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Dear Companions:

It is so wonderful to see green grass again. The trees are working hard to get leaves on their branches. My allergies are in full swing, but I still love this time of the year. The birds are busy making nests for their chicks. I love to hear the roar of thunderstorms and the flashes of lightning. A special thanks to our Grand Treasurer, Sherman Parker, Jr. and our faithful Grand Secretary, Donald Galway! Thanks for helping me on this issue of the Triple Tau!

On Palm Sunday at the Masonic Pathways Doig Chapel in Alma, Michigan, the youth groups did the church service (with the help of Pastor Steve Swem). They did a marvelous job and to top it off the Grand Commandery Officers with many other Sir Knights came to give them an escort!



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Masonic Heritage Award

By assignment of the Most Excellent Grand High Priest of Royal Arch Masons, with the gracious permission of the Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of Michigan, the Grand Chapter has launched a program called “The Masonic Heritage Medal”. This award is known as the Lewis award in other jurisdictions. The Son will receive a medal and the father a pin to wear on their jacket.

Ancient lodges perpetuated the symbolism of “Lewis” by recognizing the significance of a Mason’s son following the Masonic Direction of his father, thus becoming a “Lewis” Mason.

We have replaced that designation with our own recognition which we have chosen to call the Masonic Heritage Medal, assigning the same prestigious symbolism to our recipients as sons of Masons in early times. This award is free of charge and will be presented by a current or Past Grand Officer of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Michigan.

Recipients must meet the following outlines:

1. Both fathers and sons must be masons in good standing
2. Stepfathers and stepsons must both be masons in good standing
3. Grandfathers and Grandsons must both be masons in good standing
4. Both recipients must be present at the time of presentation
5. Must have an application filled out and turned in to the Grand Chapter

You can download your application at www.grandchaptermi.org If you have any other question please contact your Grand Chapter officer or the Grand Secretary.

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Secretary's Scribbles

May is almost over, and we begin the unofficial beginning of summer. Dig out and dry clean the White dinner jackets, locate your bib and enjoy the summer. May has been a good month for the York Rite, we have a number of new members from the Traverse City "York Rite Day" although I have not received their information from the chapters secretaries as of this writing, I am sure it is on its way so the database is correct.

Each year on Memorial Day, Americans take a pause from their busy schedules to remember those who gave their lives to protect the freedoms people enjoy daily.

Occurring on the last Monday in May, Memorial Day will be celebrated on May 27, 2019. While most people are aware the holiday honors America's military, at times, the significance of Memorial Day and Veterans Day are conflated.

Veterans Day is commemorated in November and honors all those who have served their country, including those who have passed away. However, it's primarily focused on thanking those who have served who are still alive.

Memorial Day, on the other hand, is designed to honor those service members who passed away, especially those who gave their lives in the line of duty.

In 1868, then-Commander in Chief John A. Logan of the Grand Army of the Republic proclaimed May 30 to be Decoration Day. At first, people honored only Union and Confederate soldiers. However, it was expanded after World War I to include all service members who perished in all wars. As of 2018, the United States Census Bureau [reported](#) Memorial Day honors more than one million men and women who have died in military service since the Civil War.

Decoration Day gradually became known as Memorial Day and was moved to the last Monday in May in 1968 with the passing of the Uniform Monday Holiday Act. Years after it became a holiday, then-President Lyndon Johnson declared Waterloo, New York, the "Birthplace of Memorial Day" because it began holding formal observances two years before Decoration Day was an official holiday, according to the [Library of Congress](#).

In December 2000, Congress [passed](#) and then-President Bill Clinton signed into law the National Moment of Remembrance Act. It called for people to participate in a "symbolic act of unity" and pause at 3:00 p.m. local time on Memorial Day to remember the men and women "who died in pursuit of freedom and peace."

The Civil War was the deadliest of all America's confrontations with over 500,000 people dying, [according to](#) the Department of Veterans Affairs. Since the Civil War, America has participated in seven other wars, with casualties identified as: *Spanish-American War: 2,446, *World War I: 116,516, *World War II: 405,339, *Korean War: 54,246, *Vietnam War: 90,220, *Desert Shield/Desert Storm: 1,948.

In the post-9/11-era, [Brown University](#) found from October 2001 until October 2018, 6,951 military members were killed in Afghanistan and Iraq. However, that number does not account for all military casualties in the Global War on Terror.

Each year on Memorial Day, services are held at Arlington National Cemetery in Arlington, Virginia, including a wreath-laying ceremony at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier and an observance program at the Memorial Amphitheater.

Lest we forget.

I hope you had a good holiday and remember we have a couple of golf outings coming in July along with the Grand Chapter picnic.

Fraternally, Donald



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Greetings Companions;

The Grand Officers over the past couple months have been meeting and working on the remainder and upcoming agendas and meeting times, places as to make sure we're not asking to try to be in two places at once. In the past, this has been a huge problem in communication between the York Rite bodies and we believe we have most of the calendar under control.

Your Grand bodies don't only meet but once a year as some may believe. More like 6 & 7 times a year at uncalled round table meetings and informational meetings after degree work through the State. Much travel and time are donated by each of the Grand Officers and always in the best interest of our society is at heart.

With our numbers declining as they have been, it is hoped that each of the members of the Grand Chapter (High Priests & Past High Priests) will take on the duty of retention and recruitment. Surely each one of us knows at least one Master Mason that would be a credit to the craft, work diligently and be inquisitive enough to take the degrees of a Royal Arch Mason. The time to speak to them is during the fellowship time following your regular Lodge meeting and we do emphasize that all R.A.M's make and support the lodges not only your own but visiting others is a plus.

Remember your mentors. If not for their work, you may have never become a Royal Arch Mason, in like manner you can introduce a Brother to the mysteries you so sought and now receive the benefits from. We can't leave it to our D.D.I's to communicate to the Lodges, most have their hands full year around for it's no easy work serving the Grand Chapter.

This month will be another busy month for all Masonry, and not too soon to make time for the upcoming Grand Session. At last check, there were rooms left and dinner menus and reservations forms mailed.

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Greetings Companions,

Well, May was another busy month for me, with three Chapter Installations with me as the Installing Officer. The all Chapter Degree and all Order day in Traverse City, in which 9 Companions were Exulted and 13 were knighted, long day but a good time was had by all. Mother`s Day on the 12th and KYCH on the 18th, then on to Ypsilanti on the 20th and 21st for Grand Lodge then Memorial Day on the 27th, not to mention all the Lodge, Chapter, and Commandry nights that I attended.

June will be a much lighter month as far as traveling as the 1st I will be in Lansing for that Commandry`s 150th Anniversary, two Mark Master Degrees, in St Clair and Lapeer Chapters, as well as the Royal Arch Degree in Shores Chapter. Father`s Day on the 16th, what I would not give to spend just one-day deer hunting with dad, he was called to the Celestial Lodge above 19 years ago. For those of you who have a dad still around don`t forget to call or visit your dad that day. Finally, on the 29th, Lapeer Chapter will be having a 3-degree day.

One final plug, the York Rite Golf Outing will be on the 21st of July at the Gladwin Heights Golf Course, if you have not sponsored a hole or a t-box, or you and three others want to play golf on that day with us, the flier is on the Chapter web site, rammi.org. Teams can be mixed, and you do not have to be a Mason to play in this Tournament.

Well, that is all that is fit to print for this month.

] As always, God speed and God bless.

John A. Ames Grand Scribe

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Secretary's please remember to take your Grand Secretary's (Secretary's Scribbles) to the meetings over the next few months as important information will be disclosed. It is our hope that the High Priests of the Chapters will set aside time to make some of the all degree days around the state and bring your candidates.

Fraternally,
R.E.C., Carl J. Peterson, G.K, P.P., K.Y.C.H.



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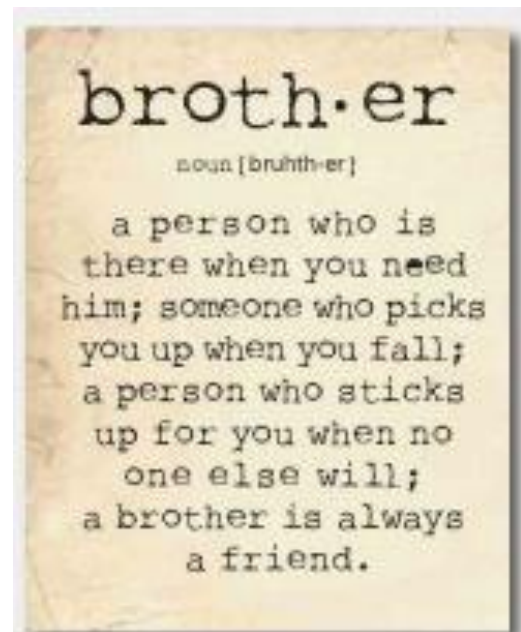
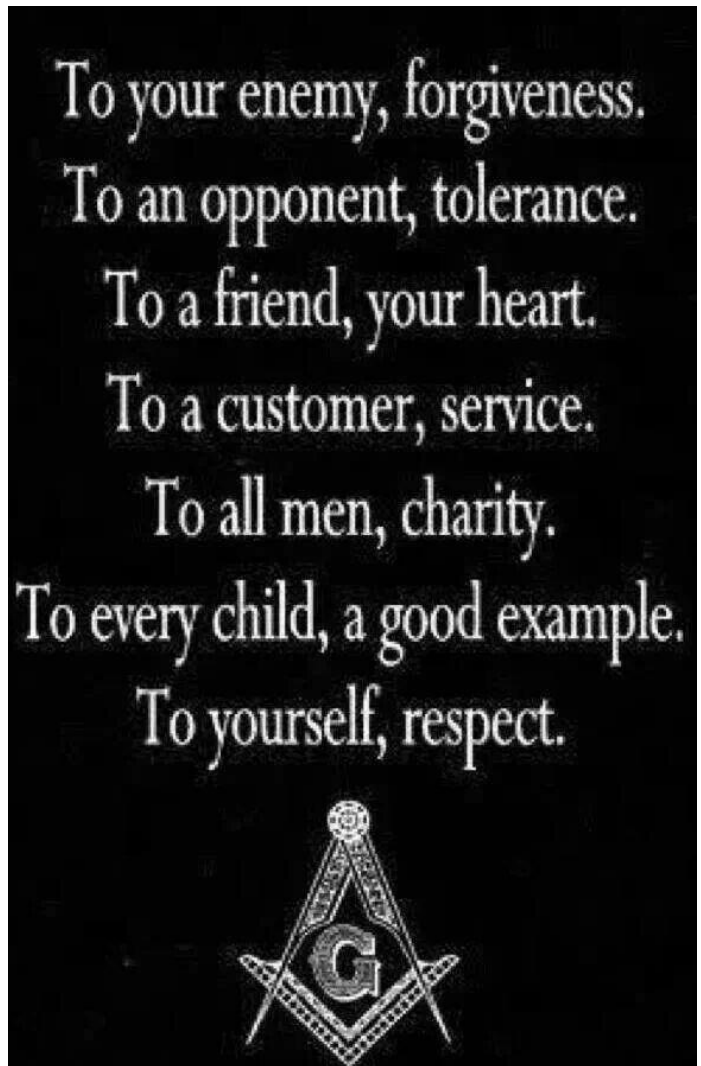
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JUNE 2019 REPORT

38 Schools of Instruction were reported to have been conducted. 79% completion rate.
37 Inspections were reported to have been conducted. 97% completion rate.
29 Masters Pins presentation reports have been received. 60% completion rate.
Total miles travelled by all District Deputy Instructors and the Executive Director as of May 15, 2019 is 12,085.

Respectfully submitted,
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One of the philanthropies of the Knights Templar is the Holy Land Pilgrimage. Each year Sir Knights provide funds to send Christian Ministers to the Holy Land on a Biblical study. There they can see and walk in the same footsteps of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. This year Sir Knights of Michigan sent six (6) Christian Ministers to the Holy Land. This is the most Ministers sent from Michigan in the history of the program which was formed Forty-one years ago, by Sir Knight Fred Leslie of Detroit Commandery.

I wish to thank Sir Knight Howard Crumit Jr. PGC, and chairman of the Holy Land Pilgrimage for his hard work and dedication and to all the Sir Knights of Michigan for their contributions that make this possible.

Let us continue to be at the forefront of this ministry in the future and continue to enhance the lives of many more Christian Ministers.

Together we can spread Gods word and help shape the future for those we leave behind.

Serving the York Rite of Freemasonry,
Shawn M. Bashore
Grand Commander

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



2019 Annual York Rite Picnic & Charity Golf Outing!



Grand Chapter Grand Council Grand Commandery

Saturday, July 20, 2019

**Sprague Cottage
near Gladwin**

&

Sunday, July 21, 2019

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

Saturday, July 21st 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 21st 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 1st 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:

1st Place will be 300.00

2nd Place will be 150.00

3rd 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.

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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:

Name: _____
 Address: _____
 City: _____ St: _____ Zip: _____
 E-Mail: _____ Phone: _____

(Registration Fee Includes 18 holes of golf, cart, dinner and prizes)

\$70.00 per player (\$65.00 if paid by 7/14.....) \$ _____

Playing with: _____ \$ _____
 _____ \$ _____
 _____ \$ _____

(Dinner will be served approx....4:30 PM): _____ (\$25.00 each) \$ _____

_____ # of hole or tee box sponsorships at (\$25.00 each) \$ _____

Enclosed please find my payment (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 48189-9025

Dinner Choices – (Please include yourself) _____ # of Steak Dinners
 _____ # of Chicken Dinners

Please copy as needed



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Michigan DeMolay

Wow, the year is moving faster and faster as DeMolay heads into the Summer season. Michigan DeMolay just completed Grand Lodge and welcomed in our new Most Worshipful Grand Master Mark Manning. Michigan DeMolay made its first contribution to the Masonic Model Student Assistance Program; this year's State Charity. The next contribution will be made at Conclave. The Spring Fling was held on May 18, 2019, at the Aries Grotto and a fun time was had by all who attended. The State Team is looking forward to Rainbow's Grand Assembly in Alma on June 20-23 and then on to DeMolay International Supreme Council Session in Kansas City, Missouri the week of June 24-29, 2019. This year is the Centennial Celebration of DeMolay and there are lots of activities planned. Members from Clifford C. Reeves Chapter will be attending along with some of their advisors as well as the State Officers. Michigan DeMolay wishes to thank the Michigan Masonic Charitable Foundation for a grant to help defray the costs for the young men to attend this once in a lifetime event.

A major shout out to Michigan DeMolay's State Sweetheart; Ms. Elisabeth; on being named the Military Child of the Year for the Army. Ms. Elisabeth is also the Masonic Youth of the year. Ms. Elisabeth defines what being a Masonic Youth is all about, she is kind, outgoing and charitable. She is always willing to help others and Michigan DeMolay could not be prouder to have her represent our Order. Grand Session for Job's is in July. Michigan DeMolay is looking forward to working closely with both groups as we head into a new year for Michigan DeMolay. Michigan DeMolay's Conclave is August 9-11 at the Grand Rapids Masonic Temple, the hotel is the Crowne Plaza Airport. Registration forms should be out soon, and we hope that everyone can attend. Michigan DeMolay continues to grow, and the hope is that we can reach 30 new members by Conclave. It is not that far from being achieved. 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 project, please call on DeMolay.

Please come out and support the young men in the Chapters nearest to you.

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This Month's Michigan DeMolay Pictures



Some nice couples enjoying the dance floor.



Great Band at the Spring Fling!



Michigan DeMolay donates to the Michigan Masonic Charitable Foundation.



Ms. Elisabeth named Military Child of the Year from the U.S. Army!
She also is the Masonic Youth of the year



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From the Editor:

Ms. Terri said on the Facebook page, “It was a beautiful day for a parade, Highland Festival, and helping our friends at Alma Lodge with the MI chip program today! Michigan Masonic youth paying it forward alongside a few special friends.”.



In photos Left to Right: Photo 1 has Elisabeth McCallum, Brandon Stewart, Holly Goodwin Whitehead-Past Grand Honor Queen (2018), and Lilian Alaine. Photo 2 has Terri Brower, Grand Guardian-Job’s Daughters, Lilian Alaine, Grand Honor Queen-Jobs Daughters, and Elisabeth McCallum-DeMolay Princess. Photo 3 has part of our Youth Groups who helped out on our busiest day! Photo 4 has the gals doing serious balloon animals.

At the Highland Festival held here, (May 24 – 26, 2019) in Alma, Michigan. The Alma Lodge No. 244 had a booth to show off what Masonry is all about. There were flyers and masonic historic artifacts display from the Michigan Masonic Museum. The curator, Greg Hughes was so pleased to have the Youth Groups with us because they brought in the crowd! Our youth group asked good questions for Curator Greg Hughes to put on his thinking cap and come up with good answers. They also helped out with the creation of many, many, balloon animals and balloon hats and other balloon items.

We had the MI Child ID program free for anyone who wanted to have an ID for their child. I was laid up with a bad ankle and couldn’t help this year. The Brothers of Alma Lodge No. 244, told me that the Job’s Daughters and DeMolay and a few others had come to help with the Child ID program! I was so glad about them being available and helping at the booth. I didn’t **nag** Terri about an article. Thanks to her and Vince, I could relax and know things were in good hands.

Fraternally,
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INTERNATIONAL ORDER OF RAINBOW FOR GIRLS

Michigan Rainbow



As we talked about last month, Michigan Rainbow on April 28th traveled to Windsor, Ontario to help them initiate one new member. What a marvelous day it was! One of Canada's traditions is that all current and Majority Rainbow Girls gather around the Altar and sing "Rainbow Dreams". The picture shows that experience with Michigan, Canada, girls, and adults all mixed up as one unified group. We look forward to the day when we go and help Canada again.



Our next big event is Grand Assembly starting on Thursday, June 20th at Masonic Pathways in Alma. It is a 4-day event with not much sleep in between the days. In fact, I have to assign adults to go around and make sure the girls stay awake. I can guarantee you that on the Friday night of Grand Assembly, we go to the Soaring Eagle Waterpark where Rainbow takes over the waterpark for a private party. They are not sleeping there, they are giggling and screaming at the top of their lungs. I don't know why they can't talk that loud in the Assembly Room while doing their Ritual work!

The formal picture of the two young women shown Samantha Brock, our current Grand Worthy Advisor, and Krissy Garrett, our next Grand Worthy Advisor (pending election). Both young women are enthusiastic about our Masonic Orders and both are also members of Eastern Star. On Friday morning at Grand Assembly, this Grand Family will be presenting the Initiation for at least one new member and we hope, for several more candidates. It is several days filled with smiles, laughter, excitement, tears, and renewing of friendships with members from the past.

You are invited to join us in Alma on June 20th through the 23rd. Please just give me a call if you would like more information. We would love to have you join us to conclude one year of service while beginning a new year.

Fraternally,
Maureen Riley, Supreme Inspector