate in as many as they can. We have a goal to make and will need everyone's help to reach this goal.

Once again thank you for this opportunity to serve you.

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

The officers of Milwaukee Court #2 will be installed at 7:30 PM on Monday, Nov. 7, 2011 after our 6:00 PM meeting.

We will celebrate Christmas on Dec. 5th, have a New Year's Party on Jan. 2nd and watch for our Dining for Diabetes and Friends Night invitation for Feb. 6th.

We are selling Kringle from Larsen's in Racine as our major fund raiser for the year. We are taking orders for Almond, Apple, Blueberry, Cherry, Custard, Raspberry, Strawberry and Apricot at \$7.00 each. Cheese, Pecan, Turtle and Cherry Cheese will be \$7.50 each. Please make out your checks and send orders to Betty Miller 695 N Brookfield Road, #230, Brookfield, WI 53045-5849 by Dec. 5th. Orders may be picked up at McKinley Masonic Center on Saturday, Dec. 19th at 10:00 AM. Call either Betty at 262-786-0286 or Vicki Kuharske at 414-258[9048 with any questions or to make pickup or delivery arrangements. These Kringle freeze very well and make a wonderful gift.

Amaranth Love and Happy Holidays,  
Vicki, Royal Matron and all officers and members of Milwaukee Ct. #2

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

Our installation of officers will be held on Friday, November 11 at 7:30 pm at the Racine Masonic Center. Our evening begins with a 6:00 pm short business meeting. Hope to see many of you there.

Come join us at our December 9 meeting for our Holiday festivities. The meeting begins at 7:00 pm.

Racine Laurel Court is dark in January and February.

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

You are cordially invited to the Open Installation of Officers of Madison Court No. 7 on Sunday, November 13<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 pm.

We will celebrate Thanksgiving at our stated meeting on Tuesday November 15<sup>th</sup>. We are asking each of our members to bring something for refreshments after the meeting.

December 20<sup>th</sup> is our Christmas meeting. Members please bring your favorite Christmas cookies and a donation of food or money for the food pantry.

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

Hope Court will have their installation on Saturday, November 5 after their business meeting which starts at 1:30 pm. Refreshments and fellowship will follow the installation.

The meeting in December is on December 3 at 1:30 pm.

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

Friendship Court #14 (Fond du Lac) will be holding an Open Installation of Officers Saturday, November 12<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. There will be a short business meeting preceding the Installation at 5:30 p.m. Refreshments will be served following Installation.

On December 10<sup>th</sup> we will celebrate Christmas and share a Cookie Exchange.

Friendship Court is dark in January and February.

**We Welcome Your Opinions  
Submitted by H.L. Gail Piper,  
Chair of Website Committee**

This year's Website Committee is asking for our members' input on the Grand Court website. Our website has been up and running for two years now, and if you have any suggestions as to how we might put that resource to better use, please contact one of the committee members: H.L. Gail Piper, H.L.

Barbara Lee Overton, S.K. LeRoy Kifer, H.L. Vicki Kuharske, or H.L. Ruth Burns. While we may or may not be able to fulfill all suggestions, your input will be taken under serious consideration and acted upon if at all possible.

Have you visited the website and found what you were looking for? If not, let us know. Did you refer anyone to our website for information about Amaranth or our functions, etc? Let us know how you have used it, and if you have not used it and you use the internet regularly, please let us know why not.

Please be advised that [www.wisconsinamaranth.org](http://www.wisconsinamaranth.org) currently displays a page that states it is currently under construction. Your input is always welcome, so once it is updated for this current year you might want review it then and let us know what you think.

Thank you in advance for your time and assistance!

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

### AMARANTH PASSPORT

Remember to have your passport with you when attending Amaranth functions. A star will be placed on it by the Secretary of the Court you are visiting, H.L. Mary, S.K. LeRoy, H.L. Judy or S.K. Harland, showing that you were at various functions at other courts. Also, if attending special functions other than meetings or proteming a station at a court other than your home court. Bring your passport to Grand Court on October 11 to have your passport tallied as each item will have a point system. The most items stickered will be recognized and prizes awarded.

### Membership Development Contest Results Submitted by H.L. Gail Piper, Jr. PGRM

Congratulations are in order for the winners of the 2010-11 Membership Development Contest! Results were announced at Grand Court and for those of you who were not able to attend, I want to let you know who worked the hardest to increase our membership.

At the Court level, Racine Laurel Court #6 was the winner and will have a meal served to them by H.L. Gail Piper and S.K. Nathaniel Moore. When that will happen will be worked out with their incoming Royal Matron and Royal Patron.

At the individual member level, the winning Sir Knight is Warren Krueger of Milwaukee Court #2. And, the winning Honored Lady is Amanda Hansen of Racine Laurel Court #6. The next time you see Amanda and Warren be sure to congratulate them for their hard work in bringing new members to our Order. I would also like to add that four of these newest members recruited by H.L. Amanda and S.K. Warren were at Grand Court this year. That was great!

Keep this momentum going and continue recruiting new members!

**DEADLINE FOR NEXT GRAND COURT NEWSLETTER IS JANUARY 15 FOR ALL EVENTS FOR THE MONTHS OF FEBRUARY, MARCH AND APRIL, 2012.**

On the Wagon Trail of events you will see various items and activities to raise money for Wisconsin's contribution to the Amaranth Diabetes Foundation.

First, we are in need of bakers for the Amaranth Cookie Sale, if you can bake any amount of cookies, please let Diana Kifer know. This is a new event for our Grand Court this year and we need a minimum of 250 dozen cookies to sell.

The Diabetes Committee also has new raffle items for this year. An afghan made by H.L. Joyce Kupper, one small sketched wood duck print, one large baby wood duck print and a portable juke box. H.L. Diana has pictures of the items and the tickets to purchase.

I have included our calendar of events. One change to be noted since Grand Court is that the Beat Diabetes has been moved to Saturday, January 7, 2012. A new event in its place is an Angel Seminar (see enclosed flyer).

#### **Amaranth Cookie Sale**

Friday, November 25, 2011  
12 pm noon to 4 pm  
Country Springs Hotel  
Grand Ballroom  
2810 Golf Road  
Pewaukee, WI 53072

#### **Find Your Angel Seminar**

Saturday, November 26, 2011  
9:30 am to 1:00 pm  
Memorial United Methodist Church  
3450 South 52 Street  
Greenfield, WI 53219

#### **Grand Lecturer's Official Visits**

Saturday, March 3, 2012	Hope Court #11
Monday, March 5, 2012	Milwaukee Court #2
Friday, March 9, 2012	Racine Laurel Court #6
Saturday, March 10, 2012	Friendship Court #14
Tuesday, March 20, 2012	Madison Court #7

#### **Grand Royal Matron's Official Visits**

Monday, April 2, 2012	Milwaukee Court #2
Saturday, April 7, 2012	Hope Court #11
Friday, April 13, 2012	Racine Laurel Court #6
Saturday, April 14, 2012	Friendship Court #14
Tuesday, April 17, 2012	Madison Court #7

#### **Pancake Plus Fund Raiser (Tentative)**

Sunday, April 15, 2012  
Madison Masonic Center  
301 Wisconsin Avenue  
Madison, Wisconsin

#### **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 11, 2012  
Activities and Social begin at 12:30 pm  
Dinner at 2:00 pm  
Delafield Brewhaus  
3832 Hillside Drive  
Delafield, WI 53018

#### **Advance Nights**

Saturday, May 5, 2012	Hope Court #11
Monday, June 4, 2012	Milwaukee Court #2
Friday, August 10, 2012	Racine Laurel Court #6
Saturday, August 11, 2012	Friendship Court #14
Tuesday, August 21, 2012	Madison Court #7

#### **Supreme Council Order of the Amaranth**

115<sup>th</sup> Assembly  
June 24-27, 2012  
Doubletree Hotel  
Toronto Airport, Ontario Canada

#### **Western Hoedown**

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

Sunday, August 19, 2012  
(details to be announced)  
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](http://www.wintergreen-resort.com)

## Dream Believers

### Angel Introduction

Sometimes, someone we're close to, or maybe someone we barely know at all offers us advice, kindness or a shoulder to lean on and in that gesture, for some inexplicable reason, they change our life path and then they're gone. Only afterward do we realize that the person was our angel, a guiding spirit sent to us through a problem and while doing this, teaches us a positive lesson.

This program's purpose is to help you explore the simplicity of Angels, how believing in them can and will change your life for the better. Angels can be thought of as your bridge between truth and a nightmarish illusion of problems. My goal for all of you is to get to know who your Angels are, how to contact them, and why you should. This is an adventure that I have personally walked and can say to you that it is a wonderful, never ending journey.

I include handouts on some of the things I talk about and a list of the different Angels that you can call upon for help, such as Archangel Michael who helps out with mechanical troubles. I don't go into great depth with these for there are about 100 different Angels, but I do go over the ones that are best known and give a handout to take home.

Cynthia Eickstaedt  
Presenter, Dream Believers

The fee for this seminar is \$10.00 per person which will include an Angel craft project and all the handouts. A portion of this fee will be given to our Diabetic program.

Please make your reservations with Mary Schultz by Monday, November 21 to 414-526-2715 or [greeneyesgerman@wi.rr.com](mailto:greeneyesgerman@wi.rr.com).