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Message from Grand Royal Matron Barbara Foster

Dear Honored Ladies and Sir Knights,

Time is moving quickly and Grant Court will be here before you know it! Here are some reminders and requests:

*Come early and join us Wednesday, Oct. 12th at 6:00 pm at Buffalo Phil's for a Dutch Treat dinner. I look forward to seeing many of you for a fun, informal evening!

*Pre-registration: mail to HL Sally Acuff by Sept. 30th.

*Get your registration in for your room. The room block is released on Sept. 18th.

*Get your meal reservations in to HL Mary Schultz by Sept. 30th

*Get your ads to HL Nancy Saggio by Sept. 30th.

REMEMBER THAT ALL CHECKS FOR MEALS, ADS, AND PRE-REGISTRATION ARE NOW MADE OUT TO WI GRAND COURT

*HL Betty Miller is coordinating food for the Hospitality Room. All food donations need to be delivered to the Hospitality Room on Oct. 13th by 9:00. She is looking for:

Fruit (apples, bananas, grapes), cheese (sliced or wrapped single serving), crackers, some baked goods, Racine Kringles (hint), coffee, tea, bottled water, sugar and creamer, plates, napkins, cups.

Let her know by Sept. 30th what you are bringing so she will know if she needs to shop for items not donated. Betty also needs donations of money so she can purchase items not donated. Because Betty is doing the shopping, please make checks out to Betty and mail directly to her.

*I am asking each court to donate \$35.00 to help with the Thursday reception. Please make checks out to Barb Foster and mail directly to me by Sept. 30th since I am doing the shopping for this.

Thank you all for your support for our Grand Court activities!

HL Barb Foster, GRM

NEXT COURT DEADLINE FOR GRAND NEWSLETTER IS OCTOBER 15 FOR ALL **EVENTS** THE MONTHS FOR NOVEMBER. DECEMBER AND **JANUARY** 2017

Change in Grand Court By-Laws

Paper reports for Grand Court are due to the Grand Associate Conductress before noon on the Thursday, October 13 with the exception of Courtesy and Hospitality, Craft Table, Credentials, Jurisprudence and Registration. The Grand Secretary may also receive a copy of the same reports and addresses electronically at least three days prior to the Annual Session.

Pre-session Fun and Fellowship Night
October 12, 2016
Buffalo Phil's
Wisconsin Dells
(Across the street to the West of
the Wintergreen Resort)
6:00 pm
(RSVP to GRM Barbara Foster)

Grand Court of Wisconsin Order of the Amaranth Annual Session

October 13, 14 and 15, 2016
Wintergreen Resort and Conference Center
PO Box 296, 60 Gasser Road
Wisconsin Dells, WI 53965-0296
1-800-648-4765

Email: <u>www.wintergreen-resort.com</u>

This session is open to ALL members not just the voting members of Grand Court.

Grand Court Session information has been distributed to all the members of Wisconsin by Sally Acuff our Grand Secretary. Lots of information about the rehearsal schedule, schedule of events, meals and hotel are included in this distribution. Let Sally know if you have not received this information.

Grand Court Assistance Needed

- Items are needed for the craft table handmade items, bakery, etc. This money is to help jump start the Grand Associate Patron's Ways and Means fund.
- Baskets are needed for Friday evening for our Annual Basket Auction. Baskets should arrive to Grand Court on Thursday, October 13. Proceeds to benefit the Amaranth Diabetes Foundation.
- 3. Change this year no bag raffle we will be selling Bingo cards for \$5.00 a piece. Members are asked to bring donations of gift cards with a minimum value of \$10.00. These gift cards will be used as the prizes for Bingo which is the entertainment for the banquet on Friday night at Grand Court

GRAND COURT SESSION IN A NUT SHELL

Wednesday, October 12: Join us for pre session fun with dinner (Dutch treat) at Buffalo Phil's, RSVP to GRM Barbara Foster. Buffalo Phil's is located across the street to the west of the Wintergreen Resort.

Thursday, October 13: AM – Rehearsals (review trifold for new format); Kick Off Lunch- NEW!; PM – Rehearsals; Registration and Credentials; Session Opens Thursday evening.

Friday, October 14: AM – Morning session, elections; Golden Chain Lunch (NEW DAY) to welcome and celebrate the election of our new GRM and GRP; PM – Afternoon session, Memorial Ceremony; Evening - Garden Rhapsody Banquet to celebrate our WI Masonic family

Saturday, October 15: AM Critter Choir Fun Breakfast, Each court should have a skit for our entertainment; PGRMs/PGRPs should bring their mascots to the breakfast too; Morning session; Past Grand Association lunch (NEW DAY); Tech Thyme- a time to ask all those techie questions from those in the know; PM – Installation Rehearsals; Box Dinner (NEW); Evening – Installation of Wisconsin Grand Court officers

Still Missing!



Have received this from the kidnappers:

This is a final notice for collecting ransom for Violet. Ransom money has not yet made the goal of \$250.00. The ransom money collected stands at about \$216.00. If you want to see Violet at the Grand Court Session, please meet the demands.

Ransom money should be sent to Mary Schultz at 9170 South 41 Street, Franklin, WI 53132



TECH THYME

Have you wondered just what **Instagram**, **Twitter**, and **Snapchat** are? Just what is a hashtag?

Are you curious about **Facebook** and **Instant Messaging**? Have you heard about **Skype**?

Has someone you know **Googled** for information or an answer to a question? How about that **cloud** everyone is talking about-what is that?

Has anyone suggested a Facebook page for your Court as a promotional tool?

It was suggested at the February Leadership Day that time be devoted to technology....SO, welcome to TECH THYME! SK Phil Itzenhuiser and friends will be available in the Hospitality Room on Saturday, 10/15/16 from 1-2 pm to answer your questions and to start the technology discussion! They hope to see you there!