

Merry Christmas and plan for a safe New Year! We hope everyone had an enjoyable Thanksgiving.

All Official Visits have been completed. Grand Ball and the Holiday Party were two very enjoyable events. Thank you to all who went above and beyond to help make them both a success. SK Johnnie and I enjoyed both events with everyone who attended. The memories will last a lifetime. The ornaments were so awesome with so much thought given when they were chosen for the trees.

Don't forget... There are plenty of Oregon Amaranth Ornaments yet for sale. They make great gifts to Representative counterparts, decorations for your own tree, and wonderful Christmas gifts to those members who are homebound and unable to come to meetings. They are \$8.00 each, with proceeds to go to the Amaranth Diabetes Foundation.

On November 14<sup>th</sup>, we welcomed our newest member HL LeeAnn Quiroz, to Kellogg Court. We have two more initiations coming up before the end of the year. Cherry Court will be having an initiation on December 11 with a gift exchange and dinner prior to the meeting. The second one is planned for December 18<sup>th</sup> at Colonial Court. Look for further details. HL K Lee will be there with poker chips.

Have you planned fun social events in your Court? Be sure to share invites in the newsletter so that others can help support in attendance and fun. Invite inactive members, invite prospective members, and have fun. You don't need a lot of planning and money to do something social together. Acacia Court has planned a game night and has invited the other concordant bodies who meet in their lodge. What a great way to create fellowship and encourage membership.

We have the Poker Run Santa's Cause for Diabetes on December 14<sup>th</sup>. Invite your friends to register, participate, and have fun. This is open to all for registration and the cause is for Amaranth Diabetes Foundation. Christmas Costumes are encouraged. Please share the event on your social media and by word of mouth. Bowl Down for Diabetes is also right around the corner, as well as the Amaranth/OES Youth Scholarship and Leadership event in January too!

Be sure to get your motel reservations in for Grand Court as soon as possible. They have added more rooms to the block since the double rooms had been booked. So be sure to make your reservation soon. If anyone has any difficulties with getting a room, please send me an email. For those folks from out of state flying in, there is a transport that will take you from Portland Airport to the Holiday Inn (in Salem) called Groome Transportation (formerly the HUT). We can easily arrange to get you from the Holiday Inn to the Hotel Salem if that is used. There is also both bus and train transportation from Eugene to Salem. Let us know your schedule so we can assist in getting you to Oregon Grand Court.

SK Johnnie is on the mend. HL K Lee expects that there will be large gains toward getting to a new normal for SK Johnnie after therapy starts on December 3. The surgery went as planned and was successfully completed. SK Johnnie hopes to be "hippety-hopping from lily pad to lily pad" soon with his new hip.

Happy holidays to all...

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

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

### November

11/29 Black Friday Madness

### December

- 12/11 Cherry Court Initiation gift exchange & dinner prior to meeting
- 12/14 Oregon Amaranth Poker Run Santa's Cause
- 12/15 OR Amaranth Holiday Ads due
- 12/18 Colonial Court Initiation

### SAVE THE DATE:

### January 2025

- 1/1 Happy New Year
- 1/25 Bowl Down Diabetes Tournament King Pins Family Entertainment Center

Portland – 8:30 check-in 9am Bowling Youth Scholarship Auction & Dinner

### February 2025

1/26

- 2/1 Back to the 90's Trivia Salem
- 2/2 Go to Church with group meetings & a Grand Court Practice following lunch

### From the OAN Editor:

The January Edition of the Oregon Amaranth News will come out Friday, December 27. If you have information to be included in the Newsletter, please send it to me @ <u>OregonAmaranthNews@gmail.com</u> before December 23. I won't be working on the newsletter on Christmas day and probably not the day following... I will be enjoying the time with our family... just like you! Thanks. HL Kris. Editor

It is with sadness that we report the passing of Harry Pease, the beloved husband of HL Val Jean Beugli-Pease, PGRM. Please keep HL Val Jean and her family in your thoughts and prayers.

**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.



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HOLIDAY GREETINGS ISSUE COMING OUT JUST BEFORE CHRISTMAS

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Have you sent you greeting in to be included? All proceeds benefit the Amaranth Diabetes Foundation.



All requests to be included in the Holiday Greetings Edition DUE DECEMBER 15



October 24, 2024

Attention grasshoppers!!! Grasshoppers!

Here are some thoughts for you as we enter the holiday season!

- Keep supporting our philanthropic projects!
- Keep sending positive thoughts to our Grand Line Officers!
- Keep on giving to those who may be less fortunate than you!
- Keep being kind to others!
- Keep supporting your Court and Oregon Grand Court!
- Keep trying new things!
- Keep remembering others during this stressful time of the year!
- Keep on being thankful for who we are and where we live!

May you and your loved ones have a joyful Thanksgiving and Christmas season!

Hugs to all,

Your Leadership Training Committee



### Introducing SK Edward Duquette, Grand Associate Patron Candidate

At the Grand Ball, HL Marlee Frazier was pleased to announce SK Edward (Ed) Duquette as her choice for Grand Associate Patron to accompany her to the Grand Throne. SK Ed and his wife HL Trysta are Past Royal Matron and Past Royal Patron of Emerald Court #28. They are currently serving as Associate Matron and Associate Patron of Willamette Court #2, their dual Court. This announcement is quite special as SK Ed will be the first Sir Knight to serve as Grand Royal Patron from Emerald Court. Ed and Trysta are also Past Worthy Matron and Past Worthy Patron of Meridian Chapter, Order of Eastern Star.

SK Ed is active in his Lodge, Eugene Lodge #11, where he coordinates the annual baseball parking project which benefits both Amaranth and Eastern Star. The funds raised from this project generally are dedicated to the philanthropic

projects of the participating organizations. At Grand Ball, Willamette Court presented GRM K Lee and GRP Johnnie an additional \$1,000 donation to Diabetes Research from the project proceeds. SK Ed also previously served as an advisor with Eugene DeMolay.

SK Edward has served on the Grand Court Sound Committee for the last couple of years and is currently serving as Grand Sentinel. He brings with him a wide range of experience in our Masonic family.

SK Edward looks forward to serving Oregon Grand Court in the coming years. At the Grand Ball, the attendees voted on the group name for the Associate Patrons that will be elected in the coming months. They will be known as the "Prospectors" accompanying the 99ers to the Throne. We wish HL Marlee and SK Edward the best of luck as they continue to serve Oregon Grand Court.





# On the Road with Oregon Amaranth....

**November 9 – Arago Court OV & School of Instruction** HL Laurie Armstrong, Royal Matron & SK Dennis Marsh, Royal Patron









Visiting the home Court of GRM K Lee and GRP Johnnie... the coastal wind, sand in the sidewalk cracks, and the warmth of true friends... all at the Oregon Coast and Arago Court! Thanks to all who made the trek to Oregon's southern-most Court. The School of Instruction was a wonderful addition prior to the meeting. Thank you, HL Marilynn Young for sharing your expertise with us.



## November 13 – Cherry Court OV

HL Patti Nielsen, Royal Matron and SK Doug Nielsen, Royal Patron







VILDERNESS

November 14 – Kellogg Court Initiation Welcome Oregon's newest member HL LeAnn Quiroz



**November 16 – Oregon Grand Ball** Honoring GRM K Lee and GRP Johnnie Horn Also announcing the "Chosen One" for the Grand Conductress









This Grand Ball was about family and friends, celebrating, dancing, and Diabetes Research. We couldn't help but notice HL Marlee doing the Twist with SAC Hollie Dahm Stivers, or Grand Guardian Kristi Reid leading in the line dancing! Fun & friends!















### **November 17 – "Hoppy Holidays Feast" – annual holiday party** The smile on the GRM's face says it all.... Happy Holidays to all!













Ride Starts at Fairview Masonic Lodge 202 SE Pora Avenue; Troutdale, Oregon 97060 \*Continental breakfast options available for a donation

Registration starts at 8am \*Bikes head out at 8:30am \*Last Bike/Car out by 9:30am End at Silverton Lodge by Noon \*Cards need to be submitted by Noon \*Awards will start approx. 12:15pm

This is a fun family event with all wheels accepted!

# 🎔 Saturday, December 14th, 2024 🖤 🔶 🚽

\$20 Riders/Driver\$10 PassengerIncludes meal after run at Silverton Lodge and ONE poker hand.Extra hand \$10Extra card(s) at end of run \$5/each max two

All proceeds to benefit the Amaranth Diabetes Foundation

Pre-registration, map, waivers, rules: Google Registration Here

Registration and forms available day of run.

Can't make it? Ponations accepted! Contact Sherilynn for options

Questions? Contact Sherilynn Mobley OregonAmaranthGAC@gmail.com

No naughty list here! You're all nice! Treats at each stop! Activities at End of Run: Lunch/Concessions Raffles and door prizes Holiday Costume/Ugly Sweater Contest Toy Drive encouraged for local kids

Start at Fairview Masonic Lodge (Troutdale) Stops at: Lents Masonic Lodge (SE Portland) Canby Masonic Lodge (Canby) Fidelity Masonic Lodge (Brooks) Ends at Silverton Lodge (Silverton)

\$50 Best Poker Hand \$25 Best Adult Costume \$10 Best Kids Costume (under 12) \$10 Hard Luck Hand 50/50 Raffle



The Order of the Amaranth and the American Diabetes Association® have worked together to fund numerous researchers and their cutting-edge work in the fight against diabetes.

The Amaranth Diabetes Foundation, Inc. (ADF) is a 501c3 organization that serves as the charitable arm of the Order of the Amaranth. Since its inception in 1979, ADF donates all monies it raises in the United States to the American Diabetes Association<sup>®</sup>, where 100% of the funds support promising diabetes research. Our International Order also funds research in their respective areas to help stop the spread of diabetes.

The ADF has been a strong supporter of the American Diabetes Association and its research and have raised over \$18 Million towards the research for a cure.

Info that has been provided in previous Newsletters...

# Holíday & New Year's Greetings

The holiday season is fast approaching and it's time to place your holiday greetings for the 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Special Holiday Edition of the Oregon Amaranth Newsletter. Our distribution is over 550 Amaranth members throughout our Amaranth family! This is a great way to share your holiday joy with the members you have met though the years.

There are 40 sample holiday greetings, including several new designs for this holiday season honoring our GRM K Lee (froggy), GRP Johnnie (Aviator), SRM Bizzy (Harolds / angels) and SRP Richard (California brown bear) for your consideration. It would be awesome to close out 2024 with a big Diabetes Research donation from our Grand Court! SPECIAL DIABETES DONATIONS and the payment for Holiday Greetings should be sent to HL Gloria Hooker, Grand Treasurer.

Please email me your request for the 2024 holiday greetings. Include the greeting # and who the areeting is from... or if you would like a custom holiday greeting, please share your thoughts in a few words so I can help design something just right! If you would like a double greeting (the size of 2 business cards) the cost is only \$20!

The Special Edition Holiday Greetings Edition will come out just before Christmas. I look forward to getting your holiday greetings. HL Kris, Editor - Oregon Amaranth News

### Cost \$10.00 / standard greeting (#1 - #40) ~ Double sized greetings available \$20 ~ Deadline to order 12/15/2024. (Must be received by 12/15!)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Greeting Style Number(s):

OR... To personalize your greeting, I want my greeting to say: (please limit to 4 lines, 100 characters/spaces, plus your name)

Email your request to: HL Kris Aanderud Email: HLKrisA@gmail.com Cell/Text: 541-915-8628

Send check to: HL Gloria Hooker, Grand Treasurer PO Box 756. Glendale OR 97442 Email: speedypiecer@frontiernet.net Cell/Text: 541-226-6029

Must have check before greeting is included in the Holiday Edition Newsletter Make checks payable to: <u>Grand Court of Oreg</u>on

Please note "Greetings – Diabetes" on the memo line





ORDER OF THE AMARANTH Amaranth Diabetes Foundation

# **BOWL DOWN DIABETES**

Sponsored by: Grand Court of Oregon, Order of the Amaranth Benefit: Amaranth Diabetes Foundation, Inc / American Diabetes Association

Saturday, January 25, 2025

8:30 am – Check In 9:00 am – Bowl KingPins Family Entertainment Center 3550 SE 92<sup>nd</sup> Avenue Portland, Oregon 97266 503-788-7889



- \* This is a four game **MIXED SCOTCH DOUBLES**Tournament
- Entry Fee is \$70.00 per couple (\$60.00 to pay for lineage fee and donation to the American Diabetes Association. \$10.00 to go towards prize fund)
- Entering Average: (in the following order)
  League average as of January 1, 2025 (does not have to be a sanctioned league)
  Current average as of the date of participation with a minimum of 12 games.
- ♦ Non-Bowlers <u>WELCOME</u> Averages: Men 185 and Women 150
- ✤ Handicap is based on 220 at 90%.
- \* Entries close on Monday, January 20, 2025

# **ENTRY FORM**

Bowlers Name	Average
1. FEMALE	
2. MALE	

#### **Return entry form to:**

**Questions Contact:** 

Charlene Tucker 411 SE 98<sup>th</sup> Avenue Vancouver, WA 98664 Charlene Tucker (360) 241-1988 Email: <u>charlenekaytucker@gmail.com</u>

If you wish to bowl with another couple, add their names in box:

Enclose check payable to: Grand Court of Oregon. Payment is to accompany entry form.

A \$20.00 fee will be charged if a check is returned!





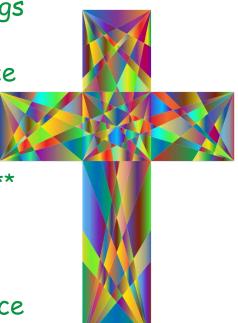
10:00 AM - Group Meetings

11:00 AM - Church Service

Noon - Lunch

\*\*Lunch Menu and Fee to Come\*\* Lunch proceeds will go to Oregon Grand Court General Fund

1:00 - Grand Court Practice



# Any questions, contact HL Sherilynn Mobley OregonAmaranthGAC@gmail.com

# **Colonial Court #5**

# Quilt & 50/50 Raffles

to Benefit Colonial Court #5's General Fund



# 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.

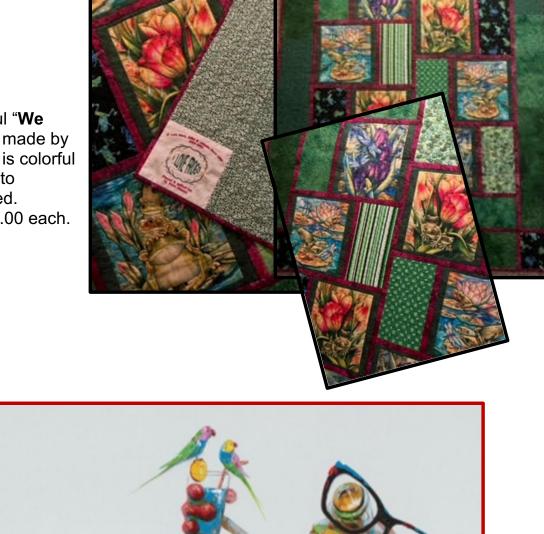
Anyone purchasing tickets will need to ensure that they can pass a background check per Oregon law, as it will need to be completed before the items in the box can be received. The gun is disabled for the purpose of the raffle. This raffle will be \$10/ticket with only 100 tickets to be sld.



## **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.





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!

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