

# New York GCG

Grand Court of New York



Grand Royal Matron  
HL Stephanie Storck

Grand Royal Patron  
SK Michael Storck

# Grand Royal Matron & Patron

Hello all Honored Ladies and Sir Knights!

SK Michael and I have been having a busy productive summer. We hope you all are as well! Our Golf Tournament in June was a huge success! Many thanks to the committee for all their hard work. We are looking forward to this being an annual event. Supreme Council in July was AMAZING if somewhat hot! HL Mary and SK George had a fantastic session and the total raised for Diabetes Research was \$481,800! HL Stella and SK Allen's installation was beautiful and their goal for the year is \$500,00. We have a lot of work to do. I know I can count on NY to rise to the occasion.

Mystic Court will start off our Official Visit schedule on August 13th. We are looking forward to seeing everyone and having a great visit!

DeMolay Convention is August 18-21 at Camp Turk. It is a beautiful setting. If you are free, please come out and support the young men.

Our annual youth day at Seabreeze Park is August 28th. This event is always huge success and supporting our youth is so important! I am looking forward to reporting on it.

September and October will also be very busy with Official Visits, Triangle Convention, Eastern Star Grand Session, the Deputy Grand Masters Ball, and Hamilton Euchre Tournament. If anyone needs information on any of the above, please reach out. The more the merrier!

We also have a Special Session scheduled. The session will be September 29th. We have some Grand Court Bylaws to discuss and review, to vote on a session, and an Initiation. If you have petitions and would like to have them initiated at this session, please let me know. Friday evening will be a Monte Carlo night and dinner buffet, Saturday we will do tours of the Care Community Campus and the Masonic Medical Research Institute and Saturday evening we will do Queen Christina's Table. It should be a great time! I

hope you all can attend.

We are always looking for members and if you know of anyone who would like to join us please don't keep quiet! Invite them to a fun event and let them see what we do!

Have an enjoyable fall and we hope to see you while we're out on the road!

HL Stephanie



# Grand Royal Matron & Patron

Dear Honored Ladies and Sir Knights,

As summer begins drawing to a close, I and Honored Lady Stephanie hope all of you have enjoyed spending time with your families and friends.

As we move forward into Fall there are numerous community activities where we can tell our story as The Order that Fights Diabetes. Find one where you can set up a booth and tell people how great our Order is, letting them know our contributions to advances in treatment of this terrible disease. We can send you digital files with information concerning our Order and its Fight to Defeat Diabetes. Then you can print off as many as you need.

We visited New Rochelle and the new Masonic Care Community facility there during their Strawberry Festival. People were very interested in our cause, quite willing to talk with us and seemed to want to learn. Many also donated money as we gave away water. The key is to smile and approach them with eagerness. Ask them if they would be interested in joining with us in our mission. Take down their names and numbers and follow up with an informational meeting that you invite them to.

Our fight against Diabetes requires that we grow, and I can with certainty state that all of our Courts can grow. Several courts have received petitions already. If you tell people about us, they will join! If you need help or have questions about getting set up for a public event, or otherwise respecting membership, call me or Honored Lady Stephanie. We are here to help you grow.

We look forward to seeing you at Official Visits. God Bless our Courts and our Order, and help us win the fight against Diabetes.

SK Michael Storck



# Supreme Associate Matron



Hello Grand Court of New York,

Last month in Tulsa, OK; I was so very humbled to be elected to Supreme Associate Matron, Order of the Amaranth, Inc. It is my honor to represent the Historic Grand Court of New York and as such all of you.

Thank you to all who have sent congratulations to me. It means so much.

This is quite a unique position since there have only been 125 honored ladies hold this position prior to me. I said the historic Grand Court of New York, this is because the very first SRM was from New York as 1 of the 23 doing a second term consecutively. There have been 15 Sir Knights of New York serving over the years. The first being Robert McCoy. I hope that you will all take heart in the legacy we in New York have with the Supreme Council and the Order of Amaranth. Remember, we are to live our obligation guided by truth, faith, wisdom & charity. Serving others not being served by them.

The Amaranth Diabetes Foundation gives awards for milestones in donations; at present NY has a cumulative total of \$668,998.82 in donations; we will reach a milestone of \$1,000,000.00 when we give another \$331,001.18. It would be great to see this accomplished soon. I know HL Hillary Johnson, who is a member of the ADF board would be beyond thrilled to reach this milestone as well as every member. There is also a Legacy donation that can be set up to be given from your estate, also. Consider this avenue.

Again, thank you for being a part of this incredible journey for our organization. Much, love, prayers for good health & prosperity for all.

Susan Patchin, Supreme Associate Matron

## Grand Associate Matron & Patron

Hello Amaranth Family,

I hope your summer was wonderful. Our summer has been very busy. We started off with a bang and had our first golf tournament on June 26th. Everyone had a great time. The food was great and so was the golf. A great time was had by all with a lot of laughs. We raised more than expected due to the hard work of the volunteers. Our volunteers did an awesome job of helping with check-in, pictures, raffles, set up and clean up. I appreciate each and everyone that helped. A special thank you to all of our sponsors for their generous donations and to all those who donated baskets for the basket raffle. We had over twenty raffle baskets donated and 14-hole sponsors. We are already planning next years second annual tournament and expect even better results.

The ways and means committee have been busy as well. I hope you have been able to participate in some of the online parties we have been having. Each month we will be hosting a fundraising online party and part of the proceeds of each sale is going to our fundraising efforts. Our September online party will be Norwex, it's a great way to get your fall cleaning supplies and help support our Grand Court. October

Thank you HL Kathy Koller



# Grand Conductress

Happy Fall Honored Ladies and Sir Knights,

I can't believe Summer is over and we have started to enter into Fall. It seems just like yesterday that Mother Nature decided to grace us with her presence of warm weather. Now is a time for lounge wear of Legging's and Sweaters by the campfire with a warm cup of your favorite hot beverage.

This summer has been packed with many adventures and fun things. We kicked off the summer with the 1st Annual Golf Tournament. For our 1st we had a great turn out. Stay tune through out the year for dates next year. The more the merrier! Then I took a trip, stayed at the Masonic Care Community and went to Mystic Court's Official Visit. Though the meeting was not held the turn out was great and it was wonderful to see familiar faces along with putting faces to names. Then was the Youth Appreciation Day at SeaBreeze, again prepare yourselves for next summer for this as well.

In between the fun things with Amaranth, I as well was able to squeeze in family fun adventures, between taking my father to the NASCAR race, spending family time down at my camp in Prattsburgh to then a surprise trip with friends to the Watkins Glen NASCAR race.

As we enter Fall, the schedule becomes a little more busier with upcoming Official Visits, other Jurisdiction Grand Court Sessions starting. Let the travel's begin. Please make your way out to our Subordinate Court's Official Visits as much as possible. Our GRM and GRP has done a wonderful job this year in having as many as we can on the weekends. Showing support also helps our members want to do better work, invite new people to show our fraternal bond and fun we have.

Remember as we enter the Holiday time frame, you only do your best and be your best when you surround yourself with amazing family and friends. Cherish them, enjoy time with them, take time for yourself. We all know from this summer sadness can strike at any time.

Until then, I hope to see you along the Amaranth Trail.

HL Jessica Kerr



# Grand Associate Conductress

# Dates to Remember

## Grand Royal Matron & Patron Sched-



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 12th:  
Hamilton #2 Official Visit

November 19th:  
Regal #1 Official Visit

May 18-20th:  
124th Grand Court Session  
@ Delta Hotel by Marriott; Utica, NY

TBD - Saratoga Official Visit



**RM Nancy Murray**

**RP William Murray**

**Hudson Valley Court No. 5  
Cordially invites you to their  
Official Visit**

**By GRM Stephanie Storck**



**GRP Michael Storck**



**Date: Saturday, September 17, 2022**

**Entertainment: 11:30 by Colonie Singers**

**Good will luncheon at 12:30**

**Lasagne, Salad, Bread & Butter, Beverages, Dessert**

**Meeting to follow luncheon**

**RSVP by September 12 to:**

**Sandra: 518-872-0431 ([Land Line](tel:518-872-0431))**

**518-207-7325 (Cell Phone)**

**Email: [rudyruffcut@gmail.com](mailto:rudyruffcut@gmail.com)**



# QUEEN CITY COURT #3

INVITES YOU TO ATTEND THE  
OFFICIAL VISIT OF



*HL Stephanie Storck, Grand Royal Matron*  
*accompany by*

*SK Michael Storck, Grand Royal Patron*

**SEPTEMBER 19TH, 2022**  
**AT**  
**SWEET HOME MASONIC LODGE, 641**  
**SWEET HOME RD, AMHERST**

DINNER AT 6:00 PM  
MEETING TO FOLLOW

**RSVP BY: 9/15TH TO:**

HL AMY SIEGEL, RM;  
716-425-5369, SIEGELA651@GMAIL.COM OR  
THROUGH FACEBOOK





# Supreme Council

## 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



# FUNDRAISERS

## WAYS & MEANS UPCOMING:

- ◆ September: Norwex
- ◆ October: Color Street Nails
- ◆ November: Epicure
- ◆ Other Monthly Fundraisers:
  - Tupperware
  - Tastefully Simple
  - Thirty-One



GRAND COURT OF NEW YORK

## Gift Card Tree Raffle

**DRAWING:  
DECEMBER 3RD, 2022**

What a GREAT Gift for yourself, a family member, a friend, a neighbor, or a co-worker. Splurge a little.

Grand Court of New York is doing a Gift Card Tree Raffle to help raise funds for the Grand Court. Each gift card is worth up to \$50.00

**Cost of Tickets:**  
**1 ticket - \$5.00**  
**5 tickets - \$20.00**

Tickets can be purchase through:  
- Any subordinate court in NYS  
- GAM; HL. Kathy Koller  
- GC; HL. Jessica Kerr  
- GAC; HL. Amy Siegel



# FUNDRAISERS

## Apparel Store:

Plus Size please add \$5.00 to the additional Cost, Cost is for sizes S-XL

Diabetes Ribbon can be added to the right sleeve for an additional cost of \$10.00

◇ Polo Shirts: Available in Gray, Red, Green, Dark Blue/Navy

- \$30.00

Ladies you have a choice between having a button polo or a V-neck polo; please indicate which you prefer or a standard polo will be chosen.

◇ Cardigans, Sweater Vest & Quarter-Zip Sweaters: Available in Black & Gray/Charcoal

- V-Neck Button or Open Face Cardigan - \$57.00
- Crew Neck Button Cardigan - \$49.00
- Vest - \$47.00
- Zipper Vest - \$55.00
- Quarter Zip Sweater Available in Black, Gray/Charcoal or Vintage Heather Navy
  - TBD





*Amaranth Diabetes Foundation, Inc.*

# Certificate of Appreciation

Wishes to Thank

Grand Court of New York

For Contributions Over \$10.00 Per Member **\$43.28**  
Diabetes Research 2021-2022

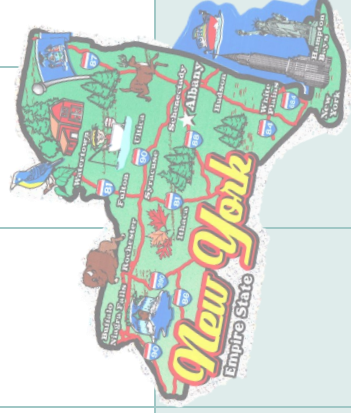
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Mary Wyatt, Supreme Royal Matron

# Subordinate Court Info

	Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
1							
2			Saratoga Court #55 @8:00pm Legend Holly Court #166 @ 8:00pm (Dec. Only)				Hamilton Court #2 @ 7:30pm (Formal Meeting)
3		Queen City Court #3 @ 7:30pm Hudson Valley Court #5 @5:30pm Mystic Court #62 @ 7:30pm	Legend Holly Court #166 @8:00pm				Regal Court #1 @ 2:00pm
4							Hamilton Court #2 @ 7:30pm (Social Meeting)



\*\* Please Note time & dates are subject to change per Court – please contact the Court to double check time and date \*\*



# Celebrations

## Birthdays:

### September:

2nd: HL Gwen Rochette  
3rd: SK Douglas Martin  
13th HL Stella Joyner, SRM  
16th: HL Raegan Kenney  
17th: HL Diane Odle  
18th: HL Darcia Booth  
23rd: SK Michael Jankowski  
30th: HL Elise Eno

### October:

5th: HL Ruby Ramos  
9th: HL Barbara Conkling  
10th: SK Donald Bellamy  
*11th: HL Pat Irwin (RIP)*  
16th: HL Tina Qualey  
31st: HL Julie Scanlon

### November:

2nd: HL Patria Saitta  
14th: HL Connie Dorney  
17th: HL Theresa Nichols, SAC  
23rd: SK Edward Tromble



# Halloween Trivia

- **IN WHICH COUNTRY DID HALLOWEEN ORIGINATE?**
- **WHAT WAS THE NAME OF DRACULA'S SIDEKICK?**
- **OUT OF WHICH VEGETABLE WERE JACK O' LANTERNS ORIGINALLY MADE?**
- **EVERY HALLOWEEN, CHARLIE BROWN HELPS HIS FRIEND LINUS WAIT FOR WHAT CHARACTER TO APPEAR?**
- **FROM WHICH REGION IN THE WORLD DO PUMPKINS ORIGINATE?**
- **TRANSYLVANIA IS A REGION IN WHICH COUNTRY?**
- **WHICH ACTOR PLAYED DR. FRANK-N-FURTHER IN THE ROCKY HORROR PICTURE SHOW?**
- **ACCORDING TO SUPERSTITION, A PERSON BORN ON HALLOWEEN HAS WHAT PARTICULAR ABILITY?**
- **PUMPKINS CAN BE ORANGE, WHITE, GREEN OR WHAT OTHER COLOR?**
- **WHAT DO PEOPLE IN NEW ENGLAND CALL THE NIGHT BEFORE HALLOWEEN?**
- **WHO FAMOUSLY DIED ON OCTOBER 31, 1926?**
- **WHAT ARE OTHER NAMES OF HALLOWEEN?**

**ANSWERS WILL BE AVAILABLE AT THE NEXT ISSUE .... LET'S SEE WHO CAN ANSWER THE MOST QUESTIONS CORRECTLY!**

# **SWEATER WEARING, HOT CUP OF HOT CHOCOLATE/APPLE CIDER, WARM BLANKET AND THE SMELL OF THE CROCKPOT ON A CHILLY DAY .... ENJOY!**

**Paula Deen's Crockpot Potato Soup** is the best comfort food on a cold winter day.

## INGREDIENTS

- 1 (30 oz) bag frozen hash-brown potatoes
- 2 (14 oz) cans chicken broth
- 1 (10.75 oz) can cream of chicken soup
- 1/2 cup onion (chopped)
- 1/3 tsp ground black pepper
- 1 (8 oz) package cream cheese (softened)
- Garnish: minced green onion, Cheddar, shredded, and bacon

## DIRECTIONS

- Place the frozen hash browns, chicken broth, cream of chicken soup, chopped onions, and ground black pepper in a crockpot.
- Cover the pot and turn the heat on low. Cook for 5 hours.
- Add 8 oz (1 package) of softened cream cheese. Cook for an additional 30 minutes and stir now and then until combined.
- Optional but highly suggested: top with shredded Cheddar cheese, bacon strips, and minced green onion.

## **Chicken and Dumplings**

### INGREDIENTS

- 1 onion, chopped
- 1 1/4 lb. boneless skinless chicken breasts
- 1 tsp. dried oregano
- Kosher salt
- Freshly ground black pepper
- 2 10.5oz cans cream of chicken soup
- 2 c. low sodium chicken broth
- 4 sprigs fresh thyme
- 1 bay leaf
- 2 stalks celery, chopped
- 2 large carrots, peeled and chopped
- 1 c. frozen peas, thawed
- 3 cloves garlic, minced
- 1 (16.3oz) can refrigerated biscuits

### DIRECTIONS

- Scatter onion in the bottom of a large slow cooker then top with chicken. Season with oregano, salt and pepper
- Pour soup and broth over chicken, then add thyme and bay leaf. Cover and cook on High until the chicken is cooked through, about 3 hours
- Discard thyme and bay leaf, then shred chicken with two forks. Stir in celery, carrots, peas and garlic. Cut or tear biscuits into small bite-size pieces then stir into chicken mixture. Spoon liquid over any biscuits at the top
- Cook on High until vegetables are tender and biscuits are cooked through, about 30 minutes, about 1 hour to 1 hour 30 minutes more.





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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](mailto: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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