Washington Amaranth Newsletter

November 1, 2026





Hello Washington Amaranth!

The Fall weather is most certainly here. I do enjoy the crisp mornings, the gorgeous trees in all their glorious colors and the taste of an apple, right off the tree. And Football!!! Fall is always the start of football season. Go Hawks!

A giant SHOUT OUT goes to HL Lee Heylauff and HL Angela Heydlauff and the entire DRB Committee. You put on a wonderful event. Everything was on point! I hope that we have a great start on our donations for the 26-27 year, and I know that at Grand Court there will be more opportunities to grow our donation. Again to each and every committee member, thank you. You did Awesome!!!!

We are working on rescheduling the OV for Halcyon. More information will be given as we get that accomplished. Thank you to everyone for their understanding, as this was simply beyond their control. I do hope that the repairs go smoothly.

SK Glenn and I have OV's coming up in November as well as the Veteran's Day Parade. Welcome, Capitol and Richmond Courts are all on the OV schedule this month. Group is the 14th of November with Capitol's OV. I am working on a guest speaker for this group meeting which begins at 10:30 am. They are having a lunch Fundraiser for their court, donation of $10 for lunch. Welcome and Richmond OV's are on their meeting night and will both have dinners prior. I look forward to seeing many of you out for these OV's.

Bremerton Court is having their 2nd Annual Thanksgiving Day Dinner at Port Orchard Masonic Lodge. This is for anyone who doesn't have a place to go on Thanksgiving. $10 for dinner is the requested donation. We served over 50 people last year and expect more this year. If you want company and fellowship on Thanksgiving, come out to Port Orchard and share the day with Bremerton Court. I believe there will be football on the tv!!

To all of Washington Grand Court, my happiest blessings to all of you for a wonderful Thanksgiving. I am thankful for each and every one of you.



All My Love and Service

HL Jenny, GRM

Bonjour,

November brings meaningful events, fellowship, and opportunities to support one another. The Veterans Day Parade in Auburn, Washington, will take place on November 7. As we gather to honor our veterans, we extend our heartfelt gratitude to all who have served and sacrificed for our country. Their dedication deserves our continued respect and appreciation.

A special thank-you to everyone who helped make the Diabetes Benefit a success. Your time, generosity, and support made this important event both memorable and meaningful.

Congratulations to Opportunity Court, Wenatchee Court, and Golden Light Court on their successful official visits. Thank you for the hard work and dedication that made each visit memorable. Your accomplishments are worth celebrating!

As we look ahead to the month's events, I encourage you to join in and support your courts. Please also reach out to those who may not be able to attend—a thoughtful call, visit, or message can make a meaningful difference.

Wishing you and your families a November filled with gratitude, friendship, and joy. Thank you for strengthening our courts and caring for one another. Together, we make a difference.

Au revoir,

SK Glenn Ryder, GRP



"Lumiere"


HAPPY
VETERANS DAY
NOVEMBER 11th



October has always been one of my favorite months…the heat has begun to cool, the trees put on a spectacular show of color. The harshness of winter hasn't yet arrived. It is just perfect! Hope you are enjoying it as much as I am. It is Official Visit season. We start off with Opportunity Court's OV on the 3rd. The reception for Grand Associate Patron SK Steve and I was held at the Masonic Center in Tumwater on the 4th. I want to thank Halcyon and Welcome Courts for all the work planning and hosting this for us, I also want to thank everyone who came, you made the day so very special. It was a day that made memories we both will treasure the rest of our lives! Thank you.

Next, we travel to Wenatchee for Group and its Official Visit on the 10th, had a costume party OV at Golden Light on the 16th, and the Diabetes Research Benefit (usually referred to as the DRB) on the 17th. Halcyon's OV scheduled for the 24th will be rescheduled due to broken water pipes

Associate Matrons I still need your installation dates! Be sure to check your Court Rules and Regs to be sure the date you pick complies. If you would like a lot of sideliners, be respectful of those of our group who have jobs and travel long distances to come to your court.

Have a spooktacular Halloween.

Brenda Pedersen GAM

HL Associate Matrons and SK Associate Patrons,

The dress and vest information for Next year follows.

(If you have any questions, contact HL Brenda. The Newsletter doesn't have any further information.)

2027-2028 Dress and Vest Information

HL Brenda has chosen a dress that you can find on Amazon or at Ever Pretty



COST: $70 - $80
Depending on size and store

AMAZON Description: Ever Pretty's Women's Applique Chiffon Wedding Guest Dress (with Scoop Neck)

EVER PRETTY Description: ASPYN Short-Sleeve, Applique A-line Floor Length Formal Evening Dress (with Scoop Neck)

SKU: EE02960TE05



Grand Officers, Representatives and AGLs will wear **TEAL**

Royal Matrons will wear **DARK PURPLE**

SK Steve has chosen a Vest-and-Tie Set that you can find on Amazon



COST: $30.39 - $35.99

AMAZON Description:
HISDERN
Men's Suit Vest Waistcoat with 3 Pockets



Grand Officers, Representatives and AGLs will wear **YELLOW / GOLD PAISLEY**

Royal Patrons will wear **YELLOW**

Aloha HL's & SK's,
Wow, I feel like we're speeding through this year.
The holidays are right in front of us.
This week I'm flying to Atlantic City for my Supreme mom, Claudia's reveal. I'm super excited.
I found this paragraph and loved it:

Forgiveness within a group is not about erasing the past, but about choosing to protect our collective future over individual grievances. When we work closely together, misunderstandings and friction are inevitable side effects of our shared passion and diverse perspectives. However, holding onto resentment creates silent divides that erode our trust and stall our progress. By actively practicing forgiveness, we clear away the emotional clutter that disrupts our collaboration. It allows us to view mistakes not as permanent flaws, but as shared learning opportunities. Ultimately, forgiveness is the glue that keeps us resilient, ensuring that our bond remains stronger than any temporary conflict.
Food for thought!
Mahalo,
Ann



HLs & SKs,

This season reminds us to reflect on what we're thankful for. I'm grateful to be part of the Order of the Amaranth and for the many friendships I've formed through my membership.

With many courts holding annual bazaars and other events this month, it's a wonderful opportunity to bring friends along and share the fun of Amaranth. The experience may inspire them to ask about becoming members.

Two courts I know of are holding initiations this fall. Rhododendron Court's initiation is November 10, and visitors and helpers are welcome. It is also our Friend's Night. Dinner at 6pm and meeting at 7pm. Tulip Court will initiate one new member on Saturday, November 7, and especially needs help, as they currently have only seven members. Their meeting starts at 1pm. If your court is holding an initiation, please let HL Ann and me know so we can try to attend and assist.

I look forward to seeing you at the OVs and other fall events.

Amaranth Love,
Leanndra, GAC



From the Grand Secretary's Desk: I hope you are adjusting to the rain - I could have done with a couple more dry days to finish my trimming of plants around the house, but it will just have to wait!

I have some exciting news to share. I am expecting to receive the new rituals in early January. The Court Secretaries have a form for taking orders they will send to me after you are unable to attend a meeting in November or December, please call your secretary and order one. They will cost $8.50 for small and $12.50 for large. No covers will be provided.

This year, I am asking that you submit the information for the Grand Court session packet by November 30. No exceptions. What I have on that date will be included in the packet. Please work with me on this! I have about two hundred packets to print, fold, stamp and mail. And it is DECEMER!

I appreciate all of our members truly. You are the heart of Amaranth, and please accept my very best wishes for a wonderful and blessed Thanksgiving and Christmas.

Yours in Amaranth, Linda Millo, Grand Secetary

DRB Live Auction Trips Still Available

I spoke with the Raise Away Representative, and they stated that we could continue to offer all three trips to anyone that may still be interested. I am sending an attachment for each of the trips and the minimum bid. We can sell more than one on each of the trips, so if you know anyone that wants to go as a group or alone, they can join in on the fun.

Grand Canyon Glamping Getaway	$2,500	Value $3,500
Willamette Wine Retreat	$3,000	Value $5,000
European Escape Getaway	$2,250	Value $3,000

Display Board - Skyscape Grand Canyon.pdf
Display Board - Willamette Wine Retreat.pdf
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Hope this information is helpful! Let us know if you or anyone else is interested in purchasing a trip of their choice? Contact Tonia Alderman for payment information.

Thank you,
Merrilee Heydlauff
DRB Co-Chairman


You're Invited!
TAILGATE PARTY
TO BENEFIT THE
Scholarship Fund
Join us for food, fun, and football as we support future leaders!
SATURDAY, JANUARY 16TH
AT NOON
Alki Masonic Center
4736 42nd Ave SW, Seattle, WA 98116
Contact HL Sonja Thorkildsen for tickets:
206-550-4422
ponygirl_398@msn.com
Bring your game day spirit and help make a difference!


PLEASE JOIN FOR A
HOLIDAY
DINNER
November 8th, 2026
FROM 11 AM - 3:30 PM
SCOTTISH RITE TEMPLE
2431 RUCKER AVE,
EVERETT, WA 98201
ADULTS $20 & KIDS UNDER 10 $10
CONTACT
SARA.MARTIN0514@GMAIL.COM

Wishing you a very Happy Thanks giving, and a wonderful November.



Flyers and articles for the November 15 Event Needs to be turned in by November 10th.

Items sent in through this Newsletter don't always get caught. Please send a separate email.