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Dear Companions and Everyone:

The Christmas season is here! Even the CDC has lifted some of the restrictions from Masonic Pathways. This Wednesday is the Order of the Eastern Star Christmas program. There was no such thing last year. Decorating the Masonic Pathways is in full progress. By the end of the week, the 3 decorators will have the place decorated from top to bottom floors. You will see Christmas décor everywhere! This is a big improvement from last year. Visitations are taking place and the restrictions on where and when keep changing daily. Outside people still have some restrictions so call first if you want to visit.

In this issue of the Triple Tau, we have greetings from the line officers, our Grand High Priest, Grand Commandery, DeMolay, Job's Daughters and Rainbow for Girls. I thank all my article writers and those who submitted pictures! A big thank you goes to those of you who help me put this together. I learn something new every time I work on the Triple Tau. Stay safe and have a very Merry Christmas!

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Greetings Companions,

The snow is starting to fall and there is a crispness to the air, that only means one thing. It's darn cold out there! As some of you might recall, Winter is not my favorite season. I am a firm believer that snow is something you should visit, not something to live in. However, I still live here in Michigan because it is a beautiful state and you and I both know I would miss the snow. Well maybe only at Christmas time.

With Thanksgiving over, our house is decorated for Christmas, and we enjoy the color and cheer of the twinkling lights, and the puppy thinks it's his private disco or something. Bulbs on the tree and his own private light show are more than he can handle. Too much stuff to get into! I can only imagine what is going to happen when the gifts come out.

Merry Christmas, Happy Hanukkah, Cheerful Winter Solstice, Joyful Kwanzaa, Gleeful Boxing Day, Carefree Las Posadas, or Delighted Soila, whatever you believe or celebrate during this Winter season, it is my hope that you, your family, and your loved ones enjoy your time together and reflect back on all the joy's this past year has brought you.

Lady Sandy and I wish you a very Happy Holiday season and a peaceful and prosperous New Year.

Fraternally,
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Scribbles of The Secretary



We have made it to December. The last month of 2021 and the end of a year that has changed our lives in several ways. Saying that 2021 was different would be a gross understatement to say the least. Not good nor bad, but at the very least different. This writing leaves us with 25 days till Christmas and 31 till a new year begins. With good luck and the grace of God it will be a much better one.



December and January begin not only the holiday season but also the installation season for the Blue Lodges. All the Chapters should make an effort to attend the Lodges in their districts and present the new Master, with their Master's Pin, and thank the outgoing Master for the work he has done, and a good year he had. This is the one time you get to speak before the Lodge so make the most of it.

January will start the new year with new activities to take place. I am looking for things to put on the calendar for January and the months to follow. If I do not get the information I cannot give do and timely notice of things happening around the state. The Chapter Secretaries need to pass the information along to me, in a timely manner to have it placed.

This is the time of the year, that I get to thank everyone for all the help that you have given me throughout the year. I cannot do this job, without the help of the Secretaries of the Chapters. I am here to make things easier for the Chapters and pass along information to help all of you.

Sherry and I wish each one, a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. May good luck come your way for 2022. We hope you Enjoy the season.

Donald and Sherry





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Greetings Companions:

Thanksgiving has just passed, hope all of you had the time to spend with family and friends. On a personal note Lady Joanne and I have just returned from Houston, Texas. We had a great visit with the three Grand Children and of course their parents.

December will be a busy month for our Chapters with Lodge installations to attend and Master's pins to present. Please do your part to make the Royal Arch presence known by visiting and showing your support for the new Worshipful Masters.

December, the month we celebrate the Birth of our Savior, and end of year and the start of a new one. Companions, as we gather with family and friends to share memories of the past year events and exchange greetings and possible gifts. Let us not forget the Companions and Widows we have lost touch with, pick up the phone or better yet go visit them, bring Holiday Greetings along with brotherly love and friendship.

Let us not forget the less fortunate, especially the children. Remember this adage. It is far better to give than to receive. Reach into your heart and pocketbook and give a helping hand to those in need.

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



Greetings:

2021 is ending and with it the Lodges in this state are going to be starting a new year with a new Corp of officers. This is also the time when the Chapters of this state will be making their yearly Master Pin presentations. While we may not wear our Chapter regalia to make these presentations, we can wear our red coats with our Past Master aprons. Could there be a better way to show our Brothers that the Companions of the Chapters continue to work and support their Lodges.

Recently, I was asked if a Lodge could be assigned to a Companion's Chapter so that he could make the presentation at his Lodge. If your Chapter would like to be able to make the presentation to an additional Lodge, contact the Grand Secretary with the request.

On behalf of Myself and Nancy, we wish each of you a very happy and festive holiday season.

Fraternally,
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Greeting Brothers:

What are you prepared to do? Sean Connery asked this of Kevin Costner in the Movie “The Untouchables.” My question to you this month is the same, what are you prepared to do? The average life expectancy in the United States for a man in 2020 is 77.3 years. For those of you that have not reached that number yet, what are you going to do with the time you may have left? For those of you that have exceeded that number, what are you going to do with the gift you have been given.

Life is very precious to me since I have had it almost taken from me several times. The question of “What are you prepared to do?” is not something obtuse somewhere out in the ether, but an unfinished question of “What are you prepared to do...” as High Priest of your Chapter? As a companion of your Chapter? As a DDI? As the membership representative for your Chapter? As the Education representative for your Chapter? Myself and the rest of the grand officers are here to help in almost any way we can, as long as you have a plan on what you are prepared to do.

November and December are the months I am planning on visiting several Chapters throughout the state of Michigan to include St. Clair, Romeo, Livingston, Union, Shores, Flint Rapids, Durand, Wayne, and Sunlight. So, keep a light in the east and a watchful eye on the horizon. Happy Thanksgiving, Merry Christmas, and Happy New Year!

Fraternally,

Tom Black, COH (and Loki)

Greetings Companions,

NOVEMBER 2021 TRIPLE TAU

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

12 Schools of Instruction were reported. 27% completion rate.

0 Inspections were reported. 0% completion rate.

0 Masters Pins presentation reports have been received. 0% completion rate.

Total miles traveled by all District Deputy Instructors and the Executive Director as of October 31, 2021 is 6,614.

Respectfully submitted,

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Greetings and Merry Christmas!

“For unto us a child is born, unto us a Son is given, and the government shall be upon His shoulder: and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, the Mighty God, the Everlasting Father, the Prince of Peace.”

These are the words the Chorus sings of the 12th piece of Handel’s Messiah. It is the announcement to the world of the birth of Christ, our redeemer, our savior. In reflection, little did the people of the time know of all that he was to give; the blessings about to be bestowed, the lessons of which we would be taught. However, today we do. In this time of Christmas, we as Christian Knights must continue to be role models for society and for our children. There is much strife and division throughout the land. Let’s pledge anew our commitment to the examples and lessons that Jesus laid out for us in the holy bible. We are the embodiment of all that he asks us to be. Never forget how powerful that is and how every little act of kindness, be it a grasp of the hand, a ride for a person in need, a home cooked meal or simply a phone call or visit can have. When we do, he lives through us. What greater honor can we give?

Christmas is a time of traditions, gathering of family, exchanging gifts, and celebrating the birth of our Savior. One of my traditions is to play the first two parts of the Messiah culminating with the 44th piece: “Halleluiah! For the Lord God omnipotent reigneth. The kingdom of this world is become the kingdom of our Lord, and of his Christ: and He shall reign for ever and ever. King of Kings, and Lord of Lords, Hallelujah!” Handel wrote this Oratorio in 24 days and it’s one of the greatest musical pieces, ever! Yes, the music is masterful, but the message brings it to another level. It is the musical version of our faith.

For those who have received my pin, it is a simple cross with our motto “In Hoc Signo Wincet. In this sign you will conquer. It is a simple design but a powerful reminder of all that is possible. As you gather this Christmas and celebrate your traditions, always remember for who this day truly belongs. Give thanks to him who created us in his image, gave his only son and who took away our sins so we could live forever in the house of the Lord. “And he shall reign for ever and ever.” And we shall reign for ever and ever because of him.

From my house to yours, from my family to yours, blessings to each of you. May you be filled with his spirit today and always.

Merry Christmas, Peace and Good Will to all and God Bless,

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Michigan DeMolay has continued its track of reinvigorating our membership and hosting events. On August 14, we held our annual Conclave and live streamed the event to Facebook where we reached over 600 people which included people from Ohio and Italy. This was one of the largest and most successful Conclaves we have had in years, with 130 attendees. We held our annual business meeting, and the State Officers did an excellent job conducting elections and reporting on the last year. The Active DeMolays of Michigan DeMolay elected brother Eric as the 97th State Master Councilor.

After his installation, brother Eric unveiled the 2021-2022 “Solidarity” term. His goal is to work with the Chapters around Michigan and the other Masonic Organizations in the common interest of growing our respective organizations.

There were many presentations and honors bestowed. Dad Jeff Stewart was presented with the Scottish Rite Youth Advisor of the Year, the Michigan DeMolay Foundation presented \$8,000 in scholarships and Mom Tara McCallum was awarded the Advisor of the year. The Medal of Appreciation was presented to Mom Tara McCallum and Maureen Riley, the Supreme Inspector for the International Order of Rainbows for Girls in Michigan. New member of the International Supreme Council received collars. Dad Danny Myers, PSMC and Dad Jeff Stewart became Deputy members. Gary Lukovich, PIMC and Craig Maison, PMWGM became Honorary members.



Youth Group Updates

With Tammy Dankenbring, Grand Guardian

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Michigan Job's Daughters Dream BIG



To those we love and see each day and other loved ones far away, to all good friends who mean so much and those with whom we're out of touch... Wishing you every happiness this holiday season and throughout the coming year.

Michigan Job's Daughters is looking forward to celebrating this holiday season and re-opening our gates for the New Year. Here are a few dates that are on our Grand Bethel Calendar, and we would love to see you in attendance at one or all of these events.

- January 28 - 30, 2022** Leadership Weekend, Camp Henry in Newaygo
- February 5, 2022** Grand Bethel Exemplification, Honoring the Masons in Mt. Morris
- March 12, 2022** Multi-State, Honoring Mother Mick in Bay City
- April 9, 2022** Grand Bethel Exemplification, Honoring the OES in Alma
- April 10, 2022** Palm Sunday at Pathways (Pending their allowing visitors)
- May 14, 2022** Grand Bethel Exemplification, Grand Team Honoring (GBHQ Reception) in Grand Rapids
- July 7-9, 2022** Grand Session – Last Year in Grand Rapids

Another one of the greatest joys of this season is to say THANK YOU. So let us take this opportunity to do just that; We THANK YOU for the love and support extended to the Michigan Job's Daughters by each of our Masonic Family organizations and members and once again wish you the very best for this coming year.

Fraternally,
Tammy Dankenbring, CMP

Pictured right (Left to Right):
Briahna – G. H. Bethel Queen
Hannah – G. H. Senior Princess
Beth – G. H. Junior Princess





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INTERNATIONAL ORDER OF RAINBOW FOR GIRLS



Michigan Rainbow continues our “Adventures Through the Looking Glass”. At our first reception in 2020, we initiated 1 new Rainbow sister. Stephanie’s smile and enthusiasm made all of us smile. We were fortunate to have RW Junior Grand Warden, Leonard Davis and his wife, Anita, as our guests and they saw a beautifully presented Initiation Degree. Every Mason is heartily welcome at any of our Assemblies or at our state level events.

January was the month for Installations. Pictured is Phoenix Assembly as the girls assumed their new stations with Aubrey being installed as Worthy Advisor. The next round of Installations will be in July, and they are always good as we don’t have to worry about snowstorms. Installation dates will be posted on Michigan Rainbow’s Facebook page. Please come and join us in July.

Our statewide service day will be on February 22 at Berkley. This day we are making centerpieces for the residents at Masonic Pathways to use both on Memorial Day and the 4th of July. Go Red, White, and Blue! Then we go to Grand Assembly at Masonic Pathways in June, the girls always take a little time to go and visit with the residents. We make a small gift for each one of them and the girls can share them with the residents at the visit. Also on our project list are fleece blankets that we can also give to the residents.



March 7 will find us at the Howell Masonic Center for our annual Leadership Seminar. This year during the morning session, our keynote speakers will be discussing human trafficking. This is a very serious subject within the state of Michigan and throughout the country. We are doing everything we can to keep all our youth safe. After our macaroni and cheese bar lunch, we will be discussion dress code, department, rules, and regulations.



March 21 is Grand Assembly Announcement Day and a celebration of our Team 1 girls. All plans for our 92nd “Adventures Through the Looking Glass” Grand Assembly are confidential and a surprise until this meeting. Following the degree work, many of the plans and surprises are shared with everyone. Special assignments for Grand Assembly are distributed on this day. Everyone is excited and it is a wonderful day especially for our Grand Worthy Advisor, Krissy. After the holidays and the completion of the annual paperwork, Michigan Rainbow is once again on the move. Please check us out on Michigan Rainbow on Facebook or our website at Michiganrainbowgirls.org. Please come and join us at any or all these events.

Fraternally,
Maureen Riley, Supreme Inspector