

Rainbow Chronicles

Montana Grand Assembly Newsletter May 2021, Vol 5



1



Hola mis amigas de Rainbow!

This is the last newsletter before the event we've all been waiting for, Grand Assembly 2021! It has been quite the year and I'm excited to see what we've all been working so hard on.

As we wrap up this Grand year and this school year, I've been reflecting on this past year and all the wonderful things that helped us to learn the importance of faith, service, and love. As we walked through the darkness, we had to have faith in people, faith in time and faith in the Lord to see our path, and in turn be able to love and

serve one another.

I hope that your summer, even after the Grand Assembly, is filled with love and continual service to others! I also hope that the importance of connection, the theme of our service



project, grows stronger in you and that you continue to seek connection with your elders and the people around you.

See you at Grand Assembly! In Rainbow Love & Service

Hello Montana Rainbow!

Grand is almost here! I am so excited to see everyone in person at Hamilton! It is going to be so great to see all of the reports and success from this year. Service is so important in our lives as well as others. For me it is almost the



end of the school year which can be very stressful, but it is important to keep going and do your best! Love you all and see you soon!



In Rainbow Love and Service, MMRS Trinity

In this issue:
GWA & MMRS message
Supreme Deputy message
State MA message
State Rainbow Dad
JEC message

.....12333

Gear up for Grand!	4
Grand Representative Information	5
Assembly news	6-9
COVID permission & waiver forms	10-11

A Word from Mama Huston

In less than a month we will be gathering in Hamilton for Grand Assembly. This year's Grand will be a much- anticipated event after our long absence from in-person events. I know everyone will be excited to see one another, but remember we will still be observing COVID precautions. Please be respectful of the precautions Grand Assembly has put in place and follow the guidelines we have



established. It is because of these guidelines that we are able to meet in person rather than virtually. Many jurisdictions are continuing to hold virtual Grand Assemblies but we in Montana have decided to proceed with in-person events with precautions. I want everyone attending Grand Assembly to have a fun time and to keep these watchwords in mind: Kindness, Patience, and Understanding. Be kind and patient with people helping to implement our safety procedures. Understand that the many changes you will see in floorwork, Assembly set up, and procedures are a result of safety precautions. Understand that these guidelines are put in place to maintain the wellness of those attending our event.

Please be sure to submit your COVID waiver with your registration for Grand Assembly. If you are a Rainbow Girl or Pledge, you need to have your parents sign this. Adults, we need a signed waiver from you as well. This is a requirement of Supreme Assembly. Adults who have not submitted a signed waiver will be asked to sign one at registration. Adults- don't transport your girls to Grand Assembly without knowing that waiver has been sent. Registration will go much faster and smoother if the waivers are sent ahead of time. There is a copy of each waiver (girl and adult) included in this newsletter for your convenience.

Don't forget our Silent Auction. Bring your donated items to auction off. The proceeds of the auction will benefit the Masonic Home this year.

There will be two lecture competitions at Grand. Nature's initiation lecture and the Faith Walk. Come prepared to compete. It's a chance to show what fantastic ritual work you can do.

See you soon!

Mama Huston

MT State Mother Advisor Message

Greetings Rainbow Family and Friends,



What a strange journey this last year has been. Last year at this time we were rescheduling and reworking a Grand Assembly that eventually changed to virtual but this year we are thankfully back in-person! Even with limited attendance it is a wonderful step in the right direction for Rainbow. I am so excited to see each and every one of you. Grand Officers please take the time to reach out to your Rainbow Sisters or adult leadership and go over your parts. With limited in-person meetings this year we can all

truly use a little extra support. It will be extra important to have your parts polished and ready as we will all have to be flexible and ready to make changes in the moment. Let us show Kennidi some love and respect and make this the best Grand Assembly yet! This time of year is always such a blur for me. The end of School, Grand Assembly and the beginning of Summer always brings about a mixture of excitement and sadness. I am sad that another Rainbow and School year have passed so quickly yet I'm truly excited to see what adventures and service opportunities are waiting just around the corner.

"Great effort springs naturally from a great attitude" ~ Pat Riley

In Rainbow Love and Service, Ms. Crystal Sampson, State MA



A note from MT State Rainbow Dad

Soon we will welcome each of you to the "Faith is a Light in the Dark" Grand Assembly. This message is the last opportunity for me to address you a your State Rainbow Dad. I ask you to remember that God put each of you on Earth to learn, share, love, appreciate and to give service to others. I cannot think of anything more important to society than the learned during your years in the Order of Rainbow for Girls. Cherish

you friends and your memories and live a life of service.



Tom Lund, State Rainbow Dad.





Jr. Executive Committee 20-21

Hello from the JEC! Who is ready for Grand Assembly? Only a short month away! Looking forward to seeing everyone in person. I hope you've been

keeping track of all your G2G activities. It'll be nice to hear what everyone has been doing. If you remember from Spring Fling, we all wrote on stars those names of people that have been stars in our lives or who has been an inspiration. Can't wait to see a room full of stars as we attend this year's Grand Assembly. See you soon!

In Rainbow Love,

Jennifer Chabotte, Jr. Executive Committee Liaison

Grand 2021

June 11-13 in Hamilton

Lecture Competitions: Nature and Faith Walk

Silent Auction Wish Wheel

Pot of Gold Store with new treasures

Grand Choir Surprises!

But most of all.....

Together Again- in person!!!

See you there!







It's time to work on communicating with your Grand Representatives!!

Spring is around the corner!

Reach out to your counterparts.

It's also time to start thinking about getting your Grand Representative reports ready for June 1st!

Here are some ideas for giving your report:

- C3 Assembly Skit: if your assembly would like to do a skit, make a video to be played at Grand
- **C3** Individual reports: This could be read at Grand or you can take a video to be presented (especially if you are a little bit shy)
- C3 PowerPoint: You can prepare a presentation to be played at Grand. This presentation method makes it easier to add pictures and graphics of the Jurisdiction you represent.

Be Creative! You may have other ideas that allows you to share Jurisdictional information while maintaining social distancing. I look forward to your presentations!

Grand Representative Regions!

- 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.

Grand Representatives Advisor: Dee Hallock <u>hallockrr55@outlook.com</u>







HAMILTON ASSEMBLY #2



Spring Fling: a blend of virtual and in person. Hamilton hosted Garden City Assembly

and projected the virtual meeting held in Hardin on the big screen.

Girls enjoyed the painting following the directions given. Thanks to PGWA Maddie for putting that together. Many stars were decorated and messages written. These will be displayed at Grand Assembly.





On Rainbow Sunday, Hamilton hosted a small birthday party for Rainbow IORG.

The girls also worked on memory work and plans for June.



Hamilton Assembly #2 has been busy with many details to help to host Grand Assembly. We are looking forward to seeing everyone in person June 11-13, in Hamilton!



GREAT FALLS FAITH ASSEMBLY #3



Spring Fling Hardin We were very excited to see people in person! And had some fun too! Caitlin, Tay, Amira and Morgan



We also stopped in Judith Gap to look at the blade for the wind farm.



HELENA ASSEMBLY #7

Greetings from Helena!

It's been quiet at Helena Assembly the last couple of months.



Congratulations to those who are graduating and starting the next chapter. To those reaching Majority, remember: Once a Rainbow Girl, Always a Rainbow Girl.

We're looking forward to Grand Assembly next month and seeing all of you in person.

BILLINGS JEWEL ASSEMBLY #24

Hey everybody! I pray that your Easter weekends were fun yet filled with remembrance for what our Savior did for us. This will be our last newsletter edition before Grand Assembly. We can't wait to see everyone!

Since the last newsletter we had Spring Fling. We were lucky enough to be able to attend in person! It was so lovely to see some of you there, we really miss everyone! We had so much fun

We're about to have a new Rainbow Girl! Our lovely June is being initiated within the next couple of days. We're super excited for her to take this next big step and cannot wait to welcome in our new Rainbow Sister!

Stay safe, happy, and healthy, and we'll see you all SOON!

In Rainbow Love, Billings Jewel #24



GARDEN CITY ASSEMBLY #55



Hello from Garden City Assembly #55! We have been so busy preparing for Grand Assembly, as well as our normal activities that we are just so excited to share.

In March, we did a trash clean up along the Clark fork, after which we went to Big Dipper and had ice cream!

And then, we had spring fling, and we were so excited to see our friends, socially distanced. It was good to have some normalcy back to us.

Then in April, we did some fun painting activities, along with our normal meetings. Garden City is anxiously awaiting Grand Assembly, to see all of our old friends, and to support our Grand Officers. Can't wait to see you all!

- Hailey Chabotte





Permission and Waiver for Rainbow Girl to Attend In-Person Meeting International Order of the Rainbow for Girls (IORG) Grand Assembly of _____

Dear Parents or Legal Guardians:

Due to the viral pandemic, the Grand Assembly of _____

is taking precautions for the safety of everyone involved by implementing *CDC guidelines. In resuming in-person meetings, we are requiring facemasks, limiting social contact, providing hand sanitizer, and temporarily modifying some of our regular assembly activities. We request your understanding in complying with these precautions during this challenging time in order that we may provide the safest environment possible for your daughter.

Symptoms of COVID-19 include but not limited to:

- Fever
- Fatigue
- Body Aches
- Red Rash

- New Dry Cough
- Difficulty Breathing
- New loss of taste or smell
- Vomiting or Diarrhea

By signing this waiver, I acknowledge that no one in our household currently has nor has experienced these or other COVID-19 symptoms, has knowingly been exposed to anyone diagnosed with COVID-19, or has traveled outside the country within the last 14 days. I understand that IORG, the grand jurisdiction, or the local assembly will not and cannot be held liable for any reason, including but not limited to any exposure to the COVID-19 virus caused by misinformation on this form or the health history provided by each person who voluntarily chooses to attend any IORG activities. Should my daughter become ill, I agree to immediately notify the Mother Advisor of her assembly so that any health concerns for other members can be addressed.

By signing below, I accept personal responsibility for my own choices to allow participation in IORG activities, meetings and events, and release, hold harmless and indemnify the International Order of the Rainbow for Girls, the grand jurisdiction, and the local assembly from any and all liability for unintentional exposure or harm due to COVID-19, and any other viruses or bacteria which might be present or allegedly present in or on this building, property, grounds, and paraphernalia.

Parent or Legal Guardian) Signature

Printed Name

Date

Rainbow Girl Signature

Printed Name

ADULT SIGN-IN AND WAIVER TO ATTEND IN-PERSON MEETING OF THE INTERNATIONAL ORDER OF THE RAINBOW FOR GIRLS (IORG)

Date:

Due to the viral pandemic, the Grand Assembly of _______ is taking precautions for the safety of everyone involved by implementing *CDC guidelines. In resuming in-person meetings, we are requiring facemasks, limiting social contact, providing hand sanitizer, and temporarily modifying some of our regular assembly activities. We request your understanding in complying with these precautions during this challenging time in order that we may provide the safest environment possible for everyone concerned.

The Symptoms of COVID-19 include but not limited to:

- Fever
- Fatigue
- Body Aches
- Red Rash

- New Dry Cough
- Difficulty Breathing
- New loss of taste or smell
- Vomiting or Diarrhea

By signing below, I agree to these procedures and affirm that:

- No one in my household has been diagnosed with COVID-19, experienced the above symptoms, nor has knowingly been exposed to COVID-19 within the past 30 days
- No one in my household has traveled outside of the country or to any location considered a "hot spot" for the virus within the past 30 days

By signing below, I accept personal responsibility for my own choices to participate in this meeting, and release, hold harmless and indemnify The International Order of the Rainbow for Girls, the grand jurisdiction and the local assembly from any and all liability for unintentional exposure or harm due to COVID-19, and any other viruses or bacteria which might be present or allegedly present in or on this building, property, grounds, and paraphernalia.

*CDC – the Center for Disease Control's website is http://www.cdc.gov/Coronavirus