



# Rainbow Chronicles

Montana Grand Assembly Newsletter

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Heyo Rainbow Clan!

It's a busy season in all of our lives, especially with school starting up again! Like all of you, I've been busy with schoolwork and figuring out my new routines, but I want to remind you to serve throughout your day. Mark 10:45 says "For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give His life a ransom for many." This verse is talking about how Jesus Christ, the one most deserving of being served, gave service to us. Therefore, we also need to live every day serving and loving others. Even the smallest acts of service can go a long way to help someone, especially in this time of great distress. Now, more than ever, the elderly population is in need and we have the opportunity to be able to serve them through our Grand Service Project. Many of the elderly are feeling isolated because they can't get out to see people. One way to serve them is by sending cards and perhaps getting pen pals. Another way you can serve is by making and mailing crafts or decorations to people in your community. There are so many different ways to serve without physical contact and I can't wait to see what you all come up with! I'll be praying for you in your service!

*GWA Kennidi*



Hello Montana Rainbow!

It is going to be a great year of service. I am looking forward to helping come up with new ideas for service. Although COVID-19 makes it hard to interact with the community, there are still so many things you can do. Some things you can do are donating masks to your local senior residential care facilities or raising money/canned food to donate to the local food banks. There are so many options to explore! I look forward to hearing all the new brilliant ideas that everyone comes up with. I hope that school is going well whether it be online or in person. I can't wait to see everyone!



In Rainbow Love and Service, MMRS Trinity

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## A Word from Mama Huston

September is here and we are into a new Grand Assembly year. Even though we were not able to meet in person this summer, it was a busy summer of Rainbow events. The restrictions of the pandemic provided the opportunity of a virtual Supreme Assembly and a virtual Grand Assembly. Many who may have not been able to attend under normal conditions were able to “attend” by logging in to the sessions.



This mode of gathering for events is likely to continue a while longer as we continue to take COVID precautions. I hope that your local Assemblies are planning events that can be done virtually so we can all remain in contact with each other. Supreme Assembly has allowed the use of an Obligation only initiation so we need not wait for physical meetings to initiate our new members. Continue to invite your friends to join and benefit from our amazing organization.

Fall fling is being planned. The details will be coming soon so watch for communications from your Mother Advisors. At this time, it is not certain if it will be a traditional on site fling, a virtual fling or a combination event. One thing I have learned this summer is that plans made during the COVID-19 pandemic are definitely subject to change. We will definitely have a fling in some version so mark the weekend of October 17-18 to spend some time with your Rainbow sisters.

Stay safe and well. Be kind to each other and stay in touch with each other. Until we meet again.

Rainbow Hugs,

Mama Huston



## State M.A. Message

While it's hard to say goodbye to summer with its warmth and fun, there is still a lot to love about fall. With autumn comes the changing of the leaves, crisp breezes, Halloween and the first Rainbow meetings of the Grand year.

Preparations for Fall Fling are underway and I would encourage each assembly to make a special effort to stay in touch with each other. Use virtual tools to share service projects, fun activities and stories, the more we reach out to each other the stronger Rainbow will be.

I'm still waiting on a few grand packets, so if you have not done so already please return them to your Mother Advisor ASAP.

“I'm so glad that I live in a world where there are Octobers” ~ Anne of Green Gables



In Rainbow Love and Service, State MA Crystal Sampson

## State Rainbow Dad

I am “lucky” to be chosen as your State Rainbow Dad.

To be in a position to meet with and learn from the young ladies of the International Order of Rainbow for Girls is special for me. To observe the “pledges”, the new initiates and the seasoned members of the Order leaves me excited for the potential that each young lady exhibits. I look forward to meeting many of you over this year.



Tom Lund, State Rainbow Dad!



## Jr. Executive Committee 20-21

Greetings from the JEC!

Our year is just beginning. We are excited for the new year and to see what GWA Kennidi has in store for us. We will soon be voting on names of our traveling mascots so please stay tuned. Looking

forward to seeing all of you in person or virtually! Stay safe and healthy!

In Rainbow Love,

Jennifer Chabotte, Jr. Executive Committee Liaison



## Name the Mascots

Contact the JEC member from your Assembly with your suggestions for names for the Owl and Hedgehog mascots. We will accept a name suggestion for each mascot from each Assembly. The vote for the final name choice will be taken at Fall Fling



## 2020 Lecture Competitions

Grand Assembly will be holding a Lecture competition the Rose Lecture and the Dad Lecture. Winners will present these lectures following State wide initiations at future initiations. The competition will take place within the next month and will be done virtually. Copies of these lectures are available from your Mother Advisors and are also included in this newsletter. If you are interested in competing, please email Mama Huston at [chuston45@aol.com](mailto:chuston45@aol.com). Details of the competition will be sent to you directly.

### ROSE LECTURE

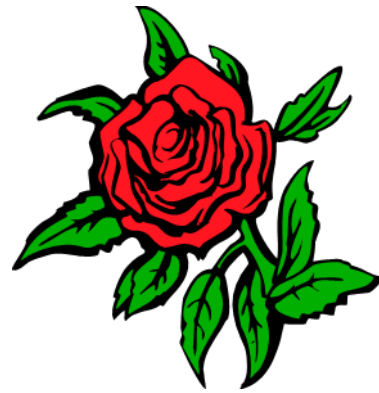
My sister(s), I extend to you a hearty welcome into our Assembly. Rainbow teaches duty fourfold: duty to God, to country, to parents and to each other. It also teaches harmony and friendship. The Rainbow grasp of friendship goes beyond the doors of the Assembly Room, across the vast lands of the United States and across the expanse of the oceans to other girls in every other part of the world. You are now a link of this great undying chain of friendship. Ever remember, a chain is only as strong as its weakest link.

And now I would like to share with you a short verse entitled: "My Hand in God's"

Each morning when I wake to say,  
 "I place my hand in God's today.  
 I know He'll walk close by my side,  
 My every wandering step to guide.  
 He leads me with the tenderest care,  
 When paths are dark and I despair.

No need for me to understand,  
 If I but hold fast to His hand.  
 My hand in His, no greater way,  
 To go in safety though each day.

By His great bounty I am fed,  
 Warmed by His love and comforted.  
 When at days end I seek my rest,  
 And realize how much I am blessed.  
 My thanks pour out to Him and then,  
 I place my hand in God's again."



Tonight, as you knelt at the White Altar of Holy Promise, you pledged your life to Love and Service. You held the hand of God. So now each morning when you awake and look upon the pages of your open Bible, remember that you once held the hand of God. And then again, place your hand in His, and look forward to a new day with renewed courage and faith.

*(The speaker places a small rose in each new member's hand.)*

On this occasion, I have placed in your hand a rose. This small red rose of Rainbow symbolizes a girl's love and devotion for her mother, who, through sacrifice and prayer, made this day possible for you to enjoy. So, tonight when you tell your mother, or someone who has taken her place, about this ceremony, give her your rose, and when you kiss her goodnight, remind her that you love her.

*(The speaker, who is giving the speech, now enters the Altar area from Hope's station, places the additional roses on the altar.)*

And now, in the memory of every girl's mother, and those who have passed into the golden city beyond. I place these remaining roses upon the Altar and bid you welcome into our Assembly with the hope that the words of Love and Service will guide you through a happy and successful life.

## Dad's Talk

Tonight, you have been witness to many lessons, but one of the most important is the love and respect Rainbow girls have for their parents. While as teenagers, Rainbow takes us on a journey of stations to reach the mythical Pot of Gold at the end of the Rainbow, as parents, your children are the Pot of Gold at the end of their Rainbow.

Just a few minutes ago, we talked about our love and devotion for our mothers, whose prayers and sacrifices made this day possible. We'd now like to talk to our dads.

As Rainbow girls, we'd like you to be proud of us, just as we are proud of you. You may not know much about Rainbow yet but it will be special to you because it is special to us.

Dads want the best for their daughters. One of the best expressions of this is from the song "I Hope You Dance." It says in part:

*I hope you never lose your sense of wonder,  
 You get your fill to eat but always keep that hunger,  
 May you never take one single breath for granted.  
 I hope you dance.  
 I hope you still feel small when you stan beside the ocean.  
 Whenever one door closes I hope one more opens.  
 Promise me you'll give faith a fighting chance.  
 I hope you will dance.*

Today I present you with the Rainbow Dad pin. Wear it with pride as a reminder of the seven mileposts in your daughter's journey to the end of the Rainbow and of your commitment to help guide and protect her on her journey. Take some time each day to share with your daughter. Offer to attend Rainbow meetings; it is in these moments that you will have the chance to watch her grow in service and leadership on her path to true womanhood. Attend often, for this journey, like all others, has an end and once travelled may never truly be retraced.





## Supreme Centennial Proficiency/Membership Program

Supreme is implementing a Proficiency/Membership program over the next two years. There are four levels to the program. The completion of each level will earn the participant a ribbon and completing the fourth level will earn a special pin. The levels must be completed in order and one can not continue to the next level until the previous level is completed. There are over 100 proficiency questions to choose from.



☞ The first level requires completion of 10 questions,

☞ The second requires 15 new questions,

☞ The third level requires 20

☞ The fourth level requires 20.

Participation in level 1 begins August 1 and runs until December 1.

Each Mother Advisor will have a copy of the questions so contact her to get started.

**Congratulations to the newly appointed  
Grand Representatives.**

**2021**

Commissions are starting to arrive! They will be forwarded to you as soon as they arrive!

**2020-2021 Grand Representative Appointments**

Ashlyn G. - Texas

Clara L. - Louisiana

Dani R. - WA/ID

Hailey C. - Bolivia

Kensey A. - North Dakota

Mikal C. - CA

Tawny W. - Arizona

Trinity M. - Nevada



**Grand Representative Regions!** *(NOTE: This is a corrected list)*

The **Red** Region is assigned to **Bozeman Assembly #21**. The jurisdictions are Alaska, Nebraska, Australia, Kansas, Oklahoma, and Maryland.

The **Orange** Region is assigned to **Billings Jewel #24**. The jurisdictions are Illinois, Iowa, Missouri, Ohio, Arkansas.

The **Yellow** Region is assigned to **Garden City Assembly #55**. The jurisdictions are Canada, Michigan, Connecticut, New York, Vermont, Colorado.

The **Green** Region is assigned to **Hamilton Assembly #2**. The Jurisdictions are Maine, New Hampshire, Massachusetts, Ohio, New Mexico, Indiana.

The **Blue** Region is assigned to **Hardin Assembly #33**. The jurisdictions are New Jersey, North Carolina, South Carolina, Aruba, West Virginia and Virginia.

The **Indigo** Region is assigned to **Great Falls Faith Assembly #3**. The jurisdictions are Georgia, Rhode Island, Alabama, Florida, Kentucky, Brazil.

The **Violet** Region is assigned to **Helena Assembly #7** The jurisdictions are Tennessee, Philippines, Mississippi, Pennsylvania, Oregon.



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## HAMILTON ASSEMBLY #2

Congratulations to all the 2020-2021 Grand Officers and Grand Representatives!



September is back to school time! It's also time for getting together with your Rainbow sisters and planning for activities and service projects. How can we help people in our communities during these challenging times?

Stay healthy and positive!



## GREAT FALLS FAITH ASSEMBLY #3

Hello!

We are to initiate 3 girls on Sept 26th. Jordan Romanchuk will be officiating.

Caitlin is very excited to have more girls!

Caitlin is extremely happy to be Grand Nature! She squealed, when her name was announced at Virtual Grand Assembly.

Have a great September everyone!

Wendy White, MA GF Faith #3



## HELENA ASSEMBLY #7



Congratulations to the 2020-2021 Grand Officers. We hope everyone had a good summer in spite of "everything." It was great to see Montana Grand Assembly so well represented during the virtual Supreme Assembly session. We're looking forward to getting back to a meeting schedule and we hope to see you in person soon.

Go Rainbow!



# HARDIN ASSEMBLY #33



Even with the “new normal” and “oddness” of the summer, the Hardin Assembly girls were able to still accomplish a few summer plans!

With Stay-At-Home orders and things being cancelled, the Assembly missed out on a lot of fundraising in the spring. However, they were able to take advantage of selling sandwiches at the golf course during the summer to make-up for part of the loss and filling a community need at the same time!!



Little Bighorn Days wasn't what it usually is but there still was a parade! The parade celebrated essential workers so the girls got dressed up in their formals and made giant suckers to show their gratitude for all workers ~ Our Essential Workers Sure Are Sweet!!

Fourth of July celebrations were a bit smaller than normal but the girls still got to have their dunking booth during the Cornhole Tournament! Nothings better than being dunked in cold water on a hot day!!

Just painting some hopscotch and 4 squares for the Primary students to play on at recess!!!!



The girls were very saddened when Grand had to go virtual but we could not prouder of our Grand Worthy Advisor and our Miss Montana Rainbow Service for all they did and for representing Hardin ~ great job Maddie and Macie!

