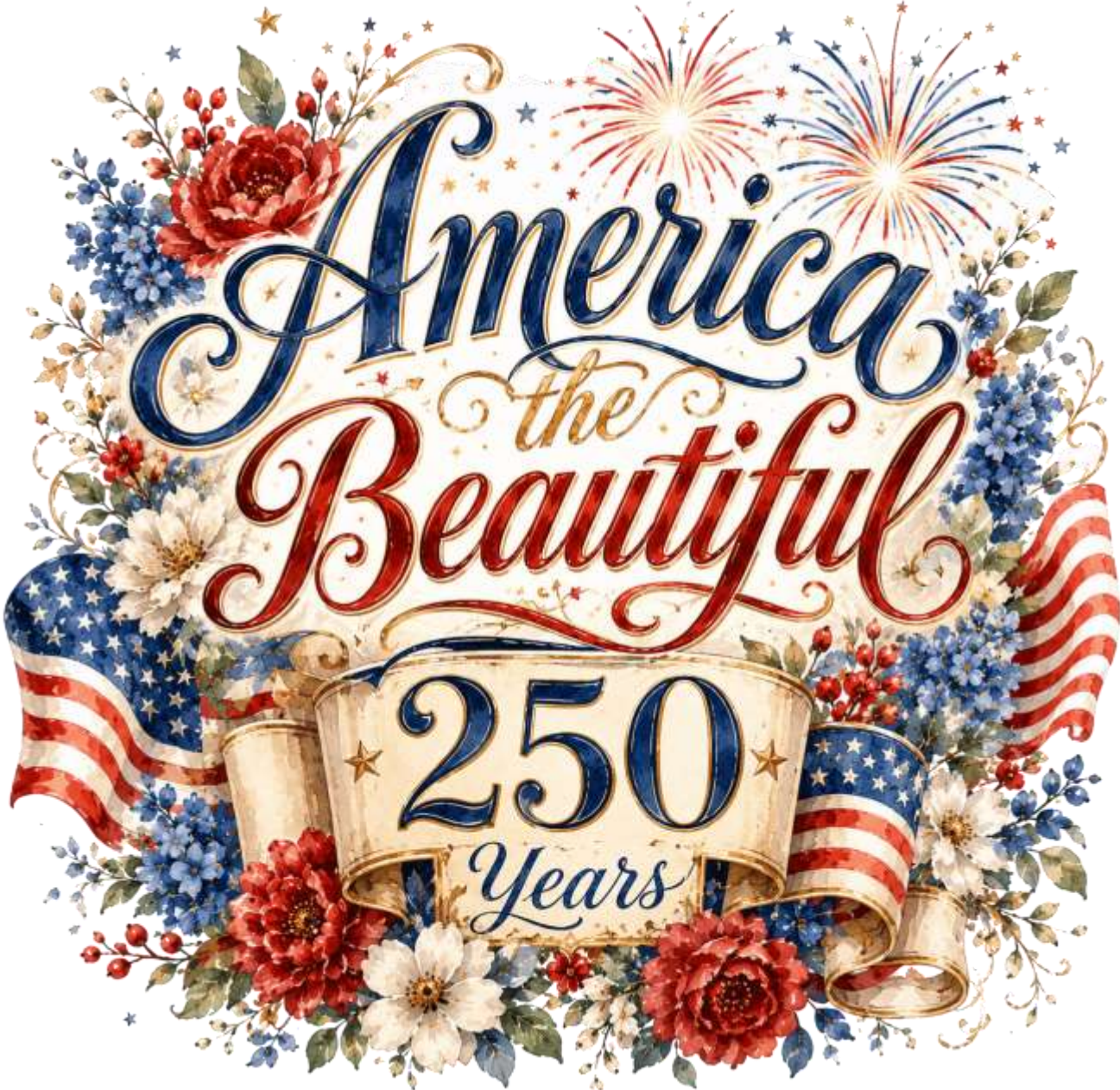


**Washington Amaranth  
Newsletter  
July 1, 2026**





Hello Washington Amaranth!

My June was a month of Firsts!!!

I attended my very first Grand Lodge! I went to the Ladies Friday Lunch that had a Derby theme with hats and everything! The level of detail that went into the lunch was amazing. The food was great, the decorations were amazing and the Ladies ... FABULOUS! That evening we dressed as our favorite music genre. I wore my combat boot and plaid.. I went Grunge. It was so much fun. On Saturday, SK Glenn and I were introduced along with the other Concordant Body leaders. We had our photo taken with the WGM and WGP

from OES and their escorts and realized that all 6 of us are from Kitsap County!! Saturday evening, we all went to the Installation.

I want to thank Wenatchee Court for Hosting Group Meeting even though it didn't turn out exactly as planned. Sometimes surprises backfire as this one did for me. But fear not, while disappointed, I plan to have another event in January so be prepared!

This month was also my very first of many Supreme Council Assembly Sessions. We participated in the Necrology with an Angel with Music Notes. We also gave our memorials to our past Grands. Sessions were just like Grand Court, but I enjoyed them even the tedious ones. I really loved getting to know my counterparts from other jurisdictions IN PERSON!!! We have gotten to know each other from our monthly zoom meetings but this was amazing. I have new lifelong friends. In our bit of free time, a few of us went to the Arch and took a riverboat ride. I loved being able to spend time with our group! We have photos on the GC Facebook page.

We learned a lot in the ritual class and can't wait to share all of that with you in August at the Bear Necessities of Ritual. In our leadership class, the focus was growing our Courts. Our September Group will be on this subject.

There are several Courts initiating this summer and I am very excited to be able to attend.

Please be sure to read my attached letter regarding the Highland Games!! All Hands on Deck!!

Please remember to: Be Kind to others, stop and smell the flowers and be happy!!

All My Love and Service

HL Jenny, GRM

Bonjour,

HL Jenny and I have traveled many miles over the past month, and summer is now in full swing. June was especially busy, with Grand Lodge, a Group meeting, Job's Daughters Session, OES Grand Chapter, along with our own Supreme Session in St. Louis, Missouri. We enjoyed the opportunity to support and celebrate our concordant bodies, reconnect with friends, and represent our Grand Court throughout these meaningful events. With June now behind us, we can look forward to July and to celebrating our country's 250<sup>th</sup> anniversary of independence. We will also be attending Rainbow Grand Assembly in Pasco in July.

Upcoming this month is our annual Ways and Means project: the Highland Games Bangers and Mash booth at the Enumclaw Event Center. This will be our third annual Bangers and Mash booth at the Games as a Grand Court, and each year it has proven to be a fun and rewarding event. Please consider signing up for a shift or two. Even a small contribution, running a register, assisting in cleaning up, or maybe just backing up the servers. We will have a wonderful time working together, serving our community, and enjoying the fellowship that comes from sharing the work.

As we move into July, let us continue to carry forward the spirit of service, friendship, and gratitude that makes our Order so special. Whether you are traveling, volunteering, attending events, or simply enjoying time with family and friends, I hope this month brings you moments of joy, rest, and renewed purpose.

Thank you to everyone who continues to give their time, talents, and energy in support of our Grand Court. Your participation makes a difference, and I look forward to seeing many of you at the Highland Games and throughout the month ahead.

Wishing you all a safe, festive, and fellowship-filled July.

Au revoir,

SK Glenn Ryder, GRP



“Lumiere”



It has been a busy month, with HL Brenda GAM going to court meetings, OV, and the 5k walk.

We just returned from Supreme Session. It was nice to meet the GAM and GAP from other Grand Courts.

I hope everyone has a great 4th of July  
Steve Powell GAP



Aloha Washington Amaranth,

I hope you're all enjoying this start to summer.

We had a wonderful delegation at Supreme in St. Louis. The leadership training was amazing.

I gleaned a few points I wanted to share.

Try searching, [groupraise.com](http://groupraise.com). See if there is a local place you can raise a little money, plus, maybe get a new member or two.

Check out your local public radio station. As a nonprofit we can advertise our event there for FREE!!

Maybe invite concordant bodies for a meal. Play a game, bingo, bunco or?? Get to know them. They say do this 3 times, then ask about joining. Plus, go to their events too!

Think outside the box of concordant bodies, maybe a local theater group. If it's youth, they have parents.

HL Leandra and I are committed to helping you whenever we can.

Please take us up on it, as well as the \$500 membership scholarship.

Let us know about any initiation too. We are here for you.

Blessings,

Mahalo,

Ann



HL's & SK's,

I've just returned from Washington Job's Daughters Grand Session where I had the privilege of representing HL Jenny at their formal opening and bringing remarks on behalf of Grand Court. These girls are so full of enthusiasm and were a lot of fun to spend the weekend with but I need a good long nap to recoup some missed sleep.

If you are able to attend and help protem, Rhododendron Court, will be initiating one new member on July 14<sup>th</sup>. I have few officers who will not be able to make it so let me know if you are available to help us out. I know at least one other court who is hoping to initiate this summer and will be asking for help to fill their offices. Please don't forget to let HL Ann and me know if you're initiating so we can be there to support and, if needed, help you by filling an office.

I hope you all have a wonderful and safe 4<sup>th</sup> of July.

Amaranth Love,  
Leandra, GAC