

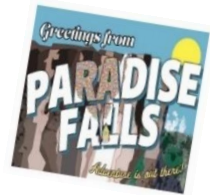
# *Amaranth Keystone Keynotes*

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## *Postcards from Paradise Falls*



Honored Ladies and Sir Knights,

It's hard to believe I'm already writing my first message as your Grand Royal Matron! They weren't joking when they said this journey would fly by in the blink of an eye.

I want to sincerely thank everyone who was present at Grand Court, sent kind messages, or kept SK Matt and me in your prayers. It was an incredibly emotional week — far more than I expected. I'm truly excited about the team we've assembled for this year. Together, we'll embark on amazing adventures and work hard to grow and strengthen our beautiful Order.

The first two weeks of this new term were filled with trips to the Grand Courts of New Jersey and New York. It was wonderful to spend time with our neighboring jurisdictions, sharing fun and fellowship. Now, my upcoming travels will keep me in the Commonwealth until Supreme Council, and I know Enya is especially happy to have me home for more than three days at a time!

In my acceptance speech, I encouraged our Courts to focus on engaging with our Masonic Youth Groups. Whether it's providing refreshments, attending a meeting, or offering support in other ways — every effort matters. Even if your Court doesn't plan an official event, think about what you can do as an individual. This June, I'll be at Patton Campus, judging ritual work for Grand Officer candidates and teaching a class on ritual presentation and the Ritualistic Perfection competition. Although I'll miss the competition itself this year while attending Supreme Council, I'm looking forward to joining our Rainbow Girls for the remainder of Grand Assembly.

Our fraternal relationships are vital — not just with our Youth Groups, but with our Blue Lodges and other appendant bodies. If we hope for them to take an interest in Amaranth, we must first show our support for them. While our mission remains to welcome more Masons and women into our Order, we should be equally committed to the health and future of the entire Masonic family. If we truly believe in the concept of a Masonic family, then it's time we start actively investing in each other. I look forward to speaking more on this during Official Visits and invite you to consider: *What can you do to support the Masonic community?*

We are all on this wonderful adventure together, and I eagerly look forward to greeting each other along the way. Our Courts and our members are the heart of Amaranth — without you, there would be no Grand Court. Thank you for your faith in electing SK Matt and me to lead you this year.

In Amaranth Love  
Stacy Anthony, GRM

### *Campfire Chats*



### **Fostering Fellowship Through Public Service in Amaranth**

As I travel throughout the state and into other jurisdictions, I will be sharing these speaking points during my remarks to highlight the importance of public service within The Order of the Amaranth. These reflections are meant to inspire and encourage members to embrace our tradition of service—not only as a means of community outreach, but as a vital force for strengthening our internal bonds and growing our membership.

Public service has long been a cornerstone of The Order of the Amaranth's mission, embodying the core values of truth, faith, wisdom, and charity. By engaging in meaningful service, members not only uplift their communities but also strengthen the bonds of fraternity and fellowship within the Order itself.

When members collaborate on charitable projects, whether supporting local hospitals, aiding food banks, or participating in community cleanups, they cultivate a spirit of teamwork and shared purpose. These joint efforts create lasting memories, deepen personal connections, and reinforce the collective identity of the Order. Fellowship grows stronger when members see one another not just in ceremonial settings, but as

compassionate collaborators united in service. Moreover, public service offers a powerful gateway to new membership. As the Order becomes more visible through its charitable work, it naturally draws the attention of like-minded individuals who admire its commitment to benevolence. When prospective members witness the genuine camaraderie and impact of the Order in action, they're more likely to feel inspired to join.

By continuing to make public service a central tenet, The Order of the Amaranth not only fulfills its noble mission but also ensures its relevance and growth. In service, the Order finds both unity and renewal. Thank you for your continued dedication to our beloved Order. I look forward to meeting with you as HL Stacy and I will begin our travels around the Commonwealth.

Fraternally,  
Matt Green, GRP

### *Celebrating Life*



It was an honor to be installed as GAM at Grand Court. To have my son, Howard Naulty III, as my partner makes it even more special. It is a very emotional time, for us both, knowing that his dad wanted to take this step with me, but it was not in God's plan. To add to that, he succumbed to complications due to diabetes and so we know what the disease can do.

I know that with the Love and Support of the members in PA, we can look forward to a wonderful, fulfilled year ahead. I eagerly anticipate traveling and supporting Stacy and Matt and getting to know all of you better. The support we give each other makes every day worth celebrating and keeps us going on, stronger than ever.

Let us all raise our voices in support of the Order of the Amaranth to let others know we not only do good to raise money for diabetes research, but we do good to lift the spirits of those around us. No one should walk alone and that never occurs with an Amaranth Friend by your side. Celebrate Life each day and the memories will fill your heart with joy.

Love Always

Shirley Naulty, GAM

## *Hear That Thunder*



As we start a new Grand Court year and we're all working diligently on behalf of PA, I am very humbled and appreciative that you have shown confidence in me to represent Pennsylvania as Grand Associate Patron. I would like to thank my mother, HL Shirley Naulty for inviting me to take this journey with her.

As I start this experience, I am reminded of the importance of my promises throughout my life and it brings me back to where it all started: "On my honor, I will do my best to do my duty..." I have always taken my oaths, obligations and promises seriously. I will do my best to represent Pennsylvania to the best of my ability.

On June 21st, Sarah Collin's Court will be hosting my homecoming and I hope to see many of you there. This is my first time as a Grand Court officer and I have much to learn, but I hope to learn quickly and use that information in a positive way.

My symbol is the buffalo head which I pulled as inspiration from my Alma Mater, Marshall University and represents the Thundering Herd. "From tragedy to triumph" is one of the most important sayings at Marshall and I will translate that into the work I will do in Amaranth. Diabetes has impacted so many of our lives and the fight to cure it is personal for me. As we work together and stampede toward that day, collectively as a Thundering Herd, we will stamp out diabetes with a cure, once and for all!

Again, I would like to thank you all for putting your trust in me. Know that I will do my best to honor the work we do.

I look forward to seeing you,  
Howard Naulty, GAP

## *Tales of the Sand Dollar*

I am not sure where the first year went! I am excited to start the second year of my journey to the Grand Throne.



I would like to extend my gratitude to HL Amy L. Baxter Bellamy PGRM and SK Donald Bellamy PGRP, for presiding over a wonderful session. To HL Stacy Anthony GRM and SK Matt Green GRP, we wish you the best as your adventures begin this year. I would also like to extend my congratulations to HL Shelley Krall, GAC; welcome to the Grand Line! May all your hopes and dreams come true as you start your journey.

Since my last letter I have attended the Grand Court of New Jersey and am getting ready for my Homecoming on May 31, 2025. I hope to see many of you there. I also hope to see many of you on our trips this year and in the many exciting things that are going to happen. In June at Dorothy Lim, we are initiating 2 more Honored Ladies. Last, but not least, thank you to my Sand Dollies for all your love and support this year.

In Amaranth Love and Service,  
Melody Newhard-Kirk, GC

## *Tales from the Shoe Closet*

As Grand Associate Conductress, I'm honored and excited as I begin my adventures of service and learning with HL Stacy, GRM and SK Matt, GRP. I look forward to supporting the Grand Elected Line Officers, soaking up the wisdom of those who came before me, and doing my part to help our Order thrive.



In May, I attended New York Grand Court and was honored to pro tem as Grand Marshal in the West for the Informal Opening. After elections, I welcomed New York's GAC with contact information and a small gift. HL Laura Martin, GAC of Georgia and HL Lisa Elliot, GAC of Virginia congratulated me after my election and I was glad I could continue with the practice.

At Supreme Council in July, I will get to meet the rest of my coworkers, catch up with the ones I know and look forward to getting together with the newly elected Supreme Associate Conductress.

After the summer break, I hope you will join us at Oakdale Court #150 for my Homecoming, *Where Stories Begin*, on September 13, 2025. I will have the honor of introducing the Club Board, provide insight into my ideas, but most of all, welcome my friends.

Every great journey begins with a single step and I'm grateful that mine begins here with all of you.

IAL,  
Shelley Krall, GAC

### *Travels from the Ark*



Hello Honored Ladies and Sir Knights!

I'm so happy that spring is here! The beautiful flowers and lush green grass just make you feel good. Another welcome site is our Honored Ladies and Sir Knights at Grand Court, from both our own and visiting Grand Courts. I'm always so proud to be from Pennsylvania. We take such pride in our work, our Courts and Grand Court. Whenever I'm with our members, I'm home.

By the time this newsletter is out H.L. Robin Fridy and I will be back from the Grand Court of the Philippines. It is truly something everyone should experience. The members are energized and enthusiastic about being members of Amaranth and they love having visitors. Everyone is treated like a queen or king!

As we head to Supreme Council in Arizona, it will be wonderful to see so many from Pennsylvania there! I'm sure we'll have the fun and fellowship we all look forward to each year. This is a time to catch up with friends from all over the world. If you have never been to a Supreme Council, I would love for you to come to Missouri next year for my installation. I also encourage you to join us in Harrisburg, June 2027, for my session. Happy summer to you all! Stay safe and well and spread the good news about the exciting activities we have and the charitable work we do!

Stay well and be safe,  
Emily... .. Think pink!

## *Jeanette Court #25*

Hello Amaranth friends! HL Amy Baxter-Bellamy, PGRM and SK Donald Bellamy, PGRP had a fun and prosperous Grand Court. We thank God that that everyone had safe travels during their term. Their Grand Court Session was beautiful and we are PA proud of them.

We congratulate HL Stacy Anthony, GRM and SK Matthew Green, GRP as they begin their busy year. Pennsylvania wishes them safe travels, with love. Our court is looking forward to their Official Visit on June 2<sup>nd</sup>.

In May our court initiated 3 new members! We pray that they become active members for the good of the order.

After our Grand Court, HL Pat Ankney, Carol Procratsky, Grand Rep to New York, and myself traveled to New York for their Grand Court Session. Our court was very proud of HL Pat as she sat in Grand Faith. Pennsylvania was well represented by HL Emily Moyer, SC, representing the SRM and HL Shelley Krall, GAC as Grand Marshall in the West. Past and present Grand Line officers, HL Kim Palmer from Corinthian Court, HL Stacy, GRM, SK Matt, GRP also joined us. We were very happy to see dual members HL Susan Patchin, PSRM and SK Charles Patchin, PGRP, New York in attendance.

. We are planning a lunch and painting party on June 7<sup>th</sup> and our main fundraiser Basket BINGO will be held on July 19<sup>th</sup>. I hope you all have a fun summer with great adventures!

*June Sharp, Grand Rep to NC*  
Court Reporter

## *Corinthian Court #35*

On Saturday May 3<sup>rd</sup> at Penn Hills Masonic Center, Family, Friends, and members of Corinthian Court #35 gathered to say farewell to HL Norma Voellger, PGRM. A table full of her memories was draped in her colors, blue for the sky, green for the grass, white for the clouds and yellow for sunshine. A vase of her flower, yellow roses, made the room fragrant with their scent.

During the memorial, HL Kim Palmer sang "Prayer is the Key to Heaven" in honor of her theme "Prayer Works Miracles", while members placed flowers on the altar. The memorial ended with HL Debbie Lofgren reading the poem "Rose Beyond the Wall". Afterward while gathered in the social hall, we all shared our stories of Norma.

Our dear Honored Lady will always be  
"Sweet in Our Memories".

Dawn Murray  
Court Reporter

### ***Lancaster Court #70***

The Adventure for the Grand Court of Pennsylvania for 2025-2026 has begun and Lancaster Court #70 is anticipating our Official Visit in June 2025.

We are looking forward to seeing several visitors on Thursday, June 12th as we welcome HL Stacy Anthony, GRM, accompanied by SK Matthew Green, GRP.

We are planning a light "free will" supper at 5:30 p.m. preceding our meeting. Please send your reservation, including your name and title, to SK Matthew Green, GRP, 102 Groffdale Road, Quarryville PA, 17566 by June 9th. Hope to see you there!

Marlene Arnst,  
Court Reporter

### ***Lansdale Court #65***

In March, we installed HL Brittney Gruppo as a new Royal Matron and SK Robert Becker, PRP accompanying her to the throne! We have most officers on the floor except for Associate Conductress and Conductress. We are looking forward to a wonderful year with Brittney and Bob on the throne.

In April, many of us traveled to Grand Court for HL Amy, PGRP and SK Donald, PGRP, session. Due to the closing of JoAnn Fabrics, I was unable to attend until Tuesday. It was wonderful to see everyone, as I was greeted with immense love and hugs after the passing of my mother. We are very proud of the Grand Officers from our court who were newly installed. HL Brittney Grupo,



Grand Marshall in the West, HL Laurie Harfman, Grand Rep to Oregon and HL Ann Becker was installed at our June Meeting as Grand Rep to Florida, and I was installed as DDGRM, for the first time.

HL Brittney is planning some exciting events for our court, including having the Penn Valley Rainbow Girls perform a ceremony for us and hosting a lady's shadow night with the girls at one of their meetings.

We hope everyone has a wonderful summer! Stay safe and cool.

Michelle Finisdore, DDGRM

### *Amy F. Schmidt Memorial #104*

There is a saying that one door closes another one opens... In January of this year one door closed for Rose Croix Court. After many years of trying to prevent this from happening, then in February another door opened for the members of Rose Croix by the member of Amay F Schmidt Memorial Court who graciously received us with a very friendly and warm welcome. We came together to form a stronger court with the hope for the future to grow an even stronger court for the Order of the Amaranth. I believe that if we all work together, we will achieve this goal.

Here are some of our ongoing projects that we must support our court which anyone can take advantage of just by letting us know.

H.L. Gloria Rodgers will have gift card sales which are great to give that hard to buy for person. H.L. Luz Lebo will run the Burgers with a Cause certificate at \$10.00 each for Applebee's (Dine in Only). Enjoy a night out and get any of their burgers for free. H.L. Cherly Hart will be having the Rada Knife sale. The knives and other gifts are amazing for the chef in your life. Tea Party Cookbook in honor H.L. Amy Baxter-Bellamy, our newest PGRM are \$10.00. H.L. Catherine Roton has these for sale and a beautifully hand-crafted quilt made by H.L. Jeanne Krumn tickets are 3 for \$5.00

*Mary Ellen Greiner, PRM*

Court Reporter

### *Dr. J.M. Hyson Memorial #106*

On May 17<sup>th</sup>, Dr. J.M. Hyson Memorial Court held an Ice Cream Social, inviting members, friends and family to join us in eating ice cream with over 12 different toppings.

Afterward, we enjoyed a Pictionary type game, with prizes given for various categories. We had some very talented people who drew fabulous pictures. The 32 people in attendance had a great time.



*Roxy Maugans, Gr Rep, Georgia*  
Court Reporter

### *Dorothy Lim Memorial Court #110*

Here's hoping everyone had a safe winter and stayed warm. The weather caused our Court to postpone one meeting, then have a quorum for another because so many members and substitutes were sick. It's been a rough season!

We elected the following officers at our February meeting: Royal Matron, Barbara Saslo, PRM; Royal Patron, Melody Newhard-Kirk, GAC; Secretary, Brian Kirk, PRP; Treasurer, Jan Jacobus, PRM; and Trustee, Shirley Rodenbach, PRM.

We initiated 2 new members recently and will be balloting on 2 more petitions. We hope these members will be active and keep our Court lively and thriving.

Grand Court is coming up soon. We're looking forward to seeing you all there, especially at Grand Installation, when our own Melody Newhard-Kirk will be installed as Grand Conductress. Dorothy Lim is proud of you, Melody!

*Jan Jacobus, PRM*  
Court Reporter

## *William A. Knecht #144*

William A Knecht court, Milton PA installed a first time Royal Matron, Diane Shoop, and all Officer's except Sentinel. We are excited for her leadership, yet another year of robust meetings with fun nights and various events planned for our court in the coming year.



A few days later, we gathered at the Grand Court of Pennsylvania, with 13 of our members attending the event for Amy and Donald Bellamy.

Congratulations to newly installed Grand Royal Matron HL Stacy Anthony and Grand Royal Patron SK Matthew Green for the 2025-2026; a year of Adventure.

Each month, we meet for dinner at a different restaurant and enjoy a night of camaraderie.

Lots of activities are planned over the summer; stay tuned...

*Kay Trick*

Court Reporter

## *Victory Court #149*

At Grand Court, this year, Victory members were in attendance to see our first Grand Royal Matron installed. H.L. Stacy Anthony along with her Grand Royal Patron S.K. Matt Green of Lancaster Court #70 hit the ground running as they have many places to go and people to see. We wish them well with safe travels and wonderful adventures on their journey.

We were also excited to see the Grand Associate Matron from Victory, H.L. Shirley Naulty installed with her Grand Associate Patron S.K. Howard Naulty, III of Sarah E. Collins #86. We know their schedule will take them far and wide to represent Pennsylvania with much fun and laughter.

Victory Court is proud of our line officers installed on March 25<sup>th</sup>. All are new to the office except for our Royal Matron H.L.

Judi Wolfe. We wish them well and will support them throughout their time to the Throne.

Many members of Pennsylvania will be traveling to Glendale, Arizona for Supreme Council, where our own H.L. Emily Moyer will be installed as Supreme Associate Matron along with her choice for Supreme Associate Patron, S.K. Ernesto Sayo of California. Join us in celebrating them at our September meeting on the 23<sup>rd</sup>.

*Dianne Dean, PSRM*  
Court Reporter

### ***Oakdale Court #150***

Eleven members of Oakdale Court attended the 104<sup>th</sup> Session of Pennsylvania Grand Court. They each participated in a different way, but all reported having a great time.

Congratulations to HL Stacy Anthony and SK Matt Green on their Installation as Grand Royal Matron and Grand Royal Patron of Pennsylvania and to HL Shelley Krall, installed as Grand Associate Conductress.

Oakdale Court is proud of each of its members who were installed into a Grand Appointive Office or accepted into a committee for HL Stacy. The Court looks forward to working with each of them in support of Grand Court.

HL Shelley, GAC will celebrate her Homecoming on Saturday, September 13, 2025, at the Greater Pittsburgh Masonic Center. The Court is looking forward to honoring HL Shelley and welcoming our guests at the luncheon and meeting following.

The Court initiated two Honored Ladies in April and is looking forward to initiating a Sir Knight in June. As our Court continues to grow, our new members bring new talents and makes us stronger. We are excited to join HL Stacy and SK Matt on their adventure this year.

*V. Lynne Engleka, G.R.*  
Court Reporter

## *Youth Organizations*

### Job's Daughters

Dear Members of Amaranth,

Hello all! My name is Georgia Smeltzer, and I am the newest Miss Job's Daughter of PA. I am so beyond excited to spend this coming year with all of you, and I can't wait to see what we can do together as a Masonic Family!

Outside of Jobie's, I am very passionate about a lot of things. I love sciences and the arts. Physics is my favorite subject, but I also love to paint and observe art! I play guitar, teach kids how to swim, and work out often! Additionally, I am the President of Fashion Club, STEM Club, and Yoga Club at my school. What are you passionate about? I would love to find out!

This month has been very exciting for me as I settle into the new position. Most recently, I attended the Power of Five Weekend with Jobie's, Rainbow, DeMolay, Ruth Mitchell Tucker Girls, and Knights of Pythagoras. We had so much fun getting to know each other! Katie Welper, Miss Junior Jobie and I enjoyed attending and presenting the Ceremony of Emblems at the Informal Opening of the Grand Court of Amaranth. We met several members, and we hope to see them again soon!

As we head into the summer season, I hope you prioritize your mental health and take care of yourself. I encourage each of you to keep a journal and write about one piece of gratitude, one act of kindness, and one goal for each day. I hope your months are plentiful and as beautiful as you are on the inside and out.

Jobie Love,

Georgia Smeltzer

Miss Job's Daughter of Pennsylvania 2025-2026

HQ of Bethel 1, York

## Rainbow



Hello Keystone Keynote readers!!

My year as Grand Worthy Advisor for Rainbow is quickly coming to an end. This will be my last article but don't worry as I'm sure you will hear more about Rainbow from our next Grand Worthy Advisor! I am very blessed to have made many memories and had many moments in the sun this year! One of my top moments was when I got initiated into Amaranth in December! I also had the pleasure of attending your Grand Court's open session. While at the session I had asked everyone who was a majority member of Rainbow to stand and was completely flabbergasted by the results! Almost the whole room stood up!!

I will be receiving my majority from Rainbow in July and I am so relieved to know that I am a member of an organization with that same sense of community and familiarity. Rainbow is the most amazing part of my life and I am changed for the better because of it. I highly recommend anyone reading this to investigate a Rainbow assembly near you and come to a meeting. Simply attending a meeting shows support and connection between our orders and builds the future of both our organizations. And, for those of you who were in Rainbow, attending a meeting can bring back fond memories. Thank you all for supporting me and Pa Rainbow this past year!!

I challenge all of you to "Escape the Ordinary" and keep Rainbow in your hearts.

In Rainbow Love and Service,  
Jeanette Remaly, Grand Worthy Advisor

## *Whispers of Summer*

*A golden breeze on sapphire seas,  
We chased the sun through rustling trees.  
Barefoot trails and laughter's flight,  
Fireflies danced into the night.*

*Rivers sang of secret places,  
We mapped the stars on stargazed faces.  
Every dune, each forest bends.  
A story lived that wouldn't end.*

*Summer held us wild and free,  
A whispered promise by the sea.  
Adventure bloomed with each sunrise,  
And sparkled bright in open skies*

