

Michigan Triple Tau

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Dear Companions and All:

The last few weeks of January were wicked enough. It was too foggy to see the road. We had double-digit wind-chill factor, or it was snowing 1 to 2 inches an hour. Our winter hasn't made up its mind yet. I keep reminding myself that its typical Michigan weather. Wait 20 minutes and it will change.

This month's issue is a few extra pages long. There are 3 flyers and a 2-page photo layout of the 2019 Winterfest celebration with our Youth groups. I had a few articles that went long but I persevered. Thank you all who wrote up articles for this issue. Every month I learn something new about Masonry and about Royal Arch Masonic history.

February has 2 federal holidays, Ground Hog's Day and President's Day. Valentine's Day comes in on a Thursday this year. Happy Valentine's Day! I wish you all to stay well and safe travels.

Fraternally,
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Royal Arch Masonry in Michigan

The Grand Chapter, or at least Chapters, of Royal Arch Masons have been in Michigan and have been an influential part of the Masonic Tradition in Michigan since April 20, 1818. Monroe Chapter No. 1 held its first meeting at the Masonic Hall (Benjamin Woodworth's Hotel) in Detroit and received its Charter on Feb 17, 1821.

Monroe Chapter was instrumental in St. Joseph Valley No. 2 in Niles receiving a dispensation to work. It forwarded the recommendation for a dispensation, along with \$110.00, to the General Grand Chapter on April 16th, 1844. The Dispensation was granted on May 16th of that year. Their work being satisfactory, the General Grand Chapter in September 1844 granted the charter which was made out and dated October 16th, 1844.

Jackson Chapter No. 3 located in Jackson received authority of a warrant to work from the General Grand Chapter and held its first meeting in the Odd Fellows' Hall on the thirty-first day of March 1847. At a regular convocation held on the 2nd day of December 1847, they adopted a resolution, previously approved by Monroe Chapter, declaring that in the opinion of the members of this Chapter, it was expedient and proper to form a Grand Chapter for the State of Michigan. The organization of the Grand Chapter took place in Jackson on the 9th Day of March 1848.

The first elected Officers of the Grand Chapter were: E. Smith Lee, Monroe, Grand High Priest; Czar Jones, Jackson, Dep. Grand High Priest; Nathaniel Pullamn, St. Joseph Valley, Grand King; John Mullet, Monroe, Grand Scribe; Willaim Lister, Monroe, Grand Secretary; N.B. Carpenter, Monroe, Grand Treasurer and Jeremiah Moors, Monroe, Grand Marshal. (**The Grand Chapter does not have or elect a Deputy Grand High Priest or a Grand Marshal but it does, however, have the following elected Officers not originally elected: Grand Captain of the Host, Grand Principal Sojourner, Grand Royal Arch Captain, Three Grand Masters' of the Veils and a Grand Sentinel.)

By the end of the year 1850 Capitular Masonry in Michigan had grown to 7 Chapters and two hundred and fourteen Companions. The Grand Chapter has continued to grow and prosper since its inception. It has always been a leader in the education and growth of Masonry in Michigan. The last Charter to be issued was presented to Sunlight Chapter No. 189 of Dearborn on October 15, 1975. Sunlight Chapter was founded as a Daylight Chapter. In 1998 it moved its Charter to Garden City.

Note: This Information was taken from the Grand Chapter Education committee.

Fraternally,
R.E.C. Mike Roberts, Grand High Priest



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Secretary's Scribbles

I feel like I just wrote the year-end article for this publication, and now I am writing the article for the end of the first month. Where does the time go? I am writing this article at the end of a fabulous fun filled week-end. DeMolay has just completed their Winter Fest weekend and it was G R E A T! Lady Sherry and I spent the whole week end becoming younger by occasion, we had the opportunity to become younger by observation, heaven forbid we would try to keep up.

The new web site is up and running. Look at ram-mi.org and see if you like it. As with all websites it is a work in progress. We will be adding things as we go along, and as the need arises. If you have any suggestions feel free to contact me at any of my contact locations. I hope that you scroll down on the home page as that is where all the events are listed for the coming months. They will fall off and be replaced as they pass. We will use the calendar for events that are further out to keep you up to date. You will find the download section at the very bottom of the home page and that is a work in progress, I am putting the things that you use the most there for your convenience. Again if there is something that you need, ask!

***Note:** The web site is smart phone friendly.

Coming events, I hope that you receive this in time to attend the four-degree day hosted by Oakland Chapter No. 5 located in Auburn Hills, 2181 Willot Rd. 48326-2669. See Flyer on the Web. The next event is the George Washington Dinner in Caro, Michigan. This is a relatively new event they have only been doing it for 99 years. This a very enjoyable evening with York Rite Companions as it is open to all the York Rite membership. I have personally attended 18 of these and have enjoyed every one of them. I hope I can attend 18 more! The 23rd of February will put you in Angola, IN for the Tri-State festival, 35 S. Public Square, Angola, IN. The Commandery Orders will be conducted in Jackson, MI. on March 2, 2019, at Jackson-Coolidge Lodge, 355 Napoleon Rd. Michigan Center. Since we have gotten into March I may as well continue, March 9th will put us in Fort Wayne, IN for the annual East-Central conference of the General Grand Chapter RAM International. This is an informational conference held in the East- Central region to inform the member states of new information from General Grand. This is also where the Leadership Class is held for Emerging leaders of the Craft. There are three courses held at the regional conference, they are free to the membership, but must be approved by the region coordinator prior to the conference (I would say at least three weeks or more as space is at a premium).

March 16, 2019, we will be in Schoolcraft for a seven-degree day (Chapter and Council) they will begin at 9:00 AM with the Mark Master Degree and will continue thru the Council degrees with a break for lunch. There is a flyer on the web. Last at this time is the YRSCNA Ceremonial and Companion conference to be held at the Detroit Masonic Temple, 500 Temple Ave., Detroit, MI. There is a program and flyer on the web. That is all for this month.

Faithfully in Your Service,

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



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Companions All:

I was born into a Masonic Family but waited through many years before seeking to become a Mason. There were reasons for the delay – economic, work and military reasons. Eventually, I know I came to a moment of decision. It was my good fortune that my desire was generously received.

I arrived at the decision that Masonry is a vital and dynamic force in America and in the world, forever a thing high and worthy to which my life has long been committed. Masonry occupies, in my opinion, a unique position of opportunity and obligation in the human order of today’s way of life, particularly in our great America.

Masonry, casting aside bigotry and intolerance, is a powerful friend to all the American freedoms, and I had not known and could not have known until I became a Mason. I long sensed that this Brotherhood is the base of American freedom and morals of life itself.

After becoming a Master Mason and taking the time to think about what happened in my life that day, I realized that I owed the fraternal organization a debt for a lifetime lesson. A lesson to be carried into personal generations. If I were accepted, then surely, I belonged! That my little weight should be, must be, committed to the unrelenting struggle of Freemasons as well as any personal trying times. “With this I gave myself”, are the words of the great ultimate gift. Passing and holding all of the offices in the Lodge and becoming a DDI, passing and holding all the chairs in Royal Arch Masons, Royal and Select Master Masons and our Michigan Commandery for the same. I am proud to be a life member of the Lodge for 40 years. My membership in Royal Arch, Commandery and KYCH and another two years life membership in our Scottish Rite. They are words of dedication to freedom and justice, to democracy and brotherhood, to universal peace and to God, the Father of us all.

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Greeting Companions:

Well January has come and gone, and a number of events have occurred. New Year’s Day with football games on TV and other televised events as well. The last of the Lodge Installations took place, Winter Fest for the youth groups, the last Commandery Inspection at Detroit #1, and most Chapters resumed their meetings.

February brings a number of events one of which is a bit silly, Ground Hogs Day, which is supposed to indicate how long the winter will last. The 2nd is also the four Degree at Pontiac Temple, the Royal Arch Degree and all three Degrees for Council. The 14th is Valentine’s Day, don’t forget your (SO), the 16th is the Grand Chapter meeting at Caro, followed that night by the 99th George Washington Birthday Dinner hosted by Caro Chapter #96. The 18th is Presidents Day, all Federal Offices will be closed that day, if they ever reopen. The 23rd is the Tri-state in Angola, IN. I am sure there will be other local events as well.

I attended two services in January, one was the Memorial Service for Grand Lady Mary Turton, and the other was the Funeral of my best friend Dennis. Both came as a bit of a shock, but as I reflect on both one thing stands out. The staff at both services had to keep adding chairs to seat all of the attendees, which was a large number at both. In both services the number of friends and acquaintance greatly outnumbered the family members present, not to say that their families were small. This fact showed just how much their lives touch so many others, that this many people would take the time to pay their last respects and show their support for the families.

Sometimes I think we forget just how many lives we touch during our time here and that if we conduct ourselves in a positive manor, that interaction affects the lives of so many others. Both Mary and Dennis, kind and friendly people. I did not know Mary very well, but from what was said at her memorial,

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So, keep in mind, when asked or having a notion to stepping up to the plate and to the duties of leadership. It is for that unknown reason you remember your trust and your Conductor being with you, have no fear. I believe that this will truly be a good year for the craft.

*References from: 1756-First Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons formed by the "Modern" Grand Lodge of London.

1797-Established on October 24th at Boston, Massachusetts, the General Grand Chapter, Royal Arch Masons of the United States of America.

Fraternally,
REC Carl J. Peterson, Grand King, PP and KYCH



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I am sure she was like my friend, quick with a hello, a friendly smile, slow to anger and quick to support a friend or loved one. It brings to mind part of the Masonic Memorial which states that "we should live respected and die regretted".

We all should live by the tenants of our profession not only in the Lodge but when abroad in the world not only for our own peace of mind but to promote a better world for those around, friends, family, and strangers alike. We are here for a short time and there is only one chance to make a first impression, so let's make it a good one. I am sure Mary and Dennis did just that all their lives, and they will be long remembered and greatly missed.

As always, God speed and God Bless,
REC John A. Ames, Grand Scribe



REC Don Mayville
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Greeting Companions:

The past few months have showed us how fleeting life on Earth is, but the great Reunion we all have with the Supreme Architect gives us comfort in knowing we will all be reunited once again.

All Degree days are scheduled for February and March, plan to bring your Candidates so they can be Exalted. Please check the Triple Tau Flyers for time and dates.

Once again time is fast approaching for Chapters to select new Officers, the Officers you select must have the desire to direct your Chapter to achieve growth and stability.

Chapters have chance to honor those who exemplify what it means to be a Royal Arch Mason, nominate them for the Bronze or MSA. The forms are on line! I would like to see John Ames over whelmed with responses.

In Brotherly Love and Friendship,

REC Don Mayville,
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Greetings Companions!

Greetings Brethren,

Next to the word “Mother”, no word in our language has more meaning and music in it than the word Brother. It is from above, and it reaches to the deep places of the heart. It is religion on its human side; and in it lies the hope of humanity. The highest dream of the prophets is of a time when men shall be Brothers.

When used Masonically, the word Brother has a depth and tenderness all its own, unique and is beautiful beyond words. It tells of a tie, mystical but mighty, which Masonry spins and weaves between man and man, which no one can define, and few can resist. In time of sorrow it is a tether of sympathy and a link of loyalty.

Of course, like all other words, it is common enough, and may be glibly used without regard to its real meaning. Like the word God, it may be a coin worn smooth, or a flower faded. But when its meaning is actually and fully felt, no other word is needed among us.

No other word has a finer import or a ampler echo, expressive of the highest relationship in which dignity and devotion unite. If we are really Brothers, all the rest may go by the board, save for sake of ceremony. If we are not truly Brothers, all titles are empty and of no avail.

What does the word Brother mean, Masonically? It means the adoption of a man into an inner circle of friendship, by a moral and spiritual tie as close and binding as the tie of common birth and blood between two brothers in a family. Nothing else, nothing less; and this implies a different attitude the one to the other - related not distant, united not opposed, natural and unrestrained - wherein are revealed what the old writers used to call ‘The Happy and Beneficial Effects of our Ancient and Honorable Institution.’”

**Source: SHORT TALK BULLETIN – Vol. IV October 1926 No.10 - Author Unknown*

The appellation "**Companion**" then refers to a Brother who accompanies you on your journey. We are all first Brethren, Companions, so it's worth stating again "If we are not truly Brothers, all titles are empty and of no avail."

We have a great opportunity to be with the Companions of our Sister Jurisdictions, Ohio and Indiana at the Tri-State York Rite Festival being held February 23rd at Angola Indiana. This date they will confer the Mark through Select Degrees of the Chapter and Council. It is always interesting to see the differences in Ritual and I hope you will attend. Please remember if you intend to bring candidates for the Council to this festival it needs to be arranged through the Grand Recorders office at GrandRecorder@RSM-MI.org.

I hope to see many of you at the degree festivals scheduled on March 16th at Kalamazoo and again at the Strawberry Festival on April 27th, at Leslie Council in Mason, MI. Details can be found on our website RSM-MI.org.

Sincerely and Fraternaly,
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Sir Knights,

To be a man and a Mason:

Over the past several weeks most of our Michigan Masons have received a magnet from our Grand lodge, it reads “Not just a Man, A Mason”. I’m sure that I’m not the only Mason that this makes ponder, am I “not just a Man”, is being a Mason important to my life? I have devoted a great deal of time to prayer and meditation on this subject, starting with what is a good man, am I one? And leading me onward to how has Masonry changed my life. From the onset of my decision to finally petition my local lodge, I have been exposed to the light of Temperance, Prudence, Fortitude and Justice, just like every Mason. As well as to the lessons taught in our degrees and to the principles of meeting on the level, working together to help each Brother be a better man. Now mind you that this is not the first time I have been exposed to these principles, concepts of true manhood. I first heard of them as a youth, a very active member of the “Boy Scouts of America”, In fact, those who know me would say I definitely “Drank the cool aid”. But through that period of my life I was taught these things, experienced the concepts in real life and saw many examples of what it looked like to see them in the men that surrounded me. So, experiencing this re-exposure to them as an Adult I had something to compare my life to and had something of a gauge to measure them against what I see in myself. Being totally honest with my Brothers, I must say that hard as I try, I don’t think I am done with this journey. Every Mason is taught that we should learn from the counsel of more experienced Masons, that we should seek to instill in ourselves what we see as worthy, and to dispel from ourselves that which is un-worthy. We are taught to share in the light we have gained and spread that light to others by living and practicing the concept of “Making good men better”. All very pretty words and great ideas to keep us on the path of further light, but after all this reflection and the realization that my journey is not yet complete, I must ask myself again, “is being a Mason important to my life”? The answer fraters is a resounding Yes, being a Mason has taught me that no matter what bad things happen in this world, in our communities and even in our families, there is a Brotherhood that will stand up to support me (us), to help guide me (us) in correcting bad decisions I’ve made and even to lift me (us) out of danger should it arise. Being a Mason is most definitely important in my life, and in yours. Each Mason, no matter what degree or level we have achieved, must reflect from time to time on what being a Mason is to us, as individual men. For me I am assured that Masonry has forced me to strive for continued ways to be better, for my country, my community and my family. To be the man that listens with concern, advises with knowledge & grace and who acts with the love of God in everything I do and for everyone I touch. It makes me strive to be the example I saw in those men of my youth. As the journey to “Not just a Man, A Mason” continues for us all I hope and pray that it will be your desire as well.



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V. E. Deputy Grand Commander



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Companions All:

Valentine's Day is fast approaching; a time when we take special notice and attention of that special relationship and bond that we have with our significant other. Traditionally, the 14th. Of February represents boxes of candy, roses or flowers, cards, romantic dinners and weekend getaways for two; a time to re-ignite that amorous spark that exist between two individuals who have committed their all to one another for the duration of their lives. It is a time to reflect upon their past experiences together including both joys and trials, their present and future aspirations together as a family; their hopes and dreams. That being said, I'm sure someone reading this might be thinking, "this is all well and good Ed, but what has this got to do with Masonry?" Well, it has to do with relationship expectations.

Marriage and relationships today for us who grew up in the "Baby Boomer" generation are much different than they were in grandpa's and grandma's time. There was a time when it was just Dad who worked to support a family and Mom stayed at home as a homemaker and looked after the kids. As we all know that paradigm has drastically changed over the years, along with some social mores and the expectations of the roles of Mom and Dad as they play today. In most instances, both parents are in the work force and there are more professional spouses than ever before. In many blue-collar families it's almost a must that both spouses work to even make ends meet these days. So, it becomes more evident now than ever that the days of "See ya later Honey, I'm off to Lodge" can be construed as a thing of the past. In today's reality, both parents come home from work dead tired and share equally in household chores, making dinner, helping the kids with homework, etc., and so on and so forth. It is no longer reasonable to expect our bread earning Ladies to "hold down the fort" while Hubby goes off to lodge for an evening with his Brothers and friends. Sounds logical, doesn't it?

So, maybe I've went a long way around the barn to simply say to our Ladies and our children that we appreciate their sacrifice of their family time to support not just the husbands, fathers, significant others and even sons in their Masonic Pursuits. What I can promise however, is that when a Brother comes each time to lodge and earnestly practices those virtues that are taught within our fraternity, he will most assuredly return home each time maybe that little bit more of a better Husband and Father. I hope that our families begin to think about that time in Lodge as an investment for the betterment and welfare in family values. Happy Valentine's Day, everyone!

Companion Knights, please remember that the 2nd. Wednesday of each month at 7:30 pm. is "Grand Governor's Night Out." It's a time when you can sign in on ZOOM and discuss the expectations of our YRSCNA Colleges in Michigan with myself and my Deputy Grand Governors. Please contact your College Secretaries for details.

Also, a reminder that our State Order Knight of York and Conference Day will be Saturday, March 30, 2019 at the Detroit Temple. (See Flyer in this edition of the Triple Tau.) I hope all Companion Knights can take some time to attend these special events!

As Always, have fun, safe travels and most importantly...enjoy the ride!
Ed James, Grand Governor of Michigan, YRSCNA

ATTENTION

M.E.C.'s, M.I.C.'s and Companions All!

The Seven Degree Day that was supposed to take place on February 2, 2019 in Auburn Hills has been changed. Although we had inquiries from Chapters who had Candidates, no Chapters were willing to volunteer to put on the Degrees. If the Seven Degree Day is to continue next year on the east side of the state, we need Chapters to step up and take on one of the Degrees.

INSTEAD

You are invited to bring your Candidates that need their Royal Arch Degree and those that need the Council Degrees to Auburn Hills to a 4 Degree Day in Auburn Hills.

- 10:00 am The Grand Chapter will do the Royal Arch Degree
- 12:00 pm Lunch will be served at Noon (\$10.00 fee)
- 1:00 pm Pontiac Council #3 will do the Royal Master Degree
- 1:45 pm Durand Council #38 will do the Select Master Degree
- 3:30 pm The Grand Council will do the Super Excellent Degree

Lodge doors will open at 9:00 am for coffee and donuts.

Please let Mike Whiting know if you will be attending and how many Candidates you will be bringing. Email: mikewhiting@webtv.net or call him at 248-722-4413.

Please contact me as soon as possible so we can make the final preparations to make the day a success. I will send out flyers when I get your input.

Fraternally,
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**Please make sure this gets sent out to all the Grand Officers,
Secretary's and Recorders**



All Degree Day!

March 16, 2019

at

Kalamazoo County Masonic Center

Located at

4371 West U Avenue,

Schoolcraft, MI 49087

Sponsored by

Paw Paw -Kalamazoo Chapter No. 34

And Kalamazoo Council No. 63

Please let **Companion Rick Stange**, PHP, PTIM know if you will be attending and how many Candidates you will be bringing. Companion Rick's E-mail is **rstrangeddi@yahoo.com** or call him at **269-655-4157**. Luncheon information will be in next month's Triple Tau. You can find more information on these websites. Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of Michigan - www.grandchaptermi.org or Grand Council of Michigan – www.rsm-mi.org. Please contact me as soon as possible so we can make the final preparations to make our day a success!

**York Rite Sovereign College of North America
Michigan State York Rite College – Order of the Knight of York
Ceremonial and Companion Knight Conference**



Saturday, March 30, 2019



**Held at the Detroit Masonic Temple,
500 Temple St., Detroit, Michigan**

**Registration is 9:00 am
Order of the Knight of York Conferral is 10:00 am
under the auspices and courtesies of Detroit York Rite College No. 1.**

**Please contact CK Jack Mengel at jhmengem@comcast.net or phone (734) 347-2858
For Order of the Knight of York and Lunch Registrations.
Please make all lunch reservations no later than Friday, March 22nd.**

*All Colleges are welcome and encouraged to bring any Candidates who have been invited
by their College to be created Companion Knights to this special
Conferral of the Order of the Knight of York. The Order Conferral will take place
In the Commandery Asylum.*

**Lunch to be held at 12:15 pm with the Companion Knight Conference
Beginning at 1:30 pm. Afternoon Conference will be held in the Tudor Room.**

**Afternoon Conference will feature Comments by the Grand East of Chapter,
Council and Commandery as well as a short leadership presentation by
Grand Lodge. Historical and educational presentations will be given by the
Deputy Grand Governors of the YRSCNA of Michigan.**

**Evening dinner will follow at the Traffic Jam & Snug,
located at 511 W. Canfield St., Detroit (7 blocks From the Temple down 2nd St.)**

**Overnight accommodations have been arranged for Friday, March 29 and Saturday, March 30.
Please make your reservations at the Fairfield Inn & Suites, Detroit/Troy by calling
(855).516.1092 located at 225 Stephenson Hwy., Troy, MI 48083. Special Rate will be \$119 per
night plus tax. Cutoff date is March 15, 2019.**

**Please mention “York Rite College” for the special rate.
Hospitality room will be open Friday, March-29 from 6:00 pm to 10:00 pm**



DeMolay Of Michigan

Vince D'Aguanno, Executive Officer

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Welcome to 2019 and the bitterly cold weather of Michigan!

Winterfest is over, and everybody needs rest after a weekend filled with fun, food and fellowship. Michigan DeMolay had a wonderful, wizarding time at Winterfest. Please look at the pictures and see what you missed. Everyone should try to attend this event next year as you will have more fun being with the wonderful young people from DeMolay, Rainbow and Jobs. This is the big fun event for the DeMolay year, and we look forward to having a big turn out from all the Masonic Orders. The Companions would enjoy Winterfest as all the youth groups have a great time. Maybe, you could team up with a youth for a game or even volunteer for the charity pie toss. Many thanks to Grand Chapter Royal Arch and Aries Grotto for being sponsors of various events at Winterfest. Sponsorship of events allows the cost to attend to remain affordable for the young people. Any Chapter, Lodge, Council, Commandery, Scottish Rite body, Shrine or anyone can contact either Dad Stewart, Dad Myers or myself to sponsor an event at Winterfest or Conclave.

Michigan DeMolay hosted a State degree day at the Northville Masonic Temple on January 26, 2019 and we brought in several new members. Our State Master Councilor has set a goal for 2019 membership of 30 new members. If this goal is met, Michigan DeMolay will achieve some positive growth. This means that we will have initiated more new members than those who reached majority. It will also mean that we will have initiated more members than the previous year for the third year in a row. Looks like 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, Executive Officer of Michigan DeMolay

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DeMolay Of Michigan

Winterfest 2019!

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Cream Pie Attacks!!!



What wonderful pictures! Don Galway, Grand Secretary of Royal Arch Masons of MI, gave me the run down of these photos. From left to right top row: A creamy Jobie, A creamy DeMolay, "No Respect!". 2nd row: State Sweet Heart Creams our Grand Master for Charity. Grand Master supports our Youth! Mike Roberts mugging by Mike Drayden. Don tells me that they raised a lot of money for their charities this way. It is good to know if you cream someone don't be surprised, they will get you back!!!

A big 'Thank You' to all who sent in these photos. They were so good I had a very difficult time getting the best ones into the Triple Tau.



DeMolay Of Michigan

Winterfest 2019!

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Left to right: Top is both Houses. 2nd row: Quidditch, Girl crashes her Mythical Animal! Moms enjoying the day at Winterfest. 3rd row: Gotta have food. Future DeMolays (are they cute!).



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INTERNATIONAL ORDER OF RAINBOW FOR GIRLS

Michigan Rainbow

It's only January and it has been a very exciting month. Saturday, January 12, was our official state meeting, hosted by our Rainbow Dads. The gentlemen, under the direction of State Dad, Robert Otte, planned the event, did all the shopping and the cooking, and did all of the decorating in pink, glitter and crowns. If you notice in the picture, all of the men are wearing crowns. They are such good sports about supporting the girls. They did all of the cleanup and were still able to join the Initiation meeting. In the picture are the Dads along with Grand Worthy Advisor, Samantha Brock.



We initiated three new girls that day: McKayla and Mary from Wayne and Chloe from Howell. With these three young ladies, Michigan Rainbow became #2 in the International Pot of Gold for 2019. Hopefully, this is the beginning of a year when we can stay in the top 10 of membership growth. If you know of a young lady between 11 and 20, we would love to have her as a new sister.

International Pot of Gold Poster reads:

Top Ten Jurisdictions (2019 Growth)

#1 - Louisiana is 4.65%

#2 - Michigan is 3.26%





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INTERNATIONAL ORDER OF RAINBOW FOR GIRLS

During lunch, Dad Bob Otte was presented with a picture frame that all the girls had signed. After the meeting, Dad Otte and his girls gathered in the East for a group picture that will go in the center of his picture frame. In the picture below, the girls in white are the Grand Officers, the girls in pink are Grand Representatives and there is one girl in the midst of the pink who is actually wearing a cranberry-colored dress! She is our Grand Reporter.



We had a number of first-time adults and also a group of Majority Rainbow members who have not attended a Rainbow meeting since they were teenagers. They were surprised at the some of the changes and the amount of fun that we had during the meeting. Several them were my contemporaries from when I was 18 years old (and that's just a few years ago!). They were surprised at the different music, the formations, the new Ritual part (Rose Lecture) and how it's OK when our youngest Grand Reporter interrupts me during announcements to share Breaking News. Please come and join us and see what the Michigan Rainbow Girls can do.

Fraternally,
Maureen K. Riley,
Supreme Drill Leader & Supreme Inspector