

Rainbow Chronicles

Montana Grand Assembly Newsletter
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Hello everyone!

I'm ecstatic to be writing this. I just got back from splashing around at Grand Assembly, with our amazing Jr. Past Grand Worthy Advisor Sister Tawney. This year's Grand was such a blast, with the beautiful sea life, amazing flip flops and all of the beach fun!

As our time now shifts from the ocean beaches and the beautiful songs of mermaids to the stage of the theater:

This year in Rainbow, I'm excited to connect with all of the local Assemblies here in Montana and see the effort and dedication that our Montana Rainbow Girls are putting into

each assembly.

This year our theme is "Putting a Spotlight on Service With Rainbow", to me this theme is encouraging and recognizing our Rainbow families for building up and supporting their communities through service. I have a plan to help build interest in Rainbow across Montana and I'm excited to travel and visit each Assembly.

Speaking of visiting, this summer I got the amazing opportunity to speak at Montana's Grand Communication and Grand Chapter and may the stars shine and sparkle because they were just marvelous! I also got the chance to travel with some of our Rainbow Girls to a place out of this world for Washington/Idaho's Grand Assembly. Our Grand Representative to Washington/Idaho, Dani, and myself did a speech together.

Next, we headed to the Supreme Assembly in Hampton, VA. It. Was. Heeltastic!!!! All of the beautiful floor work done by the Acting Supreme Officers, Grand Cross of Color Team and Pages (JPGWA Tawney was amazing)! The ritual competitions, the Supreme Choir and Cavalcade of flags were fancy and fabulous.



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Finally, to end the summer I attended Order of Eastern Star Electa Chapter #7's installation where our State Mother Advisor, Mrs. Crystal Sampson was installed as Worthy Matron and our State Dad, Mr. Chris was installed as Worthy Patron.

This year I have chosen the Shrine Hospital in Spokane for our State Service Project. The Shrine Hospital provides 1st rate care regardless of a family's insurance status or ability to pay.



I am looking forward to working closely with my Rainbow Sisters and Masonic Family, and I can't wait to see the spotlight you all shine on service this year in Montana.

Signing out,

GWA Mikal 2024-25

"Now is the time to seize the day, stare down the odds and seize the day, once we've begun If we stand as one, someday becomes somehow, and a prayer becomes a vow" -Newsies



Miss Montana Rainbow Service 2024-2025



Greetings from Miss Montana Rainbow Service. I had the honor of going to Washington/Idaho's Grand Assembly in Yakima. I wore my Miss Montana Rainbow Service sash.

Never forget, to always serve your community and be kind to everyone. Treat everyone with kindness.

In Rainbow Love,

Caitlin



A Word from Mama Huston

Summer has flown by and here we are, back to school, regular meetings and a new Rainbow year.

Rainbow had a busy summer. We had girls at vender tables at Grand Lodge and Grand Chapter, attended Supreme Assembly in Hampton, VA and several of our Assemblies were busy with summer time fundraisers at community events. All of these events were great ways to make our organization visible to the public and our sponsoring orders.



The Masonic Youth Convention/Fall fling will be held in Billings this year. The dates will be October 18-20, but other than that there are no details available at this time. We will be having initiation along with our other activities. As soon as we know details and schedules, they will be passed on to the Mother Advisors to share with you. For now, save the date!

I'm looking forward to seeing all of you again at Fall Fling and hearing about your summer activities.

Rainbow hugs,

Mama Huston



To our own GWA Mikal for placing 2nd in the intermediate Ritual Competition at Supreme Assembly!

Mikal gave the Chaplain Initiation prayer and the Rose Lecture, both with floor work.



MT State Mother Advisor Message

Rainbow Greetings,



I hope that you all have had a wonderful and fun-packed summer. I know I sure did. Congratulations to Tawny on a wonderful Making Waves with Rainbow, Grand Assembly and to Mikal on a beautiful installation. I know you will have a wonderful year.

Fall is here and Rainbow meetings have started again. I would like to challenge every one of you to find a friend, cousin, classmate, niece, granddaughter, or neighbor to invite to an upcoming service project or fun event. The more we can spread the word about Rainbow and give girls a chance to experience what we do, the easier it will be to grow our assemblies.

Fall Fling is approaching October 19-20 and I'm excited to see everyone there. This is a great event to invite friends for some fun and friendship. We will have an initiation and have some fun at the Masonic Youth Convention.



“A sweater is like life, you get nothing out of it that you don't put into it!” – Marilyn Monroe

In Rainbow Love and Service
Ms. Crystal SMA

MT State Rainbow Dad

Hello Rainbow!!

That's right, I am back for another fun filled year, with my favorite people. The International Order of the Rainbow for Girls! I am truly honored to get to be the State Rainbow Dad for a second time and this time I get to help represent Mikal and all the wonderful Rainbow Girls. I know after that amazing Grand Assembly in Billings I was ready to go out and do all I could to help represent IORG.



While attending Grand Lodge in Helena I told everyone I could about our amazing youth groups and how hard working and dedicated you all are. The photo booth was a blast and I think as long as you Rainbow Girls keep showing up with your stupendous booth year after year, you all can forge a lasting bond with many of the Masons out there. The youth groups are the future of the Masonic community. Can't wait to see you all soon!

Always, your State Rainbow Dad,

Mr. Chris

MASONIC YOUTH CONVENTION

WHEN: October 18-20,2024 **WHERE:** Billings

LOOK FOR MORE DETAILS & INFORMATION IN THE NEAR FUTURE

**In conjunction with Montana Rainbow Fall Fling
Initiation to be held on Saturday.**



Jr. Executive Committee 24-25



Happy September! Hope you all have had a wonderful Summer!

The JEC members are hard at work creating a new Montana Rainbow flyer with new information. Your JEC members would love to hear from all of you on any ideas or suggestions to add our new state flyer so reach out with any information you would like to see added.

In Rainbow Love,
Jennifer Chabotte and Jessica Griffith
Jr. Executive Committee Liaison



Grand Representatives



With school & fall activities in full swing, now is the time to reach out to your Grand Representative Sisters. Send a card & tell her about what you and/or your assembly has been doing!

I look forward to hearing what you have learned so far from your counterpart at Fall Fling in Billings.

We have received commissions from these Jurisdictions: OHIO, MISSISSIPPI, SOUTH CAROLINA. If you or your assembly would like to correspond with any of these Jurisdictions, please let me know & the contact information will be sent to you.

*If you have any questions, please feel free to call or email me.
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GRAND ASSEMBLY 2024



Congratulations to GWA Tawny and her officers on a successful Grand Assembly!



GWA Tawny opened sessions on Friday.

After flag tributes, Grand Representatives gave their reports. One report included a song & dance.



Congratulations to Caitlin, Great Falls Faith Assembly Selected as Miss Montana Rainbow Service for 2024-2025



GRAND ASSEMBLY



During Saturday morning session, Julia, Kora, & Nola were initiated.

Welcome to Montana Rainbow!

Girls enjoyed Saturday afternoon at the Billings Zoo.



Tawny and Jocelyn received their majority on Sunday.



Congratulations to GWA Mikal and her 2024-2025 officers.

SUPREME ASSEMBLY



Montana Delegation at Supreme Assembly in Hampton, Virginia.



PGWA Tawny, Supreme Page & Flag Bearer.



PGWAs Tawny & Hailey were introduced in the East



GWA Mikal, & Cavalcade of Flags, introduced in the East.

Montana delegation enjoyed a trip to the aquarium after Supreme Sessions.



GWA Mikal met Supreme Liaison from New Mexico & received her Grand Representative commission.



HAMILTON ASSEMBLY #2

Our Assembly has had a very busy working summer!

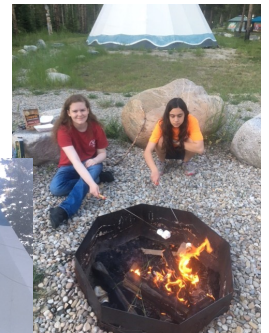


Right after Grand, we set up at a concessions at the Missoula Equestrian Park. It was a cold, rainy day.

Then we set up near Woodside to provide hot dogs during the 50-mile yard sale. GWAA Dani helped out on one of the days.



To celebrate Founder's Day in July, we helped with projects at the Moon Eagle River Ranch. We worked on weeding the Honor Garden, then made road signs for the Mountain Muster. Girls enjoyed smores around the campfire then spent the night in the teepee.



Winter enjoyed her trip to WA/ID Grand Assembly in Yakima, WA. She met her Grand Rep counterpart and had a fun time with her MT Rainbow sisters.

August found the girls hard at work doing concessions for a cutting horse show at the Never Sweat Ranch. The girls also worked hard at the annual Celtic Games selling 'Scotty Dogs'.



Lucy attended the installation of Sentinel Lodge 155, Shane Sterner Worshipful Master.

Lucy also joined Garden City Rainbow Girls at the installation of Worthy Matron Crystal Sampson & Worthy Patron Chris Chaussee.



GREAT FALLS FAITH ASSEMBLY #3

Happy September everyone!

Are you back into the swing of things? After our Grand Assembly Caitlin traveled to WA/ID Grand with part of our group. When I picked Caitlin up she had been having a good time.



See you soon!

Rainbow Love from Great Falls



BILLINGS JEWEL ASSEMBLY #24

Happy Fall Rainbow Family! It has been a very busy summer full of Rainbow activities and family trips. Billings Jewel Assembly had a wonderful time hosting Montana Grand Assembly in June. Miss Tawny led a wonderful Make Waves with Rainbow Session and we initiated 3 new sisters. Welcome Julia, Nola, and Kora.



Then it seemed like we blinked and it was July. Jocelyn, Nola, and Ms. Annedria attended MT Grand Chapter in

Butte. The girls were able to participate in the Flag presentations. Other highlights were helping with the Cinderella Closet and visiting with the Jobs Daughters.



Mama Irene, June, Julia, Tawny, Mr. Ivan, and Mrs. Jeanette traveled to Virginia for Supreme Assembly. Tawny and June participated in the Session, The rest of us cheered them and the other MT Girls on. The girls favorite parts were the amazing talents shared by Rainbow Girls from around the world, The Cavalcade of Flags and Swaps. Also June was able to meet her Grand Representative counterpart, as she is a member of the Hampton Assembly. The Montana Delegation went to the Virginia Beach Aquarium the day after Supreme Session concluded, and we were caught in a downpour. We could not have gotten wetter if we were swimming in the tanks with the fish. We came home exhausted but energized to share Rainbow with other girls.

Last week we were able to deliver the checks from MT Grand Assembly to the Ronald McDonald House and then went out to ice cream. We even had a prospective new Rainbow girl attend! We are very excited to see what exciting adventures the year holds.



GARDEN CITY ASSEMBLY #55

Greetings from Garden City Assembly #55!

This has been such an exciting and busy summer for our girls with lots of fun traveling and of course our yearly corn booth fundraiser.



We started off the summer with a bang traveling to WA/ID Grand Assembly. Mikal and Dani gave remarks at Grand congratulating GWA Malyia on a successful term. We had a blast watching grand, going to Dutch Bros, and meeting girls from WA/ID. At the end of WA/ID we got to watch the installation of the new Grand Worthy Advisor Annalise and meet the new Grand Representative of Montana.



We had a quick turn around from WA/ID though, just a few days after we got back Mikal and Dani were off to Grand Chapter where Dani gave the Rainbow flag tribute and Mikal gave remarks.



That same night we drove back to Missoula to head to Supreme. The trip to Supreme was definitely challenging after



GARDEN CITY ASSEMBLY #55

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I canceled flight, a 14 hour layover in North Carolina that then turned into an overnight stay as our plane got delayed till the next morning we finally landed in Virginia and made it to Supreme.



While the traveling to and from Supreme was definitely an adventure, it was so worth it for the amazing experiences we had meeting girls from all over, exchanging swapiers, watching the Acting Supreme Officers perform amazing ceremonies, and watching Mikal in the Cavalcade of Flags.

After Supreme ended we had our Montana fun day in Virginia where we went to an aquarium and got completely drenched in rain trying to walk to the different exhibits along with going on a ghost tour in Colonial Williamsburg. The next day everyone started to head home



but our flight didn't leave until later that evening and gave us the opportunity to sneak off to Busch Gardens where we went on some pretty incredible roller coasters and had so much fun on our last day in Virginia.



After such a busy month we were very grateful for the downtime we had to sit and relax before our annual corn booth at the Missoula fair. This is our biggest fundraising event of the year and one of the most fun for the girls. We had lots of fun selling corn, pickles, and sausages at the fair and talking to people about what Rainbow is. This fundraiser is an amazing chance to not only branch out into the community but also work closely with our pledges, something that is always such a blessing. As of now school has started and our girls are busy again but we are so grateful for the amazing summer we had filled with so many fun Rainbow memories.

In Rainbow love,

Dani, for Garden City Assembly #55.

