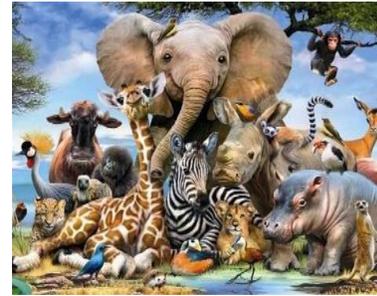


TEAMWORK



FRIENDSHIP



HL Kathy Stutt, Grand Royal Matron
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Dear Editor

Note from the Editor, HL Shari Gillies

Please feel free to call, email or text me with or for more information.

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To the Court Secretaries – you can help by providing full information of your events.
To Grand Court Secretaries of other jurisdictions please feel free to email your posters/flyers for your events and I will do my best to include them.

Deadline for submissions for the next newsletter – October 28, 2019

No one ever tells you that your dreams need feeding and watering, but they do. Every day that you show up, do the best you can, and leave the rest to time.

In a nut shell
Dates of Note:

COURT MEETINGS

Sat, Oct 5, 2019
Tue, Oct 15, 2019
Tue, Oct 15, 2019
Wed, Oct 23, 2019

Sequoia Court
Mizpah Court
Dogwood Court
Tulip Court



Tuesday, November 19, 2019 Dogwood Court will have a special presentation from the Masonic Civility Team composed of three Masons. They will be attending the meeting and will make their presentation during Good of the Order. Please join us!

SPECIAL EVENTS

(Details, when available, can be found at the end of the newsletter)

SAVE / REMEMBER THE DATE

Dogwood Court is hosting a "Social Evening" on Wednesday, October 30 at the 'Firefighters Hall' in Burnaby. Start time will be when you arrive or any time after 5:30 pm. Please advise if you are able to attend so I can advise the staff of the size of our group. Attendees will be responsible for their own dinner and drinks. This is a social only (not a fund raiser or a meeting!) event to give us all a chance to visit and get to know each other without gloves and tuxdoes!! Hope to see you there!!

New Mexico Grand Court – Thursday November 7 – Saturday, November 9

Sat, Nov 23, 2019 Grand Court of Oregon "Grand Ball" – more info below.

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November 29, 2020 to December 15, 2020 --- Panama Cruise to benefit Diabetes... More info below.

Health does not always come from medicine. Most of the time it comes from peace of mind, peace in the heart, peace in the soul. It comes from laughter and love.

Grand Royal Matron, HL Kathy Stutt
Grand Royal Patron, SK Don Stutt



Mamma Mia Revisited!!! - What a wonderful evening. There were lots of new faces and plenty of regulars. We had forty people for dinner and I do believe they all thoroughly enjoyed themselves.

Shari outdid herself AGAIN!! The food was excellent and there was plenty of it. If anyone went home hungry all I can say - It was your own fault. This was a terrific social event. Lots of talking and laughter all evening.

On another note, I just want to remind the members that I am scheduled to have knee surgery in September...no, October...no, NOW November 1. It was to be September 30th, but had been rescheduled until October 4th and then changed again. If you have any questions that need urgent attention, please contact HL Shari in this regard.

It is now official——Dogwood Court and Cypress Court have now merged. Currently they will be meeting at the IOOF Hall on West 8th in Vancouver. They are hoping to change the location and meeting night once the new hall is up and running in New Westminster. Cross your fingers for the new year.

Also, please remember ALL courts with missed meetings, due to weather, lack of quorum etc. need to be made up within 30 days of the missed meeting. You cannot have two (2) meetings on the same day as the make-up meeting. The complete information is in the Supreme Constitution on Page 86 Sec 25 A-K

We hope everyone had a wonderful summer and are looking forward to Fall.

Regards, Don & Kathy
GRP / GRM

Grand Associate Matron, HL Shari Gillies

The Mamma Mia Revisited Theme dinner was a success thanks to the efforts of many of our members inviting family and friends. We welcomed nearly 40 guests for dinner...some came in ABBA costumes and some in Mamma Mia character and all enjoyed the food, company and camaraderie.

I had fun researching Greek recipes and making that final decision on the menu. I had the able assistance of HL Tyler and HL Kathy with food preparations, SK Don picking up what I forgot, SK Bill and HL Joyce assisting with setup and many hands with cleanup. My thanks to all but especially to the cleanup crew. Without everyone's willingness to put away tables, chairs, garbage, etc. I might still be there.

It was especially great to have HL Kerri and her husband Aaron attend. It was her first Grand Court event since March and all were pleased to see her!

I'm now in the process of deciding on a theme and date for the next one. I welcome any suggestions for both.

Next was the Grand Court of Idaho in Boise...what a great time! HL Billie, GRM and SK Dowell, GRP did a great job! HL Billie gave us the history of each of her outfits, many were from 30 years ago when she was GRM the first time. I can't imagine fitting ANYTHING I wore 30 years ago!! OK, maybe socks.

Sadly we were informed that HL Lorna Lowe had passed away. What a loss to all. Her music and special smiles added so much to the meetings. Gladly, HL Naomi, Supreme Musician, was able to fill in at the last minute with the assistance of SK Richard.

Amaranth love to all,
HL Shari Gillies, GAM

Do you remember before the internet, that it was thought that the cause of collective ignorance was the lack of access to information?

Well...it wasn't that!!

Sequoia Court #15
SK John McMurchie, JPGRP

Well, we are still meeting at the White Rock Hall on the first Saturday on the month.

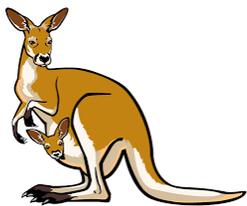
Sequoia Court is looking to hold a pub night in the fall. Stay tuned for more info as it becomes available.

The Lodges still don't have their occupancy permit for Agnes Street Masonic Hall yet, and it looks like the concordant bodies won't be in until the new year. They are still discussing what our cost might be, but I for one am looking forward for the potential opportunity of meeting in a brand new hall.

John & Donna-Lee
JPGRP & JPGRM

HL Pat Haywood, Grand Representative to New South Wales
AND
Our Roving Reporter

Greetings from the Grand Court of New South Wales where I attended the special session for HL Dorothy, SRM and SK Gerry, SRP and 6 other travelers including Supreme Officers and Court members. We all got together on Friday night for dinner and the look on Dorothy's face when she saw me was priceless. She was so excited.



HL Judith Prince, GRM and SK Stuart Lang, GRP presided. Saturday afternoon was the official opening. The NSW Supreme officers did a little addenda for the SRM and SRP; it was about the various animals of Australia and both HL Dorothy and SK Gerry received an appropriate postcard. I had the pleasure of doing the tribute to our Canadian flag with SK Don Cobcroft as the flag bearer. I was again honoured with an honorary membership and several gifts. As there was a Supreme installation I was pleased to be installed as a DSRM with several of the NSW members.

Many photos were taken and the evening ended with a lovely banquet and birthday celebration for the GRM and GRP. It was also the birthday of their Grand Secretary, Heather Baker. It was wonderful to meet all my Aussie friends once again.

HL Pat Haywood, PGRM

Got up this morning and ran around the block five times.
Then I got tired, so I picked up the block and put it back in the toy box.

From the Grand Court of Oregon

2019 Grand Ball - Order of the Amaranth

Inspire the Future

November 23, 2019

Social Hour 5:30 p.m. - Dinner 6:45 p.m.

Dancing to Manila 8:00 – 11:00

BPOE Elks Lodge - Keizer, Oregon
4250 Cherry Avenue NE, Keizer, Oregon 97303

Choice of Entrée: Grilled New York Steak - Chicken Cordon Bleu - Eggplant Lasagna
(Please notify of any special dietary needs)

\$30 per person - No Host Bar (cash only) available

RSVP: HL Patti Nielsen by November 10th
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**Grand Court of Oregon Order of the Amaranth
Hosts and Presents**

**PANAMA CANAL - OCEAN TO OCEAN - 16 DAY CRUISE
FROM MIAMI, FLORIDA TO LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA
TO BENEFIT DIABETES RESEARCH**

CRUISE WILL VISIT 6 PORTS OF CALL

*Georgetown, Grand Cayman; Oranjestad, Aruba; Puntrenas, Costa Rica;
Puerto Quetzal, Guatemala; Puerto Vallarta, Mexico; Cabo San Lucas, Mexico*

NOVEMBER 29th to DECEMBER 15th 2020 ON BOARD "THE NORWEGIAN BLISS"

*We Invite and Welcome all Masonic Organization Members, their families and
their friends to join us on this great Cruise Adventure for an even Greater Cause*

CATEGORY	COST OF THIS 16 DAY CRUISE		
	NON-LATITUDE MEMBERS	LATITUDE MEMBERS	3 rd and 4 th person
SOLO*	\$3,805.87	\$3,125.57	\$955.37 **
INTERIOR (I)*	\$2,285.37	\$1,909.57	\$955.37**
OCEAN VIEW (O4)	\$2,835.37	\$2,349.57	\$955.37**
BALCONY (BA)	\$3,365.37	\$2,773.57	\$955.37**
MINI SUITE (MA)	\$3,735.37	\$3,069.57	\$955.37**

THE DISCOUNT PRICE FOR LATITUDE MEMBERS APPLIES FOR NON-LATITUDE MEMBERS AS LONG AS ONE LATITUDE MEMBER IS BOOKED IN THE SAME CABIN. 3rd & 4th person ** indicates this price may change.

Current Promotions include:

FREE Airfare – most West Coast airports – free airfare is not available on Solo & Interior Cabin categories
Deposit of \$50.00 per-person (minimum Two person to a cabin) – expires September 30, 2019
Additional 20 % Cabin Cost discount for NCL Latitude Members

**Tickets are available to Win a Paid in full (for Two) Ocean View Cabin including Reduced Airfare.
Ticket cost \$20.00. Drawing will be held at Supreme Council Session July 9, 2020 in Portland, OR
(end of Cruise Service/ gratuity charge is not included.)**

For Additional information contact:
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Just for Fun Just for Fun Just for Fun

The room was full of pregnant women with their husbands.

The instructor said, "Ladies, remember that exercise is good for you. Walking is especially beneficial - strengthens the pelvic muscles and will make delivery that much easier.

Just pace yourself, make plenty of stops and try to stay on soft surfaces, like a grass path."



"Gentlemen, remember -- you're in this together. It wouldn't hurt you to go walking with her.

In fact, that shared experience would be good for you both."

The room suddenly became very quiet as the men absorbed this information. After a few moments a man, name unknown, at the back of the room, slowly raised his hand.

"Yes?" said the Instructor.

"I was just wondering if it would be all right, if she carries a golf bag?

Brings a tear to your eye, doesn't it?

(THIS LEVEL OF SENSITIVITY CAN'T BE TAUGHT)



Turkey Trivia

It's a bit early for American Thanksgiving but Canadian Thanksgiving is the second Monday of October so I thought it fitting to add this little bit of turkey trivia to the October Newsletter.

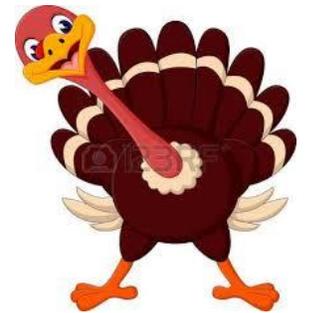
Why Do Turkeys Gobble?

Only male turkeys, or toms, can gobble, and they mostly do it in the spring and fall. It is a mating call and attracts the hens. Wild turkeys gobble at loud sounds and when they settle in for the night.

Could the Turkey Have Been the National Bird?

Ben Franklin thought the turkey would be a better national symbol than the bald eagle. According to the Franklin Institute, he wrote in a letter to his daughter:

"For my own part, I wish the bald eagle had not been chosen as the representative of our country; he is a bird of bad moral character; he does not get his living honestly...like those among men who live by sharpening and robbing...he is generally poor, and often very lousy. Besides, he is a rank coward; the little king-bird, not bigger than a sparrow, attacks him boldly and drives him out of the district...For



in truth, the turkey is in comparison a much more respectable bird, and withal a true original native of America. Eagles have been found in all countries, but the turkey was peculiar to ours..."

How Much Turkey Does a Person Eat per Year?

The average person in the United States will eat 15 pounds of turkey this year.

What's That Weird Wobbly Thing on a Turkey's Neck?

The loose red skin attached to the underside of a turkey's beak is called a *wattle*. When the male turkey is excited, especially during mating season, the wattle turns a scarlet red. The fleshy flap of skin that hangs over the gobbler's beak is called a *snood* and also turns bright red when the bird is excited. The wobbly little thing on the turkey's chest is the turkey's *beard* and is made up of keratin bristles. Keratin is the same substance that forms hair and horns on other animals.

Is the Turkey Considered a Game Bird?

Yes. In fact, the wild turkey is one of the more difficult game birds to hunt. It won't be flushed out of the brush with a dog. Instead, hunters must try to attract it with different calls. Even with two seasons a year, only one in six hunters will get a wild turkey.

By the 1930s, almost all of the wild turkeys in the U.S. had been hunted. Today, thanks to conservation programs, there are plenty of wild turkeys—they even invade cities, occasionally!

What is a Baby Turkey Called? And What About Adult Turkeys?

A baby turkey is called a poult, chick, or even turklette. An adult male turkey is called a tom and a female is a hen.

How Big Do Turkeys Get?

The domestic tom can weigh up to 50 pounds, the domestic hen up to 16 pounds. The wild tom can weigh up to 20 pounds, the wild hen up to 12 pounds.

Can Turkeys Fly?



The wild turkey can fly! (It does, however, prefer to walk or run.) The domestic turkey is not an agile flyer, though the bird will perch in trees to stay safe from predators.

How Long do Turkeys Live?

The average life span of a domestic turkey, from birth to freezer, is 26 weeks. During this period of time, it will eat about 75 pounds of turkey feed. The average life span of a wild turkey is three or four years. It generally feeds on seeds, nuts, insects, and berries.