

Washington Amaranthian Dispatch

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*July Greetings
from your
Grand Royal Matron
& Grand Royal Patron*



We are bringing summer greetings together as we have just spent the last 4 amazing days in Wenatchee celebrating Washington Job's Daughters, and are about to attend the Informal Opening of Grand Chapter. Giant shout out to Tonia and Diana Alderman for their hospitality and allowing us to park the 5th wheel in their driveway for a week! We were blessed to be able to attend the Formal Opening, MWJD Pageant, the Applebee's breakfast fundraiser for the Ritual Team, Lori attended the Degree of Royal Purple lunch, and finally the Grand Bethel and Grand Council Installation. What an amazing group of girls they are!

We are delighted to report that our Amaranth Scholarship Recipient, Jemma Fuher, is the new Miss Washington Job's Daughter, and Katie Scheffers is the new Grand Bethel Honored Queen. Yes, daughter of HL Elizabeth and SK Monte, granddaughter of HL Wanda and SK Jerry Pinion!

While in Cashmere, we visited the Applets and Cotlets store for goodies to take on our next adventure (Supreme) and then spent some somber time at the 9/11 Memorial. What an amazing job the Spirit of America organization did on that memorial. If you haven't been there, we suggest you go.

What's Next?

We're flying off to Glendale AZ for what we know will be a fantastic time! We're looking forward to seeing old friends and meeting new ones at the Annual Supreme Council Session. We promise to bring back a full report of the going's on for all who cannot attend. We're excited to see our "parents" Marsha and Bill installed as SRM and SRP, and of course, our own HL Bonita as Supreme Truth. HL Carolie Larson, PGRM, will be taking on my responsibilities while I am out of state.

The Scottish Highland Games are coming up soon! Don't forget to contact HL Tonia to sign up for a time slot to work. This is our newest and largest Grand Court fundraiser, and we need all the help we can get. There will be a training for all workers on Wednesday July 23, along with onion and muffin cutting. We also encourage anyone working to get their food handlers card.

You can learn more here: fwccourse.foodworkercard.wa.gov

There's more!

Amaranth members are known for waiting to the last minute to make reservations.... But we are concerned. There are very few reservations for the Diabetes Benefit or the 5K Walk in August. We are trying something new this year for the DRB, and I was really hoping the family friendly atmosphere would bring more attendees. Please don't let me down! Get your tickets today! You can make reservations with HL Tonia Alderman or on our website at amaranthwa.org. You can get your donation sheet and sign up for the 5K at the website as well.

SK Jack is happy to report that he's been given his Liberty Card and is back on the Amaranth Saddle. He thanks everyone for their continued love and support. We are both pleased that he is travel-ready.

Summer is upon us. Enjoy your families, your court picnics, our state events and as always, be kind to one another.

Amaranth Love,

HL Lori, GRM and SK Jack, GRP

Adventures with the Grand Associate Matron

Hello Washington!

This article is shameless plugs for all the things Calendars, Recipes and stories and the Highland Games. While June was a relatively quiet month for me, the upcoming July is going to be busy and so will August so buckle up buttercup, we have things to do!!!

A reminder we still have some calendars left. Please let Glenn or I know if you need one. \$5, I know there are some of you that don't have one, so send either of an email or give a call!

Please get your recipes and stories to me at harsin.jenny@gmail.com. It is going to take me a bit to get everything organized, printed and bound so that they are ready to sell by November. Participation by all is very encouraged as this something for everyone!! We can have the preservation of good recipes as well as stories of past. I have received things from 3 members. This is a **Ways and Means** project as well as a way to preserve our Washington Amaranth Heritage!

AND NOW..... Highland Games. If everyone is able to help in some way, we help keep the expenses down for the Highland Game for better profit for our Grand Court. This is OPM and a great way to get Washington Amaranth in the public eye!

Please check at your local grocery stores and at Chef's Choice (previous Cash and Carry) to see if they give gift cards or donations to Non-Profit groups that are running a food booth. HL Diana sent the letter out on the 15th of June. Please let her know if you've received a donation item (s). HL Melody Dorning did and got a lot of items needed!!!! Thank YOU!

We will also be looking for workers for Onion and English Muffin slicing on the 23rd of July. We'll be working set up of the booth on the 25th and then the actual Games on Saturday and Sunday. We'll need a great deal of helpers for those 2 days so that we can work shorter shifts. If you can work a shift, please contact HL Tonia Alderman! She is scheduling the shifts.

Due to the crazy busy July and August, our reception committee has changed the date for our reception. It will be in the same place, same time of day, probably the same food, but.....It is now September 28th.

One final plug.... SAVE THE DATE. December 6th 5:30 at Alki Masonic Hall the other Ways and Means will be a Queen Christina's Table Lodge.... Tickets and more info will be coming soon!

Until we see each other again, find your Adventures in the Great Wide Somewhere!!!



Amaranth Love

HL Jenny, GAM

Bonjour from the Beauties and the Lumiere's,

HL Jennie and I have traveled many miles around the state to all the installations, congratulations to all the new court officers. Now we have completed all the installations, it is time to take a quick break before we all head out to Supreme Council in Glendale, AZ. Can you say HOT!! It should be a great time for all going.

We are rapidly preparing for our Ways and Means project, The Annual Highland Games, Bangers and Mash Booth in Enumclaw on July 25 – 27. Please consider signing up for a shift many hands make light work. If you've never experienced the vibrant energy of the Highland Games, this is your chance to be part of something truly special. The aroma of sizzling bangers, the camaraderie of our members, and the lively parade of tartans will make this event unforgettable. Whether you're a seasoned volunteer or new to our group, your presence and enthusiasm are what make our booth successful. Let's come together, share in the laughter, and create memories that will last well beyond the summer sun.

We truly look forward to seeing you at our events over the next couple of months.

SK Glenn Ryder, GAP





Notes from the Grand Conductress

The few of us that went had a good time at group in Wenatchee in June. Those of you who stayed home missed a good meeting and a lovely 60-degree, windless day. Perfect day to be East of the mountains since I don't tolerate wind or heat well.

Conductress' you are now "The Gold Rush Girls". It's a tribute to the fact that I originally joined Amaranth and served as Royal Matron the first time in the gold fields of California.

Wenatchee Court is selling aprons that cover clear to your lap and mine has frogs on it, go figure! I can now dine in my formal without worrying. No more eating quickly so I have time to change!

HL Ann and I have attended several initiation meetings this month and hope to attend many more so keep us informed of your growth. It is sooo important that we keep our courts growing and fun! So, even if your court is dark in the summer, keep encouraging new members to join. Have parties, go see a movie as a group, socialize, have fun! Bring your friends to our Diabetes and Scholarship benefits. This fall invite the men from your masonic lodges to attend a meeting. Get Amaranth known in your neighborhood!!!

HL Brenda Pedersen,
Grand Conductress



Aloha,
It's summer and it's been beautiful.
The month of June has been slow for me on the Amaranth trail.
I traveled 140 miles.
The Aloha Girls have been busy talking about fundraising ideas and we will have some crafting workshops in August.
HL Brenda and I leave on the 6th to head to Supreme. I'm super excited as this is my first one.
All of the GAC's across Supreme will meet up and welcome and meet our new "mom".
I'm looking forward to all the new friends.
We also actually do swappies. So fun!!
I hope to see you across the state this summer!
Mahalo,
Ann



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Have a wonderful month!!!

**“I am red and white and blue, these are the colors that
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proud and brave and tall, I want justice for us all, so co
lor me America, red, white and blue”
— Dolly Parton, Color Me America**



