## Washington Amarathian Dispatch

**December 2, 2025** 





Left to Right HL Brenda Pedersen GC, HL Ann Phelan GAC, HL Lori Hanson GRM. SK Jack Hutchins GRP, HL Jenny Harsin-Reed GAM, SK Glenn Ryder GAP

This season we are especially thankful for our family, friends, and all of the men and women serving in lands foreign and domestic.



## Holiday Greetings WA Amaranth!

As we wrap up our Thanksgiving Holiday weekend, and look forward to the Festivities of December, I want to remind you of the importance of being kind. When you encounter someone, you never know what they are going through. Consider practicing random acts of kindness:



Give compliments

Leave a kind note

Hold the door for someone
Wish a stranger "Happy Holidays"

Let someone go ahead of you in line

Thank your Cashiers, Baristas and Servers Smile when you make eye contact with someone

Say "excuse me" when you need to pass in an aisle

We have a couple great events coming up soon; please put these on your calendar!

Dec 6: Queen Christina's Table Lodge 5:30pm at Alki Masonic Lodge

Dec 13: Annual Amaranth Christmas Party at 10am at Corinthian Masonic Lodge

Lunch by donation at Noon

Rhododendron Court OV at 2pm

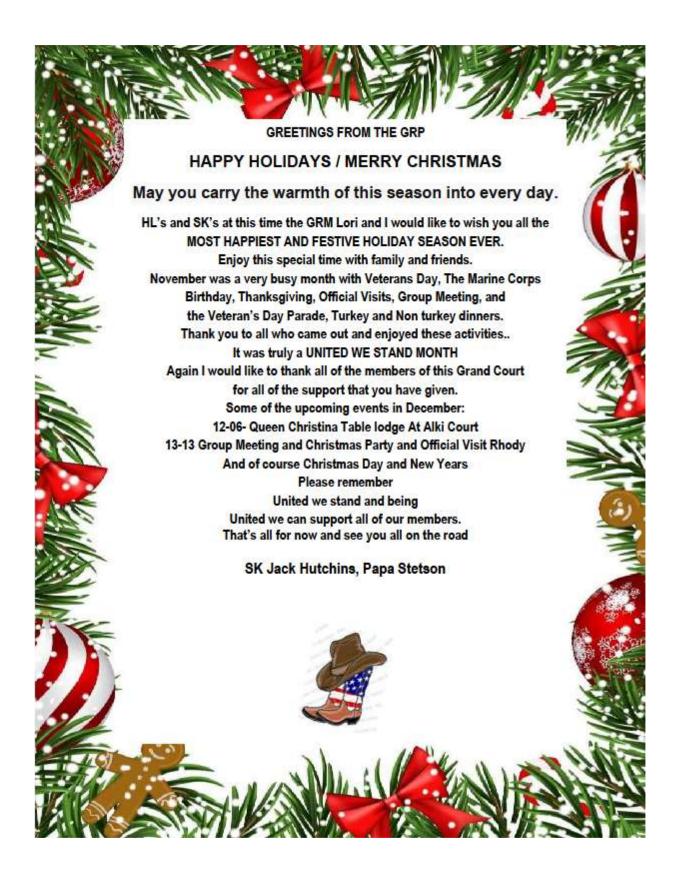
Our last two Official Visits will take place in January, Lakewood Court on 1/10 and Richmond Court on 1/15

Finally, it's time to start preparing for Grand Court in a few short months!

Be on the lookout for all the information coming in your

Grand Court Packet from the Grand Secretary

Sending Love to all our Amaranth Members, near and far, and wishing you the happiest of holidays. From your Grand Royal Matron, HL Lori Hanson





I hope everyone had a wonderful Thanksgiving Holiday. Bremerton Court had their first Thanksgiving Dinner and it was a HUGE Success!!! Linda and Kelly Combs did a fantastic job on getting it all organized. It was such a hit, we're doing it again next year!

I would like to thank several members that have sent in recipes! You still have time to get me information and recipes. Please send them to me at <a href="mailto:harsin.jenny@gmail.com">harsin.jenny@gmail.com</a>.

Since most everyone knows where I have been, I am not recounting November's awesome OV's but looking forward to what's up next! This Saturday is the Queen Christina Table Lodge. Thanks to all who made a reservation, it is going to be a great night. The Grand Court Christmas Party on the 13th is shaping up to be a ton of fun!!! I am especially looking forward to Rhody's snowball fight!!!

Christmas is just around the corner and after that the New Year.... And the countdown begins. I am really getting excited and scared all at once! If you were sent a letter from me and Glenn, please get it returned. I appreciate everyone who has sent them back already. I did have a couple come back in the mail so this is a reminder to everyone, please check the Official Book on the website and be sure all your contact information is up to date!

Until we see each other again, Wishing all of you a very Happy Holiday Season and may all your adventures be Grand!



Amaranth Love and Service, HL Jenny, GAM

## Bonjour,

What an event-packed November! We began with a group meeting in Auburn at Golden Light Court, followed by a fantastic Veterans Day Parade. The month was capped off with an official visit at Capital Court in Tumwater—a wonderful day to salute our veterans and support our order. We also had official visits at Grays Harbor Court and Perlis Court. It was inspiring to see everyone supporting the courts.

During this season, it's important to pause and give thanks for our many blessings: family, friends, and our order, which provides comfort and support to all members. I was especially reminded of this on Thanksgiving, when Bremerton Court No.9 hosted a dinner for those who might have otherwise spent the holiday alone. Many individuals and families joined us, sharing in the warmth and companionship of our Amaranth Family. Several guests mentioned they would have been alone if not for this gathering, highlighting the importance of our community.

This act of kindness truly reflected the spirit of giving and the values we hold dear within our organization. Moments like these remind us how much of a difference we can make simply by opening our hearts and extending our hands to those in need. Let us continue to foster connections and create spaces where everyone feels welcome and valued as we move into the holiday season. I am looking forward to our busy holiday season, with our Queen Christina Table Lodge, group meetings and Christmas party.

Hope to see you and hope all of you have a happy holiday season.

I look forward to all the upcoming OV's and events.

SK Glenn Ryder, GAP



"The Lumiere"

"Be our Guest"

Hope you had a wonderful Thanksgiving. Our lives are so filled with rushing here and there that it's more important than ever to stop occasionally and think about the blessings we have received...our family, our health, or just waking up this morning. And taking time to thank our creator for having given them to us. If nothing else it focuses us on the positives in life and gives us a better attitude.

It's come to my attention that some of you don't come to group because you don't know where it is being held. December's group is in Puyallup at the Corinthian Masonic Center on Saturday the 13<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 am. For those of you who use GPS to get where you need to be the address is 1005 West Pioneer, Puyallup, WA 98371.

Group is where we socialize, find out what Grand Court is doing currently, and for elected officers its where you Grand Officer teaches you the important "how tos" to do your job well at court level. No matter how many times you have held your office, there is always something to learn that will be helpful and make you more confident and comfortable in your work for the order. For those who are not elected there is meeting people from other courts, good food and fun.

So please put Group on your calendar for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of the month.

Hope to see you there!

Breanda Pedersen

**Grand Conductress** 



Aloha HL's & SK's,

I hope everyone had a wonderful relaxing Thanksgiving. I can't believe how fast this year is coming to an end.

I hope everyone is working on membership to build up their courts. If you're holding an initiation please invite HL Brenda and me. We would love to help if needed.

Blessings for a wonderful December, and remember the reason for the season.

Mahalo.

**HL Ann Phelan** 





MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL!

Hi, All. In the spirit of this time of year, I wish for each of you love, happiness, and joy.

It is a busy time of year in the Grand Secretary's office as we prepare for the Annual Reporting period, which will occupy your Court Secretary's time in January.

I am also preparing the Grand Court packets which contain everything you need to know to attend the Grand Court session in March. When it is complete, it will be sent to the Court Secretaries, all the credentialed (voting) members of Grand Court, the Grand Secretaries of neighboring jurisdictions for distribution, and the Supreme Line officers. So far, I have a list of 247 packets.

It will also be available on our website (amaranthwa.org). If you chose to access the information this way, you will be able to register, order the Official Book and Proceedings, and meals using a credit or debit card.

The third option is to receive the information in your email.

If either the website or via your email appeals to you, please let me know. Either of these options will allow us to reduce the number of Grand Court packets we will mail out, saving the cost of printing and postage. Please let me know if you would like to receive your packet via one of these routes via emailing me by December 10<sup>th</sup>.

My email is: grandsecwa@gmail.com

I am looking forward to seeing what the new year holds as we anticipate all the good things we can accomplish together in Amaranth!

In Amaranth Love,

Linda Millo, Grand Secretary