# Michigan Triple Tau Official Publication of the Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons MAY 2019

Dear Companions:

A new month has arrived! Everyone I know is hoping that "Winter" will finally let go and allow "Spring" to come in. Our trees are leafing out and we have seen a few tulips and daffodils. The birds are back from the South and are making nests like crazy. Warmer weather is coming. It is just taking its own sweet time.

I did worry that some of my article writers would not have an article for this month. As usual, they came through with their articles.



I am glad I didn't have to put my "Dog Ate My Homework" in this month.

This month has just 2 flyers in it. There are the forms for the Grand York Rite Session on the website. Just in case you need to download a copy to get your reservations in for the August session. August will be here before you know it.

Palm Sunday was wonderful this year at Masonic Pathways. We had all three Youth Groups run our Sunday service. They did an excellent job and surprised everyone. Yes, they did take pictures. No one put any pictures of this in the Triple Tau. Maybe next year I will have some pictures.

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### Membership

The future of Royal Arch Masonry relies on its membership, retention, and education of that membership. I believe that communication, visibility, and education are the best tools we must obtain these goals.

Being visible can be accomplished in several ways. We should strive to attend our local Chapters on a regular basis. By doing this we will be better informed of activities, events, and ritual. We should make it a point to be active within our Blue Lodges. This is where we pull our prospective new members. Talk to the Master about doing a red coat degree, Enhance the Secret program, or offer a lodge appreciation night as one of your Chapter functions. When attending a tiled or public Masonic function, be sure to wear your chapter coat. It will spark interest and give you an opportunity to talk about Chapter and what it offers.

Education is a never-ending process. By regular attendance in our Chapter meetings, taking part in our schools and inspections, a Companion is sure to pick up the knowledge he did not previously have. The Grand Chapter has new and revised programs to help in the areas of recruitment, communication, and education.

Communication is key to both being visible and education. The options are many - phone, mail, email, texting, websites, social media, and automated voice calls. How else can you communicate with your members? Communication works for those who work at it!

Thank you for your time. I have started an email list to help communicate activities in the York Rite Bodies. Please email me any events coming up and I will forward the information on. If you wish to be added, please send me your email address. My email is mickey422@yahoo.com.

Fraternally,

M.E.C. Mike Roberts, Grand High Priest





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## **Secretary's Scribbles**

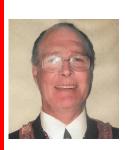
April showers bring May flowers and so as I write this article it is raining outside my window, and at last check, my tulips are coming along nicely. Everything seems to be coming along well within the grand plan. I hope that everyone had a blessed and enjoyable Easter and took the time to reflect on the meaning of the day.

May will be here by the time you receive the issue of the Triple Tau and we have several events to look forward to. First would be Traverse City No.103 Membership Day to be held May 11<sup>th</sup> at the Traverse City Masonic Center 13360 West Bay Shore Road. It will open at 0800 (8:00 AM) with the Mark Master Mason degree and will proceed through the rest of the Royal Arch degrees. See the flyer in this publication. Second, will be KYCH on May 18<sup>th</sup> being held in Masonic Pathways Doig Center, lunch at 12:00 and business to follow. Next, the Annual Communication of Grand Lodge will be held at *the Ann Arbor Marriott Ypsilanti at Eagle Crest, 1275 S Huron St, Ypsilanti, MI 48197 on May 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup>*. The last event I hope everyone will enjoy, it's the kickoff to Summer. The Memorial Day weekend!

In May 1868, General John A. Logan, the Commander-in-Chief of the Union veterans' group known as the Grand Army of the Republic, issued a decree that May 30 should become a nationwide day of commemoration for the more than 620,000 soldiers killed in the recently ended Civil War. On Decoration Day, as Logan dubbed it, Americans should lay flowers and decorate the graves of the war dead "whose bodies now lie in almost every city, village and hamlet churchyard in the land." According to legend, Logan chose May 30 because it was a rare day that didn't fall on the anniversary of a Civil War battle, though some historians believe the date was selected to ensure that flowers across the country would be in full bloom. After the war Logan, who had served as a U.S. congressman before resigning to rejoin the army, returned to his political career, eventually serving in both the House and Senate and was the unsuccessful Republican candidate for Vice President in 1884. When he died two years later, Logan's body laid in state in the rotunda of the United States Capitol, making him one of just 33 people to have received the honor. Today, Washington, D.C.'s Logan Circle, and several townships across the country are named in honor of this champion of veterans and those killed in battle.

Lest We Forget.

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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#### Good Day Companions;

Busy, busy, looks as though we are finally at that point up here in Northern Michigan...ah, yes, the snow crocus is melting and the tulips trying to open. Must be around the corner to spring.

Congratulations to the Officers of Mackinaw, Sunrise and Iosco Chapter now duly installed and ready for the new year. Coming up, a trip to Pellston and Cheboygan Commandery installation of Officers and another scholarship presentation. Grand Lodge district elections taking place around the state, 45<sup>th</sup> Parallel in Lewiston has had theirs. Yes, it's a meltdown for sure and Masonry on the fast track once again. MSA awards dinners as well as Bronze, Membership Day, all degree day, the calendar is filling up and it is hoped that all find the time to take part in the busy shuffle.

Change the oil in the car, rake last year's leaves, change that furnace filter, and repair, clean the screens on the house, Easter and Grand kids on the way, a time to be thankful.

Remember now coming up are our regular meetings of the York Rite, KYCH, Yooper Council not far off, Grand Lodge, the gulf outing in Gladwin, and time to make plans for the Grand Session in Bay City.

Companions, I'm sure I'll be tweaking my list a little with a trip or two to the U. P .... some camping and a little fishing. Therefore, Seniors take naps.

All in all, it's been a great month and next month should be as well. My hopes are to see many of you on the road and doing well, making plans and enjoying Masonry to its fullest.

Till then, Be safe in all you do.

Fraternally, REC, Carl J. Peterson, G.K, P.P., K.Y.C.H. Greetings Companions,

Well, April was another busy month with the Grand Captains Workshop on the 2<sup>nd</sup> in Lansing, the Grand York Rite Retreat on the 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup>. 21<sup>st</sup> I was in Port Huron for the Easter Sunrise Service, and I was in Dearborn on the 27<sup>th</sup> for the Scottish Rite Reunion for the Valley of Detroit taking part in the 13<sup>th</sup> Degree along with PMIGM Robert Troutman, PGHP Don Galway, PGHP Ritch Hitch, and other cast members. 29<sup>th</sup> at Mt Vernon Chapter for the Bronze and MSA dinner.

May will not be as busy as there is only the all Degree day for Chapter and all Order for Commandery in Traverse City and Grand Lodge on the 21<sup>st</sup> through 23<sup>rd</sup>. Mother's Day is the 12<sup>th</sup> if your mom is still around don't forget to visit or call her that day. 27<sup>th</sup> is Memorial Day, a day to remember all those that have been called to that glorious place in the Heavens.

The York Rite Golf Outing fliers have been mailed out to all the Chapters, Councils, Commanderies, and York Rite Colleges. If your York Rite Body did not receive one, it is because I do not have the right address to mail it to. If this is the case, please email me the correct address at GWhunter51@gmail. com and I will update my mailing list.

Have a safe Memorial Day Weekend. As always, God speed and God bless.

John A. Ames Grand Scribe



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Greetings Companions,

Let's try an experiment this month. It's a stretch, maybe a long stretch, but the best I can relate the following to Freemasonry has to do with the seven arts and sciences introduced to us in our Fellowcraft Degree. J

-Songwriters: John Du Prez / Eric Idle – Monty Python Hear the song on YouTube here Whenever life gets you down, Mrs. Brown,

And things seem hard or tough,

And people are stupid, obnoxious or daft,

And you feel that you've had guite eno-o-o-o-ough,

Just remember that you're standing on a planet that's evolving And revolving at 900 miles an hour. It's orbiting at 19 miles a second, so it's reckoned, The sun that is the source of all our power. Now the sun, and you and me, and all the stars that we can see, Are moving at a million miles a day, In the outer spiral arm, at 40, 000 miles an hour, Of a galaxy we call the Milky Way.

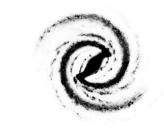
Our galaxy itself contains a hundred billion stars: It's a hundred thousand light-years side to side; It bulges in the middle sixteen thousand light-years thick, But out by us it's just three thousand light-years wide. We're thirty thousand light-years from Galactic Central Point, We go 'round every two hundred million years; And our galaxy itself is one of the millions of billions In this amazing and expanding universe.

Our universe itself keeps on expanding and expanding, In all of the directions it can whiz; As fast as it can go, at the speed of light, you know, Twelve million miles a minute and that's the fastest speed there is.

So, remember, when you're feeling very small and insecure, How amazingly unlikely is your birth; And pray that there's intelligent life somewhere out in space, 'Cause there's bugger all down here on Earth!

Plan on *Yoooooper* Council this June to be held in Marquette. Details at www.RSM-MI.org

Sincerely and Fraternally, Ryan Groat, MIGM



#### NOTE:

Gee, just think, if I were the Supreme Tall Cedar rather than the Most Illustrious Grand Master this might have been the Lumberjack Song! Remember to have fun Companions.

Ryan Groat, MIGM





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Sir Knights,

The winter months are behind us and now we can look forward to sunshine, trees, and flowers bursting with color and lawns to mow. Other than the mowing, my favorite time of year.

As we move forward in this Templar year, we realize how fast time flies. Soon August will be here, and we will be celebrating the 163<sup>rd</sup> Grand Conclave of the Grand Commandery Knights Templar of Michigan. Lady Diane and I invite you all to attend and celebrate with us as we pass on the Duties of directing this Grand Commandery into the future. We encourage each of you to make your reservations soon with the Doubletree by Hilton in Bay City Michigan. We also encourage you to make meal reservations with the Grand Session Committee early.

I wish to thank the Grand Session Committee led by Most Illustrious Past Grand Master Brian Himes for their many years of dedicated service to the York Rite Grand Session. Because of this committee, Michigan leads the way in providing a wonderful week of York Rite Unity.

A man fell to his knees and cried out, Lord I cannot go on the Cross I am carrying is too heavy. The Lord replied, my son, take your Cross into that room and set it down then go through this door and find another Cross you wish to carry. The man did as the Lord directed and went through the door and looked around the room which he saw many Crosses some very large and one small Cross laying in the corner. The man immediately went to the corner and picked up the very small Cross and said thank you Lord this one is much better. The Lord replied my son that is the Cross you just brought in. Sir Knights we all have a Cross to carry. Let us all carry the Cross we have been given with Grace and Dignity that we will be deemed worthy to receive the Crown.

Building the York Rite of Freemasonry "One Good Sir Knight at a Time"

Shawn M. Bashore, KYGCH Grand Commander





#### The Adventure of Life, Faith, Family, Fraternity and Friendship!

Well, I hope this day finds everyone well and happy within the craft and anticipating their next new adventure in Masonry. I use the word "adventure" because, for many of us who are active within the craft, there are many beginnings and endings that we experience as we travel along our way. These are good happenings and within the natural order of things. Today marks an ending for me as this was the day I had the privilege of attending the Installation of my successor to the State Presidency of the State Association of Masonic High Twelve Clubs of Michigan. What an amazing ride it was, traveling to Philadelphia last June and then to San Antonio this past January for International High Twelve Conventions. It's always a blessing to me when I get to meet and work with so many talented and dedicated Brothers, sharing with each other our hopes and fears; our challenges and our successes. I am grateful for these new friends. It gives me the opportunity to realize that I am not alone as I travel along my path; a path in which only the SAOTU knows what my final destination will be. I look forward to whatever new beginnings await me.

As I speak of gratitude, I would like to take this time to thank a host of Brothers and Companion Knights of the College for the wonderful turnout we had at the State YRSCNA Order Knight of York Ceremonial held in the Asylum of the Detroit Temple on Saturday, March 30, 2019. There has not been anything like it since around about nine or ten years ago. My thanks go out to many, such as Bros. Jack Mengel and Al McGuire who shared in our vision to host an event that garnered 69 in attendance, along with 13 new Companion Knights who begin now their own adventures to serve and be served by the YRSCNA. I also want to extend my thanks to CK Brian Himes, whose help and good counsel in planning this event was without measure. To my Deputy Grand Governors Bob Troutman, Don Galway and Lou McCray, I just want to say what an honor it was for me to work closely with you on this project. Your insights led to an event that I know added value to the YRSCNA experience in Michigan. Last, but certainly not least, my sincere gratitude to the representatives of the four York Rite bodies who attended and gave remarks during the afternoon session. They were W. Bro. Corey Curtis from Grand Lodge, MEGHP Mike Roberts from Grand Chapter, MIGM Ryan Groat from Grand Council and VEDGC Daryl Winslow representing the Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery; all who added to the "adventure" that we had embarked upon that very special Saturday.

Life, faith, family, fraternity and friendship are all the adventures that make our purpose here on earth worth being excited about as we go about doing the good things that the SAOTU would have us do. Let us begin each and every new day with vim and vigor, "for this is a day that the Lord has created for us. Let us be glad and rejoice in it!" (*Psalm 118:24*)

Ed James,

Grand Governor of Michigan, York Rite Sovereign College of North America



MEMBERSHIP DAY Invitation to attend and receive the Chapter Royal Arch Degrees and

**Commandery Orders** 



# May 11<sup>th</sup>, 2019

Sponsored by Traverse City Chapter 102 RAM and Cadillac Chapter 103 RAM And Traverse City Commandery No. 41 KT

Located at

#### Traverse City Masonic Center 13360 West Bay Shore Road Traverse City

Open at <u>8:00 am</u> for the Mark Master Degree, Past Master Degree, Most Excellent Master Degree and the Royal Arch Mason Degree. The four Royal Arch Degrees, The Mark Master Mason Degree, The Past Master Degree, The Most Excellent Master Degrees will be presented by several chapters and the Royal Arch Mason Degree will be portrayed by the Grand Chapter Officers.

Lunch after the Royal Arch degree <u>Approx. 12:30 pm</u> Lunch cost <u>**\$10.00**</u>

Acknowledgement of: The Grand High Priest Royal Arch Masons, The Most Illustrious Grand Master, Royal and Select Masons and the Right Eminent Grand Commander Knights Templar along with the presiding officer of other Masonic Bodies.

The Commandery Orders will follow the introductions. The Order of Red Cross and The Order of Malta will be done in optional form and the Order of the Temple will be done by present Grand Commandery Officers and Past Grand Commandery Officers.

#### START YOUR YORK RITE JOURNEY BY A PETITION FROM YOUR LOCAL ROYAL ARCH CHAPTER AND KNIGHTS TEMPLAR COMMANDERY.

Pre-registration by email to pnjroggow@yahoo.com by May 1, 2019.

This will include meal reservation for caterer. When sending your reservations please list all candidates and attendees.

Paul Roggow, Event coordinator E-mail: pnjroggow@yahoo.com



2019 Annual York Rite Picnic & Charity Golf Outing!



**Grand Chapter Grand Council Grand Commandery** 

## Saturday, July 20, 2019

Sprague Cottage near Gladwin

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## Sunday, July 21, 2019

Gladwin Heights Golf Course 3551 W. M-61, Gladwin, Michigan 48624 989.426.9941

Saturday, July 21<sup>st</sup> is the Annual James R. Sprague Memorial York Rite Picnic held every year since 1998 at Jody Sprague's Cabin, southeast of Gladwin. The entree for dinner will be your choice of steak or chicken with a pot-luck assortment of sides and desserts. Food will be served at approx. 3:00 pm. water, tea, and lemonade will be provided, Alcohol will be BYOB. There are several motels nearby so, plan to come early and stay late. Please call or email Don Mayville to let us know your choice of entrée. If you plan to attend and/or need directions.

Sunday, July 21<sup>st</sup> is the Annual Golf Outing. The event is a four (4) person scramble. Teams may be all men, all ladies or mixed. You may submit your team, or we will be glad to put one together for you.

Registration will begin Sunday at 8:30 AM and tee time at the 1<sup>st</sup> tee will be 10:00 AM. The course will allow a Shotgun Start (if we have enough teams to warrant it).

#### New this year we will be giving out cash prizes will be as follows:

1<sup>st</sup> Place will be 300.00 2<sup>nd</sup> Place will be 150.00 3<sup>rd</sup> Place will be 75.00

We are asking, and hoping that all York Rite Bodies (Lodges, Chapters, Councils, Commanderies and York Rite Colleges), as well as any businesses or individuals that may wish, will sponsor a hole or tee box.

All Profits will be divided equally between the Grand Chapter, Council and Commandery Charity of their choice.

Questions? Contact: Jeff Heaven 989-944-2923 weoxstan@gmail.com John Ames 586-770-2613 gwhunter51@gmail .com Don Mayville 810-8741637 indsal@att.net



# 2019 York Rite Golf Outing Sponsor & Registration Form



July 21, 2019

I/We would like to sponsor (*individually, as an organization or a business*) a hole or tee box, for only \$ 25.00, please let the sign(s) read.

Address:	<u> </u>		
City:	St:Z	ip:	
E-Mail:		Phone:	
(Registration Fee Includes 18	holes of golf, cart, c	linner and prizes)	
\$70.00 per player (\$65.00 if paid by 7/14			\$
Playing with:			<u> </u> \$
			\$
			\$
(Dinner will be served appro	x4:30 PM):	(\$25.00 each)	\$
# of hole or tee box	sponsorships at	(\$25.00 each)	\$
Enclosed please find my paym	nent (in full) of		\$

Make checks payable to Livingston Chapter #30 – marked: "YR GOLF OUTING"

on the memo line

Mail Advance Registration & Checks to:	Don Mayville 148 Belmont Ln. Whitmore Lake, MI 48189-902	
Dinner Choices – (Please include yourself)	# of Steak Dinners # of Chicken Dinners	

Please copy as needed



# **DeMolay Of Michigan**

Vince D'Aguanno, Executive Officer

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Even though the calendar says it's Spring, we are still looking forward to the weather breaking. Things have been moving along in Michigan DeMolay. Installations were fantastic this last season with the Chapters installing more officers and the sidelines were packed for all the installations. The support that everyone is showing for Michigan DeMolay is humbling and is really appreciated by the young men. We will be holding the Spring Fling/ Sweetheart Ball on May 18, 2019, at Aries Grotto. This event is in its second year and we hope that the turn-out is better than last. This year's Sweetheart has decided that all profits will go to a local pet charity, so please come out and support her and her efforts. The cost is very reasonable and any and all extra donations will be appreciated. Michigan DeMolay held State Degrees at Howell Chapter on March 30, 2019; this was the Centennial Degree for DeMolay's 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. Five (5) new members joined, they are the foundation of our next century as an organization. On April 13, 2019, Michigan DeMolay held its first Legacy Dinner. This was to promote the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary and to recognize those members who have multi-generational members in DeMolay. We have many sons of DeMolay fathers and even some three generations of DeMolay. This will become an annual event in Michigan as we head into our second century as an organization and Michigan DeMolay will also head into its own second century in 2021.

Michigan DeMolay has initiated thirteen (13) new members and the local Chapters are still planning to initiate more. Several of our Chapters have almost doubled and others have experienced a rebirth. Michigan DeMolay is gearing up to attend both Rainbows Grand Assembly and Jobs Grand Session, but the big event is the Centennial Celebration of DeMolay, to be held in Kansas City. DeMolay was founded in Kansas City in 1919 and this year's annual DeMolay session will be a week-long event. Members from different Chapters will be attending the festivities. Michigan DeMolay wishes to express thanks to the Michigan Masonic Charitable Foundation for providing some financial support to see that Michigan DeMolay could attend this once in a lifetime event. We will be posting pictures from the session in the July issue.

If any of the Companions know of any young men that would benefit from becoming a member of DeMolay please contact the State Master Councilor, any State Officer or the Executive Officer and we will make sure that someone from the local Chapter contacts the young man and his parents. Michigan DeMolay is always willing to help, in any capacity. These young men are always looking for service projects both Masonic, Community, and Charitable. If you need assistance for any projects, please call on the DeMolay.

Fraternally,

Vince D'Aguanno, Executive Officer of Michigan DeMolay Any questions about Michigan DeMolay: E-Mail: daguannov@comcast.net



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#### This Month's Michigan DeMolay Pictures



Chain of the Lakes Installation



Port Huron New Officers pose after Installation



Oldest Sr. DeMolay



Mother & Daughter



Legacy Certificate holders



The Head Table at Legacy Dinner



A shot of those who joined us at this dinner.



#### Ms. Terri Brower

Grand Guardian

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Greetings to everyone, from the desk of the Grand Guardian! My article this month revolves around one very epic event:

April 17<sup>th</sup>, 2019 was a historic day for Michigan Job's Daughters, as the Grand Guardian (me), Associate Grand Guardian John Bodnar, and our Pay It Forward Ambassador Lilian Alaine Giese, had the great honor of being welcomed to the governor's office, where we were able to obtain a proclamation recognizing April 28<sup>th</sup> as "Pay It Forward Day" in Michigan. When we started out on this journey and formed the partnership with the Pay It Forward Foundation, we knew that this program was going to cost more than Michigan Job's Daughters could afford.

We learned of the BEST Community Grant through the Michigan Masonic Charitable Foundation and decided to try for it. In our application, we vowed to be over-the-top enthusiastic, to get outside the Masonic temple walls, and to make every effort to have the governor sign this proclamation. We were a little worried about the timing, due to the elections, and only having three months to get it done with the new governor. But here we are. We did it! All thanks to a couple of crazy people who believed they could change the world, and a whole bunch of Free Masons at the Michigan Masonic Charitable Foundation, who were able to see our vision, and put their faith (and their funds) in us!

Michigan Job's Daughters has been beyond blessed by the support of the Charitable Foundation, and through this BEST Community Grant, we have been able to perform many purposeful acts of kindness all over Michigan by Paying It Forward to each other, to those in our communities, to animals, and to the planet.

Just to mention a few: we have sponsored a carnival and clothing drive for foster children in Genesee County, distributed scarves to the homeless in Grand Rapids, collected and delivered personal care items to shelters in the Detroit area, collected and donated to food pantries all around the state, adopted families over the holidays, adopted members of the military, collected and donated necessary supplies to animal shelters and Paws with a Cause.

On April 28, World Pay It Forward Day, we have a plan to clean up parks and plant flowers, and distribute kindness rocks, in our initiative we are calling "paint the state purple". Many of us will be traveling home from Marquette that day and will be assigned a section of highway to beautify. Being kind to the planet is an important piece of the Pay It Forward concept! So, we invite all of you to participate with us, in World Pay It Forward Day, on April 28<sup>th</sup>, and visit our Facebook Page "Michigan Job's Daughters" to share your story!

Our efforts and our project are gaining momentum around the state, and now we have a proclamation signed by Governor Whitmer!

And it was all made possible thanks to the support of the Michigan Masons, and we are forever thankful to all of you!

Respectfully Submitted, Terri Brower, Grand Guardian, Michigan Job's Daughters



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What an outstanding day and a photo op with the Governor of Michigan! Congratulations Job's!!!



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**INTERNATIONAL ORDER OF RAINBOW FOR GIRLS** 

#### Michigan Rainbow

Michigan Rainbow has had a few weeks of quiet as we celebrated Easter. On April 13, a group of Michigan Rainbow Girls and adults traveled across the border to The Fort Assembly #26 in Windsor, Ontario, Canada. The Assembly in Canada is a fairly new Assembly and have only 4 active girls at this moment in time. The nearest Canadian Assembly is in Toronto. They called Michigan for help as they have a new girl to initiate. So, on April 28, Michigan Rainbow is again going to Canada to help them initiate a new member and, hopefully, this is the start of their growth.

On the April 13<sup>th</sup> date, we practiced our Ritual work and then spent time getting to know each other better. First of all, as at any Masonic event we had food to eat. There were lots of snacks that we pretty well finished up. Then the adults from Windsor had all of the girls coloring Easter eggs. The Pledge Girls, who are our girls between the ages of 6 and 10 joined the big girls to color the eggs. There were lots of really pretty eggs and it was fun to watch them as some of the girls had never colored Easter eggs before. Then, they went on a scavenger hunt to find the Easter eggs which were filled with chocolate and had been hidden around the Temple. Thankfully, they came back and shared chocolate with the adults.



We are anxiously awaiting April 28<sup>th</sup> to make another journey to Canada and to help our Rainbow Sisters grow their Assembly.

Fraternally,

Maureen Riley, Supreme Inspector