



# Colorado Amaranth Newsletter

## JANUARY 2024

### HAPPY NEW YEAR!



me ka Hau'oli Makahiki Hou = Happy New Year!

COURT	DATE and TIME	MEETING TYPE	PRACTICE / MEAL / OTHER
Pikes Peak Court No. 20 1150 Panorama Drive Colorado Springs	Saturday JANUARY 6, 2024 1:30 PM	ADVANCE NIGHT	
Liberty Court No. 1 350 S. Broadway Denver	Thursday JANUARY 11, 2024 7:30 PM	REGULAR MEETING	Pot Luck: 6:15
Laurel Court No. 16 18275 Furrow Road Monument	Saturday JANUARY 13, 2024 1:00 PM	REGULAR MEETING	Light refreshment after the meeting
Violett Court No. 22 126 Broadway Pueblo	*SATURDAY* JANUARY 27, 2023 1:30 PM	ADVANCE NIGHT	
Faith Court No. 18 2532 9th Avenue Greeley	Saturday JANUARY 20, 2024 7:30 PM	ADVANCE NIGHT	
Friendship Court No. 7 400 10th Street Golden	Tuesday January 23, 2024 7:30 PM	REGULAR MEETING	Dinner at 6:15 RSVP to HL Lelia
Edgewater Court No. 14 8185 Bradburn Drive Westminster	Friday JANUARY 26, 2024 7:30 PM	REGULAR MEETING	Dinner 6:15 PM RSVP – HL Pat Hayter BIRTHDAY DINNER

**\*\*REMEMBER to submit YOUR AD (s) for the Grand Court AD BOOK \*\* to**  
**SK Robert Tschida GRP by JANUARY 15<sup>th</sup> (or sooner!)**  
**[absolutetschida@netscape.com](mailto:absolutetschida@netscape.com) Phone: 719-240-1255**

ADDRESS change:	Friendship	
	SK Jimmie Knutson	
	14822 E Kansas Place	
	Aurora CO 80012.	

## SUBORDINATE COURT NEWS

**LIBERTY Court No. 1:** January 11, 2024 **REGULAR MEETING** Pot Luck Dinner 6:30 PM Please bring a dish to share and join us. Free will donation for dinner. Meeting at 7:30 PM Step Up Night will be in February due to our Candidate being out of town.

**HAPPINESS:** HL JoAnne Handy was surprised with a visit by the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron of the Grand Chapter of Colorado where she was commissioned a Grand Representative in Eastern Star. She is Representing the Grand Chapter of North Dakota in Colorado. Congratulations HL JoAnne! It was nice to see HL JoAnne and SK Jim Handy at the Christmas Party in December. From HL Melinda Mederick Nye, "I became a GREAT Grandmother on August 27 when Calliegh Marie Carter was born. She is my son Will and Elayna's 1<sup>st</sup> child – Will is my 1<sup>st</sup> grandson. WOW!" Congratulations!! Wishing you the fun and pleasure of a great grand daughter!!

**DISTRESS and ILLNESS:** Please keep all of our members in your thoughts and prayers especially HL Sheryl and SK Dwight Wilson. HL Jackie Biesel's son Mike is having to move and this is causing stress for both of them. HL Nancy Koenig's husband Chuck is doing better and HL Nancy is getting out more. HL Jill Quedenfeld's aunt passed last month Please let keep these members, in your thoughts and prayers.

**FRIENDSHIP Court No. 7: REGULAR MEETING** January 23, 2024 Meeting at 7:30. We hope everyone had a Merry Christmas and that the upcoming year will bring you joy and happiness. Everyone is doing better no illness reported this month. It was reported that Jimmie Knutson is at the OES Home in assisted living We wish you all a healthy New Year filled with only Happiness and good times.

**HAPPINESS:** HL Sarah Jensen is recovery nicely from her surgery, knee replacement in December! Please keep all our members in your thoughts and prayers as they recover from any health issues.

**DISTRESS and ILLNESS:**

**EDGEWATER Court No. 14:** January 26, 2024 **REGULAR MEETING** 7:30 PM

Please come join us for our birthday meeting. Hope to see everyone there. There will be a spaghetti dinner at 6:30 PM before the meeting. RSVP - H.L. Pat Hayter

**HAPPINESS** – Anniversary and Birthday wishes being sent to all who are celebrating!!

**SICKNESS AND DISTRESS** - Get well wishes to anyone who isn't feeling well. SK Dana Fairchild had knee replacements surgery on December 15th and he is home doing his recovery. It was great to HL Pat, HL Patti and HL Lynn at our December meeting. Please reach out and let me know if you are feeling ill or anything else is happening with you or your family. Would love to send cards if we know who needs them.



**LAUREL Court No. 16:** January 13, 2024, at 1:00PM **REGULAR MEETING** There will be no food at the meeting, will be light refreshments after the meeting.

**HAPPINESS:** Welcome to the New Year. We would like to wish all a healthy New Year. We would like to wish who have Birthdays in January a Happy Birthday. We would like to wish all who have Anniversaries in January a Happy Anniversary.

**ILLNESS:** HL Brandi and Jarod Long have been recovering from Covid. HL Mary Wilkes and HL Cookie Bell have had the Crud going around.

**FAITH Court No. 18:** January 20, 2024 Advance Night 7:30 p.m.

**HAPPINESS:** HL Alex Deselms is coming home for a couple weeks to spend Christmas with her parents, HL Deb and SK Jason Deselms.

**ILLNESS:** Please keep HL Lorita and family in your thoughts and prayers. HL Lorita Seidler's son passed away on December 19th. Her brother's cancer has returned. HL Alice Chapman had cataract surgery on one eye and is doing well. SK Robert Chapman has had the crud but he also is improving. RM Pam Park's cancer started to grow, and doctors have given her a different medicine.

**PIKES PEAK Court No. 20: Advance Night** JANUARY 6, 2024 Meeting at 1:30, With Advance Night coming up we will need proteems to fill stations. If anyone is able to make it and willing to step into positions, we will greatly appreciate it.

**Happiness:** H.L Sharon's son is recovering very nicely from his back surgery and enjoying moving around more. Wishing everyone a Happy New Year!

**Sadness/Distress:** H.L Cori is having her good days and bad days, but slowly getting better. H.L Karen Wagner had a virus and was on the mend, before getting much sicker. She is home and almost finished with her medicine and should be completely better soon. S.K Ron Smith has been in the hospital. He fell and had to be transported. He is doing well and hoping to be moved to rehab soon. SK Ron had Whipple surgery on December 16<sup>th</sup> to remove the cancer and is on track for a full recovery! H.L Kristine's mom, HL Lara Stucki, has been sick and having breathing issues. HL Marilyn Keske passed away Dec 26. Sympathy of the court has been extended. There will be no services. Please keep her husband SK Steve and family in your thought and prayers.

**VIOLETT Court No. 22: ADVANCE NIGHT JANUARY 27 2024. 1:30 PM. OUR Court's BIRTHDAY!**

Honored Ladies and Sir Knights I hope this finds you well. May you all have a wonderful Christmas and Fruitful, Blessed New Year. Practice for it TBA. I look forward to seeing everyone that can make it.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

PAST GRANDS OF COLORADO - Please mark your Calendars for **January 21<sup>st</sup> at 2 PM**

So. Denver Masonic Lodge. 350 So. Broadway. Denver CO

Bring a dessert to share. Hope to see you there.

RSVP by Jan. 17<sup>th</sup> Please to Lula Ellsworth 303-437-2130 or [Oursunnyridge@msn.com](mailto:Oursunnyridge@msn.com)

**Appreciation Dinner Honoring GRM - HL Laura Lambird and GRP - SK Robert Tschida**

**WHEN: January 14, 2024 2:00 PM**

**WHERE: Colorado Springs Masonic Center – 1150 Panorama**

**Cost: \$15.00 RSVP- HL Pam Bottolfson**

**Future of CO Amaranth meeting:**

Share YOUR thoughts and ideas to generate new membership, fun activities for courts to think about and more.

Zoom link will follow

**Time: Jan 8, 2024 6:30 PM Mountain Time (US and Canada)**

**SAVE THE DATE**

**GET ACQUAINTED DINNER**

**SUNDAY JANUARY 28, 2024**

**2:00 PM**

**Colorado Springs Masonic Center – 1150 Panorama**

Contact HL Pam, GAM or SK Mark, GAP for more information.

**The 77<sup>TH</sup> Annual Grand Court Session is COMING!**

February 22, 23, 24, 2024

**Trifold** is available online

If you have NOT received yours (with December Newsletter)

Contact HL Pat, Grand Secretary

**Amendments** to be presented at Grand Court are included in this newsletter!

**The Philanthropic Committee** is asking each court to **donate a gift basket or a gift card worth \$25.00.**

This is for the silent auction at Grand Court. Thank you for your help with this.

**All Grand Court Floor Officers** it is time to get your Page for Grand Court and please send names to HL Alice Chapman Thank you!

**Grand Fraternal Correspondent: H.L. Kris MacPherson** is looking forward to receiving **reports** from the **Grand Representatives** who have been able to attend or correspond with their assigned Grand Courts by January 28, 2024 to add to the GRM & GRP books.

**HL's and SK's** The Conductresses will be sponsoring the **Unique Repeat Boutique** this year at Grand Court. If you have ANY questions – Please contact HL Kristine Tucker – Grand Associate Conductress!



### ***The TIKI's***

#### ***Royal Matrons & Royal Patrons***

The Tikis Meeting - January 14<sup>th</sup>, 2024 1:30 pm prior to the Appreciation Dinner.

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

TBA

#### ***Conductresses and Associate Conductresses.***

TBA

### **"SPIRIT OF ALOHA"**

#### **Grand Court Sessions**

**February 22-24, 2024**

**Save the Date: Grand Court Practice:**

**SUNDAY FEBRUARY 18, 2024**

Practice will be held at Liberty Court at the South Denver Masonic Temple,  
350 South Broadway, Denver 9:00 AM for DONUTS, Juice and Coffee

The areas to be included in the practice are:

Informal Opening

Bible Ceremony

Entrance Of the Grand Marshals

Entrance Of the Flags

Formal Opening

Memorial

Necrology

Installation

A more detailed schedule will be included in the February newsletter.

Lunch will be available for a donation to the "Roadies".

The practice is scheduled from approximately 9 - 3.

Thanks to all for your attendance.

**Jason Deselms 2023-2024 Grand Lecturer 303-710-9844**

### **A MESSAGE FROM HL LAURA LAMBIRD - Grand Royal Matron**

2024 is here! I hope everyone had a fantastic Christmas and a happy New Year with fun and safe celebrations. January can be a "quiet" time to rest and recover from the holidays and prepare for upcoming events - advance nights for each court, The Appreciation Dinner and the Get Acquainted Dinner. Hope to see many of you at these events.

January is always a time for new beginnings: to reflect on what we want our new year to look like and make resolutions

for improvement. Please include Amaranth and ADF in your plans. Grand Court needs every member to be

involved. Thank you to everyone who came to Homecoming at Faith Court, and especially to HL Alice Chapman for

putting together a wonderful evening.

Mahalo.

### **The Meaning of Mana**

Mana is extremely important in the native Hawaiian culture. The sacred term *Mana* is known as a spiritual energy of power and strength. Mana is described as a life energy that flows through all things and humans. It's possible for mana to be present in objects and people. To have mana is to have influence and gain authority. The Native Hawaiian concept of power doesn't mean you need to have material possessions. For people, it's possible to gain or lose mana through the different decisions they make. It may be gained or lost with everything you do. Living through *Pono* - meaningful work, good relationships and the service you lend to your community - can allow you to gather mana. There are certain locations in Hawaii that are considered strong in Mana. Some of these sites are Haleakala Volcano on Maui, the island of Molokai and different battles sites across the islands such as the battle of Nu'uuanu, battle of Kepaniwai and the battle of Mokuohai. Mana is an example of doing the right thing and is an appropriate thought for reflection to start the new year.

## AMENDMENT FOR CONSIDERATION AT THE 2024 GRAND COURT ANNUAL SESSION

### ARTICLE II

#### REGULATIONS FOR GRAND COURT

##### **Section 22.** Receipts and Disbursements (Pg. 14)

Currently Reads:

P. The cost of the printing and distribution of the bulletin (Colorado Letter) shall be the expense of the Grand Court.

Change to READ:

##### **Section 22.** Receipts and Disbursements (Pg. 14)

P. The cost of the printing and distribution of the bulletin (Colorado Letter) shall be prorated to each court, based on the number of members receiving the newsletter via USPS.

Rationale – The subordinate Courts previously paid a prorated amount for all newsletters sent to the members. In recent years, we have been emailing the majority of the newsletters. This change will again put the financial responsibility of the newsletters to the individual courts.

Submitted by: HL Cindi Sebastian

HL Pat Hayter

HL Pam Bottolfson



#### **GRAND COURT IS COMING!**

The Seventy-Seventh Annual  
“Spirit of Aloha” SESSION  
Thursday, Friday, and Saturday  
February 22, 23, 24, 2024  
Holiday Inn Lakewood  
7390 W. Hampden Ave.  
Lakewood, CO 80227  
303-980-9200



#### **Dates to Remember:**

**ADS for the Grand Court AD BOOK – due to GRP Robert – JANUARY 15, 2024**

**HOTEL RESERVATIONS – to the HOLIDAY INN – LAKEWOOD by February 1, 2024**  
**303-980-9200** and mention “Grand Court Order of the Amaranth Group Rate”.

**MEAL RESERVATIONS to HL Patti Baker by FEBRUARY 10, 2024**

**Pre-Registration and Proceedings to HL Norma Shafer**

**GRAND COURT PRACTICE SUNDAY FEBRUARY 18, 2024**

**9:00 AM** South Denver Masonic Temple





## Appreciation Dinner for the Grand Royal Matron and Patron

Come Join us as we celebrate and give thanks to

HL Laura Lambird Grand Royal Matron  
and  
Sir Knight Robert T'schida Grand Royal Patron.

2:00 pm Sunday January 14, 2024

Colorado Springs Masonic Center  
1150 Panorama Drive  
Colorado Springs, CO 80904

\$15.00 Per Person collected at the door

Please RSVP by 6 January 24  
to HL Pam Bottolfson.  
[Pamela.bottolfson@comcast.net](mailto:Pamela.bottolfson@comcast.net)

Choice of entrée Pulled Pork or Pulled Chicken



## Get Acquainted with your Grand Associate Matron and Patron

Come Join us as and get a glimpse at the Future of your  
Colorado Amaranth Grand Court with a Taco Bar potluck

HL Pamela Bottolfson Grand Associate Matron  
and  
Sir Mark Tucker Grand Associate Patron.

2:00 pm Sunday January 28, 2024

Colorado Springs Masonic Center  
1150 Panorama Drive  
Colorado Springs, CO 80904

All are welcome to attend

Please RSVP by 6 January 24  
to HL Pam Bottolfson.  
[Pamela.bottolfson@comcast.net](mailto:Pamela.bottolfson@comcast.net)  
or via phone at 303-641-8778

Choice of entrée: Chicken or Beef Taco's  
and potluck sides for Lunch

### ***Grand Court of Colorado, Order of the Amaranth Installation of 2024-2025 Grand Officers***

at the  
**Holiday Inn Lakewood**  
**7390 W. Hampden Ave.**  
**Lakewood, CO 80227**  
**303-980-9200**

**Saturday, February 24, 2024**  
**6:15 PM Uncrowning Ceremony**  
**6:30 PM Installation of Grand Officers**

**Honored Lady Pam Bottolfson, Grand Associate Matron**  
**& Sir Knight Mark Tucker, Grand Associate Patron**