

## Reports, Welcomes, and Responses

All reports must be typewritten on 8.5" by 11" paper. Please have three typed and signed copies of all reports, welcomes, and responses for inclusion in the Proceedings.

One copy to HL Joyce Noah, Grand Secretary via email at [mograndcourt.amaranth@gmail.com](mailto:mograndcourt.amaranth@gmail.com).

Per Grand Court Bylaws, two copies must be given to the Address & Distribution Committee by Formal Opening of Grand Court.

All reports are to begin "Grand Royal Matron and Delegates". **All reports must be signed and given to Address & Distribution Committee before being presented at Grand Court.** Please have a copy for yourself and be ready to give your report when called upon to do so. Reports can be mailed or e-mailed to the Chairman of Address and Distribution, HL Irene Alexander, 4771 Fiji Drive, St. Louis, MO 63128. Her email is [cialexander70@yahoo.com](mailto:cialexander70@yahoo.com)

Reports, Welcomes, and Responses will not be printed in the Proceedings unless a typed copy is received by the Grand Secretary. Submission may be paper copy or preferably electronically to [mograndcourt.amaranth@gmail.com](mailto:mograndcourt.amaranth@gmail.com).

Subordinate Court Secretaries Before March 15, 2023, please send the names, titles, and dates of death of members deceased since Grand Court 2023 to the Chairman of Necrology, HL Gayle Behr, 8110 Covered Bridge, Platte City, MO 64079. Her email is [gbeher8110@gmail.com](mailto:gbeher8110@gmail.com).

**Health Alert: As there are members with severe allergies, it is requested that no strong perfumes or aftershaves be worn. Members may wear masks as desired unless required by the hotel.**

## HOTEL RESERVATIONS

Deadline for Reservations: March 10, 2024  
Please make your room reservations directly with:

DoubleTree Hotel  
2431 N. Glenstone Avenue,  
Springfield, MO 65803  
(417) 831-3131

### **Request Amaranth Rate**

Rooms	\$115+tax
Suites (if available)	\$165+tax

***Breakfast Not Included***

### **MEALS RESERVATIONS:**

See Meal Reservation Form. Please make reservation in advance by using the enclosed form, check and mail to:

Mrs. Linda Cunningham  
215 Country Club Drive  
Cape Girardeau, MO 63701  
573-339-1192 Home; 573-837-2330 Cell,  
Email: [lcunningham215@hotmail.com](mailto:lcunningham215@hotmail.com)

All reservations should be mailed to the designated person on the form. Please note any dietary or religious restrictions. Make checks payable to Missouri Grand Court Session.  
Meal Reservation Deadline: March 18, 2024  
NO REFUNDS after this date.



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## **GRAND COURT OF MISSOURI ORDER OF THE AMARANTH**

Extends Fraternal Greetings and  
Cordially invites you to attend  
The Eighty-First Annual  
Session

### **“Circle of Life” Session**

April 11-13, 2024

DoubleTree Hotel  
2431 N. Glenstone Avenue  
Springfield, Missouri 65803

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## PROGRAM

### WEDNESDAY, APRIL 10, 2024

6:00 PM “**Time has Come**”  
Missouri Supreme  
Officers Reception

### THURSDAY APRIL 11, 2024

5:00 PM “**Circle of Life**” Banquet  
6:30 PM Musical Prelude, Escort  
of Distinguished Guests  
7:00 PM Informal Opening

### FRIDAY, APRIL 12, 2024

8:45 AM Musical Prelude  
9:00 AM Welcome and Call to Order  
Ritualistic Opening  
12:30 PM “**Family Time**”  
Honoring Missouri’s PGRMs  
and PGRPs  
2:00 PM Call to Order, Reports, Memorial  
6:30 PM “**Hakuna Matata**” Banquet  
*(Informal- Fun night Favorite  
Disney/Lion King Costume)*  
**Diabetes Auction to Follow**

### SATURDAY, APRIL 13, 2024

8:15 AM Musical Prelude  
8:30 AM Welcome and Call to Order  
Election, Reports, Business  
1:00 PM “**Praying for a Cure**” Luncheon  
Honoring GRM-Elect and GRP-Elect  
2:00 PM Call to Order (if necessary)  
6:15 PM Musical Prelude  
6:30 PM Welcome and Call to Order  
Farewells  
Uncrowning Ceremony  
Installation of 2024-2025 Grand  
Officers  
Closing of the 81<sup>st</sup> Annual Session

## REGISTRATION AND CREDENTIALS

**Thursday: 9:00 AM ~ 12:00 Noon  
2:00 PM ~ 4:00 PM**  
**Friday: 7:00 AM ~ 8:30 PM  
4:00 PM ~ 5:00 PM**  
**Saturday: 7:00 AM – 8:15 AM**

**A donation of \$20.00 will be accepted with appreciation as a Registration Fee.**

Please present a current signed Dues Card to the Registration Committee. Voting Delegates must present the current signed Dues Card and Credential Card to the Credentials Committee.

Forms are included for Meals, Pre-Registration and for ordering Directories and/or Proceedings. Please make separate checks for Pre-Registration, meals, and ordering of Directories and/or Proceedings and mail to the correct person as listed on the form.

### REHEARSALS

Rehearsals will be under the direction of HL Kelly Hill, DSRM, Grand Lecturer. Participants are requested to be **OUTSIDE** the Court Room 15 minutes early. **Rehearsals are for Missouri Grand Court Officers only.**

Grand Officers ~ Please memorize charges for Informal & Formal Openings (pages 235~249) and Memorial (pages 254~259).

THURSDAY, April 13, 2024

8:30 AM Grand Marshals in the East & West  
9:15 AM Grand Marshals, Grand Standard Bearer, Grand Conductresses  
9:45 AM Grand Royal Matron, Grand Royal Patron, Grand Conductresses, Grand Marshals, Grand Standard Bearer, Grand Page, Grand Crown Bearer, Grand Sword Bearer,  
10:30 AM All Grand Floor Officers and Memorial  
12:00 PM Bible Ceremony Participants are requested to be **OUTSIDE** the court room 15 minutes early.

2:30 PM Royal Matrons & Royal Patrons  
Necrology Practice directed by  
HL Gayle Behr, Chairman

### GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

#### **Grand Officers, Assistant Grand Lecturers, Grand Representatives**

If you are unable to attend, PLEASE NOTIFY THE GRAND ROYAL MATRON by March 27, 2024, and send your Officer’s Jewel to the Chairman of Grand Trustees, SK Denis Anderson

Honored Ladies: Please wear the Official Dress for Informal and Formal Opening. Please wear a long white formal and white gloves for Memorial and Necrology on Friday afternoon.

Sir Knights: Please wear a black tuxedo and white shirt with the official vest and tie for Informal and Formal Opening. Please wear a black tuxedo, white shirt, black cummerbund or black vest and black tie for Memorial and Necrology on Friday afternoon.

#### **Missouri Royal Matrons & Royal Patrons**

Royal Matrons: Please wear your crown during all Sessions unless you are serving as a Grand Floor Officer. Please wear your crown when taking escort as an installed Elected or Appointed Grand Floor Officer **Please wear a long white formal and white gloves for Memorial and Necrology on Friday afternoon.**

Royal Patrons: **Please bring a sword** and wear a dark tuxedo or dark business suit at all sessions. If possible, please wear a dark tuxedo, with a white shirt, black cummerbund or black vest and black tie for Memorial and Necrology on Friday afternoon.

#### **Visitors**

We are glad you have joined us and invite all visiting Grand Royal Matrons, Grand Royal Patrons, Past Supreme Royal Matrons, Past Supreme Royal Patrons, Supreme Floor Officers, and Grand Representatives to Missouri to share the Throne during the Session.