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Greetings Washington Amaranth!

What a busy August we have had! Hopefully everyone got a chance to attend at least one fun event this month. We started with the 5K on August 2nd, then Jack and I flew to Boise on the 9th, to attend their Official Visit, we attended the DRB on the 15th and wrapped up the month camping at the Masonic Park. Congratulations to SK Steve Powell who has been chosen as HL Brenda's partner.

Let's talk about Official Visits!

September is starting early with Group on September 6th at Tulip Court, followed by Tulip's OV at 2pm. This is a change of date for our Group Meeting, as many of us are traveling to the Grand Court of Alaska the following weekend. Our second OV will be on Monday September 8th in Bremerton. The end of September will take us east of the mountains to Artemesia and Wenatchee Courts. I'd really like to see some support for our east side courts. Time for a road trip! Get your Amaranth friends together, share the cost of a room and join us overnight in Richland, then caravan to Wenatchee on Sunday.

Remember that Official Visits actually start 15 minutes prior to the scheduled start time for bible signing. I encourage all of our Two Steppers and Stetsons to get out and support our Group. We need 4 SKs at every OV to act as Honor Guard, so I'm starting a friendly little competition! More details will follow at Group on the 6th. Hope to see all my Two Steppers and Stetsons there!

Some changes in October...

We're going to try something new... The October Group Meeting will be via ZOOM. I'm hoping we can get some participation from members who cannot normally travel to Group. I will have more information on September 6th at Tulip. Remember to help your fellow members. If you know someone who would like to join the ZOOM, but may not do it on their own, invite them to join you! Take care of one another. Welcome Court is unable to get their building that day, so Welcome Court's OV has been changed to their stated meeting night, October 1. If you would like to put something on the agenda for the October Group Meeting, please let me know ahead of time so I can make an agenda and breakout rooms. If this ZOOM is successful, we may try again in January.

I've asked you all this year to get out into your communities. We've offered grants for membership events. Please continue to look for ways to increase membership. To that end, Jack and I have been taking our banner to every event possible. We'll also be using it as our parade banner on November 8!



I hope to see you all Trail this month, and one another. out on the Amaranth as always, be kind to

HL Lori Hanson, Grand Royal Matron

September 2025

GREATINGS FROM THE GRP

HL's and SK's I hope that everyone had a great summer and a break from your court activities.

Now we start with the Official Visits, with the first one Tulip Court on September 6 and followed by Bremerton on the 8th. Then we take a break and head up to Alaska's Grand Court.

Upon our return, we head to Artemisia and Wenatchee on Sept 20th and 21st. That just gets us started on the OV's, Let us all try to support the other Courts as they may need help filling stations, SK's we will need your help with the Honor Guard.

I would like to thank all of the members that attended the activities this past month, and everyone that helped and participated in The 5K walk (ok I was not able to walk But I I did ride) Thanks for the large turnout. The DRB at the Royal Arch Park was another great event and a large attendance by the member's. Then we had the Grand Court Campout and Picnic, where HL Brenda made her announcement she has selected SK Steve Powell.

Again I would like to thank all of the members of this Grand Court for all of the support that you have given.

Next I would like to thank all of the members for the cards, warm thoughts and prayers for HL Bonita and myself, THANK YOU SO VERY MUCH

Please remember United we stand and being United we can support all of our members. That's all for now

> SK Jack Hutchins Papa Stetson





Adventures with the Grand Associate Matron

Happy Fall Ya'll

I am happy to say that even though August was busy, it was a very good month!!! We walked and went to the State Fair for Diabetes and then enjoyed a lovely day at the Masonic Park for our annual picnic. If you missed any of these events, I am sorry that you weren't there to enjoy the fun.

I would like to thank several members that have sent in recipes! I do still need more and I know they are out there. Please get your recipes and stories to me at harsin.jenny@qmail.com. I have also received a wonderful amount of History from SK Richard Moulden. I am also researching court information. If you anything you'd like to share, please email me!!

Just a reminder that SK Glenn and I will not be at the September Group at Tulip and will be sad to miss the OV. We will be traveling to Walnut Creek, CA for the Reception of our Supremes HL Emily and SK Ernesto. We will be dressed in our Hawaiian best with our counterparts from other states.

The GAM and GAP reception is on the 28th of September. Please see any of the HLs from Bremerton or Alki Court for tickets.

I don't know any details, I have the where and when of it. I am sure knowing our courts, they've planned a wonderful day.

Join SK Glenn and myself on December 6th 5:30 at Alki Masonic Hall (for our other Ways and Means) Queen Christina's Table Lodge.... Tickets will be \$35.00 per person and will include a commemorative glass. They will be available to purchase (or make a reservation with me) through Thanksgiving. The menu is set, the wine and Martinelli's chosen. I will be asking for participation. There are a few key positions that will need filling. Such as a Toastmaster, Marshal's in the E and W, and a few banner bearers.

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



Amaranth Love, HL Jenny, GAM

Summer is almost over,

How the summer flew by and August was just a blur. All the events, picnics and time with family and friends. It was great seeing so many of you at the Walk for Diabetes, the DRB in Renton, and the Annual Campout at our Masonic Park in Granite Falls. As the kids and grandchildren go back to school we prepare to start our official visit season. I look forward to seeing all of you at your courts as we travel throughout the state. HL Jenny and I will be attending the Supreme Associate Matron and Supreme Associate Patrons reception in Walnut Creek California the first weekend of September and will unfortunately miss our first official visit at Tulip court I wish to say congratulations to Tulip Court and their officers and sorry we can not be there.

Please mark your calendars and attend as many functions as you can fit into your schedule, we truly look forward to seeing you on the Amaranth trail.

Let's also take a moment to reflect on the wonderful memories we've created this summer. The laughter, the shared experiences, and the bonds we've strengthened will stay with us as we embark on new adventures. Remember, our community is built on the foundation of mutual respect, kindness, and a shared commitment to making a positive impact.

Thank you once again for your dedication and enthusiasm. Let's make the most of the remaining days of summer and look forward to a fantastic fall season together.

Fraternally,

Glenn Ryder, GAP, The Lumiere's



Hope your August was as much fun as Grand Court's was it led off with the 2nd annual 5k walk at the Les Grove Park in Auburn where we walked to raise money for Diabetes research. Next came the Day at the Fair Diabetes research Benefit. This year it was held at Royal Arch Park in Renton. We had fortune telling, music, good food, and lots of great items to bid on. And we rounded the month out with our annual Campout back at the Masonic Park in Granite Falls. If you missed this, you missed the opportunity to get better acquainted with your Amaranth family from other courts in Washington and you missed some fun activities: a week without phones! Relaxing around the fire (propane this year because of the burn ban), playing games, walking in the forest enjoying the beauty of nature alone or with friends, taking the time to really know the people we sit in court with.

On Saturday we enjoyed the chili cookoff and voted for our fav. Lunched together as a group. Enjoyed the skit written by H.L. Diana Moulden and put on by the goldrush girls to announce the identity of Mr. Right, S.K. Steve Powell from Welcome Court.

After lunch we floated our fav duck down the river in the annual duck race while we played in the water.

Sunday morning, we enjoyed breakfast cooked by the S.K.s before breaking camp and heading back to phone service, reality and home.

If you missed these events, you missed the bonding of friendships with people from other courts, and we missed getting to know you!

Brenda Pedersen,

Grand Associate Conductress

