

## Oregon Amaranth News

## February 2025 Newsletter January 31, 2025

HL K Lee Horn, GRM SK Johnnie Horn, GRP

**Wow!** Oregon's Grand Court Session is just around the corner. Due dates for registration and reports are fast approaching, please don't miss them!

What an adventure this has been. All the lily pads we have visited, and all the flights up and down the I-5 corridor and around the United States and British Columbia, Canada.

January has been a little on the rough medical side, causing us to miss the first event we intended to attend, the Al Kader Shrine Installation. Thank you to HL Nancy Rose, GAM, and SK Alan Beebe, GAP, for representing us.

Remember to bring your poker chips to go-to-church in February. Gifts will be given to the highest and lowest chip values. Values will be announced there. Hope you plan to attend the 90's trivia event the day before, as these have been FUN events... full of socialization, food, smartle pants, learning opportunities, and making new friendships.

I have passport stickers with me if you are missing any for events you attended. I will have the ones for those who attended the Al Kader Shrine Installation that we missed. There will be go-to-church passport stickers as well, so be sure to see me for your stickers. Don't have a passport but want to decorate your thermos/water bottle or tumbler with some of the things you have attended, please see me! What a conversation starter... your water bottle with Amaranth Diabetes Fundraiser logo, and fun memorable stickers.

SK Johnnie attended the Master Mason degree for SMC Diego Legoretta at Corvallis Masonic Lodge. What a great attendance to support such a great young man.

We attended the Acacia Game Night in Hillsboro. HL Linda and SK Steve Barkley hit this one out of the park. They exceeded my wish to have each Court do a fun event with their Court to increase socialization and invited all the neighboring concordant bodies to attend. They had 8+ Masonic lodges represented, OES, Nile, 5 Amaranth Court, and LOS. SK C. Alan White managed to maintain the Yahtzee champion title... that's because HL K Lee was playing "Run to the Outhouse," and not Yahtzee!

The Annual Bowling Tournament was fabulously successful thanks to HL Charlene Tucker, and the King Pins Bowling Center and sponsors. We had a record high attendance with 88 bowlers, mostly from the bowling community. Thank you to HL Sherilynn Mobley for running the raffle, and those who assisted with the 50/50 and donations. It was great having the PNW ADA representative at the event, as well as SRM Bizzy Herbolsheimer and Supreme Treasurer Mary Wyatt.

The OES and Amaranth Joint Youth Fundraiser was another success, with thanks to Amaranth's co-chair HL Patti Nielsen and the co-chair from OES Marissa Charlesworth. The youth leadership played some games against the youth adult leaders, and the youth prevailed. What a fun and successful event. Thank you to all who assisted with bringing baskets and contributed. Thank you SRM Bizzy and Supreme Treasurer Mary for attending and supporting this event with us.

We still have some ornaments to sell if anyone wants to purchase one or a few. They are \$8.00 each, with proceeds to go to the Amaranth Diabetes Foundation. We also have raffle tickets for all our items wherever we travel, and of course, we will have them at the Grand Court!



For Grand Court remember to bring your dues cards, memorial dresses, swords, crowns if applicable, and your smiles and willingness to help with the Grand Court Session. If you can help with the setup, please let me know. We are striving to make our session smooth, efficient, fun, productive, and memorable. A lot of hard work goes into this annually.

For our out of state friends flying in for the Grand Court Session, there is a transport system that will take you from Portland Airport to the Salem Holiday Inn called Groome Transportation (formerly the HUT). We can easily arrange help to get you from the Salem Holiday Inn to the Hotel Salem. If anyone is available to assist with transporting anyone from Holiday Inn in Salem to the Hotel Salem or Salem Scottish Rite Center (SSRC), please let

me know. We do have a couple of drivers to help transport for those arriving at Salem via HUT, and Friday night for banquet for those who intend to have an adult beverage or a few, and back to the hotel. If you would like to volunteer to be a designated driver or assist with transport if needed, please let us know. It is important we remain safe, show kindness, and help each other as able.

We have had a fabulous year, because of your support, love, friendship, willingness to assist, and promotion and attendance of activities. Teamwork within the organization has been very appreciated. We look forward to seeing many of you this weekend and of course, at Oregon Grand Court!

In fraternal love and friendship, HL K Lee Horn, GRM & SK Johnnie Horn, GRP





#### WEST COAST - BEST COAST

**Upcoming Grand Courts** (See <a href="https://amaranth.org/organization/grand-courts/">https://amaranth.org/organization/grand-courts/</a> for more details)

Grand Court of Colorado - February 20-22, 2025

Grand Court of California - February 27 - March 1, 2025

Grand Court of Oregon – March 6-8, 2025 Salem Scottish Rite – Salem Hotel

**Grand Court of Washington - March 20 – 22, 2025** 

(Please note – NOT the weekend following Oregon Grand Court!)
Red Lion Hotel Pasco -Reservations: 509-547-0701 ext. 0
Website link: Washington Grand Court

**Grand Court of Arizona –** *May 8-10, 2025*Tempe, Arizona

Supreme Council - Order of Amaranth - July 5-11, 2025
Renaissance Phoenix Glendale Hotel & Spa, Glendale, Arizona

## **Upcoming Grand Court Activities** Calendar events for the GRM & GRP

#### February 2025

2/1 Back to the 90's Trivia - Salem

Go to Church with group meetings & a 2/2 Grand Court Practice following a hearty lunch. Lunch will be \$15.

2/28 Acacia Court meeting - changed from 2/14! Note Change

2/20-22 Colorado Grand Court 2/27-3/1 California Grand Court

#### March 2025

Corsage & Boutonniere 3/1 pre-orders due to Carol Lippert

3/6-8 **Oregon Grand Court** 3/20-22 Washington Grand Court



#### Sweet in our Memory

HL Shirley Dunn Gregson 7/2023 (#5 & #29)

Our heartfelt sympathies are sent to HL Shirley's family and the members of Colonial and Kellogg Courts.

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## **Reminder - Grand Court Reports Due Before February 15**

Please send all Grand Court Reports with ALL attachments, to HL Kris Aanderud, Chair of Addresses & Distribution, at the NEW email address:

OregonAmaranthProceedings@gmail.com

Reports are due not later than February 15, 2025. Welcomes, responses and remarks may also be sent to this email for inclusion in the 2025 Grand Court Proceedings.

A signed copy of your report must be turned into the Grand Secretary PRIOR to the opening of Grand Court on Thursday. At the request of GRM K Lee, please have a copy of your report in your possession at all times to expedite the Session.

## From HL Aisha Henderson, Grand Page and SK Edward Duquette, Grand Sentinel

We are looking for HLs who are willing to serve as Assistant Grand Pages and SKs who can serve as Assistant Grand Sentinels, for Grand Court, March 6-8. Please call or send Aisha or Edward a note if you can assist. Thanks!

NEW Vendor Chair Named - From GRM K Lee Horn HL Carol Addison Lippert has assumed the responsibilities of Chairman of the Vendor Committee.

#### From the OAN Editor

The March Edition of the Oregon Amaranth News will come out Friday, February 28. Please send information to be included to: OregonAmaranthNews@gmail.com before February 25. Thanks. HL Kris, Editor

CHEER CHAIR: Please let HL Jeanne Currie know of any member who could use a word of cheer, an extra smile, or a funny note.





## ... from the Leadership Committee

Dear Grasshoppers ---

Grand Court is rapidly approaching! Here are just a few reminders:

\*\*When entering the Grand Court Room when it is session, you will need your dues card and show it to the Grand Sentinel and Grand Warder along with the grip of the Order. If the session has opened, please remember to go West of the square and give the sign, acknowledging and honoring our Grand Royal Matron.

- \*\*Friday afternoon we will honor those members who have passed on since the last Grand Court Session. Honored Ladies should plan to wear white.
- \*\*A practice for Informal and Formal Opening will be held Thursday morning. All Grand Floor Officers need to attend this practice. Oregon takes great pride in performing the Ritualistic work, so it is important you review your part as a floor officer. Please refer to pages 235-249 in your Ritual.

Thank you to all of the Court Secretaries for reading the Leadership and Training letter at their Court meetings. I look forward to seeing you at our Grand Court Session.

Best wishes to you all!

HL Naomi Burke, Chairman of the Leadership and Training Committee

PS—-The term Grasshopper can be used as a phone, a light military aircraft, a drink, a pair of shoes or a member who wants to learn more about the Order of the Amaranth and Oregon Grand Court. So, Grasshopper...which one refers to you?



With Grand Court just around the corner, here are important upcoming deadlines or **due dates**. Here is a link to the Oregon Amaranth webpage which has all the important details.

https://www.oregonamaranth.org/about-5

Due Date Information

1/31/25 Hotel Reservations due

2/1/25 – All ads & \$\$ due

1/24 for design help Gr Ct Program Book Ads due & Ad payments due to Grand Secretary

2/20/25 Meal Reservations due

2/22/25 Penguin Banquet Reservation due 2/28/25 Grand Court Registration due

3/1/25 Flower Orders due and Requests for Vending Tables for Courts due

## Gloves from the 99ers

Attention Honor Ladies, the 99ers group have gloves. Long, medium, and short. We do have some white ones and have lots of other colors. So please see Honor Lady Teri Lynne Douglas. She will be at Go to Church on February 2, 2025. We will also have them at Grand Court.





## GO TO CHURCH SUNDAY

February 2nd, 2025

Salem Scottish Rite Center

4090 Commercial Street SE

Salem, Oregon

10:00 AM - Group Meetings

11:00 AM - Church Service

Noon - Lunch

\$15/person payable to Oregon Grand Court
Swiss Steak, Potatoes, Veggies, and Dessert
Lunch proceeds will go to Oregon Grand Court General Fund

1:00 - Grand Court Practice



Lunch RSVPs needed by 1/28 to HL Sherilynn Mobley

OregonAmaranthGAC@gmail.com or 503-969-9541



## GRAND COURT-SILK FLOWER ORDER FORM

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SCHOOL OF INSTRUCTION PLANNED
Sunday, March 9<sup>th</sup>
10am
Salem Scottish Rite Center

We will cover Subordinate Court Installations, including Coronation, and the Annual Memorial Ceremony to be performed by each Subordinate Court in May at their Court meetings. We will also talk about upcoming Schools of Instruction, which will cover the anticipated Ritual Revisions.

All Grand Officers, Assistant Grand Lecturers and Royal Matrons-elect and Royal Patrons-elect should plan to attend. All members are welcome to attend.

## **Grand Court of Washington**

Come one, come all. It is a Masquerade Ball.

Please join Perlas Court No. 90's very first Fundraising Event. A night to meet new friends or reconnect. Sumptuous Food, Great "DJ" Music, dancing and fun surprises awaits. For ticket inquiries, kindly send an email to Mary V at

cocomari hdboat@msn.com.

See you there 🔻



## Shared by HL Anne Beaton, PGRM

Tune in to the newest podcast episode to hear about new diabetes standards





To kick off 2025, we're excited to share the first episode of Diabetes Day by Day for the new year, where we dive deep into the Standards of Care in Diabetes—2025 (Standards of Care) from the American Diabetes Association®. This episode is packed with essential information that can make a significant difference in your health and wellbeing.

In this episode, our hosts, Drs. Neil Skolnik, MD, and Sara Wettergreen, provide a comprehensive overview of the latest Standards of Care and highlight the key updates you should discuss with your primary care provider during your next visit.

#### What You'll Learn:

- Overview of the Standards of Care in Diabetes
- New updates to discuss with your primary care provider
- Recommendations for using diabetes technology
- Weight management recommendations
- Latest insights on nutrition
- And more!

This episode will help you stay informed, empower your conversations with your care team, and help you implement the latest recommendations to enhance your daily living and long-term outcomes.

Listen Now

## On the Road with Oregon Amaranth....

Al Kader Shrine Installation
GAM Nancy & GAP Alan represented Oregon Grand Court









January 17 – Acacia Court's 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Game Night









King C Alan & Queen Karen ruled the night at Acacia Court' Game Night.

Congratulations!

## **January 25 -** Bowl Down Diabetes Tournament King Pins Family Entertainment Center

From GRM K Lee, as posted on Facebook!

Thank you Thank you Thank you to Charlene
Tucker for all her hard work on the Bowling
tournament on Saturday and your team pf
wonderful peeps who made things super smooth.
Thank you to Sherilynn Cooke Mobley for running
the bowling tourney raffles and all the help given by
members! It was a great success with record
attendance!! It was super successful and thank you
to our furthest attending registrations from Mary
Wyatt, PSRM Supreme Treasurer and Elizabeth



"Bizzy" Herbolsheimer SRM.



We had George and his wife from ADA present at the bowling tournament. I did not get all the pics I forgot to get, but I know others got pics for me. Here are some I did get... of Charlene, George with his wife with Johnnie and I, and then of the partner I had to bowl with named "Bill" who I met and had fun bowling with... even with a throbbing broken toe! and I found some muscles I haven't used in a while! Successful indeed!!!

Charlene thank you again!!! What an amazing fundraiser this has grown to and we are all so appreciative of all the hard work that goes in to this to be a successful event.







## January 26 Youth Scholarship Auction & Dinner - Al Kader Shrine Center

From GRM K Lee, as posted on Facebook!

I want to say... Thank you Patti Nielsen for all your hard work (with Doug's assist) and along with the co-chair from OES Marissa and the MC Stephanie Beall at the OES and Amaranth Joint fundraiser for Youth Scholarship! The room was decorated fun and beautifully for the event! What an attendance!!! The games were fabulous between the adult youth leaders and the youth leaders. Thanks to Steve Barkley for doing the 50/50 and everyone for the baskets for auction. It was definitely successful for the youth's benefit. We all enjoyed the event and thank you

thank you and thank you to Patti co-chairing for the Amaranth side. Thank you to our special guests Mary Wyatt PSRM & Supreme Treasurer, and Elizabeth "Bizzy" Herbolsheimer, Supreme Royal Matron, for coming.













This annual event brings together friends from both Grand Court and Grand Chapter. It extends the hand of friendship and demonstrates our commitment to our youth programs, Rainbow, Job's Daughters, and DeMolay. Thanks to all who attended!

State Youth Leaders and State Adult Youth Leaders entertained all! Below: Notice SK John Coulter, Executive Officer of Oregon DeMolay, and HL Kristi Frazier Reed, Grand Guardian, Oregon Job's Daughters. Our leaders are their leaders.





## **Other Travels:**

SK Johnnie Horn, GRP, traveled to Corvallis on January 3 to attend the Master Mason Degree of State Master Councilor Diego Legoretta, son of HL Andrea and SK Mike Legoretta. Congratulations Diego!



# Rubber Ducky Flight Fight

## Feelin' Lucky? Buy a Ducky!

1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> Place Winners and a Lame Duck Award "Frequent Flyer" adoptions help support Diabetes Research

and the Amaranth GAC/AC Royal Jubilees!

March 1st

(DJR Weekend) in Salem

Adopt a Duck (1) =\$ 5 Six Quack (6 ducks) =\$25

Quackers Dozen (13) =\$50

Flock of Ducks (28) =\$100

Each adopted Duck has
a number tied to
their owner's contact
info. We will nurture
each until launch day.

Lots of unique Ducks available for adoption!

that "flies"
the furthest
WINS!

100% Proceeds split as below:

1/2 Pot to Winners: 1st (60%), 2nd (30%), 3rd (10%)

1/4 Pot to: Amaranth Diabetes Foundation

1/4 Pot to: Royal Jubilees GAC/AC Fund

Lame Duck Award will be a ducky surprise!

Adopt ducks at Masonic events from HL Sherilynn Mobley, GAC or any AC Royal Jubilee!
Email to purchase or more details: oregonamaranthgac@gmail.com

The Duck

Need not be present to win.

## **Colonial Court #5**

## Quilt & 50/50 Raffles

to Benefit Colonial Court #5's General Fund







## **Quilt Raffles**

(There will be drawings for a Quilt with a Patriotic Theme and a Quilt with a Christmas Theme. These Quilts were made by Senior Estates Quilters in Woodburn, Oregon.)

Tickets: \$5.00 each

or

6 for \$25.00 and one (1) Ticket for 50/50 Raffle



## 50/50 Raffle



Tickets: \$1.00 each

or

6 for \$5.00



Raffle Drawings: Sunday February 2, 2025

Contact: Shirley Taylor, Associate Matron of Colonial Court #5 1468 Astor Way, Woodburn OR 97071-2411 or (503) 860-8912

## OREGON GRAND COURT IS FUNDRAISING FOR OUR PHILANTHROPIC PROJECTS...

## To benefit the Amaranth Diabetes Foundation for Diabetes Research

The new ornaments have arrived and will be available at upcoming events for only \$8.00 each. They are a fun ornament with

2024-2025 Oregon Amaranth Ornament



brass colored metal with our fun symbols on them. Perfect for sending or taking as a Grand Representative to another jurisdiction or to buy for yourself, friends, family, or gift to new members being initiated.

## Elton John Limited Edition Steiff Bear

From the UK & new in box. The box was only opened to get his certificate of

authenticity number, which is #80. He is currently valued at \$400.00. The bear comes with a Yellow Brick Road Tour bag. When we travel, we will have the GRM's



bear and bag for show and tell, so that the winner's bag & bear will be new and unhandled. Tickets are only \$5. Handcrafted Myrtlewood Gun Box with Masonic emblems AND a .44 Cal black powder gun with black powder flask and measure kit inside the box



The box was crafted by GRP Johnnie Horn with engraving and Masonic insignia, and will be displayed upon completion, during the Installation visits.

Anyone purchasing tickets will need to ensure that they can pass a background check per Oregon law, as it will need to be completed before the items in the box can be received. The gun is disabled for the purpose of the raffle. This raffle will be \$10/ticket with only 100 tickets to be sld.



## To Benefit Youth Scholarship and Leadership

WE LOVE FROGS QUILT

We have a beautiful "We Love Frogs" quilt made by HL Patti Nielsen. It is colorful and full of contrast to brighten up your bed. Tickets are only \$5.00 each.





**HAND-PAINTED CANVAS** 

We have a fun, relaxing frog... hand-painted on canvas ready to be hung in a room needing some fun décor. You need to see this to realize just how cute he is!!! This raffle will be \$5.00/ticket

## ORNAMENTS ARE AVAILABLE

Is your Court able to assist in sales?
Or are you interested in getting some?
\$8 each

Please let GRM K Lee know.

All proceeds go to the

Amaranth Diabetes Foundation.

They make great gifts to send to another Jurisdiction from a Grand Representative

Great gift for New Members.

Or your tree!

Thank you!

HLK Lee Horn, GRM

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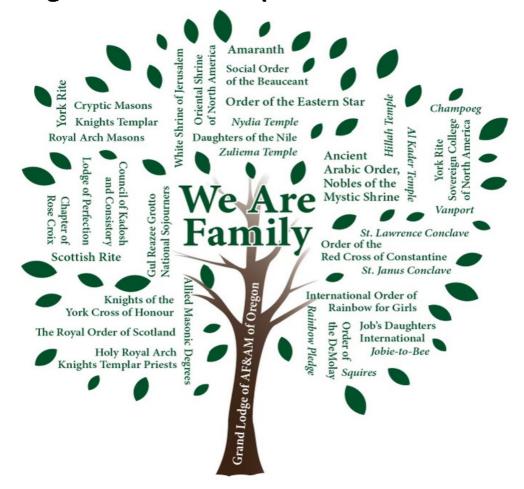
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# Colonial Court #5 We are Family T-Shirt Sale

\$20 Sizes Small-5XL

All Oregon Masonic Groups are found in this shirt!



Contact Sherilynn Mobley for purchase

mobley@mac.com

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