

Washington Amaranthian Newsletter

October 1, 2025



OCTOBER OFFICIAL VISITS

1 WELCOME COURT
Dinner at 6:15 Bible signing at 7:15pm

******* 3 ALKI COURT *******
Change from calendar
Dinner 6:15 Bible signing 7:15 Costumes Encouraged

4 OPPORTUNITY COURT
Dinner at 6 Bible Signing at 7:15pm

17 GOLDEN LIGHT COURT
Dinner at 6 Bible Signing at 7:15pm

**Halcyon Court has had to move their Official Visit to
November 1st at 2pm**

From the Desk of the Grand Royal Matron...

September was busy with the first Official Visits of the year: Tulip and Bremerton Courts. Then off we flew to Anchorage, for a fantastic visit with the PNW Crew at the Grand Court of Alaska. Check out the Grand Court Facebook page for pictures! We were only home a few days before we hit the road again to the east side of the state for the Official Visits of Artemesia and Wenatchee Courts. Due to wildfires and road closures, the trip home that weekend was agonizing. It took me 7 hours to get from Wenatchee to Everett. Boy, it was a whirl wind of a month!

But October is upon us...let the pumpkin spice lattes roll!

We have 4 Official Visits this month, as you saw in the first flyer. Please consider attending an OV to support your local courts. The Two Steppers and Stetsons have been challenged to attend as many Ovs as they can, and we are keeping track! A couple of schedule changes include.

ALKI COURT This Friday, OCT 3rd (not December 5th) **HALCYON Saturday NOV 1** (not October 25)

The teacher in me is not gone... but now I'm teaching our courts about the endangered and threatened species in WA State and surrounding areas. There are also charades involved! Our Grand Officers are doing a great job of acting out their endangered species. If you don't know what I'm talking about, you need to attend an Official Visit!

OCTOBER GROUP MEETING will be via ZOOM

All are invited to attend from the comfort of your living rooms! I'm truly hoping we will have more involvement if there is no travel required. Please consider.

the needs of your fellow members. If you can help someone join the meeting or are willing to invite a member to join you, or host a viewing party, we'd love to see as much involvement as possible. We will have breakout rooms so you can meet in small groups. I hope you will try to join us!

**My Zoom Room Number
is: 477 568 8096**

HL Camille Lowery will send out link to the meeting closer to the meeting date. If you have, or download, the ZOOM app before 10/11, you can type in this number to join the meeting. If not, HL Camille's notification will have the direct link.



AND IF YOU HAVENT HEARD.... We're
marching in the Veterans Day Parade in Auburn
on

November 8 ! More details to
come, but be sure to put it on your
calendar!



With much love and kindness to you all,

HL Lori Hanson, Grand Royal Matron



September 2025

GREETINGS 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@gmail.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

Greetings from the West,

This past month has been filled with Official Visits and court meetings as we transition from summer to autumn. HL Jenny and I recently attended the receptions for the Supreme Associate Matron and Supreme Associate Patron in Walnut Creek, California, where we had a wonderful time honoring HL Emily and SK Ernesto.

It was a pleasure to see so many of you at our Official Visits throughout the month. Last weekend, HL Jenny and I were privileged to be honored at the GAM and GAP reception. I would like to extend sincere thanks to Bremerton Court and Alki Court for organizing an excellent event at Jene Coulon Memorial Park; we truly appreciated the favorable weather and the warm hospitality. Thank you to everyone who attended and for your honors and words of encouragement.

HL Jenny and I are committed to participating in as many Official Visits and events as possible, and we look forward to seeing many of you in the coming months. Please remember to mark your calendars and join us whenever you are able; your presence is valued.

SK Glenn Ryder, GAP

“Be the Light!” Lumière



Hi,

I can't wrap my head around the fact that 2025 is three quarters over already! September has just flown past. We had group and the first Official Visit at Tulip Court; the Grand Court of Alaska; the reception for our Supreme Conductress, Holley Dahm Stivers, where we all had photos with Snoopy then discovered that he was Richard Weddigan, Holley's pick for her partner, in disguise. Then some hardy souls dashed to Artemesia's OV the same day; Wenatchee's OV was the next day; and we ended with the reception for our Grand Associate Matron and Grand Associate Patron.

Obviously Grand Court did not take any time off this month! It was fun but exhausting!

Or maybe that was because I cleaned my messy house every day, I managed to get home. It had taken a back seat to Amaranth for far too long.

I'm looking for those of you who would like to be Assistant Grand Lecturer In my year. If that is your aspiration, please give me a call! It would be great to see some new faces in that position.

Hope to see you at the October Ovs. Many of our courts are small enough that they need pro-tems at their meetings so give some thought to visiting and helping out. It's a great way to meet new friends!

Brenda Pedersen

Grand Conductress



Aloha,

What an amazing September so far!

Over 800 miles!!

We had a car full, which included my 2 travel buddies, Cannoli and Bentley.

We started Saturday at the Supreme reception for Hollie Dahm Stivers.

She "Unzipped" her pick for Supreme Associate Patron, Richard Whiddon.

His comments were amazing. We are in good hands moving forward.

Then on to Artemesia for their OV. I love the fact that we all fill in and help where needed.

Sunday morning, we went to Wenatchee's OV.

Great times with awesome people.
I'm looking forward to the reception for Jenny and Glen.
Monday we will formally say goodbye to one of our Aloha Girls, Priscilla.
Please think about making to an OV or two.
Mahalo
Blessings,
Ann Phelan,
Grand Associate Conductress



Greetings from your Grand Secretary! Fall has come in with a bang, and I can't really say I am unhappy about giving up a few days in the garden keeping the weeds at bay. The rain is refreshing and a welcome visitor. Many of you know about my sister – she was born on Halloween and will be turning 94 this year! When I grow up, I want to be just like her! Her best feature – her loving, servant's heart.

My desk is between big projects at this moment, but there are always things to be caught up on, and little twists in the routine to keep me on my toes! I am beginning to prepare for the Grand Court Packet prep, the Court's Annual Report preparation, and the Grand Court Annual Report! I know it seems like a long time before December and January, but I learned last year that is comes very fast. If you have something on your mind that you would like or need me to do, this is a good time.

The bylaw revisions have been distributed. If I missed anyone who has a set of by-laws, but did not receive their 2025 revisions, please let me know. I carry a few official books (\$5.00) and copies of the Constitution (\$8.50) in my car, if you would like one.

The new ritual changes that were accepted at Supreme Council during the 2024 and 2025 sessions are expected to be provided in January. I have asked the Court secretaries to gather the names of people who have a ritual and need the new pages. They will give a count to me at the end of November so I can order them from the Supreme Secretary. If you have a ritual and want the new pages, let your Court secretary know or let me know along with your Court, if you

want them mailed or will pick up at Court or Grand Court and the details necessary to get them to you.

I think that's all for now. I hope you all have a blessed transition into the new season!

Yours in Amaranth,

Linda L Millo



Linda Millo, Grand Secretary

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*Come join
Richmond Court #72 and
Bremerton Court #9
Order of the Amaranth*

*In a celebration
Of
Grand Royal Matron, Lori
Hanson
and
Grand Royal Patron, Jack
Hutchins*

on

Sunday, October 12, 2025

Social time at 1:00pm

*Buffet at 2:00pm
Salmon/Roast Beef with
Burgandy Sauce
\$45.00*

*La Quinta Inn
1425 E 27th St
Tacoma, WA 98421*

*RSVP with reservation
and check by
October 3, 2025*

*Dress Code: Business Casual
(Red, White Blue)*

*Reservations are required and paid in
advance.*

No refunds after October 3, 2025.

Make checks payable to Tamara Ryder.

Send reservation and check to:

*Tamara Ryder
4781 SE Horstman Rd
Port Orchard, WA 98368*



*You are Invited to
the Grand Court of WA
OCTOBER GROUP MEETING
Saturday October 11, 2025 at 10am*

**Everyone is invited to our October Group Meeting
from the comfort of your own home!**

We will have a large group meeting at 10am where you can

- *get info on all the upcoming events and advertise your own*
- *hear the financial status of the Grand Court from the Grand Treasurer and Trustees*
 - *Hear important information from the Grand Secretary*

Then we'll move into breakout rooms to socialize and plan with your Groups
You can choose your own breakout room and move between rooms

If you are unable to access zoom yourself, contact another member or invite a
group of friends to gather to participate together!

Join Zoom Meeting by clicking CTRL and this link at the same time

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/4775688096?omn=82184040445>

Meeting ID: 477 568 8096 (No passcode needed)

One tap mobile

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+12532158782, 4775688096# US (Tacoma)

If you need more help joining the meeting, click this link

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Please have a wonderful October,
And a very Happy Halloween