

Washington Amaranthian Dispatch

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Happy New Year Washington Amaranth!

Time for renewal, restart, review, refresh ...

December was a pretty tough month for me this year. I found myself with a serious case of the blues. As I write this on New Year's Eve, I realize I only have a few hours of December left. It's time to look forward and not backward.

We have some great events to look forward to this month! Our last two Official Visits will be Jan 10 at Lakewood and Jan 15 at Richmond. Group Meeting will be at 10am at Lakewood, followed by lunch and their OV. Richmond will have a 6pm dinner before their OV. I hope to see as many people as possible at these events. The race for the most visits among the Two Steppers and Stetsons is pretty close. Winners will be announced at Richmond Court.

The Scholarship Fundraiser is also this month, January 31 at the Fife Community Center. Please join us to listen to some live music, do a little dancing, and raise some funds for our youth. We need to get the Grand Line some dance practice before the USO Banquet at Grand Court.

Speaking of Grand Court, it's time to make your reservations at the Heathman Lodge in Vancouver, WA. Room prices have dropped to \$125 per night plus tax, but no additional resort fees. You can find all the information for Grand Court on our website. Packets should be in your mailboxes soon.

I hope you all have enjoyed your Holidays with family and friends. And if you, like me, have been a little down, I wish for us a brighter January.

Happy New Year!

HL Lori Hanson, GRM

January 2026

Greetings from the Grand Royal Patron

HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL

I hope everyone had the Happiest Holidays,
enjoying time with your family and friends.

We only have two Official Visits left and we look
forward to seeing everyone at Lakewood Court on
January 10th and then at Richmond Court,
on January 15th at our Grand Royal Matron's Court.

Dinner at 6pm, Bible signing at 7:15 with the
Official Visit immediately following.

We have all enjoyed the last three weeks off the
Amaranth trail and now it is time to get back to work
supporting our Subordinate Courts and
getting ready for our Grand Court Session in March at
The Heathman Lodge in Vancouver.

*Happy
New
Year!*

Papa Stetson, Jack



Happy 2026 Grand Court of Washington!

The Queen Christina Table Lodge was a whopper of a success! While the crowd was smallish, the fellowship was ENORMUS! So much laughter and fun was had by each and every person attending. My many thanks to those who came and enjoyed the evening. Glenn and I will be doing this again. Please look for the date on the Grand Court Calendar.

I would like to thank several members that have sent in recipes! I am getting them all put together and will have books at Grand Court. You still have time to get me information and recipes. Please send them to me at harsin.jenny@gmail.com by January 15, 2026

It's hard to believe we are on our last 2 OV's for this year. Time flies so they say but here we are counting down the days until March and Grand Court begins. I certainly hope when the packets come out, you look over all the details. The Arrangements Committee has worked very hard to get all the things needed and wanted! I am extremely excited that we will be returning to the Heathman in 2027 and possibly more. It is a lovely place and I know you all will love it!

As Glenn and I are getting ready for our presumed installation and year, I want to remind everyone that we are a volunteer organization and everyone brings their own unique style to their court. We don't have to be best friends with everyone and to think so would be impossible. However, we do need to remember that you never know what someone is going through and maybe having a bad moment, bad day, bad week. Show Grace, Kindness and Love. Be forgiving and patient. We are all in this together, 15 Courts working together as one Grand Court.

Until we see each other again, may all your adventures be Grand!



Amaranth Love and Service,

HL Jenny, GAM

Bonjour,

With the holiday season concluded, we now turn our attention to our final official visits and the upcoming Grand Court. December was both productive and enjoyable, highlighted by the successful Queen Christina table lodge at Alki Masonic Center on December 6th.

Thank you to all who attended and contributed to its success. The group meeting at Rhododendron Court served as both our Grand Court Christmas party and their official visit, and it was wonderful to see such strong support. Many courts celebrated the holidays with gatherings and fundraisers, fostering a spirit of community.

Spending time with our Amaranth family at these events was truly rewarding. As we enter January, preparations for Grand Court in Vancouver, WA are underway, and I encourage all members to participate. Beauty and Luminaires are invited to attend the remaining group meetings and collaborate on planning installations, including the Crowning Matron, installing officers, and Honor Guard. Should you require assistance, HL Jenny GAM and I, SK Glenn GAP, are available to support you.

Wishing everyone a happy and healthy New Year. I look forward to the upcoming official visits, the scholarship benefit and other events please mark your calendars. As we begin this new year, let us continue to support one another and maintain our positive momentum. Please reach out to fellow members who may appreciate encouragement or an invitation to join us. Together, we can make the months leading up to Grand Court memorable for all

SK Glenn Ryder, GAP



“The Lumiere”

“Be our Guest”

Hope everyone had a great Christmas with lots of family time and presents everywhere! I got to spend mine with family this year thanks to a break in Amaranth duties...thank you GRM! Luv ya!!!

Christmas was wonderful until my grandson was rear ended coming home from work. Lots of damage to my grand marquis. Minor but painful damage to the grandson. Now I have the privilege of dealing with my insurance company. Trying to get that done before heading home.

All that aside, I'm looking forward to a new year packed with lots of interesting things both Amaranth and personal. Hope your New Year is too! Looking forward to Group on the 10th. We are responding to input from you...this will be a teaching year. So come, have fun, and learn. See you at Lakewood Court (5405 S Puget Sound Ave, Tacoma) on the 10th for group and the last Official Visit of GRM Lori's reign.



Aloha,

I hope everyone had a wonderful December.

For me it started off with the Queen Christina dinner. This was so much fun. I definitely will be at the next one!

The OV at Rhodie was great.

I am looking forward to an amazing 2026 and my prayer for all of you:

May the best day of your past be the worst day of your future!

Mahalo,

Ann

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