

2024 Grand Chapter Make-A-Wish® Special Project Committee

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Dear Sisters and Brothers

The 2023-24 term is coming to a close. This is when many Chapters vote to support the Washington Grand Chapter charities. Our Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Judy, and our late Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Jack, both had to deal with cancer. They, therefore, decided that it would be appropriate to have a Special Project that would aid others coping with cancer. They chose to support the Make-A-Wish® Alaska & Washington Association to help children who are suffering with cancer. We are requesting that each Chapter consider donations to this Special Project.

Sister Judy and Brother Jack also wanted to emphasize having FUN during their year. With the help of our co-chairman, Sister Carolyn Adams, and other members of our Order, we have come up with an event that we hope will be a lot of FUN and include many of our Members to bring in funds to support this wonderful charity.

The event will be held on two different days to allow as many as possible to participate. It is a 1K (that's **ONE** kilometer) **Jungle Slug Crawl**. The first "Crawl" will be held during the Grand Chapter Fun(d) Day on June 1st at the Tacoma Scottish Rite Center parking lot. The second "Crawl" will be held on Monday, June 24th in the lower parking lot at the Wenatchee Convention Center. You are welcome to enter either one or BOTH! Now, haven't you often thought you would like to be in a Marathon??? Well, here's your chance. But instead of a 26K or even a 5K, we're holding a 1K! and RUNNING is definitely OPTIONAL!! Also, this one will begin with a MIMOSA to get you started and there will be "DONUT" stations every 250 meters to give you strength and encouragement along the route. Don't worry about digging out your running clothes, comfortable clothes are in order. **OR**, make it a true FUN crawl through the JUNGLE by wearing a costume! Maybe you'll come as a giraffe, an elephant, a monkey, a zebra or even Tarzan! Put your creative hat on and see what you come up with. There will be two Categories that you may enter. Category 1 will be the "Slimers". This category is for are those who have the audacity to actually RUN through the course! Category 2 will be the "Crawlers". These are the participants who want to take their time and enjoy the journey.

Those who prefer not to run, walk or crawl through the course, may still participate by being a "Sponsor". A Sponsor sheet is included with this letter and flyer. Sponsors may be Chapter members, family, friends or strangers. Checks for sponsoring should be made payable to Grand Chapter of Washington. ALL funds collected from Sponsors will be donated to the Make-A-Wish® Alaska & Washington Association. We also need spectators to cheer our "Slimers" and "Crawlers" along the course. Exact times of each event will be posted on the Grand Chapter website (<https://www.washingtonoes.org>) and Facebook closer to the events.

The Entry Fee for participants is \$20.00 per day OR \$35.00 for BOTH days!!! That will include your beverages and refreshments during the Crawl, a surprise gift and chances to win one of several fun prizes! An ENTRY FORM is included with this letter. Entries should be sent or given to Kate Kalmbach with your entry fee. Checks for entry should be made payable to Grand Chapter of Washington.

Please take advantage of donating to this charity with more than money. Be a participant or a sponsor or a spectator and **JOIN the FUN!** Your support of the Make-A-Wish® Special Project is greatly appreciated. Please don't hesitate to contact me with any questions.

With Star Love and Gratitude,

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