



**GOLDEN STATE NEWSLETTER
GRAND COURT OF CALIFORNIA
ORDER OF THE AMARANTH**

2025 March Edition

**February 26 – March 1
GRAND COURT OF CALIFORNIA**

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Annual Installation of Grand Officers**

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SWEET IN OUR MEMORY



I would like to thank all the members of CA Amaranth for the kind words for my SK Stephen and cards to me and my family. We are so grateful to have so many members and friends to share their thoughts and love for Steve.

Susan Wallace

A final post from the "Adventures of a Crown". Thank you HL's and SK's for all you have done to make this an incredible journey for both myself and SK Elmer. I have enjoyed seeing as many of you as I could and helping whenever needed. Your smiles and words of encouragement inspired me every time. Remember, kindness is a small gesture that makes a big difference. "Always remember that you are BRAVER than you believe, STRONGER than you seem, SMARTER than you think and loved more than you know". Christopher Robin. And in the voice of
TI-double Grrrr, TTFN



To the "Believers", May your journeys be safe and filled with all the magic your heart desires.

In love and Kindness,
HL Cindi Tabrisky, GRM

Here's the Installation schedule for this year:

1. March 15, 2025 @ 12:00 N
Bee-Hive Sacramento
Mary Lou Calalang & Bert Calalang
2. March 22, 2025 @ 2:00 p.m.
Black Diamond Court
Brigette Najjar & William Nichols
3. March 29, 2025 @ 2:00 p.m.
Serenity Court
Stephenie Chongco & Jeremy Chongco
4. March 29, 2025 @ 7:00 p.m.
Golden Crown Court
Ramona Cantrell & David Cantrell
5. April 5, 2025 @ 1:00 p.m.
Fremont Court
Janet Harrison & Dennis Anderson
6. April 5, 2025 @ 7:00 p.m.
Mission Bell Court
Cindy Renner & John Thomas
7. April 12, 2025 @ 1:00 p.m.
Crescent Court
Carolyn Manry & Donnie Lara
8. April 13, 2025 @ 2:00 p.m.
Eureka Court
JoAnna Matlock & Michael Biesen
9. April 19, 2025 @ 2:00 p.m.
Anchor Court
Sherrie Wilkerson & Joe Tabrisky
10. April 26, 2025 @ 11:00 a.m.
Loyalty Court
Muriel Stettler & John Stettler
11. April 26, 2025 @ 6 or 7:00pm
Candlelight Court
Cathy Rogers & Leland Routt



Grand Associate Matron

Believe it or not, 2025 Grand Court Session is here! I would like to take this opportunity to thank each and everyone of you for the trust and confidence that you bestow upon me in allowing me to serve as Grand Associate Matron. It was a privilege and honor to serve the Grand Court of California along with my fellow Grand Line Officers under the leadership of our Grand Royal Matron: HL Cindi Tabrisky and our Grand Royal Patron: SK Elmer Grospe. I am very proud and honored to be part of this beautiful Order.

Very soon, SK JD Hammett and I will be installed as the new leaders, and I humbly request your continued support and cooperation so we can continue our quest in helping find a cure for Diabetes, which is our primary goal in joining the Order of the Amaranth.

There will be challenges along the way, however if we work together as a TEAM and with our education and hard work, we will be able to overcome these challenges and make us much stronger and better.

Our administration will be open to any suggestions and new ideas to keep our organization thrive and grow. Our Order is not immune to the ongoing challenges of losing Members due to age, medical conditions and occasional deaths. Therefore, we should think outside the box to make our activities more interesting and enjoyable. So please feel free to share your ideas with us. We are so looking forward to working with all of you and at the same time creating wonderful memories together.

Please continue to let love, kindness and compassion dictate our actions and make this world a better place to live.

Amaranth love,
HL Joji R. Sayo
Grand Associate Matron



FROM THE GRAND ASSOCIATE PATRON



Hello Honored Ladies and Sir Knights!

It's Grand Court time. For me it is an exciting time as I look forward to seeing friends that I haven't seen in a long time and welcoming friends and guests from other jurisdictions.

CA Grand Court members are so welcoming, warm and kind. We in CA are true examples of kindness, caring and welcoming.

HLs and SKs enjoy coming to CA because of our warm friendly hospitality and kindness we show to all. Little do they know that we are like this all the time. I am so proud of all of you.

Let us all take time to practice kindness not only at Grand Court but in our daily lives. So much is going on in the world that sometimes it becomes difficult to be kind but don't cave in. You be kind and share your kindness with everyone. I always try to practice random acts of kindness in my daily life.

In my profession it sometimes can be quite challenging to be kind. However, I don't let myself slip, I think I am not going to get on the level of being rude or unkind. I smile and turn up the dial on kindness and you know what – doing that truly works.

I am looking forward to greeting you all at Grand Court. Please come up and chat with me. I really enjoy an opportunity to speak with each and every one.

Safe travels to and from Grand Court! Can't wait to see you. If you can't be at Grand Court please know you are missed and I send best wishes to you.

In closing, don't miss an opportunity to practice random acts of kindness, you won't regret it!

Live simply, care deeply, love generously and speak KINDLY, while remembering a day with out music and laughter is a wasted day.

God Bless You.



California Grand Court

Polo Shirt Order Form



Pre-Order by
February 5 for
guarantee pick up
at Grand Court

"Dry fit" Polo Sizes S-5X

\$30 each

	SM	MED	LG	XL	2XL	3XL	4XL	5XL
Chest (Across Front)	19"	20"	21"	22"	24"	25"	26"	27"
Length	26"	27"	28"	29"	31"	32"	33"	34"

Shirts will also be available for purchase at California Grand Court—February 26–March 1

100% of proceeds will benefit Grand Court Ways & Means.

Questions: Contact SK Elmer (916) 838-9789 or elmergrospe@yahoo.com

PRE-ORDER FORM

Name		Court	
Address			
Phone		Email	
Size	Quantity	x\$30	Total

Send payment to *Grand Court of California* with order form:

SK Elmer Grospe, GRP 8885 Adur Road, Elk Grove, CA 95624

Help raise funds at Grand Court for ADF with a donation of a silent auction basket!

Basket donations will be accepted from
Courts-Associations-Honored Ladies-Sir Knights-&
everyone else!

Make it fun! Give your basket a theme: i.e. date
night, beach, movie night, Italian dinner, currency
castle! The possibilities are endless!

Bring your basket to Grand Court in February.
100% of proceeds will go to diabetes research!



For more information:
Deborah Winn (714) 514-5663
debwinn03@yahoo.com



Please help support Beehive Sacramento Court in this Fun Pasta fundraiser for our Diabetes Research Philanthropy. Every penny earned goes to this important cause.

This is a flash sale for a few weeks beginning February 01, 2025 and ends March 31, 2025. This is not just pasta sales but the company offers chili and soup packages as well as mac and cheese, and pasta sauce packages. Also, there are low calorie, vegan, and high fiber options. Think ahead for holiday shaped pasta for Valentine's Day, St. Patrick's Day, Easter, baseball season, etc.

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All orders over \$65 receive free shipping and our group earns 40%!! Consider combining your order with a friend or placing a group order to take advantage of the free shipping and get some holiday shopping done early. They have pasta for everyone: holidays, sports, animals, gourmet, gift sets, even soups & chili.

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If you have any questions, please contact H.L. Peggy Glander at 530-345-0743 landline. Sorry, no cell reception at my house, but text to 530-570-2113.

Thank you for your support,
Beehive Sacramento Court, No. 85



What is the COST of Grand Court Sessions?

Have you ever considered what it costs to put on a Grand Court Session - how it is paid for?

Let's start with the COST of the Court Room and other rooms needed to support the different events that happen. We will use as an example the upcoming expenses expected this coming year at the Wyndham, Visalia.



Executive Board Room (Hospitality Room)
 Sequoia Room (Registration)
 Birch/Plaza Rooms (Vendors)
 Oak/Maple/Laurel Rooms (Court Room)
 Cypress (Grand Sec/Treas Office)
 Redwood Center (Meals)

The hotel provides these spaces for the entire run of Grand Court. **The Rental Fee - \$9,425.00**

How does Grand Court pay this bill? Grand Court works with the hotel to plan prepared meals for the entire week of events. A total promised total dollar amount of meals is agreed upon on the contract. When that total figure of **\$10,000.00** is achieved the above room fees are **walived**.

The goal is to have enough members and guests purchase their meals from the plan, so the goal is reached, allowing Grand Court to use the facilities without a cost. **If not, Grand Court is billed for the use of the rooms.**

This is WHY it is important that our members take advantage of the

“2025 A Wonderful World of Friends” Meal Reservation Form

Grand Court Bylaws Budgeted Expenses

California's Grand Court Bylaws **require** the following sleeping rooms be at the expense of Grand Court:

Grand Royal Matron
 Grand Royal Patron
 Grand Secretary
 Grand Treasurer
 Supreme Royal Matron or her Official Representative
 Supreme Royal Patron or his Official Representative
 Grand Master of California or his Official Representative

The Contract with the hotel states that for each 50 Room nights members rent, ONE of those required rooms are paid for. The contract was negotiated to exempt Grand Court from paying for the Grand Royal Matron or Grand Royal Patron's room. Which means there are still 5 rooms that need to be covered by those room nights or Grand Court pays for them.

The cost of those 5 rooms is approximately \$2,300.00.

The Contract negotiated cost of the rooms at the Wyndham, Visalia are very reasonable. . . You don't have to leave the hotel. . . You are in on all the action!

The Contract states Wyndham Rewards Members receive Double Wyndham Points for their stay!

WHY stay somewhere else?

Additional BUDGETED COSTS

These are things that need to be rented or purchased. Hopefully the total is covered by the Registration Fee of \$25.00 per member, Vendor Fees and any excess income from the Souvenir Program Ads **AND** providing the Hotel Contract requirements are met.

Souvenir Program Printing	(Hopefully the cost is covered by Ads Sold)	
Risers (10 – 6' x 8' (\$50.00 per section)	\$ 500.00 per day = \$2,000.00	
Due to cost and the fact members don't need to be climbing stairs, the GRM decided NOT to have the risers!		
Podium/Lectern	\$ 50.00 per day = \$	200.00
Audio Equipment (If Rented)		
Wireless Microphone (4) (\$60.00 each)	(Hotel can only provide 4)	\$ 240.00 per day = 960.00
4 Channel Mixer	(What hotel has)	\$ 60.00 per day = 240.00
Tape Recorder for Sessions	(Hotel cannot provide)	100.00
Tapes for Recording Sessions		50.00
House Sound		
Piano	(Not Available at hotel or anywhere to rent in the Visalia Area)	
Chairman Advance (per GC Bylaws)		300.00
Musician (per GC Bylaws)		50.00
Necrology Chairman (per GC Bylaws)		50.00
Badges & Inserts		125.00
Printing:		
GC Invitations & Enclosures		200.00
Postage & Dignitaries Invitations		325.00
Proposed Amendments		50.00
Proposed Annual Budget		25.00
Credential Cards		15.00
Escort & Appointment Cards		150.00
Informal Opening Program		45.00
Installation Program		30.00
Expected expenses - (Without a Piano or Recorder)		\$ 2,915.00

Something for Grand Court to Consider:

Purchasing a Digital Piano that belongs to Grand Court	\$?.??
Purchasing a Sound System that belongs to Grand Court	\$?.??
Borrow or Purchase a Podium/Lectern	\$?.??



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

March Birthdays

Anchor/Fremont Courts

25th Christina Wilkinson

Black Diamond

26th Federico Baclig, Jr

27th Erick Festa

Candlelight Court

1st Carol Gross

1st Mildred Housholder

1st Phil Josue

9th Corin Gross

13th Chris Olds

Crescent Court

1st Elenita Smith

8 Raynaldo B Harrold

14th Patrick Reyes Estenban

Fremont Court

2nd Dianne Edgar

3rd Jerri Mann

17th Bernice Fourr

22nd Melody Stein

28th Leslie Horney

Golden Crown Court

4th Mary De La Paz

19th David Bezner

20th Cynthia Wolcott

24th Steve Butler

Loyalty Court

6th Jessica Schilder

7th Leslie Routt

21st Janice Van Ornum

27th Kathleen Dearmin

Mission Bell Court

2nd Sharon Wilson

12th Norm Crosby

16th John Channon

18th Greg Willits

19th Marizol Fernandez de Lars

20th John Labrum

Serenity Court

13th Benny Eldridge

13th Bonnie Wyatt

21st Roberta Ross

21st Caitlin Tabrisky

24th June Meigs

25th Rosemary Jones

29th Joseph Tabrisky

**Golden Crown Golden Crown Member, Carol Stansbury,
who by the way is Grand Conductress of FL Grand Court**



PURSES, PURSES, I NEED PURSES!

HL's: If you have any **NEW** or **GENTLY USED** Purses, you're willing to donate, please contact me. I need them for our upcoming Grand Court Friday Night Fun Night, May 16, 2025! We will be having a Bidding Silent Auction to support Grand Court Maintenance. I will pay for postage if anyone is willing to ship me their purses in advance for this event prior to May 1st.

Thank you in advance for your participation in this event. Please call me at 714-553-0566.

Carol A. Stansbury

H.L. Carol A. Stansbury, Grand Conductress

Believe 2025

Please Join us at the
72nd Installation of Officers
of
EUREKA COURT 109
ORDER OF THE AMARANTH



Sunday, April 13, 2025
2:00PM

Six Rivers Masonic Hall
251 Bayside Road
Arcata, CA



Aspiring Royal Matron JoAnna Matlock
Aspiring Royal Patron Michael Biesen
Retiring Royal Matron Margaret Richmond

Light luncheon at 1 O'clock P.M.

Installation at 2:00 PM

RSVP to JoAnna Matlock or Elizabeth Lorig

luthien.tinuviel@sbcglobal.net or 707.496.7944



Mission Bell Court No. 156

Order of the Amaranth



*Cordially invites you to attend the
2025 Installation of Officer
Friday April 5, 2025
7:00 p.m.
Evergreen Masonic Center
5801 Chicago Ave,
Riverside, CA 92506*

*H.L. Sorrelle Williams, Retiring Royal Matron
S.K. Mark St. John, Retiring Royal Patron*

In Anticipation of Being Elected

*H.L. Cindy Renner, Royal Matron
S.K. John Thomas, Royal Patron
H.L. Lorene St. John, Associate Matron
S.K. Mark St. John, Associate Patron
H.L. Lorene Luce, Conductress*



BEEHIVE SACRAMENTO COURT NO. 85

FEBRUARY 2025 ACTIVITY REPORT



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THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT.



**BEEHIVE SACRAMENTO COURT NO. 85
ORDER OF THE AMARANTH**

Cordially invites you to attend its

79th Installation of Officers

Saturday, March 15, 2025

Stated Meeting 10:00 AM

Open Installation..... 12:00 PM

Reception immediately after Installation

San Juan Masonic Center

5944 San Juan Avenue

Citrus Heights, California 95610

Aspiring Royal MatronHL Marylou Calalang

Aspiring Royal PatronSK Lamberto Calalang

