

Michigan Triple Tau Official Publication of the Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons MAY 2022

Dear Companions and Everyone:

This issue of the Triple Tau has a lot of information on the up-coming events in May, June, and July. We have reports on the Youth Groups and what is going on in the future for them. I have the flyer for the Membership Day being held in Traverse City on May 7th. A flyer for June 18th is the Council's Youper Council Day in St. Ignace, Michigan. You can also print off a copy of the 24th Annual York Rite Picnic and the Charity Golf Outing being held on July 16th and 17th.

Thank you to my grand officers for getting in the articles this month. This was a good month. There wasn't one article I had to turn down. Good job everyone! I wish for all to have a great month of May. Let us remember those who fought to keep us free on Memorial Day.

Fraternally, Jane Todd, Editor of the Triple Tau





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Happy May Companions!

Greetings from a hotel room in Zeeland Michigan. April is behind us and hopefully the cold weather is too. Last month we traveled to central Indiana to attend the Grand Session for Indiana's Grand Chapter. The weather was beautiful, with freshly mowed grass, flowers in bloom, and buds on the trees. Sure, was a shock to come back to 4 inches of snow! The session went well, and we were greeted warmly, just like we were part of their family. We enjoyed the hospitality, the food, and the friends we made. Congratulations to the officers of Indiana's Grand Chapter, we wish you success in your year.

This spring sure has been a cold one, but the weather has started to break and soon we will all get our own freshly cut grass and flowers in bloom. Until then I will continue to see many of your Companions as I visit your Chapters.

Fraternally,

Jeffery A Heaven M.E.G.H.P.

Images from upper Macatawa Natural Area on the Black River, Zeeland, Michigan





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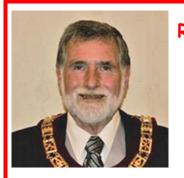
May has arrived and as per Michigan weather "April showers bring May flowers". I am writing this at the end of April and so far, it is true. May is going to be a busy month for some of us. The first weekend in May there is a "Membership Day" being held in Traverse City and there is a flyer in this publication for further information. KYCH will be held in Alma at the Doig Chapel in Pathways. Grand Lodge Session will start on the Twenty-Second of May for some and the Twenty Third and the Twenty Forth for the business meetings. Memorial Day will round out the month of May and the start of the vacation season in Michigan.

We are coming into the time of the year when our activities are going to become mixed between Masonic functions and family. How do you choose? Do you go to your grandchild's graduation or a degree day, that is the question? We cannot divide our lives in such ways to make ourselves unhappy by making the wrong choice in our minds. Our Bodies should make it easy on our members to ensure that we do not have to depend on one single member to do a specific part, but to have more than one member able to do the parts for all degrees. I for one know that it is hard for me to learn a new part in a short time (as I am not as young as I think I am) but given enough time, I can learn a new part. Helping our members learn parts is one of the major things our Bodies should do. A meeting for the most part should not take more than three-quarters of an hour if everything is organized. Three-quarters of an hour could be used for a practice run thru one of the degrees as a brush-up and to introduce a member to a different part. I believe the degrees should not be work but should be fun for the members and great for the candidates.

The last weekend in April I had the opportunity to go to Kentucky for a divisional ritual competition for DeMolay. The other advisers and I from Michigan helped judge the competition, there were one hundred and twenty-five competitors from seven states competing. The competition was for all the work of the DeMolay ritual. Each part of the ritual and ceremonies was open for the competition. The scores for some of the parts were separated by half of a point. To say that the competition was tough was a gross understatement. The young men were not only judged on the ritual but also on everything else, from floor work to attire. I am always amazed by the caliber of work that these young men do, and this was just another example of it. Next year's competition will take place in Michigan at the end of April. I shall keep you informed of the place. It is well worth spending the day to see how these young men compete.

Fraternally,

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Greetings Companions:

First, I would like to congratulate all the Chapters' newly elected and appointed officers for the upcoming year. Your leadership skills and ability to motivate others in growing your Chapter in Membership, Ritual, and Membership Retention is the goal of having an Active Chapter.

The Joint York Rite Picnic and Golf Outing are fast approaching, the Picnic will be held on July 16th, Golf outing on July 17th. We are taking orders for tee box signs and golf banners. this is a great opportunity to promote your Lodge, Chapter, Council, Commandery, Business, Yourself, or dedicate one to the memory of one no longer with us in person but who lives on with us in memory. The Tee Box and Banner Sales generate the funds we divide equally between Grand Commandery, Grand Council, and Grand Chapter for their Charities. Picnic and Golf information and registration forms are available on the (www.rammi.org) website at the bottom of the home page and included in this month's Triple Tau.

Your Protocol Committee interviews
Companions who are seeking to run for the Open
Chair in the Grand Chapter Line. They explain the
various duties and obligations that are expected of a
Grand Officer. There is still time if you are thinking
about running for office, but you should contact the
Protocol Committee soon so we can get your name
out across the State to make your intentions known
to all.

In Brotherly Love and Friendship, REC Don Mayville, Grand King

Greetings Companions:

Many of our Lodges and Chapters are experiencing diminishing resources. Lodges and Chapters must evaluate where to commit their resources to obtain their best results. A business will use the term "return on investment" or "ROI" to measure the effectiveness of its programs. They set their goals and determine how to measure the outcome of what they are doing.

In much the same way, our Lodges and Chapters need to determine the return on investment for their activities. They need to set their goals, figure out how to measure their outcomes, and determine whether they are seeing an adequate return on their investment

It is not always an easy task because some Lodges and Chapters have programs that have become sacred cows to tradition. Nevertheless, we do need to objectively evaluate our programs.

Fraternally, REC Brent A Helm, Grand Scribe





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Greetings Companions:

It's been a long winter and it's good to finally see some better weather. May has several events taking place. On May 7th in Traverse City, there will be an all-degree day for Chapter and Commandery starting at 8:00 am. On May 14th there will be a Captain Generals workshop at Pontiac #2. The workshop will start at7am to 2 pm. On May 21st KYCH will convene at the Doig Chapel in Alma. Lunch will be served at noon, with the business meeting to follow.

With my visitation to Chapters, I'm seeing more activity and it seems things are starting to get back to a more normal flow of activities there. Many are adding new members, and some of our older members that stayed away during Covid are starting to return to their Chapters. The all-degree days are helping to get new members into the Chapters, but I hope they are putting on as much of their work as possible. Encourage new and old members to take parts and learn and perform as much of their work as possible. Pride in doing good work on our degrees will do a great deal to build confidence.

Fraternally,

REC David Montgomery, Grand Principal Sojourner



Greetings Companions:

First and foremost, I hope this communication finds everyone in good health. Well, Spring is here, and Easter has come and gone. Hope it was celebrated well with all. Summer is on the way soon.

This means Grand Session in August the changing of the guard and line moving up to new positions with other tasks for officers. Our up-and-coming Grand High Priest has given his thoughts and directions on how we all must have better ways for how the Grand Chapter and its moving line can support all State Chapters.

We as officers have a lot of work to do so it becomes a reality. I will close for now until next time over and out.

Fraternally, REC STEVE J. ELIOPULOS, Grand Royal Arch Captain





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During March, Michigan DeMolay was very busy. March is always our installation season, and we are immensely proud of the five Chapters that put them on. Roseville, Clifford C. Reeves, Wayne, Port Huron, and Livingston County all had fantastic attendance from supporters and its members. Unfortunately, COVID impacted all our organizations, but DeMolay is standing strong and moving positively.

Our Chapters have been incredibly active, not only recruiting young men but also being active in their communities and fulfilling their 'Obligatory Days.'

On March 7th, Clifford C. Reeves Chapter attended the Lincoln Park City Council meeting and led the pledge of allegiance. Also, Mayor Thomas Karnes proclaimed the month of March 2022 to be "DeMolay Month" in the city of Lincoln Park, Michigan.



Clifford C. Reeves being presented and proclaimed.

Michigan DeMolay hosted a state bowling event on March 13th Proctamed. for Chapter, Assemblies, and Bethels to bring their potential new members and to have fun. We had representation from all Masonic bodies and several potential new members.

On March 21^{st,} Roseville Chapter Observed Devotional Day, a day set aside in March to learn and understand teaching from religious beliefs. The Right Worshipful Grand Chaplain Rev. Pat Thompson attended Roseville's meeting and gave a sermon about "how in the beginning God said let there be light, and there was light, and how we need to be the light of the world."

Ceremony of Light By State Master Councilor



Finishing off the month of March, Michigan DeMolay, Michigan Rainbow, and Michigan Jobs Daughters. Presented short speeches on the core values of our organizations and the lessons they teach to the Grand Chapter Order of Eastern Stars in the Michigan Southeastern County Association.

In April, we held our Michigan DeMolay Academy on April 9th. Our Advisors and Active DeMolays divided into separate training; our Advisors, where the Jurisdiction is heading, and the DeMolays receive leadership training. We had two Chapters initiate young men; Port Huron and Clifford C. Reeves. Our Chapters are growing and getting stronger.



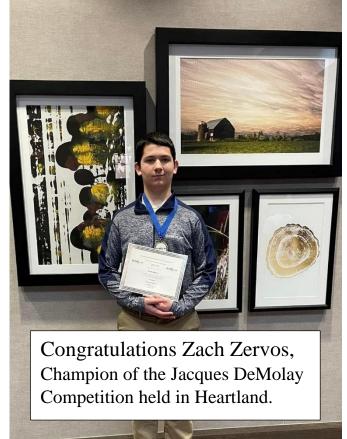
off the month with a trip to young men competed in the annual Heartland Tournament of Champions. They competed against

Michigan DeMolay finished Kentucky, where five of our Wayne Chapter Installation of Officers for the ensuing year 2022-2023. young men from 6 other

jurisdictions. One of our young men, brother Zach Z, came out as the champion of the Jacques DeMolay competition. Two other young men were runners-up and fell short by only a few points; however, they were word perfect!

We are incredibly proud of the hard work of our Chapters in all they do; it is incredible what these young men can accomplish. So, if you would like your son, grandson, a great-grandson, or any young man you know to be a part of DeMolay, don't hesitate to contact our Director of Membership 'Dad' Brandon Stewart (brandon@michigandemolay.org.)

Fraternally, Vince D'Aguarro, Executive Officer





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INTERNATIONAL ORDER OF RAINBOW FOR GIRLS

MICHIGAN RAINBOW



Michigan Rainbow has been busy during April. April 6, 2022, was our 100th birthday. We celebrated with cake and ice cream, sang "Happy Birthday", played games, and enjoyed being together. Grand Master, Larry Inscho and a number of the Grand Lodge Officers and their wives joined us for the celebration.



Highlights for that day also included the announcement of the Grand Assembly plans and activities. We have reorganized the Grand Assembly Sessions so that Installation on Saturday is finished by 6:00 p.m. This allows everyone to go home earlier than we had previously done.

The picture to the right shows the announcement of Grand Worthy Advisor Cheyenne who was chosen to serve as Acting Supreme Charity. This is a huge honor for both Cheyenne and Michigan. As you can tell from the picture, Cheyenne was totally surprised and the next picture was in sequence. shows her crying on my shoulder. She did not know in advance and was completely surprised and honored by this appointment.





On Saturday, April 23rd, we did a Proficiency Initiation. The officers for the day were those girls who completed the proficiency requirements for this year. They did a marvelous job in the stations that were not their normal position. On this day, we said goodbye to one of our Grand Officers.

Delanie has joined the Air Force and will leave for basic training at Lackland Air Force Base in San Antonio on June 14th. When Delanie was asked what her favorite Rainbow memory is she replied that it is the friendships that she has made throughout her Rainbow career. We wish her all the best in her new and exciting adventures.

Grand Assembly, June 23-25, in Alma, and Supreme Assembly, July 30-August 3, in Oklahoma City are our upcoming big events for the year. We will have an exciting summer.

Fraternally, Maureen Riley, Supreme Inspector



Michigan Job's Daughters Dream BIG 2021-2022

Briahna – Grand Bethel Honored Queen Tammy Dankenbring, PHQ – Grand Guardian Jay Giese – Associate Grand Guardian

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Michigan Job's Daughters has had a wonderful April. The Grand Bethel held an exemplification honoring their parents on April 9th in Alma. Our Supreme Bethel Honored Queen was able to attend and participated in the Lighted Cross Ceremony below. It was a beautiful sight as they used the Masonic Pathway's cross that is up for Holy week. The pictures do not do it justice.

Additionally, we were able to record a copy of the lighted cross that was shared with the residents on Palm

Sunday.





Once the exemplification was complete, we retired to the Doig Conference Center for a reception that honored the Michigan Job's Daughter members that are serving at the Supreme Level as appointed officers or committee members.

- "Jordan" Supreme Bethel Representative to Montana
- "Alison" Supreme Bethel Representative to Arizona
- Mom JoNeil Conley Supreme Chaplain
- Mom Amy Flowers Supreme "Bethel" Guardian

Stories were shared and tributes were paid to each of our honorees. Mom Diane Bloch congratulated the daughters selected to serve in the Supreme Bethel and shared a special moment or memory as to why she made the appointments. After hearing Mom JoNeil's dinner prayer and the benediction we can't wait to hear how she shares her spirit at Supreme Session in Port Huron this summer.



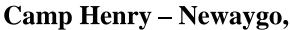
The patience of Job paid off with our "Be Your Own Hero" Leadership camp that was held at Camp Henry in Newaygo. Originally this was scheduled for September, but no overnights were allowed. So, we tried for the end of January, and the numbers in our state were spiking... so Leadership 3.0 was finally scheduled for April 22-24 ... AND... IT HAPPENED!!! Our first event with an OVERNIGHT!!! It was a little rainy for move-in, but a B. E.. A.. UTIFUL Saturday filled with education and a bit of Superhero shenanigans. Needless to say, this was the weekend the Job's Daughters needed to re-connect, re-boot, and re-direct their Bethels in a forward motion. We are thankful for the funding received to make this event possible.

















Educational topics were a bit of basic car maintenance, along with the state police coming in to discuss personal safety and awareness. The zip-line and ritual kickball were chances for the daughters to work together. You can see that all were in it to win it on the costumes. The Wonder Women were the most popular, but Thor (Dad Giese) commanded the most photo opportunities.

If you have a young lady that you know would benefit from an organization like this, please contact us or attend one of these events to find out what it is like. We would love to welcome her into our family.

Fraternally,

Tammy Dankenbring, PHQ, Grand Guardian



MEMBERSHIP DAY

Invitation to attend and

receive the

Chapter Royal Arch Degrees and Commandery Orders



May 7th, 2022

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 _7:00 am __ 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 ON YOUR OWN!

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, 2022.

When sending your reservations please list all candidates and attendees.

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





MARK YOUR CALENDER

It' YOU-PER time again... 2022

Saturday June 18, 2022

Grand Council Royal & Select Masters of Michigan
will team with the
Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of Michigan
for the following agenda in St. Ignace courtesy of
Straits Area Council # 92



11:30 <u>lunch</u>.... Assorted cold cuts, & soup, make your own sub or sandwich deserts and other refreshments: \$10.00 per

1:00 Council Degrees....

6:00 <u>Dinner</u>.... Your choice, Chicken or Beef pasty, Cole-slaw, chips & dessert W/ other refreshments: \$15.00 per

7:30 **YOU-PER COUNCIL # 125**

Rooms have been set aside at the Quality Inn in St. Ignace, Michigan. Please call to reserve a room and mention You-Per Council at (833) 937.2178!



24th Annual York Rite Picnic &

Charity Golf Outing

Saturday, July 16th

24th Annual James R. Sprague Memorial York Rite Picnic

- Sprague Cabin, 2281 Martin Rd, Beaverton, MI 48612
- Noon ??? Food will be served at approx. **3:00 pm**.
- The entree for dinner will be your choice of steak or chicken with a pot-luck assortment of sides and desserts. Water, tea, and lemonade will be provided. Alcohol will be BYOB.
- Please call or email to let us know your choice of entrée if you plan to attend.
- There are several motels nearby, so plan to come early and stay late.

Sunday, July 17th Charity Golf Outing

- Gladwin Heights Golf Course, 3551 W. M-61, Gladwin, MI 48624
- Registration will begin Sunday at 8:30 AM and a Shotgun Start at 10:00 AM.
- Registration Fee Includes golf, cart, dinner, and door prizes. \$75.00 per player (\$70.00 if paid by 7/10)
- 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.
- There will be cash prizes for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place, as well as a "Closest to the pin" hole, and a "Longest drive" hole.
- Hole sponsorships are available for \$25. Individuals, Businesses, and Masonic Organizations are welcome to show their support!
 - o There will be mystery prizes for the most hole sponsorships sold, as well as the largest donation!
 - o All Profits will be divided equally between the Grand Chapter, Grand Council, and Grand Commandery Charities.

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2022 York Rite Golf Outing Sponsor & Registration Form



July 17th, 2022

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

Number of holes sponsored	x \$25 Total Golf Sign Up	\$
Name:		
Address:		
City: State:	Zip:	_
E-Mail:		_ Phone:
(Registration Fee Includes: golf, o	cart, dinner, and door prizes) \$75	.00 per player (\$70.00 if paid by 7/10)
Playing with:		\$
		\$
		\$
Enclosed please find my payment in full of		\$
Dinner will be served approx. 4:30	PM	
Golf Outing Dinner Choices:	# of Steak Dinners	# of Chicken Dinners
*Make checks payable to Grand I	Rapids Chapter #7 "YR GOLF O	UTING" on the memo line.
Mail Advance Registration & Che	ecks to:	
Tom Black 2251 Wolfboro Dr. Kentwood, MI 49508		