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Grand Court of New York Order of the Amaranth



Grand Royal Matron HL Stephanie Storck Grand Royal Patron SK Michael Storck

GRAND ROYAL MATRON & PATRON

Hello All!

I hope this finds you enjoying the weather and having a WONDERFUL start to your summer! Many thanks once again for the trust you have all placed in S.K. Michael and me. We absolutely hit the ground running. We have attended the Grand Court of Ohio, Monroe/Erie District Convention for the Order of Triangles and are planning on having a table in New Rochelle for their Strawberry Festival. If you are in the new Rochelle area please stop by and say hello.

Part of our mission this year is for Amaranth to be SEEN. We will attend as many meetings, festivals, parties, etc as we can fit in.

June 26th will be our inaugural Golf Tournament. If you are in the area, please consider playing or coming to dinner and taking a chance on some raffle baskets. If you are not in the area, but would like to contribute, you can make a cash donation and we will either make up a raffle basket for you or put the money straight to the profits of the event. This is our major fundraiser for Diabetes so we need as much participation as we can get.

August 28th we will be holding our annual Amaranth Masonic Youth Day at Seabreeze Amusement Park. It is a beautiful park on Lake Ontario and is always a GREAT time! Please consider joining us and letting your local; DeMolay, Rainbow, and Triangle know that it is happening. Chairman for this event is HL Hillary Johnson, please see her for more details.

September 30th-October 2nd will be our retreat. There will be a special session Friday morning September 30th to handle some Grand Court business. We will have a group leadership round table in the afternoon, and a Monte Carlo night Friday evening with a paint and sip party for those not interested in Monte Carlo night. Saturday we will take tours of the Masonic Medical Research Institute and grounds of the Masonic Home and have lunch at Acacia Vil-

lage. Saturday evening, we will have Queen Christina's Table. This event is open to anyone who would like to attend. We will have information out on this event shortly, but mark your calendars now!

The Official Visit list will also be listed in this newsletter. Please make every attempt to come out and support your fellow Courts. I am looking forward to seeing everyone SOON!

HL Stephanie



GRAND ROYAL MATRON & PATRON

2022 Plan to Increase Membership

As Grand Royal Patron, membership is one of my principal duties. Grand Royal Matron Stephanie and I have been looking at some out-of-the-box membership initiatives to jump start generating new members. In this respect we will be looking for support and engagement from all our New York Amaranth Courts. Each of you is a critical part of successfully increasing our membership. To succeed we must all pitch in.

First, we want to open at least two new courts. We know this can be done, because we already have done it successfully. Efforts already are underway in Niagara County, and we are beginning to look at Utica and the area North of New York City for possible additional courts. In this regard we are setting up a booth at the New Rochelle Campus of the Masonic Care Community for its Strawberry Festival June 11, 2022.

Second, we want all our members to think about how they might increase membership in ways they have not tried before. There are no bad ideas. This is the time to brainstorm and take off the blinders of the past. Young people are particularly drawn to our charitable purpose, if they know of it. That is where our members can make a big difference! Talk about our Fraternity and our Charity to people. Our work is fantastic, and we perform some of the best ritualistic work ever written. Tell people about it. Talk about the fun we have traveling to other parts of the state, going to our retreats and of course experiencing those life-long friendships that our Order forms. Be bold! If you get petitions and need assistance in initiating them, we will lean in and assist with whatever you need for degrees.

Third, we ask each of our Courts to select a significant public event in their community at which to sponsor a table this summer or fall. Let us know details of the event and your plan to get the word out about Amaranth. At the table you can provide information regarding our Order and its efforts to defeat diabetes. Engage the public visiting the table in conversations covering the subjects we listed in item 2 above and pass out information regarding our Order including petitions for membership. Keep a sign-up sheet there for anyone interested in more information to write down their name, address, email, and phone number. We will shortly be emailing to the Royal Matrons and Secretaries of our Courts trifold pamphlets explaining our purposes, beliefs and activities for use at these events.

Fourth, let your Amaranthine spirit be positive and out reaching. Like the Lion, my symbol for the current year, be <u>vigilant</u> for opportunities to speak about our Order, <u>loyal</u> to our principles, especially with each other, <u>resolute</u> that we will grow and always <u>courageous</u> in advancing the usefulness of Amaranth to our State and Nation.

We look forward to working with you this year and <u>invite your ideas on membership</u>. Call, email or text them to us. Again, I cannot over-emphasize that <u>there are no bad ideas on increasing membership</u>. With your help we will strengthen our Courts and propagate the beautiful tenets of our Order throughout this great State and beyond.

SUPREME CONDUCTRESS



Hello New York HLs & SKs

Life is moving quite quickly, as my reminder said S. Conductress (soon to be S. Associate Matron). It is hard to believe that I have been honored to serve the Supreme Council & represent all of the Members of the Grand jurisdiction of New York for 2 years already. Now, we are preparing for the Supreme Council in Tulsa, Oklahoma in July. Supreme Council is open for any member to attend. It is a terrific event because you can meet members from every place in the world where there is an Amaranth Court. Traveling to other Grand Courts is super also, it is much like going to our Grand Court but you meet and enjoy having fun with other members. If you want more information ask Bruce Kenny, Erik & Hillary Johnson, Barbara Conckling, Stephanie & Mike Storck, Amy & Chris Siegel. Helen & Bill Utter or Jessica Kerr; I've seen all on the trail having fun, making new friends & visiting with other friends.

As the year kicks off there will be a reception for the SAM & SAP, it is scheduled for July 24th in St. Louis, MO. The reservation form can be downloaded from the Supreme webpage. There will also be an optional Friday night event of a dinner cruise on the Mississippi River. My heart would be singing to see many faces from New York. It is time to mark your calendar and save the date for the Supreme Council Assembly to be held in New York. The session will be held in Buffalo June 23 - 28,2024. We need many New York members to be there to welcome Amaranth from around the world to our home.

May each of you enjoy a wonderful summer. Bee out have fun & remember to pass the word about how terrific being a member of Amaranth can bee. Summer is a great time to do outdoor projects for ADF fund raising. HAVE FUN!

Susan Patchin, Supreme Conductress

GRAND ASSOCIATE MATRON & PATRON

Hello all, we are John and Kathy Koller. We have been a part of Amaranth since we helped start Queen City Court in 2014. It was a very exciting time when we joined, not only did we join a new organization but we started a new court.

John and I have been married for 36 years and we have three children. Our oldest is married to a serviceman and travels the world. Our son is married and lives close by and is also a member of Amaranth. Our youngest is getting married and lives in NH. John and I have a camper and love to go camping. We have camped from New York to Florida and many places in between. We have met many friends along the way and look forward to many more in the future.

John and I look forward to traveling this year with HL Stephanie and SK Michael Stork, and having many adventures with them and all of you that we hope to meet.

Thank you HL Kathy Koller and SK John Koller



GRAND CONDUCTRESS

Greetings HLs and SKs;

I hope this newsletter finds everyone doing well and starting to enjoy this nice warm weather we have been getting.

I've always found it one of my favorite times of the year. When I can finally drive to the Southern Tier in the state open my camper, relaxing by the campfires and just enjoy nature. It's also when you can start going out more enjoying the festivals, canal days, fireworks, carnivals and even those enjoyable "One's person junk is another person's treasure" Sales

A year has passed since I was first installed into the Grand Line, during my first year I did some travel, but this year I plan on making my way around traveling some more with HL Stephanie, SK Michael and the rest of the Grand Line. I hope you all would consider doing the same - it is always wonderful seeing other Amaranth members on the side lines supporting one another. We are one big family who needs each others support if we want to continue to grow and thrive.

I would also like to apologize to those who were at Grand Court during the Installation, for my absence as I was not feeling well. I am doing better/well, and was able to be installed as Grand Conductress at my court's meeting the following night. I do regret not being present at Grand Court for the rest of my Amaranth Family as they were installed,

especially our Grand Royal Matron and Patron, HL Stephanie and SK Michael. Yet SK David Levy's recap of Grand Court he did for Queen City had me feel as though I was there in person. Please read it as he was generous enough to have us include it in the newsletter.

In the meantime I look forward to seeing everyone along the way. I thank you all for this opportunity still to be apart of the Grand Line. Enjoy your spring/summer and stay healthy.

HL Jessica "Jessi" Kerr



GRAND ASSOCIATE CONDUCTRESS

Honored Ladies and Sir Knights!

I am proud and honored to accept the duties as elected Grand Associate Conductress for our Order. I am humbled by your confidence that I will be able to lead and represent our Order.



I would like to congratulate my fellow elected officers. I look forward to serving our organization as we work together as a team to represent this group of extraordinary members. I have seen first handedly that our Brothers and Sisters are distinguished by their strength of character, dedication and service to our Order.

I look forward to future events, travels and the overall opportunity to help our fraternity grow.

Lastly, I'd like to leave with this beautiful message.

"I offer you peace, I offer you love, I offer you friendship, I see your beauty, I hear you need, I feel your feelings, My wisdom flows from the highest source, I salute that source in you. Let us work together for unity and love." -Mahtma Gandhi

Sincerest Gratitude, Hl Amy Siegel

RECAP OF GRAND COURT

From Queen City Court #3's Historian; David Levy

Last month the Order of the Amaranth of the State of New York held its 123rd annual Grand Court session at the Delta Hotel by Marriott in Utica, NY. Our Royal Matron, HL Amy Siegel, witnessed your beloved Historian, SK David Levy, scribbling notes like a stenographer who doesn't know shorthand, so she asked him to give a brief recapitulation of the goings-on at Grand Court. Of course, "brief" is a relative term, and SK David Levy is not known for his breviloquence, but he will do his best to accommodate the request.

The weather was beautiful for the drive from Buffalo to Utica: sunny, warm and not humid, the perfect summer day. His mother Madelaine accompanied him, and everyone who knows her from the Order of the Eastern Star was thrilled to see her, especially our Royal Matron and Royal Patron, SK Carl Christian Siegel II, who were unaware that either of us was coming. During the drive SK David and his mother discussed Amaranth and Queen City Court #3, and she was so impressed by the Order that by the time we arrived in Utica, she had decided to request a petition for membership, which was submitted. Assuming that her petition is judged acceptable, she will be initiated on June 20, 2022.

Thursday evening was the Informal Opening. Due to a malfunction with the air conditioning, it was uncomfortably warm, thanks in large part to the number of dignitaries, honorees, guests and other sideliners who came to support the current and presumptive administrations. Gratefully, the receptions and meals were relocated to cooler rooms.

The musical accompaniment was professional and appropriate, including selections from *Mary Poppins, Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs, The Music Man* and *Brigadoon*; songs such as "New York, New York," "You Are My Sunshine," "Hail to the Chief," the Mexican Hat Dance and "Auld Lang Syne"; and inspirational tunes such as "Let There Be Peace on Earth," "Blest Be the Tie That Binds," "He's Got the Whole World in His Hands," "Amazing Grace," "How Great Thou Art" and for some reason "Pachelbel's Canon." Naturally, SK David, ever the erudite, sang "O Canada" in French.

Notable presentations included tributes to the American flag, the Canadian flag, the flag of the Order of the Amaranth (given by HL Connie Dorney) and the flag State of New York (given by HL Christine Whipkey); a comprehensive presentation from Dr. Maria Kontaridis, PhD, from the Masonic Medical Research Institute (one of her attendants was the spitting image of Daniel Radcliffe); and a message of the American Diabetes Association (given by HL Hillary Johnson). The Grand Prelate HL Patricia Irwin, wife of the current Grand Royal Patron SK Gerald Irwin, recited the Closing Prayer in Hebrew; it turns out that she has completed her degree in Divinity, and, of course, the study of Hebrew is a requirement.

The next day was Friday the 13th. No one mentioned this, so I wonder if it was in consideration for anyone who might suffer from paraskevidekatriaphobia. Playing musical chairs is apparently par for the course even at Grand Court. One notable absence at this morning's session was that of the Grand Royal Patron, so, as before, our own SK Michael Storck served in his stead. Another absence, this one for the duration of the weekend, was that of SK Barry Greenfield, who made a splash at one of our meetings last year in his red sequined tuxedo. He was admitted to the hospital in Utica with a life-threatening condition, but hopefully surgery and treatment will resolve the issue. We all pray for a speedy recovery. (Update: Surgery was not needed—thank fully and SK Barry has made a full recovery)

Introductions of all the Supreme, Grand and Royal Officers took more than an hour, and like last year your beloved Historian neglected to count the number of times the Court was gaveled up. That said, I estimate the number to be about thirty. Fifteen of the Grand Officers in attendance are members of Queen City Court #3.

Brief kudos to HL Amy Siegel. During this session one of the sideliners began choking. Without missing a beat, she and three other people in the room rushed to her aid. I guess you can take the nurse out of the medical facility, but you can't take the nurse out of the person.

The afternoon session was a beautiful sight. All the HLs were clad in white for the Memorial Service. But before we attended to this solemn but touching rite, the issue of the budget for 2022-2023 was addressed. After more than a half hour of discussion and amending, it was moved to table the discussion and refer it for further investigation. Money is sadly such a contentious issue.

RECAP OF GRAND COURT CONT...

The number of members within the Grand Court continues to shrink. Although we added fifteen members, three others demitted or withdrew, six were suspended, ten died (although sixteen were mentioned during the Memorial Service – I'm glad to say none were from Queen City Court #3), and there was a "negative adjustment" (whatever that means) of thirty-one. In other words, from April 1, 2021, to March 31, 2022, our membership decreased from 325 to 290.

The evening's meal had a country and western theme. It was fun to see everyone dressed up (or is it dressed down?). SK Bill Koller served as DJ, and a number of attendees line-danced. The raffles and auctions were a great success. Only one person at the table where I was sitting won anything, a beautiful, knitted quilt with the Amaranth symbol on it.

Saturday, May 14 began with Elections. HL Linda Cook was "volunteered" to be a page. Thirty-seven delegates (out of seventy-six registered members) were eligible to vote, representing all seven Courts in New York State. The 2024 Grand Court will be held in Utica. Niagara Falls was one of two other options but came in a distant second.

The revised budget was then reintroduced. In a word, ugh. I prefer not to revisit that dark moment in an otherwise spectacular weekend, so I'll simply report that it passed.

After lunch we completed all remaining business. You know that it has been a long day and a tiring session when the Grand Royal Matron says, "All those in favor, say no." There was little that appeared in the lost and found over the three days, though, with apologies to Jimmy Buffett, no one claimed the lost shaker of salt.

At Installation, before the Uncrowning ceremony, a donation in the amount of \$9,423.64 was given for the Amaranth Diabetes Foundation to Supreme Associate Conductress HL Elizabeth Herbolsheimer, who was representing the Supreme Royal Matron, who was attending the Grand Court of Oklahoma. The Unsung Hero Award from the Amaranth Diabetes Foundation was given, most deservedly, to SK Bruce Kenney. In her farewell speech HL Barbara Conkling mentioned specifically the Oktoberfest hosted at Queen City Court #3 as the first social event of her reign and the beginning of the resumption to normalcy.

Between seventy and one hundred people attended HL Stephanie and SK Michael's Installation. Grand Royal Matron HL Stephanie Storck was happy throughout the Coronation ceremony but became visibly emotional when she was given the Public Sign of Salutation just before her Welcome Address. Her speech was professionally delivered but relaxed and welcoming. SK Michael Storck's address was gracious and inspiring. HL Stephanie also mentioned that she is taking back the year lost due to Covid, so although next year's Grand Court session in Utica will be the 124th, she will be treating this year as if it were the 125th. Happy quasquicentennial!

RWB Daniel DiNatale addressed us about The Battle Within. He cited the alarming statistic that twenty-two veterans take their lives every day as a result of the effects of their service in defense of the United States. The Battle Within has reached out to the Masonic Medical Research Institute to help determine whether there is a genetic predisposition to post-traumatic stress disorder. Their goal is to fund an endowment of \$250,000, of which \$25,000 has already been raised and donated. RWB Dan gave our newly installed Grand Royal Matron and Grand Royal Patron "minimonuments" because of their support for The Battle Within and for making it one of their special projects.

With that, the 123rd annual Grand Court session closed.



Watchwords:

Kindness, Friendship, Honesty, & Respect

Motto:

"There is nothing noble in being superior to your fellow man, true nobility comes from being superior to your former self. "E Hemingway

Colors:

Sapphire Blue, Emerald Green, Burgundy and Gold

Flowers:

Sunflower

Emblems:

The Hourglass - GRM
The Lion - GRP

Scripture:

To everything there is a season and a time for every purpose under heaven Ecclesiastes 3:1

Songs:

Turn, Turn, Turn I Will Never Pass This Way Again

Projects:

Amaranth Diabetes Foundation

The Battle Within (In Honor & Memory of Joanne Kessler)

Masonic Youth Groups

DATES TO REMEMBER Grand Royal Matron & Patron Schedule



June 18th: Interest/Organizational Meeting @ Lockport Masonic Lodge

June 26th: Amaranth Royal Golf Tournament Niagara Orleans Country Club

August 28th: 5th Annual Youth Appreciation Day @ Seabreeze Amusement Park - Rochester, NY

> September 17th: Hudson Valley #5 Official Visit

September 19th: Queen City #3 Official Visit

September 29th - October 2nd: Special Session / Retreat Weekend @ Delta Hotel by Marriott - Utica, NY

October 29th: Legend Holly #166 Official Visit

November 5th: Hamilton #2 Official Visit

November 19th: Regal #1 Official Visit

May 18-20th:

124th Grand Court Session

@ Delta Hotel by Marriott; Utica, NY

TBD - Mystic Court Official Visit TBD - Saratoga Official Visit





Mystic Court #62

Cordially Invites you to the

Official Visit

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HL Stephanie Storck, Grand Royal Matron

Accompanied by

SK Michael Storck, Grand Royal Patron

0n August 13th, 2022

Adonis Masonic Temple 48 Main St Highland NY

Meeting @ 2:00pm Refreshments to follow

Please let HL June Cullison know if you plan on attending



SUPREME COUNCIL SCHEDULE OF GRAND COURTS

July 11-14th, 2022

124th Supreme Assembly; Renaissance Tulsa Hotel & Convention Center

Tulsa, Oklahoma

"Dreams Come True"

HL Mary Wyatt, SRM

SK George Kuhns, SRP

August:

4th-6th: Louisiana Grand Court -

DoubleTree by Hilton New Orleans Airport, Kenner

18th-20th: Alaska Grand Court -

Fairbanks Masonic Temple, Fairbanks

September:

22nd-24th: Idaho Grand Court -

Riverside Hotel, Boise

29th-1st: *Iowa Grand Court* -

Davenport Masonic Center, Davenport

October:

13-15th: Wisconsin Grand Court -

Wintergreen Resort & Convention Center, Wisconsin Dells

14-15th: Illinois Grand Court -

Keller Convention Center Holiday Inn, Effingham

20-22nd: North Carolina Grand Court -

Fayetteville Masonic Center, Fayetteville

November:

3-5th: Alabama Grand Court -

Hampton Inn & Suites, Orange Beach

10-12th: New Mexico Grand Court -

Sheraton Uptown, Albuquerque

February:

9-11th: Virginia Grand Court -

Wyndham Virginia Beach Oceanfront, Virginia Beach

9-11th: Colorado Grand Court -

Double Tree Hotel, Greenwood Village

23-25th: South Carolina Grand Court -

Landmark Resort, Myrtle Beach

April:

6-8th: Tennessee Grand Court -

Park Vista Doubletree Hotel, Gatlinburg

16-19th: *Pennsylvania Grand Court* -

DoubleTree Resort by Hilton Hotel, Lancaster





5th Annual Amaranth Youth Appreciation Day

WHEN: SUNDAY, AUGUST 28TH

WHERE: SEABREEZE AMUSEMENT PARK ROCHESTER, NY

COST: \$25 FOR YOUTH TICKET

\$30 FOR ADULT TICKET

2 AND UNDER ARE FREE

Hot dogs, hamburgers, and drinks will be provided. Please let us know if you are able to bring a dish to pass and a wrapped item for the pound auction.

We are collecting the money ahead of time this year. The following types of payments will be accepted and made out to Hillary or Erik Johnson: Cashapp, Venmo, Checks or Cash.

You can mail a check to : Hillary Johnson 2699 W. River Road Olean, NY 14760

Please RVSP using the attached form or the Facebook Event and send in money by August 7th. To be guaranteed an event shirt, RSVP by July 30th.

We look forward to seeing you there!!

RSVP Link:

New York Grand Court Order of the Amaranth Annual Youth Appreciation Day Reservation (google.com)

New York Grand Court Order of the Amaranth Annual Youth Appreciation Day Reservation

August 28, 2022

Hotdogs, Hamburgers, and beverages supplied. Please bring a dish to pass and a wrapped item for the pound auction.

> Youth Price-\$25.00 Adult Price-\$30.00

Kids 2 and Under are Free

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Name:

If you are planning on bring a dish to pass, please us know what you are bringing!

MASONIC YOUTH INFORMATION

Organization of Triangle, Inc. Submitted by Mrs. Susan Johns Greenfield, Sr. Advisor

ARTICLE 1

New Sisters to Greet!

Lockport Triangle No. 128 and Cassiopeia Triangle No. 202 held a joint initiation Friday March 25 at the Sweet Home Lodge in Buffalo, New York. Lockport welcomed Ms. Melaine, daughter of past Beloved Queen Mrs. Michelle Ignatowski. Melaine proudly gets to work with her older sister, Ms. Vanessa Ignatowski, Junior Advisor of the Monroe District. Way to pass on the torch!

Cassiopeia then welcomed three girls, Melissa, Minna, and Trinity. In attendance were the State Director, Mrs. Kristina Turri, and Deputy State Director, Mrs. Kristina Groff. Although Ms. Ignatowski could not attend the 2021, State Convention in October of The Organization of Triangles Inc. Mrs. Turri had the privilege of giving her a proper initiation well worth the wait!

All the girls initiated that day are 10 years old, just at the start of their Triangle journey, and will most likely be known as the four musketeers going forward. Their giggles were contagious throughout the meeting and brightened up the room tenfold. Afterward, cake and drinks were provided for all of the girls and guests to munch on. Beloved Queen Fallon, being as charismatic as she is, gave Ms. Christine Whipkey a good old fashion smudge of cake to the face. The event was a success.

If you know a young girl between the ages of 10-21, reach out to us at <u>ootrianglesny@gmail.com</u> for more information. We are always looking forward to hearing a plethora of giggles and shaping the Leaders of Tomorrow.

Ms. Vanessa Ignatowski Junior Adviser of Monroe district

ARTICLE 2

Pulled Pork Dinner Fundraiser

On April 2, Bal-On-Sen Triangle hosted a pulled pork dinner fundraiser in order to raise money for our members to go to our Leadership Weekend in July. Our members were able to work together as a team for the whole afternoon and had to close the fundraiser early because we ran out of food! This is even with supervisors going to the store multiple times to get more food.

It was a very successful day that also taught the young Ladies of Bal-On-Sen how to communicate with each other as well as how to successfully lead a fundraiser as big as this one. As the Beloved Queen of this Triangle and Junior Advisor of this District, I am very proud of our members and how far they have come.

This fundraiser has also piqued the interest of two prospects who helped work the fundraiser. These prospects have decided to put in their application to join. We plan to have an Initiation Ceremony within the coming months!

Ms. Kaitlin Piston Junior Advisor of the Onondaga and Capitol Districts

MASONIC YOUTH INFORMATION CONT...

ARTICLE 3

Grand Lodge Reception

On Sunday, May 1, I had the honor of attending the Grand Lodge Reception in Flushing, New York. At Check-In, we were given super cute tote bags with snacks, which I ate within the next 24 hours. Before the event, the State Representative, Adriana Ramirez and I got a quick meal of chicken tenders that we ate while getting ready. Once we were all dressed and ready to go, we were then bussed with the rest of the Masonic family to a restaurant called Terrace on the Park.

When we got there, we took an elevator up to the top floor of the restaurant overlooking a section of the city... it was gorgeous! The Youth walked around the cocktail hour selling our goodies for charity and eating yummy food. Then we were directed to our tables for dinner and it was a lovely night filled with introductions, speeches, and amazing food...including a dessert bar!

Each Youth Leader spoke wonderfully and our State Representative, Adriana spoke about our Organization in the most eloquent way mentioning we are all family and how we support each other. This night with Grand Lodge was a night where the Youth truly felt supported by their Masonic family, and that is something that I personally will always cherish.

Ms. Kaitlin Piston Junior Advisor of the Onondaga and Capitol Districts

ARTICLE 4

The Nassau-Suffolk District Convention 2022

On Saturday, April 23, Triangle girls of the Nassau and Suffolk Districts were able to host their first District Convention since 2018. Members overcame enormous hurdles during the pandemic, but remarkably came together and executed phenomenal Ritual work. You would not believe it was an unfamiliar event for many of our younger members installed between 2018 and today. The theme, Lion King, chosen by Junior Advisors, Ms. Ariyana Nesbitt, and Adriana Ramirez, urged the membership to remember they will cease to be alone in the presence of worry or self-doubt, the support of elder sisters and supervisors is never far from reach and what they continuously have to offer is not only wanted, but also necessary.

Of course, Triangle girls are always progressive and thinking of new activities to do. Jephtha Lodge No. 494, who kindly allowed us to host our event in their meeting room, invited members for an interactive community service project. A cemetery clean up was done at the Old Burying Ground in Huntington, NY. The Huntington Historical Society frequently collaborates with the members of Jephtha and on this day, we banded together in efforts to unveil the names of those laid to rest within a portion of the town cemetery. Mr. Robert Hughes, Town Historian, gave a historical presentation prior to the clean up. This presentation involved our youth, allowing them to learn and ask questions. The members are still raving about all the new facts they have learned. Mr. Ed Smyth, Town of Huntington Supervisor, made an appearance to oversee our progress and was very impressed by our Triangle girls getting to work. The Worshipful Master of Jephtha Lodge No. 494, Right Worshipful Jeremiah Campbell, after the project completion, presented the members with community service certificates for their dedication and efforts. His wife Mrs. Anita Campbell beautifully made the certificates. We hope you, the readers, are inspired by our Young Ladies who cannot wait to see you at our next event!

Adriana Ramirez State Representative 2021- 2022









Organization of Triangles, Inc. "For A Finer American Womanhood"



Pamela Melchert 522 DeMott Avenue Baldwin, NY 11510 OOTrianglesNY@gmail.com April 14, 2022

Warm fraternal greetings!

For over ninety years, the Organization of Triangles Incorporated, a Masonic youth organization for young ladies between the ages of 10 and 21, has been helping to prepare the youth of New York State to build "A Finer American Womanhood." The continued generosity and support of the Masonic family has ensured that we are able to accomplish this goal year after year.

The weekend of July 22nd =24th, 2022, the young women of the Organization of Triangles, Inc. will gather together in Old Forge, NY, for their biennial Leadership Weekend. For the past several years, the organization has been producing an Ad Journal to offset the direct costs of our state events to the members. We hope that your organization (or individual members or their businesses) will consider placing an Ad this year. The Journal will be made available to all those in attendance that weekend.

We hope that we can count on your support of the young women of the Organization of Triangles, Inc. by placing an ad in our journal. Please use the enclosed form for your ad.

Thank you for your continued support and helping us to achieve our goal of making our Leadership Weekend affordable for every Triangle member.

Fraternally,

Mrs. Pamela Melchert Senior Advisor Chairman of the Ad Journal Committee Organization of Triangles, Inc.



LODGE SPONSOR-A-CABIN

FOR TRIANGLE LEADERSHIP WEEKEND 2022



Leadership Weekend is a retreat for all members of the Organization of Triangles, Inc. to spend a weekend together over the summer camping at Old Forge. From leadership workshops to water front activities, this biennial event is a casual time for fun, sports, and sisterhood!

Connect with your local Triangle girls and support Masonic youth. Other sponsorship options including meals, and/or activities for the members are available!

> For further sponsorship opportunities, please reach out to Mrs. Pamela Melchert at (516) 623-1882 ootrianglesny@gmail.com



ORGANIZATION OF TRIANGLES, INC.

LEADERSHIP WEEKEND 2022 AD JOURNAL



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BIRTHDAYS:

June:

3rd - SK Steve Joyce, HL Hillary Johnson

8th - HL Melody Newhart-Kirk (PA)

13th - HL Tiffany Kenney St Johns (GA)

28th - HL Joanne Brenchley

July:

2nd - HL Donna Stalker

13th - SK West Proctor

18th - HL Michelle Joyce

24th - SK Harold Hyatt

31st - SK Michael Storck, GRP

August:

3rd - HL Donna Hamilton (MA)

4th - SK Erik Johnson

10th - SK Bill Koller

12th - HL Joy Kenen (MA)

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Welcome back to another year of the Newsletter.

This time around you will notice a new name ... This name has been decided to be the name of our Newsletter going forward. New York GCG (New York Grand Court Gazette)

I would like to remind everyone for the guideline's in submitting to the newsletter along with the due dates and when the newsletter will be out.

- ⇒ Please keep articles to 1 page regular format
- ⇒ We are all human and mistakes happen, however proof reading will be done to all submission except those from the Grand Royal Matron & Patron, and any Supreme Elected Officers
- ⇒ Pictures are to be sent in jpeg format with your name listed; all other pictures within the newsletter will be copied from the facebook pages associated with Amaranth.
- ⇒ HARD Deadlines are as followed on the 15th of the month:
 - ♦ August
 - ◊ November
 - ♦ February
- ⇒ Digital Formats will be available on the 1st and Printed Copies will be mailed by 3rd of each month:
 - ♦ September
 - ♦ December
 - ♦ March
- ⇒ All submissions are to be sent via newsletter.ooa.nys@gmail.com
 - ♦ I know not all have access to internet, please though assign someone to submit on behave of another who does.

Lastly I would like everyone to remember, our newsletter is only as good as the assistance of our members! I welcome you to share anything. This year I will be enforcing the deadlines unless otherwise noted.

If there is something you would like to share please share your ideals ... I always welcome feedback!

As for subscribing; please see attached form if you wish to have copies mailed to you. To receive a copy via digitally just email the newsletter and your name and email will be added to the list. This year please indicate if you would like a life-time (lifetime of the newsletter) subscription or yearly. As always there is no fee attached to receiving the newsletter through the mail, however donations are always accepted to help offset the cost of mailing.

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