



# Colorado Amaranth Newsletter

## SEPTEMBER 2021



COURT	DATE and TIME	MEETING TYPE	PRACTICE / MEAL / OTHER
<b>Pikes Peak Court No. 20</b> 1150 Panorama Drive Colorado Springs	Saturday SEPTEMBER 4 7:00 PM	<b>REGULAR MEETING</b>	<b>RSVP</b> HL Jacqué
<b>Laurel Court No. 16</b> 18275 Furrow Road Monument	Saturday SEPTEMBER 4 1:00 PM	<b>Grand Lecturer Visit MEETING</b>	<b>RSVP</b> HL Mary RM Practice 11:00 AM
<b>Liberty Court No. 1</b> 350 S. Broadway Denver	Thursday SEPTEMBER 9 7:30	<b>Grand Lecturer Visit MEETING Initiation</b>	<b>Pot Luck Dinner 6:15</b> HL Nancy HL Lula
<b>Faith Court No. 18</b> 2532 9th Avenue Greeley	Saturday SEPTEMBER 18 7:30 PM	<b>REGULAR MEETING ALL COURTS NIGHT</b>	<b>RSVP</b> HL Lorita
<b>Violett Court No. 22</b> 126 Broadway Pueblo	Friday SEPTEMBER 17 7:00	<b>REGULAR MEETING ALL COURTS NIGHT</b>	<b>RSVP</b> HL LYNN
<b>*Temple Board guidelines</b>			<b>MAX 50 people</b>
<b>Friendship Court No. 7</b> 400 10th Street Golden	Tuesday SEPTEMBER 28 7:30 PM	<b>OFFICIAL VISIT GRAND ROYAL MATRON GRAND ROYAL PATRON</b>	<b>Dinner 6:15</b> RSVP – HL DRINA, AM
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<b>Edgewater Court No. 14</b> 8185 Bradburn Drive Westminster	Friday SEPTEMBER 24 7:30	<b>OFFICIAL VISIT GRAND ROYAL MATRON GRAND ROYAL PATRON</b>	<b>RSVP</b> HL Drina PRACTICE – 7:00 PM

*FOLLOW THE YELLOW BRICK ROAD!*

**Please – RSVP to RM / Secretary for ALL MEETINGS**

**For everyone's safety – continue to WWW-watch distance, wear mask, wash hands!**

## **SUBORDINATE COURT NEWS**

**LIBERTY Court No. 1:** Thursday, September 9, 2021. Grand Lecturer's visit - 7:30 p.m. There will a pot luck dinner at 6:15 p.m. There will be a practice for Grand Lecturer's visit on September 5 at 5 p.m. at South Denver Masonic Temple. Please RSVP to HL Nancy – or HL Lula. We will initiate 2 new members Molly Anderson and Falon Ulibarri. Welcome to our newest Honored Ladies!

**HAPPINESS:** S.K. Jim and H. L. Joanne Handy received word that S.K. Jim's Granddaughter is expecting S.K. Jim's first great Grandchild in March! S.K. Jim and H.L. Joanne took a trip to Palisade and bought peaches and tomatoes home. H.L. Joanne canned 28 quarts of peaches and made Marinara sauce. H.L. Nancy Koenig took a trip to Mexico, however; Hurricane Grace cut her trip short. Several of our members attend Supreme in Portland, OR this summer : H.L.'s Mary Keithline, Jill Quendenfeld, H.L. Lula and S.K. Mark Ellsworth and S.K. Jim Miles. Liberty Ct. participated in the Craft Fair on August 14th and 9 members and H.L. Mary Keithline's brother and Sis-in-law joined the group attending the Walk for Diabetes on Saturday, August 21. H.L. Wanda had surgery this month and is doing well. H.L. Jill Quendenfeld is taking orders for pies for the Holidays- please see information on the flier this month.

**ILLNESS and DISTRESS:** None reported. Stay safe. Liberty Ct hopes you all had a great summer and will have a good Labor Day Weekend. See you all at the September meetings again.

**FRIENDSHIP Court No. 7:** Tuesday, September 28, 2021 - Official Visit of the Grand Royal Matron and Grand Royal Patron. 7:30PM Dinner at 6:15. Please contact Drina Johnson for reservations Join us down the yellow brick road and visit the GRM & GRP. Put on your purple & join us.

**HAPPINESS:** Happy Birthday & Happy Anniversary to all those celebrating the occasions.

Looking ahead - October will be All Courts Night. Invite 1 of your counter parts to do your opening & closing. Start looking for your ugliest Christmas sweater for the December meeting. We'll have a contest. Hope to see some visitors from other courts. We always need protems..

**ILLNESS and DISTRESS:**

**EDGEWATER Court No. 14:** Friday, September 24, 2021 - 7:30 p.m. Official Visit of the Grand Royal Matron and Grand Royal Patron. Practice at 7:00 PM. PLEASE NOTE: OUR MEETING IS BEING HELD ON THE REGULAR NIGHT NO CHANGE.

**HAPPINESS:** - Welcoming everyone back - hope all is well rested and ready to start travelling down the Yellow Brick Road. RM Drina will be travelling to Maryland this month to see her new great granddaughter (#5). I have not heard of any other news from anyone.

**ILLNESS & DISTRESS:** Glad to hear HL Pat Hayter is getting along much better (losing the boot) and SK Rick Brown-Jones is still having some health issues. I am sure there are others who need our prayers and good wishes for better health and a speedy recovery. God bless all and be safe - see ya later this month

**LAUREL Court No. 16:** Saturday, September 4, 2021 - 1:00 PM in Monument Official Visit of the Grand Lecturer, HL Mary Keithline We will have a refresher practice at 11:00am that morning! Our next meeting will be Saturday October 9<sup>th</sup> at 1:00pm This will be our "All Courts Day friendship meeting". If you plan to attend, we could sure use and appreciate protem officers if you would like to volunteer! We plan to serve a meal following the meeting at a cost of \$10.00 each. Please make reservations for the meal with HL Sheryl Wilson at [719-269-3240](tel:719-269-3240) or HL Brandi Long at [719-651-9696](tel:719-651-9696) .

**HAPPINESS:** We would like to send birthday wishes to HL Brandi Long 9/1, and happy anniversary to HL Brandi and Jarrod Long 9/14. Congratulations to HL Mary Wilkes, RM on her new job she will be starting mid September!

**ILLNESS & DISTRESS:** HL Mary Wilkes, RM has been slowly recovering following her surgery. HL Peggy Hoff fell in her house and broke her thumb and also had a fall outside and had to have 3 staples in the back of her head, and at this time has had her cast and staples removed. HL Sheryl had a back injection for pain and SK Dwight Wilson had cataract surgery on his left eye. We wish these members well and hope all our other members are doing fine!

**FAITH Court No. 18:** Saturday, September 18 2021. Regular Meeting 7:30 PM. All Courts night. Meeting will start at 7:30 p.m. We would love to have a lot of visitors.

**HAPPINESS:** S.K. Robert & H.L. Alice enjoyed their cruise for their 50th anniversary. We had a fun evening in July with dinner and a few games.

**ILLNESS AND DISTRESS:** H.L. Anita Fletcher's husband broke his leg in June and spent a little over two months in the hospital and rehab, but is home now.

**PIKES PEAK Court No. 20:** September 4, 2021 7pm - Regular Meeting

**Happiness:** HL Pat Mammenga & her husband had fun on a Viking River Cruise in mid-August. SK Mark Tucker has officially submitted his retirement papers from the Army. Happy Birthday & Happy Anniversary to all of our members celebrating in September!

**Illness/Distress:** SK Art Light is still working on building his strength up, but hasn't been authorized to drive to meetings yet.

**VIOLETT Court No. 22: September 17, 2021 7:30 PM** and this is All Courts Night. Officers, please remember to invite someone to open and close for you that evening.

**Happiness:** HL Brooke Swallow and family are in their new apartment in Pueblo. HL Bridgett and SK Joe are very happy they are so close once again. No new address for them at this time. SK Brian Bate has been busy this summer doing some remodel at home and working at the Temple. HL Ann Buys took a trip to Manitou Springs to enjoy the cliff dwellings. She has completely gotten over Covid so that is also good news. HL Jacque participated in the craft fair we just had and enjoyed the time up here. HL Donna and HL Sheree are doing well. HL Sheree has gotten a job at Tularosa teaching prekindergarten for special needs children. She is also working on her Masters Degree. HL Donna will be heading to Amarillo, TX for a family reunion in a couple of weeks. The last reunion had 150 guests. There is no telling how many will be present this year. HL Ruth Hurlburt is enjoying her new place and the many activities that they offer the residence. Her biggest job is being able to hike. HL Maggie Nelson has moved and truly down sized. Her new address is 4147 Outlook Blvd. Unit F, Pueblo 81008. No change in phone number. HL Jill Quedenfeld was at the Diabetes Walk as was SK Robert Tschida, HL Karen Wagner, and me. HL Karen did a number of laps around the park. HL Lynn did a few laps also. HL Glenda and family went to Cripple Creek for a day and it was a fun day with several challenges. HL Aggie has been a traveling lady, going to KS twice this summer. They also had a yard sale that did well. HL Aggie is a doll doctor and collect baby dolls that need a little TLC and once fixed and dressed up these dolls are given away at Christmas time. If you know of anyone who has a doll or dolls they want to get rid of this might be the way to do it. This group also takes slightly used stuffed animals for the children. HL Ima is fostering an American Bull dog. Colorado was well represented at Supreme Council. SK Richard learned that a sister he never knew was living in Portland and he was able to meet her. This was an interesting trip.

**Illness and Distress:** HL Wanetta Rutledge has been in the hospital and the last information we have is that she is with her sister in Colorado Springs due to needing to be quarantined due to exposure to Covid. HL Lauren Bates has been in an auto accident, totaling her car. She is fine, save for bumps and bruises. Her car has been replaced. HL Linda Light is not walking well. She did make it to Past Grands picnic. HL Glenda had a cancer removed from her nose and it seems to be doing okay. HL Ima has had some moles removed from her back and they seem to be healing nicely.

**ADDRESS AND PHONE NUMBER CHANGES:**

	<b>VIOLETT COURT No. 22</b>	
	HL Maggie Nelson	
	4147 Outlook Blvd. Unit F	
	Pueblo CO 81008	

## A MESSAGE FROM HL BRANDI - Grand Royal Matron

Dear Honored Ladies and Sir Knights,

Welcome September!

May this month bring you satisfaction, peace, and joy!

May all the desires of your heart be granted. May this be the beginning of new things in your life.

Stay Strong, Be Positive and Fulfill your Dreams.

To all the Grandparents I wish you all a happy and blessed Grandparents Day!

A Grandparent's love is strong & deep, filled with memories to cherish & keep. I have always thought that Grandparents are there to assist grandkids in creating mischief that they haven't thought of yet.

September 11, 2001, changed more than the skyline of New York City, the attacks that took place that day changed a generation of Americans, our Military, First Responders, and our world. I feel that day's destruction and devastation did not condemn this country to a future filled with fear.

No, this loss, as profound as it was, did not break the soul of this nation.

It made us stronger. That day fortified Americans with pride and patriotism and created a spirit of service in the hearts for a new generation. That day fundamentally changed our nation for the better. We now observe Patriot Day annually on September 11th as a National Day of Service and Remembrance for the thousands of lives lost in the 9/11 attacks.

"If we learn nothing else from this tragedy, we learn that life is short and there is no time for hate." -Sandy Dahl, Wife of Flight 93 Pilot Jason Dahl In Shanksville, Pennsylvania

God Bless and Amaranth Love,

H.L. Brandi Long GRM



## A MESSAGE FROM SK JIM MILES – Grand Royal Patron

First, thank you to everyone who had anything to do with or participated in the 5th Annual 5K Diabetes Walk. We had a beautiful day for the Walk at E.B. Raines Park held on Saturday, August 21, 2021. A good time was had by all those who attended, and some money was even raised to fight Diabetes.

Here it is September already! Where did our Summer go? I hope you all had a nice restful Summer and that you are ready to get back into the groove and on the road again. We have two Official Visits of the Grand Royal Matron this month. On Friday, September 24, 2021, our first Official will be at Edgewater followed by Friendship on Tuesday, September 28, 2021. Please attend and support HL Drina and HL Sherry, two of our first time Royal Matrons. Monday, September 6, 2021, is Labor Day. In 1894 Congress passed a bill recognizing the first Monday of September as Labor Day and making it an official federal holiday. But it was only a holiday for federal workers. Labor Day is to honor and recognize the American labor movement and the works and contribution of laborers to the development and achievements of the United States. Labor Day is called the "unofficial end of summer" and is celebrated by a variety of activities including picnics, and sales by retailers. Labor Day is also considered the last day when it is acceptable to wear white.

Grand Royal Matron, HL Brandi and I will be responding at Colorado Grand Chapter, Order of Eastern Star on Thursday, September 23, 2021 at 7:00 pm located at the Radison Hotel, 3155 South Vaughn Way (by Heather Gardens). It would be wonderful to see as many Amaranth members there as possible. Please wear your Grand Court attire. Grand Chapter Installation will be on Saturday, September 25, 2021 and again it would be nice to have a good Amaranth showing. We used to do this in the past.

Mark your calendars, I will be installing Deputy Supreme Royal Matrons and Deputy Supreme Royal Patrons on Thursday, October 14, 2021 at Liberty Court's meeting. This will be the **ONLY** installation. I have the list from Supreme Royal Patron, SK George Kuhns so if you can't remember if you accepted the appointment give me a call at 720-300-9061 and I can check the list.

I am looking forward to seeing you all on the Yellow Brick Road as we continue our journey to the Emerald City in the Land of Oz and we continue to celebrate the 75th Anniversary of Colorado Grand Court.

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

HL Karen Wagner is still looking for a photo of HL Millicent Ramsay as GRM for the museum in the CSMC. Ideally, it would be of just her or possibly of her & SK Robert Pieron.

The Philanthropic Committee has the new Supreme Diabetes pin and pendants available for sale at \$5.00 each. Also, SAVE THE DATE October 23th for the Philanthropic Dinner. More information to follow shortly.

### ***The Pearls***

#### ***Associate Matrons – Associate Patrons***

It was so great to see everyone at the August Meeting. What a fun time! Our next "Pearls" meeting will be at I-Hop Restaurant at I-25 and 104<sup>th</sup>. Sunday, September 26<sup>th</sup> at 1 P.M. Hope all the Associate Matrons and Associate Patrons can make it. Please RSVP to Either Mary Keithline or Lula Ellsworth. HAPPY FALL Y'ALL.

### ***THE FLYING MONKEYS***

Conductresses and Associate Conductresses

Meeting for the Flying Monkeys is being planned. Details will be sent by e-mail

Holiday Flyers follow – the Conductresses money making projects for Grand Court

### **THANK YOU**

Thank you to all for the cards following my falls as they brightened my days. HL Peggy Hoff

The Grand Court Craft Fair on Aug.14<sup>th</sup>, 2021, is now in the history books. Thank you to the Long Range Planning Committee for their assistance in planning and setting up this Craft Fair. It was a year and half in planning and completion, as it was originally scheduled for October of 2020 and had to be postponed due to COVID restrictions. A huge thank you goes to all the members who made this happen - working with the Temple Board for use of the building, set up and clean up, advertising, donating items, staffing the very successful Boutique, sponsored tables, and offered much appreciated moral support and advice. It has truly taken a Grand Court village to accomplish this craft fair, and could not have been accomplished without every one of you. While final numbers are being still assessed, it appears the Craft Fair will net over \$800.00. All the vendors were satisfied with their day and expressed an interest in returning next year. Thanks again to everyone.  
HL Laura Lambird, Grand Conductress.

### ***LONG RANGE PLANNING COMMITTEE***

The Long Range Planning Committee was formed to address the needs of our Colorado Grand Court.

The issues to be addressed include (but not limited to):

- \* Money Making – on going and sustainable
- \* Membership – how to interest prospects and KEEP members
- \* Address the future of our Grand Court Sessions
- \* Build and strengthen the relationships and cooperation within the Masonic Family organizations.

We invite you to JOIN us!! Ideas, thoughts and suggestions are WELCOME!!

Contact HL Laura or any elected line officer for more information





**Come & join us along the  
Yellow Brick Road of  
Official Visits**

**Friendship Court No. 7  
Tuesday September 28, 2021**

**Edgewater Court No. 14  
Friday September 24, 2021**

### **Leadership and Delegation- September 2021**

#### **Constant Learning**

"Leadership and learning are indispensable to each other," John F. Kennedy.

When things are changing rapidly, it is important to constantly learn and challenge yourself or we tend to get complacent. There are many reasons why people lose dedication, commitment, momentum, motivation or give up all together, for example being overwhelmed by the big picture or goal, not knowing or not sure where or how to start, procrastination, the work involved is too hard or takes too long, lack of patience, lack of support, boredom, not seeing immediate rewards, distractions, and fear of failure. Sometimes we lose motivation because we are facing difficulties in life, we are tired of doing the same repetitive tasks. More causes of lack of dedication and commitment are failure to prioritize and trying to do too many things at once, not believing that you will succeed, facing uncertainty and unknowns, giving up as soon as you run into obstacles or face opposition, negative thinking, exhaustion, burnout, worry and feeling like others are making more progress than you. Remember, A negative mind will never give you a positive life.

#### **Knowing How to Delegate**

According to Theodore Roosevelt, "The best executive is the one who has sense enough to pick good men to do what he wants done, and self-restraint to keep from meddling with them while they do it."

Delegate work to others and let them feel empowered. If you do this, they will feel more involved and have more opportunities to develop new skills. Delegating will allow you to concentrate on the goals you need to achieve yourself. Meanwhile if you are a chairman of a committee, you are still responsible for the work in the end. Therefore, it is important to oversee the project when delegating and be sure to assign tasks to those who have the skills to complete them. Establishing clarity of roles, responsibilities, and deadlines are critical to delegating and getting a project completed.

I personally have a hard time with delegation as I want to make sure things are done the way I want them to be done, but if something this past year has taught me is that you can't do this by yourself. I have had to step out of my comfort zone and delegate and ask for help from others, which I know is hard. I would say delegation is one of my biggest weaknesses, so this is one thing that I must constantly work on, not only to better myself, but to be a better leader for our beautiful order.