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Greetings Companions:

At last we have made it to April! It may snow but not stay long. The rain will cause the grass to change from its brown-grayish color to green. We already have the trees bursting out their buds. My allergy to tree pollen is in full swing. The sinus headaches, sneezing and scratchy throat I am used to. It is a lot easier to watch it rain than snow. Snow you must shovel. The rain just soaks into the ground. I would rather carry tissues around than a heavy coat, hat and mittens. I am ready for Spring!

April's issue has important dates for you to remember. April is not only the Tax Month, but your Chapter's Annual Report is due on April 15th. From my past experiences with the Annual Returns: If you have a problem with it, **please** call your Grand Secretary! He wants it finished as much as you do! There are dates for two receptions that you need to keep in mind. We have flyers for both. Remember the deadlines for each of these receptions. They need to know how many meals to have so the reception is a success.

Our Job's Daughters held the Multi-State Convention this year. Below are three pictures from their Multi-State Convention. The first group picture is of all four States together: Michigan, Illinois, Wisconsin and Indiana. The next picture is of all the Grand Bethel Queens of each jurisdiction. Lastly, a picture of our Michigan Job's having a red-carpet moment.

Fraternally,
Jane Todd, Editor of the Triple Tau

Job's Daughters Multi-State Pictures!



Happy Easter everyone!





RICHARD HITCH

Grand High Priest

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Greetings,

The weather is changing, the clocks have been turned forward and everyone is getting ready to elect and install new Chapter Officers. April is the beginning of many new things, so it is a new beginning for your Chapter. Take this time to really look at and evaluate your Chapter and make any changes that you need or want to make. A fresh start means a fresh future.

On the 10th of March, I had the opportunity to attend the East Central Regional Session hosted by Grand Encampment. It was great to hear and share ideas and experiences with so many other out-of-state jurisdictions and the General Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons International. You will be glad to hear that although membership is down, the Michigan York Rite is still on solid ground. If you would like to help increase those statistics, now is the time to talk to the Master Masons not yet acquainted with the York Rite. Also, in March, I had a great honor and experience of presenting the Heritage Award in the Traverse City Area. The award was presented to two different families; one family consisting of a father and son, and one family with a combination of father and sons consisting of eleven men. This family goes back a bit in Masonry. For those who may not be familiar with the Heritage Award, it is mainly an award presented to both a father and son who are both masons. They do not have to be in the York Rite to receive this award. The Grand Chapter has been given permission from the Grand Master to present this award to Masons. If you have questions of the qualifying requirements or are interested in having this award presented, contact any of the Grand Chapter Officers or contact me directly.

Now that our Chapter inspections are wrapping up, I hope everyone had a good experience with this quick introduction to the Past Master Allegory. It is a beautiful story that refreshes and fills in many of the pieces not expanded on in the Master Mason Degree. To all those Chapters that I had the fortune of attending during their School or Inspection, thank you. I saw a lot of effort and interest in the work. And to all the Chapters that have always conferred the Past Master Allegory, I saw a lot more effort, again, thank you.

Until next month...

Please feel free to reach out to me at any time with your ideas, complaints, question or suggestions; richhitch62@gmail.com or leave a message at 734-612-4809.

Humbly and Fraternally,
Rich Hitch, Grand High Priest



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Secretary's Scribbles

I am writing this article on the first day of spring in Michigan, being true to form, I came to the office in nineteen-degree weather this morning. The good thing was that it wasn't snowing or raining. The day stayed sunny and if you stayed indoors, that gave you the impression, that it was spring.

March was another good month for Michigan York Rite, with the seven-degree day in Schoolcraft temple on the third, we exulted another eight members. Grand Council increased their numbers by slightly more. The next weekend found most of the Grand Officers in beautiful Ft. Wayne to attend the annual General Grand East-Central conference. There is always good information that comes from this conference. It is a great opportunity to exchange ideas with our neighboring states. There is a misconception that this conference is for Grand officers only which is not true. It is open to all York Rite Masons. There is also an excellent leadership class that is offered by Grand Encampment that is free to all. You should have a York Rite Presiding Officer submit your name prior to your first session.

April seems to be a rather slow month for York Rite Masonry, there are only three things on the calendar so far. We have two receptions on tap this month. First is a dual for MSA Award to Ken Simons and Bronze award winner J. Fred Cahoon. This will be held Saturday, April 7th at the Belding Masonic Temple 211 E Main St., Belding, MI 48809. Contact Robert Cooper for reservations and see flyer elsewhere in this edition. The second one is for Grand Master of the First Veil Kenneth Alexander being held in the Samaria Lodge, located at 1660 Samaria Rd. Temperance, MI 48182.

This being April, the annual report will be in your inbox on the first of April and is due back to my office by May 15th. The report should be completed in full as there is a lot of information that I need for our database. The information that I retain in the database is information on our chapters and members, I have a large number of members that I do not have all of their information. I should have all the information that you receive on the petition along with the degree information. This information is used for a number of reasons, life membership for one, thirty or forty years from now a member may apply for life membership. Without all of the information it will not be granted. Our relatives in the future may wish to know your masonic history. I receive a large number of requests from relatives asking for information on a grandfather or great-grandfather, uncle or other members of the family. The dues cards will be in your hands April 1st or shortly thereafter.

Happy Easter to all, I hope that the weather will cooperate with the parades and such. Remember it is not about the day off, it is also a time to reflect on why we celebrate the day.

Fraternally,

R.E.C. Donald Galway, Grand Secretary, P.G.H.P., K.Y.G.C.H., and O.P.C.



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Before the Most Excellent Master Degree

Brother, the sixth degree of York Rite Masonry conferred by Royal Arch Chapters is the degree of Most Excellent Master and refers to certain historic facts and legends surrounding the Temple. You have labored long and were instructed in the Master Mason Degree to wait until the Temple is completed, then if found worthy, you undoubtedly would find that for which you so long sought. In the Mark Master Degree, you continued your labors and were instructed and permitted to place your Mark upon the work you produced. You were then rewarded for square work.

Tonight, you will witness the completion, furnishing, and dedication of King Solomon's Temple. To us, this is symbolic of the completion, furnishing, and dedication of our Spiritual Temple.

As you enter this Lodge of Most Excellent Masters, tradition informs us that King Solomon, having completed every part of the work of the Temple according to Divine plan, resolved to reward the best and most skillful of the workmen by creating them Most Excellent Masters. None were received but those who had proved themselves masters of their profession or as you and I might say, Masters of their Lodge.

The Temple was completed in 977 BC with the placing of the Keystone, once rejected, now the chief stone of the building. The chiefs of the tribes, the Priests, elders, and a host of other people, both important and ordinary, came from all sections of the country to witness the furnishing of the Temple at Jerusalem. The Temple furnished, you will then witness the acceptance of the Temple by God.

Brother, I know you will enjoy this beautiful degree and I will review with you what has taken place when this Lodge of Most Excellent Masters has been closed.

This Information was put together by the Grand Chapter Education and Membership Committees.

Fraternally,
 R.E.C. Mike Roberts, Grand King

HERITAGE AWARDS

Tuesday evening March 13th, I was accompanied by our Most Excellent Grand High Priest Richard G. Hitch, DDI Districts 1&2 Harold Stayle, and Nathan J. Peterson Sec. Chapter # 134 to Williamsburg, Michigan in presenting the "Heritage Award" to an 11 member and 6th generation family of Brothers from East Bay Lodge # 264. Over 30 persons, including family, friends and WM Bob Myer Master of East Bay Lodge as well as WM Doug White the current Master of Elk Rapids Lodge # 275 were there for the presentation. (below) from oldest to youngest. Clare Ray Sr., Clare Ray Jr., Wayne Mervau, Mark Ray, Adam Mervau, Brendan Ray, Matt Mervau, Brady Ray, Shawn Boyd, & Cam Boyd. These fine Brothers range from 59-year member of the Lodge to a 2-year member. A very proud family and rightly so as the family has another one Great, Great Grandson soon to be raised.



Fraternally,
 R.E.C. Carl J. Peterson, Grand Scribe, KYCH





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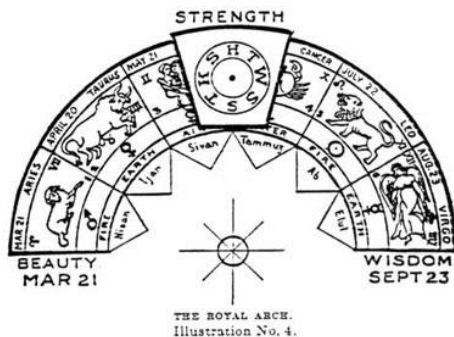
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Greeting Companions:

In the Twelfth Chapter of Ecclesiastes, we are reminded about the frailty of the human body and the ravaging effects of age. Unfortunately, many of our Companions are experiencing these effects. Several of our Companions are having hearing and eye-sight problems. Some may not want to come to Chapter because of this.

Is there anything that we can do to help them out? Can we move the Altar closer to the East? This will get the officers and other Companions closer to the East where it will be easier for them to hear what is going on. Some of our Companions do not like to drive at night because of their eye-sight. Can't we offer to pick them up? Some may be reluctant to take advantage of the offer. You may have to make the offer several times, but your persistence may pay off.

Fraternally,
R.E.C. Brent Helm, Grand Master of the 2nd Veil



Above is the Royal Arch Masonry zodiac. Why the "Royal Arch?" The **Royal** arch because the King [Sun/Jesus/The Light Of The World] rules these signs during spring/summer. The Light has returned to the northern hemisphere!

Is it coincidence that the first letters in **Royal Arch Masonry=RAM**?

The "RAM" of **Aries**? The arch starts around March 21st in the zodiac sign of Aries! In astronomy it's called **Right Ascension** (RA). Again, a name for the sun or "right ascension of meridian" again "RAM."

*NOTE: (I was looking for clipart and I stumbled on this arch on Google Search.)

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S ANNUAL REPORT 2017-18

22 Master's Pins presentation reports have been received from the following Chapters; 1, 3, 4, 5, 7, 15, 25, 27, 30, 37, 42, 51, 69, 73, 74, 83, 85, 116, 139, 159, 167 and 189. 45% completion rate.

41 Schools of Instruction were reported to have been conducted with the following Chapters; 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 11, 12, 15, 17, 22, 25, 26, 27, 30, 34, 37, 42, 43, 47, 51, 69, 73, 74, 83, 85, 91, 96, 102, 103, 116, 123, 125, 127, 134, 139, 159, 167, 173, 182 and 189. 84% completion rate.

11 Inspections were reported to have been conducted with the following Chapters; 15, 30, 43, 74, 83, 116, 123, 127, 134, 139 and 189. 22% completion rate.

Total miles travelled by all District Deputy Instructors and the Executive Director as of February 15, 2018 is 7,986.

Respectfully submitted,
Louis D. Scott Jr., P.H.P.
Executive Director of District Deputy Instructors



Kent – Newaygo Chapter #38 And Hooker Chapter #73 Royal Arch Masons

Cordially invites you to a
Reception and Testimonial Dinner
Honoring

Excellent Companions

**J. Fred Cahoon, PHP-MSA Bronze &
Kenneth J. Simmons, Jr., PHP-MSA**

On Saturday April 7, 2018

6:00 pm

Send Reservations to:

Robert E. Cooper, PGHP

101 20 Mile Rd.

Cedar Springs, MI 49319

(616) 696-4847 / (616) 401-6058

E-mail: r.cooper@trekwind.com



At the Belding Masonic Center, 211 E. Main St., Belding, MI 48809

(Please cut off this bottom part with your payment.)

Tickets @ \$20.00 per person: Number required _____ X \$20.00 = _____.

Name(s): _____ Title: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

E-mail: _____

Please make checks payable to Hooker Chapter #73

Your tickets will be held at the door.



**Mount Vernon Chapter No. 37,
Royal Arch Masons**

**Cordially invites you to a reception
Honoring R.E.C. Kenneth Alexander,
Our Grand Master of the 1st Veil
of The Grand Chapter
of Royal Arch Masons of Michigan**

Sunday, April 15th, 2018

Starting at 4:00 pm with dinner being served at 5:00 pm.

Cost is \$20.00 per person.

Reservations are required as this is a catered dinner.

Please have your reservations in by April 6th, 2018.

The menu will consist of roast beef, chicken breast,
California blend vegetables, salad, roll and butter,
Coffee, soda, and carrot cake for dessert.

Please make your checks payable to: Mt. Vernon Chapter No. 37

And mail to: P.O. Box 2, Samaria, MI 48177-0002.

We will see you there!

Mt. Vernon Chapter No. 37 is located
At 1660 Samaria Rd., Temperance, MI 48182

You will find a link of the directions to us
on the Royal Arch Grand Chapter Web Site.

www.grandchaptermi.org



Number One is
10" tall



Number Two is
8 ¼ "tall



Number Three is
7 ¾" tall

SILENT AUCTION

PROCEEDS GO TO: NO. 1,
SHRINERS HOSPITALS,
NO. 2, R.A.R.A. AND
NO. 3, M.M.C.F. (MICHIGAN
MASONIC CHARITABLE
FOUNDATION)

MINIMUM IS A
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OF \$50.00 EACH FOR THESE
LIMITED-EDITION EMMETT
KELLY FIGURINES.

There will be three winners.
One for each Figurine.

Number 1 will be February 15th

Number 2 will be March 15th

And Number 3 will be May 31st

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of the item you are bidding on to:

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Greetings All,

Happy Easter! For all Christians around the world, this day is one of the holiest, the day of Jesus' resurrection. God provided us his only son to spread the gospel of our Lord; then allowed him to be crucified on the cross. This act removed all our sins so we could be resurrected to live in eternal life by his side. To all, remember the true meaning of this day as you spend time surrounded by the ones you love. God bless each of you.

Last month I shared another educational installment called The Stone of Foundation. I hope you found it enlightening. There is much more meaning behind the symbols of our Fraternity, but in the hustle and bustle of our daily lives and that of our Fraternity, the educational component is not as prominently featured. I hope you find the articles featured interesting and useful.

Much has happened the last couple months. In February, we were able to Greet 17 new Companions at the All Degree Day in Flint. Shortly after that we gathered again in York Rite Unity at the 98th Annual Washington Celebration in Caro, Michigan. I received an honorary membership and was therefore permitted to speak to everyone in attendance. As I stated that night, my hope is that my actions on a daily basis as a man and Mason earned me the right to hold the award and not because of the position I hold as Most Illustrious. Caro Chapter, thank you for the honor. On February 24th, Ryan Groat, Gene Newman and I were able to attend the Tri-State Festival in Bryan, Ohio. All the Capitular and Cryptic Degrees were performed and performed well. I find it amazing how the various sister jurisdictions have such different rituals for the Cryptic Degrees. I once again received further light. Thank you to all who made this day possible for our new Companions.

Sadly, in February we lost one of the gentle giants of our Fraternity, Dwight A. Humm. I was blessed to have the opportunity to visit with him and Norine in Midland on several occasions. What a treat for me. Dwight, thank you! I will keep you in my heart forever. Please keep Norine in your thoughts, prayers and if you are in the neighborhood, stop in and say hi. I'm sure she'd appreciate it.

March brought the annual All Degree Day in Schoolcraft. Here we were able to Greet eight new Companions. This was quickly followed by our annual pilgrimage to East Central. Thank you, Right Puissant Companion Stephen R., Striggow for bringing more quality programming to this session. Our very own Right Illustrious Companion Corey Curtiss gave a presentation on membership. The presentation provided everyone ideas to ponder, ways of getting to know and communicate with the various generations and a hard look at how many lodges are currently bringing in members. Corey, thank you!

The Annual Retreat of the Grand Council will be held in Mt. Pleasant on April 12-14 at the Comfort and Fairfield Inn. This year we will be holding a forward planning meeting on Saturday morning in conjunction with the Grand Chapter and Grand Commandery. I'm hoping this opportunity will allow the York Rite to become more united and plan events that will support our collective ideals. Anyone interested in attending, let me know and I can give you the particulars.

April 28th, will bring the annual Strawberry Festival to Mason, Michigan. This will be the 103rd Festival. At the festival the three Cryptic Degrees will be presented. Leslie Council will open at 1:00 and the Royal Master Degree will follow at 1:30. Any Council that has candidates in waiting for the degrees or who have not seen the Super Excellent Master in Full Form is more than welcome to join us. After the degrees, around 6:00, the All-You-Can-Eat Swiss Steak Meal with Strawberry Shortcake will be the featured attraction. Please let Timothy Forche know if you plan on attending. His contact is: 517.676.5157.

As always, until our paths cross again, safe travels and enjoy the journey!
Gary L. Paquet, MIGM of the Grand Council R. & S. Masons of Michigan



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Greetings Sir Knights and Ladies:

Spring has finally arrived I think, with it, newness in the air. Let us all recommit ourselves to the many activities that still await the Valiant Templar's.

The Election and Installation of the New Officers takes place in April. Let us give the New Officers our full support as they take on their new duties. I am sure that with their devotion, each Commandery will continue to prosper and grow.

My sincere thanks to the Officers who worked hard this last Inspection Season to make it a success. It takes every Officer and Sir Knight working together to give our New Sir Knights the best Order of The Temple we can.

I hope that you are making plans to attend the Captain Generals Workshop on April 7th at the Lansing Masonic Temple. The GCG Attendance Shield will be presented for the most Knights present from each Commandery. The G.C.G. S.K. John Porritt, has promised a very Educational Workshop and one you don't want to miss. Don't forget about the Drills to follow. Let the Captain General know your Commandery is participating with the Drills.

Has your Commandery submitted Nominations for the various awards available to the Knights in your Commandery? There are many Sir Knights who are most deserving of these several Honors we can confer upon them. I ask you to look hard in your Commandery and send me your nominations for the Meritorious Service Award, The Grand Commanders Service Award and the Knights Templar Cross of Honor. The Knight Commander of the Temple and Companion of the Temple should be sent to P.G.C. Sir Knight Loren Winn who will handle it on the Grand Encampment level.

There are several Commanderies' that are conferring the Order of the Temple in April. If you can be there to assist I'm sure you would be most welcome. Be sure to enter your activities on the Website and check it often for events you might want to support.

I want to thank the Grand Officers who divided our ranks to attend the Three Order Day in Angola, Indiana and the four Grand Commandery Officers who assisted in the Seven Degree Day in Schoolcraft. We greeted nine Companions on that day and many are looking forward to receiving their Three Orders in Battle Creek. I will report on the Three Order Day next month, until then Think SPRING!!!

In Unity,
 S.K. Michael Whiting, R.E.G.C. of Michigan



DeMolay

Well, Spring is here, and Installation season is now over. Installations went well, and the new Chapter officers are ready to move forward with their plans. Michigan DeMolay will be heading to the Heartland Ritual Tournament to compete against other Jurisdictions. This is a very fun road trip and the competition is always fierce. Many thanks to Moslem Shrine for providing transportation for the Members and Advisors to go to Illinois. Also coming up is the Spring Fling dance, honoring the Chapter Sweethearts. This will be held on April 7, 2018, at the Aries Grotto in Southfield. Plenty of activities are planned and will be posted as we approach the Summer. There are several training opportunities with Leadership Camps in both Illinois and here in Michigan and several of our DeMolay will be participating. We are also gearing up for our Conclave, which is our annual meeting. It is held in August, but the election of our new Officers will be done at the DeMolay Caucus held on May 12, 2018, at the Wayne Masonic Temple. Come out and see the young men of Michigan DeMolay answer questions from their Brothers as they run for office. The members of Michigan DeMolay love to see the Companions attending our events and I know that Rainbow and Jobs appreciate it as well. Please try to attend an event of one or more of the Chapters as they change their leadership for the next six-month term. Michigan DeMolay is on the move with membership as several Chapters have almost doubled their membership. Remember, if you have a son, nephew, grandson or know of a young man between the ages of 12-21 ask any of the State Officers or any Advisor for a petition. We will get in contact with the young man and his family as soon as possible to answer their questions about DeMolay. Please try to attend any of the upcoming events and show these remarkable young men that the Masonic Family is willing to support them. If there is anything that Michigan DeMolay can do to help support any of the works of the Companions, please let a State Officer know or contact the Executive Officer.

Fraternally,
Vince D'Aguanno, Exec. Officer of MI DeMolay

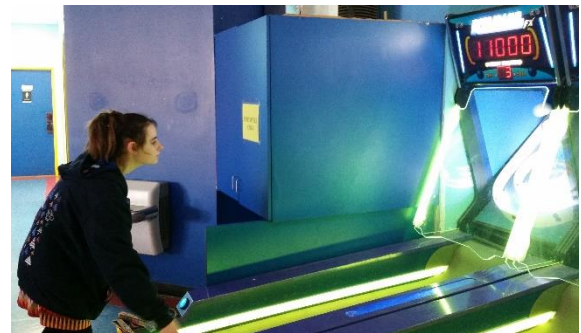


INTERNATIONAL ORDER OF RAINBOW FOR GIRLS

Michigan Rainbow

In previous articles, we have shared information about how the Rainbow Girls present their Ritual, do service projects for others, and earn money for our many charities or our own expenses. Today I would like to share with you about girls having fun. Both girls and adults like to have fun and share laughter and it is part of us developing a family.

On Saturday, March 10, the Rainbow Girls went to the Canton "Zap Zone". They could play Glo-Golf, Laser Tag, pinball machines and a virtual reality experience. They were able to bring friends while we played games, and for the most part, the adults sat and relaxed. Here's an example of Krissy, Jenna, and Olivia having a good time. It's hard to take pictures in black light.





MICHIGAN JOB'S DAUGHTERS INTERNATIONAL

Greetings from Michigan Job's Daughters!

I think that we have finally turned a corner, and spring has sprung! The dark days of winter are over, and new life is on the horizon!

Michigan Job's Daughters has been busy, busy, busy! We hosted our annual traveling event this year. Multi-State is an event that travels around the Great Lakes Region, about once every four years. This is our turn to be the host. This event is both incredibly rewarding, and ridiculously exhausting. A lot of planning, organization, and hard work goes into putting together an event of this magnitude and executing it as AMAZINGLY as Michigan does! Job's Daughters from Illinois, Wisconsin, and Indiana came to visit this trip; Ohio had a conflict with a Grand Lodge Event. The attached pictures are from this event and shows the diversity as well as the symmetry of the different jurisdictions. We had an "Old Hollywood" theme for this event, including a red carpet and paparazzi.

On March 25, we headed to Masonic Pathways in Alma, where we participated in our annual Ceremony of the Lighted Cross for the residents of the Masonic Home. Our girls look forward to this interaction with our "grandparents" every year!

We are looking forward to seeing many of you at a Grand Bethel Exemplification on April 14th at the Clio Masonic Temple in Clio, MI. The meeting will begin at 3:00 p.m., with dinner to follow (Cost is \$12 per person). Please contact Tricia Squires for reservations, or information [810-348-3699](tel:810-348-3699). We always love to see our sidelines packed with our Masonic Family!

As promised...the information for the May 5th Grand Bethel Honored Queen's reception! We will honor Miss LilianAlaine Giese with an OPEN exemplification and Majority Ceremony at 3:00 p.m. at the Menominee Masonic Center, [430 - 10th Ave, Menominee MI](https://www.google.com/maps/place/430+10th+Ave,+Menominee+MI). Dinner and a dance will be held at the little River Country Club, [N2235 Shore Drive, Marinette WI](https://www.google.com/maps/place/2235+Shore+Drive,+Marinette+WI). Please submit reservations, with payment of \$25 per person for dinner, to Amber Kopish, [515 Van Cleve Ave, Marinette WI 54143](https://www.google.com/maps/place/515+Van+Cleve+Ave,+Marinette+WI) no later than April 23rd.

Here is hoping that everyone has a safe and Happy Easter, and we hope to see you on the road!!!

Respectfully Submitted,
Terri Brower, Vice Grand Guardian

(Continued from Michigan Rainbow for Girls)

There are many other fun events that we participate in. Each October we go to Ambrose Farms in Adrian for a Barn Dance and hayride. Job's Daughters and DeMolay also join us for this fun event and they have a great time together.

At Grand Assembly, we even build in some fun and go to the Soaring Eagle Water Park and Rainbow has the water park for ourselves for 2 hours. Food, water rides, and teenage girls make for a fun time.

Bowling, a Harry Potter night, mystery dinner, sleepovers, Greenfield Village, roller skating, ice skating, movies, hockey game, miniature golf, and going out for ice cream are some of the examples of what our Assemblies do for fun.

On the first Sunday after Labor Day finds most all the Masonic bodies getting together in Howell to celebrate the Fantastically Fun Filled Fall Festival (5F's). The three Youth Leaders plan the event (with adult help) and play relay games, tug-of-war, volleyball, and eating hot dogs, nachos, and cookies. Thanks to Don Galway for helping us secure the location.

The Rainbow Girls have great pride in presenting their Ritual and in helping others. They also know how to have a fun time.

Fraternally,
Maureen Riley, Supreme Inspector



What happens to the leftover palms after Palm Sunday's Celebration?

According to the Public Service Announcement from the Catholic Church at www.catholicculture.org, the leftover palms can dry and then burned until they are ashes.

These ashes will be used next year for Ash Wednesday's Service. Now you know!