



# *Michigan Triple Tau*

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Dear Companions and Everyone:

Our York Rite Golf Outing was a great success. Good weather and good friends to play on the greens. I hear the picnic was full of food and fellowship. If you went hungry, that was your own fault. This is the month we all go to our Grand York Rite Session in Grand Rapids, Michigan. The headquarters for the session is at the Doubletree Hotel located on 4747 28<sup>th</sup> Street, S.E., Grand Rapids, Michigan. Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of Michigan starts off on Thursday, August 18<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 a.m.

This month's newsletter was easier to put together. Except for Sister Maureen Riley who is currently in the basement of Masonic Pathways at her grand reception. Later, this day she hops on a plane headed to Oklahoma City, Oklahoma for Supreme Assembly 2022. She will be in Oklahoma until August 4<sup>th</sup> or 5<sup>th</sup>. According to Sister Sally Brock, her secretary, the time got away from her to put in an article this month. I created a flyer for the Royal Arch Outdoor Degree Day. It will take place at Reed City, on September 10<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 a.m. Bring your candidates! You still have time to register.

As I sign off this issue of the Triple Tau I want to say, "Thank you!" to all my writers and helpers who make sure I have the I's dotted and the T's crossed. I could not do this by myself without your expertise. I look forward to our new elected line officers and good luck to those who are going out. Well done and let us get ready for another year.

Fraternally,  
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Greetings Companions,

Time is a fleeting thing. At the start of this year, it felt as though I had a lot of time ahead of me to get all the things that I wanted to accomplish for my year. As it is now August I look back and wonder where it all went. My infant son is now turning 14 in a couple of weeks, and I have been married for almost 2 decades. It's crazy to think what "next week" will bring.

July brought us to the Sprague Memorial Picnic in Gladwin, MI and we had good fellowship and great food. Thank you all who brought a dish to pass and other donations. It was truly appreciated and enjoyed by all. If you have not made it to the picnic, I highly recommend that you make it next year. It is always held the day before the York Rite Golf outing.

This year's York Rite Golf outing weather was fantastic. Just enough overcast sky to keep us shaded but warm enough to really enjoy the day. I am not a golfer, but I decided to give it a shot this year. Thank you, R.E.C. Tom Black, for picking up my slack. Because of you, we came in 5th place. The \$2 prize money was a nice touch. Thank you for allowing me to donate it back.

Your Grand York Rite Session is coming up quickly and I look forward to seeing many of you at the Double Tree Hotel in Grand Rapids for this year's session. It will be nice for me to be "home" for the week. Please be sure to say hello if you see me there. I would really like to hear about your journey in the York Rite.

See you in August,

**Jeffery A Heaven**

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We are now halfway through what we call summer and I find things different as I grow older. When I was young my friends and I never complained it was too warm, we played and when we got hot, we sought a shade tree for a while, then went back to playing. The air conditioning in our cars was the sixty-four mode. Sixty miles an hour and four windows down. Drinks were Kool-Aid, Lemon-Aid, or cold water from a garden hose. We still made it to a ripe old age. Now we complain about the heat, seek air-conditioning, and drink more chemicals than you can find in a chemistry book, because the television says so. Somehow, I don't feel healthier now than when I was a kid.

July was a good month for masonry, Lodge degrees, Chapter degrees, picnics, and golf outings. Things that will bring us together for a day or in some cases a weekend. The York Rite had their picnic and golf outing this month in Gladwin, which was well attended. I know that we have more events within the state, but they are not being advertised on the multiple calendars we have on our websites and database.

August is going to be a busy month with a lot of events going on for the month. DeMolay Conclave is on Saturday the 13<sup>th</sup> at the Scottish Rite Center in Dearborn. The York Rite Session is at the Double Tree Hotel Grand Rapids the 18<sup>th</sup> thru the 20<sup>th</sup>. One of the things we are having are a couple sessions on the database to help the secretaries to store more information. One of the best ways to keep ourselves informed are the calendars, I know I have stated this before, but communication is still key to all we do, and we can never have too much communication.

I hope you have a great rest of your summer and I hope to see all of you at our annual communication.

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Greetings Companions:

This year's Joint York Rite Golf outing was a remarkable success. I give a shout out to REC Tom Black in organizing this year's outing. I also, would like to thank Companions Chris Potts and Don Murphy for their fundraising activities regarding flag sales.

The Grand Chapter Officers have just completed their travels and Degree work in Traverse City and St Ignace. I am proud to say that York Rite Unity is a reality. Members of Council, Commandery, and Chapter worked together to make these Degree days a memorable one for the new Companions, and the work performed was remarkable.

In anticipation of being elected to Grand High Priest, I would like to thank everyone on their continued support of my progress through the Grand Chapter line and the fellowship at the Grand Chapter functions. Seems like only yesterday I was the Grand Master of the First Veil.

The upcoming date to remember is September 10th, Outdoor Degree for Chapter in Reed City area. Bring those Candidates to receive the four degrees in Chapter.

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



Greetings Companions:

30 June 2022

**AUGUST 2022 TRIPLE TAU**

92 Violations of Michigan Capitular Law have been reported and recorded.

36 Schools of Instruction were reported. 82% completion rate.

26 Inspections were reported. 59% completion rate.

15 Masters Pins presentation reports have been received. 34% completion rate.

Total miles traveled by all District Deputy Instructors and the Executive Director as of June 30, 2022, is 15,589.

Respectfully submitted,  
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# DeMolay of Michigan

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July kept Michigan DeMolay incredibly busy. We kicked off the month with a trip to Michigan Jobs Daughters Grand Session, our State Master Councilor Eric Zervos brought remarks Saturday evening. On July 8<sup>th</sup> Wayne Chapter held their annual business meeting and held an induction for a new member, this will make 3 members initiated this year.



**Wayne Chapter inducting their newest member**



**Our New State Officer Team**

We finished the month off with 2 big events: first our annual Jurisdictional Officer Training and our State Picnic. At Jurisdictional Officer training, the next year's officers met to go over the next year's calendar and programs and to plan out the entire year. We are taking a different approach next year and are extremely excited to see how the new programs and events turn out. Next month we will be highlighting those programs.

Taking a step back to June, we are incredibly excited that after working extremely hard for over 6 months, Michigan DeMolay has a new Chapter! We are proud to announce the opening of the Southwest Golden Coast Chapter, it is based in Coloma, Michigan, and they are actively looking for young men and mentors to participate and be involved. If you know anyone in the area or are interested, please contact the Chapter Chairman Dad Matthew Moser [matt-lee-moser@prodigy.net](mailto:matt-lee-moser@prodigy.net).



Looking to the future, we will be hosting our annual Conclave on August 13th at the Dearborn Scottish Rite building. The schedule can be found on our Facebook page, we will be opening at 10:00 am and Installation will start at 1:30 pm. After the installation, we will be heading over to Midway Sports to have some fun on go-carts, putt-putt, and many other activities. If you would like further information, contact our Director of Registration Mom Cheryl Stewart [cstewar@michigandemolay.org](mailto:cstewar@michigandemolay.org).

We are incredibly proud of the hard work our Chapters are doing and in what they are accomplishing. It is remarkable what these young men can accomplish. If you would like your son, grandson, great-grandson, or any young man you know to be a part of DeMolay please contact our Director of Membership 'Dad' Brandon Stewart at [brandon@michigandemolay.org](mailto:brandon@michigandemolay.org).



**Members of Coloma Lodge were presented with the Chapters Letters Temporary for the new Chapter, Southwest Golden Chapter, by State Master Councilor Eric and Executive Officer GM Vince D'Aguanno.**

Fraternally,  
Vince D'Aguanno, Grand Master and Executive Officer





## Michigan Job's Daughters The Magic Within 2022-2023

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Michigan Job's Daughters was able to hold a full form "Million Dreams" Grand Session July 7-9, 2022, at the Amway Grand Plaza in Grand Rapids. The Dedication Ceremony honored the 100 years of Michigan Job's Daughters. On July 11, 1922, Bethel #1 Charlotte was Chartered. The members walked in wearing capes and crowns as they were in 1922 and those worn today in 2022.

Friday morning the Michigan Grand Bethel held their business meeting and the elections with the following results: Hannah from Bethel #10 as GBHQ, Beth from #39 as GBSP and Maya from #61 as GBJP. We are looking for wonderful things from these ladies.



The Greatest Show on Earth Awards Ceremony brought out some of the craziest and most creative costumes. And highlighted the talents of our daughters.... They were so excited to compete in Ritual, Talent, Arts & Crafts and Scrapbook. A few of the talent competitors even performed during the Friday Awards Ceremony. They were AMAZING!!!!





# *Saturday brought us the Passing of the torch....*

Saturday was all about the moving forward into the 2022-2023 service year. The town hall meetings, practices and then the main event: The Joint Installation of the Michigan Grand Guardian Council and Grand Bethel. The theme of “The Magic Within” reminds us to Live the Magic. The Phoenix symbolizes rebirth... and that is just what we want to see this coming year... a rebirth as we rise out of the ashes of Covid.



*Pictured are the 2022-2023 Grand Bethel and Grand Guardian Council and the Installation Lighted Cross Congratulations to the newly elected and appointed members of the Michigan Job's Daughters Grand Family*



- Upcoming Dates to mark on your calendars:**  
 August 20, 2022, Summer Jobie Palooza, Walled Lake  
 September 3, 2022, Grand Family Arrive in St. Ignace  
 September 4, 2022, Grand Family Day, Mackinac Island  
 September 5, 2022, Bridge Walk for HIKE, St. Ignace  
 September 19, 2022, Grand Rapids OV  
 September 24, 2022, Job's Exempt – Menominee



Please try and attend any events in your area and check on your local Bethel's activities. They love to have visitors and share what they have planned for their term.

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**Outdoor Degree 2022  
MM, PM, MEM,  
Royal Arch in Reed City!**

**Carved out of the woods on the East border of the Manistee National Forest, is the home for the Outdoor All-Chapter Degree Day.**

**Owned by a Royal Arch Mason, this 5-acre property will host the Outdoor All-Chapter Degree Day the first Saturday after Labor Day every year.**

**This year, the outdoor degree will be on September 10th, 2022.**

**Last year (2021): • 20 Chapters were represented • 71 individuals were present • 17 candidates. We can exceed that this year!!!!**

**Beginning at 10:00 A.M.**

- Mark Master • Past Master • Most Excellent Master •  
BBQ lunch**
- Royal Arch Degree • Fun, Fellowship, & Hospitality**

**“Royal Arch Outdoor Degree 2022” hats are \$10, and  
“Royal Arch Outdoor Degree 2022” red polos are \$15.**

**This IS outdoor in the woods. Normal attire for this degree will be what you would wear in the woods: hiking boots, jeans, and a red shirt. Wear what you would like; however, this may not be the place for coat, tie, & dress shoes. But please bring a chair.**

**Exit 159 on US 131. Approximately ½ mile north of 10417 220th AVE. Reed City, MI.**

**Follow the Royal Arch signs!**



Outdoor Degree Sign-Up  
(Please print legibly)



Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Shirt Size and quantity \_\_\_\_\_

Hat quantity \_\_\_\_\_

Make checks payable to “**Judy Simons**” for hats & shirts.

**Please send information BY SEPTEMBER 1st for your shirt and hat.**

Also, to ensure we have enough food.

Send information to: Tom Black 2251 Wolfboro Dr. Kentwood, MI 49508

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