
Grand Court of Wisconsin Order of Amaranth Newsletter

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November, December 2012 and January 2013

Message from Grand Royal Matron Laura Dessereau

Wow! It's really hard to believe that Installation is over and the Safari has begun. I want to thank all who assisted in the Installation. Your hard work was deeply appreciated by everyone who attended.

Congratulations S.K. LeRoy Kifer on your appointment as the Supreme Lecturer for 2013.

October 27 will be our Day of Training/Leadership Workshop. H.L. LuAnn Hansen has some wonderful 'hints' for us as we start a new year. It will be at McKinley Masonic Center 4550 N. Pilgrim Rd. Please plan to attend this event as it will be a day of learning. (Time 9am-3pm Lunch \$5). If you have any questions, please call me at 414-481-5935 or e-mail: ddessereau@wi.rr.com.

November is our month of Court Installations. Let's show our support by attending these events.

H.L. Diana Kifer is taking on the task of the Great Cookie Sale to be held on Friday - November 23 at the Country Springs Hotel in Pewaukee. Start baking now as this a great \$ maker for our Grand Court. Call H.L. Diana at 1-920-922-6012 or e-mail: ldkifer@charter.net and let her know how you can help.

S.K. Mike and I are doing some new things at Grand Court. We have begun a mentoring program for the line officers. A big thanks to H.L. Judy Emerson, H.L. Ruth Burns, H.L. Diana Kifer and H.L. Gail Piper. Your help with our officers and duties is greatly appreciated.

Please read the entire newsletter to be 'in the loop' at all the Courts.

As always, you can either call me or send an e-mail and I will reply ASAP!

Have a bountiful fall harvest, enjoy the glorious colors and have safe travels.

Message from Grand Royal Patron Michael Brus

I wish to thank everyone for coming up to Grand Court in the Dells.

A good time was had by all; we had some fun and got lots done. I also wish to thank everyone for putting their faith in me as your Grand Royal Patron. I will do my best to uphold that trust. We have a lot to do this year for our fight against diabetes. Let us make diabetes extinct.

We are also going to be working on membership. Please keep at least one petition on you.

Also please keep up with our program as a lot of fun things are planned and being planned. Those already planned are in the Installation Program. We hope to see a lot of you at these activities. Also remember if you need a ride you can call anyone from your Court and they should be able to arrange a ride for you.

Hope to see you on the Jungle Safari.

Message from Grand Associate Matron June Potts

Congratulations to H.L. Mary and S.K. LeRoy on the completion of their "Wild Wild West" Session. Now they can corral the horses, store the wagons, and remember

all the exciting new programs they initiated and all of their accomplishments. Way to go, Mary and LeRoy!

Our best wishes to H.L. Laura and S.K. Mike during their Gift of Grace Session. We know they will "Stand Tall and Show Their Pride."

I want to thank the Grand Court members for continuing to support my journey to the Throne, and especially, I want to thank S.K. Chris Christiansen for traveling with me. We are both looking forward to an exciting year as we develop our plans for the next couple of years.

I also want to thank H.L. Judy Emerson, who has agreed to serve as my Mentor, a new program encouraged by Supreme. H.L. Judy was my Fraternal Mom in 2008-2009, and she was most helpful in guiding me through Friendship Court's year. I can think of no individual I would rather have guiding my footsteps as we continue through the Grand Line. Judy, I really look forward to working with you and receiving your support. Many thanks!

**Message from
Grand Associate Patron
Chris Christiansen**

Just a few words from the new kid on the block. Plans are being formulated for the things needed to raise the money to balance the Grand Court budget. Although I am the Chair, it is a project as they say in the navy, an ALL HANDS evolution. Everyone is involved. More on this will be announced later by letter. The idea is to raise as much as possible from outside the organization. This will mean contacting friends and neighbors especially for selling jams and jellies. They have a reputation of being very good and should sell easily. A real talking point is that they make well received and inexpensive gifts. You will be provided with an order form (that may be copied as necessary). This should result in many orders without much effort. Naturally, it will also give you a chance to talk about Amaranth and the good it does in contributing to diabetes research. It could even result in getting new members. Taking along a petition would be smart.

There will also be raffles and the usual 50-50. That should result in getting the needed funds as well.

Looking forward to a great year.

**Message from
Grand Conductress
Sondra Moore**

I would like to thank all of you for electing me to be your Grand Conductress. I will do my best to fulfill all the responsibilities that my office requires to serve this Grand Court. I look forward to seeing all of you at the meetings and special events.

A special thank you to my mentor HL Ruth Burns, PGRM. - "Thank you for being there for me, I'm sure I will need your guidance and support." I am excited about this opportunity!

Grand Court was a great time. Thank you for the great job you have done, HL Mary PGRM, and SK LeRoy PGRP. The "Wild, Wild West" decorations made us think we were in the old west.

Congratulations to all the new officers; HL Laura, GRM and SK Mike GRP. I wish you all the best.

Installations of our courts are coming up. Please try to attend and support all of our courts. We are small, but we can be great if we all work together for our Amaranth. Please call if you need any help, we have to work hard to keep our Grand Court on top.

The holidays are almost upon us. Happy Thanksgiving to you and all of your families. Winter holidays are the most wonderful time of the year! Enjoy the holiday season, from our family to yours! Look forward to working with all of you in the year ahead.

**Message from
Grand Associate Conductress
Sally Lutzke**

Thank you for your support and confidence in electing me to serve Grand Court as your Grand Associate Conductress. Thank you H.L. Diana Kifer for being my mentor.

**Message from
Milwaukee Court No. 2
Pam Padgett, RM
Michael Brus, RP**

The Open Installation of the 2012-2013 corps of officers will be on Monday, November 5, 2012. The evening starts with a 6 pm short stated meeting and the Installation at 7:30 pm.

We will be meeting in January and February. All are welcome to attend our stated meetings. stay cool.

**Message from
Racine Laurel Court No. 6
LuAnn Hansen, RM
Ernest Anderson, 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 open installation is on Friday, November 9, 2012 at 7:30 pm. We have a stated meeting at 6:00 pm. H.L. LuAnn Hansen and S.K. Ernest Anderson will be installed as Royal Matron and Royal Patron for the ensuing year along with their supporting officers.

Our December meeting is on Friday, December 14 at 7:00 pm. If you come early you can have a tour of the "Holidays in the Mansion".

We are dark in January and February.

Racine Laurel Court wishes everything a joyous Holiday Season.

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

Sometime During Christmas
By Ree Reaney

Sometime during Christmas
As the days go rushing by,
Take time to see the Christmas lights
Mist-haloed 'gainst the sky.

Sometime during Christmas
Breathe deep the Christmas smell;
The bayberry and the piney scents;
What welcome they foretell!

Sometime during Christmas
When carolers are singing,
Retell the age-old story
For which the bells are ringing.

Sometime during Christmas
Midst the gaiety and noise,
Take time to hear the Quietness
Of simple Christmas joys.

Sometime during Christmas
Remember friends are near,
And feel the warmth of knowing
That your friendship's very dear!

On behalf of the Officers and Members of Madison Court No 7, we wish you a very blessed Holiday Season.

H.L. Barbara Lee Overton,
Royal Matron

S.K. LaVerne Storkson,
Royal Patron

**Message from
Hope Court No. 11
Ruth Burns, RM
Norm Burns, RP**

Hope Court will be having Open Installation on November 3, 2012 at 1:30pm. We will have a short stated meeting- with Open Installation to follow. All Masonic families and friends are invited to this event. Refreshments will follow. Please come, support and enjoy this special afternoon. Ruth Burns is Royal Matron-elect, and Norman Burns is Royal Patron- elect. We will have a good time.

Happy Thanksgiving to everyone!!

All our meetings are the 1st Saturday at 1:30pm. Our next meeting will be December 1, 2012. Have a wonderful, happy, holiday season. We will be dark in January and February, 2013.

We want to congratulate HL Mary and SK LeRoy on the fantastic job that you have done for our Courts! We are proud of you!! Your Grand Court Session was wonderful and everyone had a great time. Thank you for the memories!!

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

Friendship Court will hold an Open Installation on Saturday, November 10th. There will be a brief meeting at 5:00 p.m. followed by a dinner at 6:00 p.m. Installation of Officers will begin at 7:00 p.m., with H.L. Diana Kifer advancing to Royal Matron and S.K. LeRoy Kifer advancing to Royal Patron. Please let H.L. Diana know if you plan to attend the dinner and/or Installation. We look forward to seeing you.

**DEADLINE FOR NEXT GRAND COURT
NEWSLETTER IS JANUARY 15 FOR ALL
EVENTS FOR THE MONTHS OF
FEBRUARY, MARCH AND APRIL, 2013.**

Amaranth Cookie Sale

Friday, November 23, 2012
12 pm noon to 4 pm
Country Spring Hotel
Grand Ballroom
2810 Golf Road
Pewaukee, WI 53072

Bead for Diabetes

Saturday, December 1, 2012
Eclectica Bead Studio
Galleria West Shopping Center
18900 West Bluemound Road
Brookfield, WI 53043

ABCD

Amaranth Bowling Challenge for Diabetes

Saturday, January 12, 2013
(Place: TBD)

"Jungle Jamboree"

Sunday, June 9, 2013
Delafield Brewhaus
3832 Hillside Drive
Delafield, WI 53018

"Welcome to the Jungle"

Grand Royal Matron and Grand Royal Patron Reception

McKinley Masonic Center
4550 North Pilgrim Road
Brookfield, WI 53005

Family Day at the Milwaukee County Zoo

Saturday, August 10, 2013
(Details to be announced)

Market Day

Sunday, September 21, 2013
(Watch for details)

Supreme Council Order of the Amaranth

June 26-July 4, 2013
Harrisburg, PA
July 4 School of Instruction and
Leadership Training
Installation
July 5 SRM/SRP Reception

Grand Court of Wisconsin Order of the Amaranth Annual Session

October 10, 11 and 12, 2013
Wintergreen Resort and Conference Center
PO Box 296, 60 Gasser Road
Wisconsin Dells, WI 53965-0296
1-800-648-4765
Email: www.wintergreen-resort.com

Grand Lecturer's Visits

Saturday, March 2, 2013	Hope Court #11
Monday, March 4, 2013	Milwaukee Court #2
Friday, March 8, 2013	Racine Laurel Court #6
Saturday, March 9, 2013	Friendship Court #14
Tuesday, March 19, 2013	Madison, Court #7

Grand Royal Matron's Official Visits (Accompanied by the Grand Royal Patron)

Monday, April 1, 2013	Milwaukee Court #2
Saturday, April 6, 2013	Hope Court #11
Friday, April 12, 2013	Racine Laurel Court #6
Saturday, April 13, 2013	Friendship Court #14
Tuesday, April 16, 2013	Madison, Court #7

Advance Nights

Grand Associate Matron & Grand Associate Patron

Monday, June 3, 2013	Milwaukee Court #2
Saturday, July 13, 2013	Friendship Court #14
Tuesday, July 16, 2013	Madison Court #7
Saturday, August 3, 2013	Hope Court #11
Friday, August 9, 2013	Racine Laurel Court #6