
Grand Court of Wisconsin Order of Amaranth Newsletter

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Message from H.L. Lila Kimball, GRM

Honored Ladies and Sir Knights,

Home from a wonderful Supreme Session in Tulsa, OK.

I would ask that those appointed to serve on Committees to check your duties.

Grand Court is going to be here before we know it .

Looking forward seeing you there at the Dells to board "The Train of Life".



Don't forget the fun night coming up.

HL Lila J. Kimball, GRM



Message from S.K. Dale Holmen, GRP

Wow, the year has gone by so fast. It already been one week since we returned from Supreme. For those that did not make the trip, I hope you enjoyed the cool weather in Wisconsin. Tulsa was HOT, but the court room was cool and the session went very smoothly.

Now back home, it is time to make plans for the rest of our year. Invites for our Grand Court session will soon be in your hands; Lila and I hope everyone will be with us in the Dells in October.

We still have one more fun event planned! This will be another opportunity to make some money for ADF and have some fun too. On August 28, we will be at the Delafield Brewhaus for some fun with old time radio. Remember radio? That was the big box in your living room that the family sat around and "watched" every night. Check your email for the flyer with all the details. This is for family and friends alike. Invite everyone you know, so we can get some of their money too.

This has been such a fun year and I thank you all for the opportunity. I have enjoyed traveling to other

Grand Courts around the country. It has been a great way to make new friends.

Keep an eye out information for the details of the event in August

Dale Holmen, GRP

**Message from
Amanda Grunewald, GAM**

Hello Wisconsin!

I hope you all have been having a fun summer. I have certainly been enjoying some pool time.

I am very much looking forward to seeing everyone at Grand Court in October. A few items to keep in mind. If you have not ordered the new grand officer dress, please let me know so that we can get it ordered.

Second, I want to let you all know that the School of Instruction and the Leadership Training will be held on Sunday, October 16th at 9:00 AM. This is the Sunday after Installation. This seems easier than trying to find a separate date in the cold months. All members of the Order are welcome. Please plan to attend as this will be an educational time for all. This will be followed by lunch afterwards.

The lunch after the school of instruction is going to be the same meal as Thursday. The cost will be 14 dollars per person and the money should be sent to me. Checks can be made out to the Grand Court of Wisconsin. My address is:

Amanda Grunewald
2616 Blaine Ave
Racine, WI 53405

I hope to see everyone over the next month for Advance Nights! I am also looking forward to

Racine's Initiation hopefully in September. I can't wait to greet our new members.

See you real soon!

Amaranth Love,
Amanda

**Message from
Jamison Kifer, GAP**

It is midsummer and that means there is work to do! We only have a dwindling number of weeks until GRAND COURT! I am still waiting for responses from some of our members in regard to the DIY Waterless Car Wash fundraiser I started earlier in the year for Way and Means! I have received MANY responses and wonderful comments in regard to detailing and such AND I HOPE you got that done...by a professional and not me, I am not THAT good! I hope you all are looking forward to arriving at the Grand Court Depot in October to help us celebrate the end to another term of Wisconsin Amaranth love and time! I am excited to see all of our shining faces on Thursday evening of Grand Court to start the fun!

As we look onto the upcoming months, please look for members to join our Order. GRP Dale and I were at Grand Lodge's Annual Communication back in June. We got a few responses from the masons there, but not as many as I had hoped. WE NEED YOUR HELP! The Order of the Amaranth needs to be the premier organization for both ladies and men to join and participate in! We need to make sure that our meetings, though once a month, are more than do our ritual, pay a bill or two, close and go home with a meal prior or following the meeting. Bring in an outside group to present who they are, what they do, or why they exist. Learn about others while teaching what Amaranth is all about! We are here to have fun and help others, so WHY NOT DO THAT?!?!?



So you all know, HL Christin and I have moved and our address is 2200 Antelope Trail, Kaukauna, 54130. I ask that you send anything that needs my attention to this address.



We hope that you all will be able to come to Grand Court in October, your own local Court meetings, and go visit other courts and assist if able. We can grow our Order through showing the TRUTH in all we say and do, having FAITH that God will show us the way, having the WISDOM to do what is right by the teachings of our Order, and proving that CHARITY is one of the most fundamental attributes of Amaranth. Show this to others, yourself, and the rest will follow.

With Amaranth Love,
S.K. Jamison E. Kifer, GAP

Message from Cheri Brus, GC

Hello Everyone,

As most of you know I was traveling with Bob and Mary during her year as Supreme Marshal in the East. While we were traveling I crocheted prayer shawls which some were given to my Eastern Star group for a nursing home and the rest are being given to my church who asked for crocheters/knitters to help out with. Well Mary told me she wanted to know how many I made. I said she would not know until the newsletter. Well here it is, not much but it was the best I could do, there were 10 prayer shawls and 16 scarves which are going to the homeless.

I truly hope everyone is having a good summer. Mine like I said has been great, but know it is time to get down to work. Grand Court is coming before we know. I sincerely hope we have a good time in the Dells.

If I don't see you before I will for sure see you in October. Take care and have a great rest of your summer and a good fall.

Cheri Brus, Grand Conductress

Message from Mary Lubach, GAC

Hello everyone and welcome to the heat. Had a good time in Tulsa at Supreme Council. Have a good summer stay safe and cool. Don't forget the upcoming events. Hope to see everyone along the Amaranth Trail.

Mary Lubach Grand Associate Conductress

**Message from
Betty Miller
Jr. Past GRM**

It was a great privilege to be HL Mary's page for Supreme assembly. It is certainly a different view from the front looking out over 400 plus members. HL Mary Wyatt SRM and SK George Kuhns SRP did a super job presiding. All work was memorized including the memorial service. The officers had every step and movement timed perfectly. It was very moving service.



The banquet was really fun. Everyone was involved from showing up as a Disney character to dancing under the direction of a DJ. We saw a different side to Past Supreme officers.

I was very proud of our state and the giving we made to the ADF. WI was the fourth highest in giving per member \$88.01 2021-2022. Thank You. Let's KEEP MOVING FORWARD.

HL Betty Anne Miller JPGRM

**Message from
Milwaukee Court No. 2
Sue Udhardt, RM
Gene Hass, RP**

Monday August 1 Milwaukee Court will have Advance Night for H.L. Vera Aschauer. There will be a Ham Potluck dinner at 5:30 PM with a cost of \$10.00. Our meeting will be at 7 PM.

September 5 meeting as been rescheduled for Monday September 19 at 7 PM.

Our H.L. Betty Miller was asked to be Supreme Page for H.L. Mary Schultz as Supreme Marshal East at Supreme Council last month.

Monday October 3 will be our Annual Report and Election. Meeting to begin at 7 PM.

**Message from
Racine Laurel Court No. 6
SuAnn Gascoigne, RM
Robert Miksch, RP Protm**

Racine Laurel Court has had to change a few of its meetings to ensure that we make quorum.

Friday, August 12 stated meeting. Light supper at 6:30 pm, meeting at 7:30 pm.

Friday, September 9 is our Advance Night. We have petitions and will have initiation for at least 2 if not more. Dinner is at 6:00 pm; meeting at 7:00 pm. Let Mary Schultz know if you are attending dinner or if you will able to assist with our initiation. It is important that we have all the stations filled and members know their work.

Our October meeting has yet been decided as our meeting falls during the Grand Court session.

Please remember we meet at the Union Grove Masonic Lodge, 1021 – Eleventh Avenue, Union Grove, WI 53182-1305

Everyone take care and be safe.

**Message from
Madison Court No. 7
Judy Emerson, RM
Jack Heady, RP**

We are hoping everyone had a safe and enjoyable summer and are now looking forward to a good fall. Then we are ready for our Grand Court! Time has a way of really flying by!

Madison Court was able to have its Memorial Service at the June meeting, due to not having it in May. We thank H.L. Lila, our Grand Royal Matron, for allowing us to do this at her official visit to our Court. We thank all the members that came to help, as officers. It was a beautiful day, with all the chairs filled, and all the ladies in their white gowns.

The meeting was very successful for the official visit. Our Grand Royal Matron H.L. Lila, and our own S.K. Dale, Grand Royal Patron enjoyed the time with all of us. Our morning brunch was successful, especially with H.L. Gail's great egg dishes. Thanks to our members who all bring goodies for the brunch!

We are looking forward to the Brewhaus get together in August. It is a great place to enjoy the fellowship of our Amaranth friends.

Remember our 1st Saturday morning meetings, 9 am brunch, 10 meeting. You are invited to join us

anytime. You don't need to bring anything for the brunch, just your smiles.

H.L. Judy Emerson
Royal Matron
S.K. Jack Heady
Royal Patron

**Message from
Friendship Court No. 14
Nancy Saggio, RM
Jamison Kifer, RP**

Friendship Court will have Advance night on the 13th of August. A picnic will be held at 6:00 pm. Brats and hamburgers with trimmings for \$8.00. Please RSVP. Meeting at 7:00 pm.

September 10th is a stated meeting. Dinner at 6:00pm with meeting to follow. Back to work.

October 8th is getting ready for Grand Court and Elections.

**Message from
Sunshine Committee
H.L. Mary Schultz**

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.

I hope everyone has been enjoying the sunshine notes I have sent by snail mail and by email.

Marv Engelke had a stroke in early July and would appreciate cards.

Newsletter

Do you have an email address? Does the Grand Court know that you have an email address? If not, please let your court know. A suggestion at our last Grand Court session is to ask those members who receive the newsletter via the United States Postal Service to give a donation of \$10.00 to help defray the costs of this newsletter. Please let me know if you have any questions.

**Message from
The Diabetes Committee
H.L. Mary Schultz and
S.K. Robert Miksch**

Each Court should have received a glass block bank to be put out at your meetings for members to put donations in for Diabetes. The bank can be filled with coins or paper money. How is your bank doing? Monies from the glass blocks should be sent to the Grand Secretary by October 1 so that these monies can be accounted for in the report at Grand Court.

The Diabetes Committee will be selling raffle tickets for the Mickeys at the GRM/GRP official visits. These are both Mickeys and are 28 inches tall. Drawing will be at the Friday night banquet at Grand Court.

At our Grand Court session we will once again have our bag raffle, our basket auction, our Mickeys raffle and a special raffle with a donation by Alice Britton. All drawings will be done at our Friday night, October 14 festivities.

Save the Date!!!!

Delafield Brewhaus Event on Sunday, August 28 for a Command Performance of Old Time Radio. The flyer is included with this newsletter.

Please let SK Bob or myself know if you are willing to donate a basket or other items either for the Brewhaus event or Wisconsin Grand Court. Thank you.

(Please remember dates and times are subject to change)

Advance Nights

Milwaukee Court	August 1, 2022
Friendship Court	August 13, 2022
Racine Laurel Court	September 9, 2022
Madison Court	No date

Grand Court of Wisconsin Order of the Amaranth Annual Session

October 13, 14, 15, 2022
Clarion Hotel & Suites and
Wintergreen Conference Center
Wisconsin Dells, WI 53965-0296
Email: www.wintergreen-resort.com

Wisconsin Grand Court Information is on the Wisconsin Grand Court website and included in emails and usps mailings to our members.

Supreme Marshal East Mary Schultz

In October of 2019, HL Mary Wyatt announced at our Wisconsin Grand Court Session my appointment as Supreme Marshal East for George and herself. I was truly humbled, honored and speechless. I never in my years in this Order, that I would have been given this opportunity.

Well COVID hit the world and the best laid plans of mice and men did not allow for all of this to stay on the schedule that Mary and George had. My appointment would not be finalized until the installation at the Supreme Council in Portland, Oregon in July of 2020.

Thus the journey began. With the assistance of SK Bob Miksch and HL Cheri Brus, we traveled to Iowa, Virginia, Colorado, Tennessee, Kentucky, Florida, Indiana and then to Tulsa, Oklahoma for the Supreme Council Session. I had the opportunity to be protem Supreme Page in Virginia, Colorado, Kentucky and Florida and protem Supreme Marshal in Indiana.

Each Grand Court is different and I believe we all learned something new in each one. We caught up with people we had not seen for a while and met new people along the way.

Being a Supreme Floor Officer at a Supreme Council Session was rather overwhelming. The venue is way bigger and the floor is probably twice the size of our Wisconsin Grand Court. Many miles were walked during the session. The Memorial Ceremony was done with precision and I was very proud to be a part of this as well.

My term is over and words cannot express my gratitude to SK Bob for all the driving and toting, HL Cheri for her support and serenading and to the members of Wisconsin Grand Court for your love and

support. I hope I have represented the Wisconsin Grand Court well.

Thank you all, H.L Mary Schultz, PGRM

Humor Corner

Chinese Take Out

I ordered Chinese and went to pick it up and as I was driving back home heard the bags rustling and moving. I thought what on earth is that? Has something gotten into the bag? I thought I could see a little pair of eyes peering out I was driving at the time so I pulled over I leaned forward picked the bag up and put it on the passenger seat and there it was again more rustling and little eyes looking out behind the ginger beef! I thought it's got to be a rat or mouse or something so I carefully pulled the bag down....And there it was

Crabs

A lawyer boarded an airplane with a box of frozen crabs and asked a blonde stewardess to take care of them for him.

She took the box and promised to put it in the crew's refrigerator.

He advised her that he was holding her personally responsible for them staying frozen, mentioning it in an arrogant manner that he was a lawyer, and threatened what would happen to her if she let them thaw out.

Shortly before landing, she used the intercom to announce to the entire cabin, "Would the lawyer who gave me the crabs, please raise your hand?"

Not one hand went up...so she took them home and ate them.

There are two really great lessons here:

1. Lawyers aren't as smart as they think they are; and,
2. Blondes aren't as dumb as most folks think!

Little Corner of the Grand Secretaries Desk



Honored Ladies and Sir Knights,

I can't believe our Supreme Assembly is over (Congratulation to H. L. Mary Schultz for a job well done and representing Wisconsin with her floorwork. We are all proud of you) and that summer is almost done. With fall just around the corner, our own 72nd Annual Grand Court Session will be here. Grand Court information has been sent out and is on the website. I've already received some registrations. Don't wait till the last minute to get in your registration, meals and ads for the Ad Book.

I want to touch base on the part of our Grand Court By-laws on amendments. There is sometimes confusion on the timeline to submit amendments. The following is some of what our Grand Court By-Laws state on Amendments.

ARTICLE VII – AMENDMENTS OF GRAND COURT BY-LAWS

(a) All proposed Amendments, Revisions or Additions to the Grand Court By-Laws shall be mailed to the Chairman of the Grand Court By-laws Committee in quadruplicate and signed by the Sponsor(s), at least sixty (60) days before the Annual/Special Grand Court Session, one copy for the files of the Grand Secretary and two (2) copies being brought to the Grand Court Annual/Special Session for the use of the Jurisprudence Committee and one (1) copy retained by the chairman of the Grand Court By-Laws Committee.

The Chairman is H.L. Sally A. Acuff 1217 Burning Wood Way Madison, WI 53704-1053

E-mail: saacuff@att.net

60 Days before our Annual Session would be Aug. 20, 2022

(d) All amendments, revisions or additions to these By-laws must be submitted in typed format on 8 ½" X 11" paper at the Annual/Special Session of the Grand Court and shall be referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence for their presentation where upon they may be adopted by two-thirds (2/3) vote of the Grand Court.

She then consults with her committee which is H.L.'s Diana Kifer and Gail Piper who then will send to the Grand Secretary.

The Grand Secretary will in turn email or mail copy of the proposed amendments to the Voting members of Wisconsin Grand Court 30 days before our Grand Court Session. If they are done sooner, I do send them out.

SECTION 6 – GRAND SECRETARY

(k) The Grand Secretary shall mail to each voting member a copy of the proposed amendments, revisions or additions to the Grand Court By-laws at least thirty (30) days before the Grand Court Annual/Special Session.

I hope this helps clear up some of the amendment questions. If you have any concerns, you can always reach out to me. You know where I am. I just a phone call away.

*Point to Ponder: 17. When companies ship Styrofoam, what do they pack it in?
REMEMBER THAT YOU ARE IMPORTANT*

*In Amaranth Love and Service
H.L. Diana L. Kifer, PGRM
Grand Secretary of Wisconsin*

