



Colorado Amaranth Newsletter

FEBRUARY 2021



| COURT | DATE and TIME | MEETING TYPE | PRACTICE / MEAL / OTHER |
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| Columbine Court No. 15 1615 Florence Street Aurora | FRIDAY FEBRUARY 2021 | NO MEETING | Members ONLY with Friendship February 23 |
| *Temple Board guidelines | | | MAX 22 people |
| Pikes Peak Court No. 20 1150 Panorama Drive Colorado Springs | Saturday FEBRUARY 6 2021 7:00 PM | HAPPY 54th BIRTHDAY! MEETING Elections | RSVP HL Jacqué |
| *Temple Board guidelines | | | MAX 35 people |
| Liberty Court No. 1 350 S. Broadway Denver | Thursday FEBRUARY 11, 2021 | Members only MEETING | RSVP HL Nancy HL Lula |
| *Temple Board guidelines | | | MAX 20 people |
| Laurel Court No. 16 18275 Farrow Road Monument | Saturday FEBRUARY 13, 2021 1:00 PM | Regular Meeting | RSVP HL Mary RM HL Sheryl |
| *Temple Board guidelines | | | MAX people |
| Violett Court No. 22 126 Broadway Pueblo | Friday FEBRUARY 19, 2021 7:30 | Elections Initiation | RSVP HL Jill Practice – 6:00 PM |
| *Temple Board guidelines | | | MAX 50 people |
| Faith Court No. 18 2532 9th Avenue Greeley | Saturday FEBRUARY 20, 2021 7:30 PM | FAITH MEMBERS Regular Meeting | RSVP HL Lorita |
| *Temple Board guidelines | | | MAX 25 people |
| Friendship Court No. 7 400 10th Street Golden Westminster | Tuesday FEBRUARY 23, 2021 | Happy Birthday! Annual Meeting With COLUMBINE #15 | Birthday Dinner 6:15 Free to # 7 Members |
| *Temple Board guidelines | | | MAX 25 people |
| Edgewater Court No. 14 8185 Bradburn Drive Westminster | Friday FEBRUARY 26, 2021 | ANNUAL MEETING | RSVP HL Drina HL Pat |
| *Temple Board guidelines | | | MAX 35 people |

Grand Court is saddened by the loss of
HL Marlene Lewis – PGRM Columbine Court No. 15
HL Ronetta Selden member, Friendship Court No. 7
 May they always remain
“Sweet in our Memory”

COVID – 19 Restrictions CO Counties ORANGE
Please – RSVP to RM / Secretary for ALL MEETINGS
SUBORDINATE COURT NEWS

LIBERTY Court No. 1: As of Feb 1 our Lodge will be open! Liberty Ct will have a meeting on Thursday, February 11 AT 7:30 P.M. Our room capacity is 20. **Ladies, we cannot use the Ladies Lounge to change clothes at this time.** We will need to wear masks and observe social distancing. There will not be any pot luck or refreshments. If you are not a Liberty member please notify Nancy Koenig, RM (Contact Nancy at: 303-635-2128 - home , Cell 303-995-6913 Email: koenignan@comcast.net AND HL Lula – Secretary, (303-437-2130) to see if we have room for visitors. Sorry we have to do this however - we must abide by Lodge rules. Please remember - If you are not feeling well or have a bad cough or cold please STAY HOME in February, we want to keep everyone protected.

HAPPINESS: Other members are doing ok just waiting to get back on the yellow brick road. Happy Birthday to Mona Eckley - February 9th.

ILLNESS and DISTRESS: Pat Heckmann had foot surgery awhile back and healing has taken a long time. She is still recuperating. She has been working from home and trying to avoid COVID-19 . H.L. Megan Merrick has experienced 3 home robberies in at her new home. HL Megan is currently having a series of medical tests.

FRIENDSHIP Court No. 7: Our Birthday and Annual meeting will be Tuesday, February 23-2021-. Dinner at 6:15 free to members. 7:30 PM Meeting at 7:30 PM – members only

Regular stated meeting March 23, 21 at 7:00 pm. Closed Installation to follow at 8:00 pm Members only – no dinner. Notice to all Friendship Court # 7 and Columbine Court # 15 members-Joint meeting on February 21 to vote on consolidation of Columbine Court with Friendship Court.

ILLNESS and DISTRESS: Sympathy of the Court extended to the family of HL Marlene Lewis, PGRM upon her death on January 20, 2021. Out thoughts are with SK Jim Lewis, PGRP. HL Pat Ogden had eye surgery and a root canal in January. She is doing well – Staying IN! SK Tony Kary had surgery and is recovering well! HL Jolene Kary completed the course of radiation therapy. HL Kim Scott is having health issues. HL JoAnne Handy’s Son and family in Arizona all had COVID-19. In the meantime – remember the **3 “W’s” WEAR** a mask....**WATCH** your distance....**WASH** your hands!

EDGEWATER Court No. 14: Friday, February 26, 2021 - Regular Meeting. At this time, we will be able to meet in the Lodge, mask required. **RSVP** to HL Drina / HL Pat. Maximum attendees 35. We will be having an election for the position of Treasurer; annual reports are due (catching up on 2019-2020, as we were in shut down mode).

There will be No Dinner. We will share snacks afterward. Remember – Zoom Meeting on SUNDAY February 21st!

HAPPINESS: The court has had several zoom get-togethers, great to see all that have attended, especially SK Jim and HL Mary Beth Yeager. It was great news that HL Sherry Green was able, after 10 months, to finally visit with her husband. Also, congratulations to SK John Lawton for being installed as Worshipful Master of Joppa Daylight Lodge. HL Linda Rice is home from the hospital – reportedly doing much better! HL Barbara is feeling well – the center is allowing the residents to move about throughout the complex. HL Barbara will be in therapy again SOON! Many Anniversary and Birthday wishes are being sent to all members celebrating this month.

HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY TO ALL!

SICKNESS & DISTRESS: The sympathy of the court was extended to the family of SK Jim Lewis in the passing of PGRM HL Marlene. HL Patti reported having health issues; also, reported SK Art Light, so please keep these members in our thoughts and prayers. No other reports of illness. Please everyone stay safe and healthy. Several of our members have received their vaccinations, yeah.

COLUMBINE Court No. 15: Important Meeting for Consolidation Vote of Columbine and Friendship Membership. we hope to have the final vote for consolidation of Columbine and Friendship Courts at Friendship’s meeting location – 400 10th Street, Golden, CO 80402) on Feb 23.

HAPPINESS: Tony Kary came through his double hernia surgery and is now undergoing neurologic testing to determine the cause of persistent numbness and tingling in his left arm and hand. Jolene Kary has completed her radiation treatments and thanks everyone for their concern.

SICKNESS & DISTRESS: The members of Columbine Court are saddened by the passing of H.L. Marlene Lewis on December 18th. I had several opportunities to speak with both Jim and Marlene through December and was so inspired by Marlene’s upbeat attitude in the last days of her life. H.L. Jo Anne Zimmerman lost her older sister on December 29. She has been cheered by all the cards and calls for her recent 90-year birthday celebration. S.K. Art Light was

hospitalized in mid-January with several broken ribs and other contusions from a fall. He is in rehab, which is currently closed to visitors due to COVID. Cards can be sent to his home address or calls to his cell phone would be appreciated. Linda doubts they will be able to “contain” him for more than 30 days!

LAUREL Court No. 16: Saturday - February 13, 2021 1:00pm Our meeting will be at Centurion Lodge in Monument, Colorado, no dinner before or after the meeting. Please RSVP to HL Mary Wilkes, RM/HL Sheryl Wilson

Happiness: We would like to send happy birthday wishes to HL Sadie Quintana 2/1, HL Mary Wilkes 2/11 and SK Marshall Nichols 2/11. Congratulations to HL Misti Kauffman, PRM and her business “Balloons by Misti” that was featured on the news [#spreadjoy](#) in Grand Forks, ND where she and her family live. Speaking of business adventures by members of Laurel Court we would like to congratulate HL Sara and SK Diego Rodriguez and announce their business endeavor “Escobar Coffee”, providing customers with premium Regional Gourmet Coffee from Guatemala. If you have any news, good or bad, anniversary, birthday, or other special day in your life and you would like to share it with our other members please contact HL Sheryl Wilson, Secretary at sassycat53@msn.com or call 719-269-3240.

NOTE: 2021 paid dues cards will be given to Laurel Court members at the February meeting to save postage.

Illness and Distress: HL Mary Wilkes is still on the mend from surgery, and is able to work from home. HL Sheryl Wilson had a cardioversion on January 8th, and is doing well. No other illnesses were reported

Please visit our young entrepreneurs at:



HL Sara Rodriguez
(303) 883-5715
<http://www.escobarcoffee.com/>



HL Misti Kauffman
701-490-2370
<https://balloonsbymisti.com>

FAITH Court No. 18: Saturday, February 20, 2021. Regular meeting Following guidelines: masks, gloves (at least the ladies) and social distancing.

H.L. Joyce Patterson is doing all right, just waiting for the final steps for her hearing.

H.L. Alice & S.K. Robert Chapman had all their kids home for Christmas and everyone is still healthy.

PIKES PEAK Court No. 20: We will be meeting in person in February! We will be celebrating our Court’s 54th birthday. February meeting: Saturday, February 6 7:00 PM in the Egyptian Room – Max. attendance 35, please RSVP to HL Jacqué Cann. Court Birthday & Elections

Happiness: Happy Birthday & Happy Anniversary to all of our members celebrating in February!

Illness and Distress: We were saddened by the loss of SK David Ramsay, PGRP, at the end of December. HL April Tumlinson’s mom/HL Dacia Giusto’s grandma is in hospice care for frontal temporal dementia. She will remain at Brookdale Broadmoor. In mid-January, SK Art Light fell out of bed and managed to break some ribs. After about a week in the hospital, he was transferred to a rehab facility; he anticipates being home by mid-February. SK George Cann is having breathing issues again, possibly related to the cold weather.

VIOLETT Court No. 22: Great News! We are approved to meet in February! The CDC has approved us to meet limited to 50 people. Our next meeting will be February 19 at 7:30pm! We will be initiating a new SK. Initiation Practice begins at 6pm. We will not be serving refreshments afterwards so bring whatever food you may want for your drive home, if that applies to you.

We will also elect our new leadership line. Start thinking about how you want to serve your Court.

We are taking orders for our Valentine Chocolate Truffles fundraiser. The truffles come 11 truffles in a crimson, heart shaped box. Each includes Chocolate Covered Cherry wrapped in fondant, dipped in semi sweet chocolate, White Choc Amaretto Truffle, Frangelico Milk Chocolate Truffle, Whiskey Truffle featuring Bourbon, Scotch, Irish Cream, Kahlua in a semi sweet ganache, dipped in dark chocolate, rolled in sugar. Each box is \$25. No substitutions or special orders. All chocolates are handmade by Pastry Chef / Chocolatier RM Jill Q. Chocolates will be available on Friday February 12 for pickup in Pueblo from 4:30pm-6pm, and Saturday Feb 13 from 12:30pm - 2pm at Westminster Masonic Center. Only a limited number will be available and are expected to sell out. Order now! Text, email or call Jill Quendenfeld.

A MESSAGE FROM HL BRANDI - Grand Royal Matron

Dear Honored Ladies and Sir Knights,

Savor the Moments

As it is always been preached to me -Planning for the future is key to success- In these still uncertain times it is hard to plan without worrying about the disappointment that may come with it when COVID decides differently for us. With achievable goals in mind, The Grand Court of Colorado is ready to take on another year with new hope and aspirations.

I have had to learn a lot of patience this past year, and NO I AM NOT GOOD AT IT! But the thing that matters is that WE don't give up, and I assure you, if we follow the Yellow Brick Road we will meet at the Emerald City and Celebrate because we can.

Because we have new knowledge, and a grateful Heart for everything we have gone through this last year both good and bad and know with a new year we have the Courage to move forward and take back some of our livelihood. Or as much as we can while being safe for ourselves and each other.

I am looking forward to coming together again very soon with our members. So, remember wear your masks, wash your hands and if available get your Vaccines... We are in this together and we will prevail.

I just wanted to give a little info on the COVID 19 Vaccines.

I have had both the 1st and 2nd dose; the 1st dose was a breeze not a problem. Now as more people are getting the 2nd Dose, I will give you a heads up the 2nd dose can come with more side effects and illness like problems. Remember it is your bodies way of realizing that there is something new that has entered your body and it is natural for your body to try and fight it off. So, I suggest that you don't get your COVID Vaccine if you plan on running a marathon a few days after you receive it. Remember everyone is going to react differently. Take care of yourself, hydrate, practice good hygiene and we will see you soon!

Lots of Love,
H.L. Brandi Long GRM
Happy Valentine's Day to you and yours.

A MESSAGE FROM SK JIM – Grand Royal Patron



When a man's an empty kettle, He should be on his mettle
And yet I'm torn apart
Just because I'm presumin' That I could be a human
If I only had a heart.
I'd be tender, I'd be gentle
And awful sentimental Regarding love and art
I'd be friends with the sparrows And the boy that shoots the arrow
If I only had a heart.

The Tin Man from the Wizard of Oz

Well, February is here and it looks as if some of our Courts will be able to have in person meetings again! Yippy! I am looking forward to getting back into the swing of Amaranth again and being with my Amaranth family and friends. I hope to be able to attend these meetings and seeing our members again. Zoom Meetings just have not done it for me.

Take care, and stay safe! SK Jim Miles GRP

I leave you with this Valentine's Day recipe:

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| One Half Cup of Hugs | Four Tablespoons of Kisses |
| Four Cups of Love | One Cup of Special Holiday Cheer |
| One Half Cup of Sweetheart Hugs | Three Tablespoons of Cinnamon Hearts |
| Two Cups of Love and Kindness | One Bag of Valentines |
| One Medium Size Bag of Great Big Red Hearts | (the regular kind just won't do) |

Blend all and sprinkle with lots of love!

St. Valentine's Day is celebrated annually on February 14. It originated as a Western Christian feast day honoring one or two early Christian martyrs named Saint Valentine and is recognized as a significant cultural, religious, and commercial celebration of romance and love in many regions of the world.

THANK YOU!

The Lewis family wishes to thank the Members of Colorado Amaranth for the kind expressions of Sympathy on the death of H. L. Marlene Lewis PGRM SK Jim Lewis, PGRP

ADDRESS and Phone number changes:

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| | LAUREL No. 16 | |
| | HL Eileen Baughman | |
| | 6735 W Golden Lane Apt 21 | |
| | Peoria AZ 85345-4373 | |
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Associate Matrons – Associate Patrons

Sunday February 21, 2021 at 3:00 P.M. will be the next A.M. & A.P. Zoom meeting. Connect information will be sent prior. Please RSVP to Lula Ellsworth at oursunnyridge@msn.com or cell # 303-437-2130. Thank you. HL Lula

The Flying Monkeys: Conductress and Associate Conductress
Meeting: February 9th 2021 7pm on Zoom. Invites will follow shortly!

Long Range Planning Committee meeting
February 18th, 2021 7pm on Zoom. The link will go out soon. Contact HL Laura for more information!

Violett Court #22— Order of the Amaranth

Chocolate Truffle Sale

ORDER YOUR VALENTINE CHOCOLATES NOW!

Half Pound
Crimson Heart Shaped Box
Featuring 4 types of
Homemade Chocolate Truffles
By Chocolatier/Pastry Chef Jill.



***Chocolate Covered Cherries**
Maraschino Cherry wrapped in homemade vanilla fondant, dipped in bittersweet chocolate.

***Whiskey Truffles:**
Bourbon, Scotch, Irish Cream, Kahlua Milk Chocolate ganache in a dark chocolate shell, rolled in sugar, wrapped in gold foil.

***White Choc Amaretto Truffles:**
White Chocolate Amaretto Ganache in a white chocolate shell and dark chocolate accent.

***Frangelico Truffles:**
Frangelico, Kahlua ganache in milk chocolate shell with royal icing accent.

\$25.00

Limited Quantity—ORDER NOW
These Will Sell Out!

Photos are a representation. Actual may vary slightly.

**Pick-up Pueblo Masonic Center
Friday, Feb 12, 4:30pm—6pm or
Westminster Masonic Center on
Saturday, Feb 13, 12:30pm—2pm**
Contact Chef Jill Quedenfeld at
JillQuede@gmail.com or text/call to 720-350-3530



Time does NOT take away from
FRIENDSHIP – Nor does **SEPARATION**
Tennessee Williams

Roses are **RED** – Violets are **BLUE**
It's been a **LONG Year** –
We can't **WAIT** to **SEE YOU**

A **GOOD Friend** is a connection to
Life~
A **TIE** to the **PAST**
A **ROAD** to the **FUTURE**
The **KEY** to **SANITY** in a totally
INSANE World
Lois Wuse

SEE you all SOON—on the YELLOW BRICK ROAD!

Submit any items for the **MARCH** newsletter to HL Cindi— allac2016@gmail.com **by FEBRUARY 21, 2020**