



Hues 'N News

A Newsletter of Tennessee Rainbow – Winter 2020



Hello Everyone!

I hope all of you enjoyed your Thanksgiving and Christmas Holidays! Also, Happy New Year! I have definitely missed everyone's beautiful faces! There has been so much happening since our last Hues and News article.

Our first performance was at the Nashville OV on September 21st! We had a beautiful meeting and some delicious food as always! After the meeting we learned some fun dances and did some arts crafts. I also left my phone unattended and got a spam of selfies from the other girls.



Next, we got to go to Mont Milner for Leadership Camp! As a Grand Officer I missed camp last year, so I was very excited to go! This year camp was different than usual, but we all enjoyed it so much! It was great to learn about things that could help us every day. Mrs. Sheena and Mrs. Angie did a great job preparing for this weekend! I think my two favorite parts of camp were the fun run, because we got to see a whole new part of the camp! Also, the closing activity was my favorite, because the girls got to tell the adults what we would like to see at camp. We all had great ideas and hopefully some of those ideas will happen!

After Leadership Camp, we packed our bags one more time for our last Official Visit at the Upper East Area! As always, we enjoyed some great tacos with some wonderful cakes for desert. In fact, I ate a piece from each cake! The meeting went great and after we enjoyed learning dances and snacks! We had a great time of fellowship, as we enjoyed our last Official Visit.

With the Official Visits over, there was a huge break between shows. The next show happened on November 2nd when Brianna Hawkins and I met Mom Martha and Mrs. Harrington in Camden for the Order of the Eastern Star Homecoming of Mrs. Johnson and Mr. West. It was a great experience to get to go to my first OES Homecoming. Although, we did not understand everything happening, Bri and I enjoyed being there together and learning more about our Eastern Star family. I spent the whole weekend with the Hawkins at their cabin, and they even cooked me my favorite meal to celebrate my birthday!

My next stop was the next Monday November 4th, which is my birthday! My friends and family spent the night celebrating with me at my favorite Mexican restaurant. I am so thankful to everyone who wished me a Happy Birthday! After my birthday the next thing that happened was Grand Cross of Color luncheons, which



Upper East OV with cake made by Mrs. Belcher

everyone should have done in their area. Once again, this year I celebrated with the Memphis area. This dinner is a fun time because we all get to eat together and honor those people who have received the Grand Cross of Color.

Between Grand Cross of Color and our next get together, Thanksgiving passed. This year for thanksgiving my family spent the holiday in Memphis. We spent three fun filled days together eating, playing games, and watching movies. It was so nice to have that time together and it was especially great for me because I got to go see the zoo lights! I also enjoyed the time with my nephew.

To end the year with a bang, the Grand Officers enjoyed our Grand Officer Christmas Party! On December 14th we met in downtown Knoxville where the party began. We made goodies, which we later took to honor the fire department! We also took stuffed animals with those goodies as one of my projects. We took a lot of pictures in front of the amazing stairwell and fire place. For dinner we enjoyed some Salsarita's and very good deserts. I would like to thank the Grand Officers for my present. It will definitely go to use in the semesters to come. After eating, taking our pictures, delivering our goodies and presents, we participated in a scavenger hunt downtown! We had an hour to finish and meet back at our place for the night; I still think my team won. Once we brought all our luggage up those MANY steps we played a super hard game and exchanged secret sister gifts! I appreciate the socks I got and also my smell good things! I am so thankful to the Knoxville Area Adults and Mom Martha for making this party turn out so great! The Grand Officers had a great time of fellowship and plenty of food! We stayed up later than I have in a while, but it was worth it.



All in all, this has been a great year so far and I am looking forward to the rest of it to come! I hope each of you had a wonderful Christmas and a Happy New Year! While you're thinking about 2020 make sure you put Homecoming down on your calendar for April 4th 2020! I hope to see everyone there as it is going to be a great time!

Rainbow Love and Service
Julianna Justice
GWA 2019-2020

Tennessee Rainbow is invited to Homecoming

Saturday,, April 4, 2020

Fountain City Assembly's home – Bright Hope Lodge

Dinner at 5:30 p.m. Tickets are \$10

Meeting to follow at 7:00 p.m.

All girls are invited to spend the night at the lodge!



My Dear Rainbow Family,

My prayers are that you and your family had a great Christmas Season and that this will be a Happy Healthy New Year for all. May 2020 bring the best year for your family and your Rainbow Family. I know we can work together to make this an amazing year for our Organization. I am looking at the calendar and see 2020 and wondering where the time has gone.

Our travels in 2019 lead us to all our wonderful Official Visits, Camp grounds, visiting our Sponsoring Orders, and ending in my home town of Knoxville for a fabulous Christmas Party for our Grand Officers. This has been a very busy year for all of us. Dad Joe and I send out a very BIG THANK YOU for the Christmas cards, gifts, hugs and most of all your LOVE! It is hard for us to believe we have had so special a Rainbow Family for twenty-six years in serving Tennessee as your Supreme Deputy/Inspector. You are truly the best Rainbow Family a person could have! We count ourselves very blessed!



MOM Fortenberry and girls at Leadership Camp

Our Family Christmas was great this year with having Susan and Todd home for a week. They have now arrived back in Ocean City, NJ for a while. Phone calls are great but having them with us was extra special. Amy and Dave were with us and Rachel who enjoyed being with her Aunt and Uncle and they had a wonderful time together, but she is still Grammy's girl. My Sister, Brother-in-law and niece Samantha were also with us from Illinois making this a big family time. Samantha had returned from Saudi Arabia where she was performing with Cirque Du Soleil. I will say I am glad she is back in the States for a little while. She has been to more places around the world than I can pronounce. We had everyone back home but Sarah who is still living in London, England. The phone call went on for a while as she spoke with all of us on Christmas night.

As the New Year gets under way I know you all are planning your Installations and Initiations for January. It is wonderful having our Rainbow Girls busy and working for the Order. Girls keep up the good work and keep the adults busy. Remember to continue your Charity work and keep up with your hours. Continue to work on membership and sharing our Sensational Order. Be sure and call the members that are staying home and invite them back to the Assembly. We need every member helping with our work.

Makaiya, Dad Joe and I look forward to seeing you at Homecoming in April. We wish you a Happy New Year and thank you for agreeing to be our Grand Page.

Thank you for a wonderful year in Rainbow and continue to serve our fantastic Order. Remember to Dance With Your Heart and Your Feet Will Follow! You all know that I like a good dance! May God grant us His Peace and Love!

Rainbow Love, Mom Fortenberry

Supreme Worthy Advisor

Friendship Blooms Where Rainbow is Planted

Supreme Assembly 2020

July 25-27, 2020

Peppermill Resort ~ Reno, Nevada

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Mrs. Joanie Jacka, SWA



Peppermill Hotel and Resort

Site of Supreme Assembly 2020

To Register and make Hotel reservations: <https://cvent.me/0llOg1>

I hope that everyone had a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year! I want to shout out to Rachel Fox, my Grand Page. I can't wait to see you and spend time with you at Grand Assembly.

Leadership Camp was awesome this year! For those of you who couldn't make it, we missed you and hope you can come next year. Our camp is beautiful and it's there for each of you to enjoy.

I want to say a BIG Thank You to Mom Martha and the Knoxville area for a wonderful Grand Officer Christmas Party! The night was filled with lots of food, gifts and fellowship! We even found time for a service project and a downtown scavenger hunt.

My Assembly, Holston #124, just held an Initiation on December 30th and Initiated three new Sisters! We had a lot of help from the area and I was so excited to see six of our Grand Officers come and offer their help too! It won't be long until Homecoming and Grand Assembly. I can't wait to see everyone!



Rainbow love to all, and don't forget to dance!

Mom Susan Ownby

State Mother Advisor 2019-2020



London, Jessica and Carol welcomed Mom JoAnne at the Holston Installation

News from the Ritualistic Team

Hi Everyone!

Just a Reminder Grand Assembly will be here before you know it. Don't forget the parts for the **Ritualistic Competition** are:

- Bow Station – **Immortality**
- **Chaplain's part at the Altar** during Initiation
- **Super Seven** – all 7 Bow lectures in order!

Look forward to seeing everyone participate this year.

The Ritualistic Committee

Leadership Camp



Grand Officer's Christmas Party



The Knoxville Area hosted the Grand Officers Christmas Party where we didn't miss an opportunity to do a service project! Groups did some cooking before partying! Fruit trays, sausage balls and cupcakes were prepared and taken to the downtown Knoxville Fire Department, along with stuffed toys provided by each Grand Officer.



Happy New Year to all of my Rainbow Sisters!

This year is going by so fast, and I am having so much fun with the Grand Family. Thank you so much Mom Fortenberry for allowing me to serve our state. Since our last article, we have had many more wonderful events. We traveled to the Rainbow Camp for our leadership weekend which was so much fun. Thanks to our Adults for their planning and implementation to make our time at MontMilner Camp so great.

The rest of our Official Visits were amazing, and it makes me miss my Rainbow Sisters even more. With school starting up, I am just waiting to go back on break. I had an amazing time at the Grand Officer Christmas party this year in Knoxville. We went on a scavenger hunt around downtown and got to exchange our gifts. I would like to give a special shout out to my Grand Page, Kaylee Ramsey. I can't wait to see all of you again very soon!



With Rainbow Love,
Mackenzie Illarramendi
Grand Chaplain

Hello, Everyone!

It is hard to believe that it is already January; I am excited to see what this New Year brings.

I would like to thank all of the areas for a successful Official Visit season. Everyone did wonderful with supplying delicious food and fun activities for the girls after the meetings. It was a wonderful weekend escape from school!

In December, the Grand Officers enjoyed a wonderful Christmas party in Knoxville. We exchanged gifts, ate delicious tacos and visited a fire station to donate stuffed animals. The party was a blast for everyone; thank you to the Knoxville Area for all of the hard work. The Christmas party was a complete success thanks to you!

I hope everyone has had a wonderful holiday season and I cannot wait to see you all in April for Homecoming!

Katelyn Broadway, GWAA

Hello Everyone from Claiborne #8

It has been a busy fall for our Assembly. We traveled to the Livingston Official Visit and had a great time. Our Area hosted the Grand Family in September in Murfreesboro. We had a great crowd, good fellowship, and lots of fun after the meeting. At MontMilner Camp in October, we had a great time at our Leadership Retreat. It was a wonderful time on the mountain.

At both of our stated meetings in October, we had sisters attend from different Assemblies. Besides doing our ritualistic work, we had fun celebrating with a Halloween theme. October also began our 2-weekend fundraiser making casseroles for the holidays. Our Girls served lunch at the Shrine Ladies' event in November and attended our Area's Grand Cross of Color dinner.

In December, we helped at the Shrine Patient Party, and we joined with the Girls of Henry Lee Fox #85 and Clarksville #126 to have a Christmas dinner and party. We are now looking forward to our January Installation and an Area Initiation.

In Rainbow Love and Service,
Claiborne Assembly #8



Happy New Year to my Rainbow Family!

I hope everyone has had a wonderful holiday season. I can't believe it is already January, but that just means we are all closer to being reunited with each other. Since last we have all been together, I have been working hard at finishing my fall semester of my sophomore year of college, and I am now preparing for a successful spring semester.



When I am not studying or doing homework, I am working hard with my sisters at Hendersonville #3. We have been hard at work with the Grand Worthy Advisor's service projects, as well as, our own. We recently had our annual Painting Party, which went off without a hitch. We also participated at the Shrine Christmas Patient Party with the Nashville Area. I would like to give a huge shout out to my spectacular Grand Page, Hannah Buda. You have been such a dream this year, and I can't wait to see you again!

With Rainbow Love and Service

-Carrigan Brummett

Grand Hope 2019-2020

Hello everyone!

My name is Dessie Webber and I'm Grand Representative to Kentucky and Arizona from Fountain City #56.

I'm so excited to share with you everything I can about my states! Kentucky has a beautiful Grand Worthy Advisor, Ms. Nancy Marie Howard. Her theme is "You've Got a Friend in Me." It has everything to do with dogs you can think about. Her motto is "It's time to PAW-TY." Arizona's Beautiful Grand Worthy Advisor is Ms. Lucy H. I'm not quite sure of her theme yet, but I will let you guys know by spring.

Until next time,
Dessie Webber
Fountain City #56



Making stepping stones at
Leadership Camp

Rainbow Sisters and Friends,

The last few months have been full of fun and memories, and I am so glad to have shared many of them with you. Leadership Camp in October was so much fun. I loved getting to share so many bonding experiences with my sisters in the great outdoors.

The Upper East Official Visit wasn't long after, and I was so proud to be able to Initiate a new member into Johnson City Assembly. I am so proud of my area for the hard work that they put in, and I'm forever thankful to our Advisory Board for putting together such a wonderful evening. After the Upper East Official Visit, I had the opportunity to attend an Eastern Star meeting at our lodge where I was able to share information about our order with some of our Sponsors. In December, I attended two Masonic Installations where I learned a lot about their Organization and made some great connections. The Grand Officers Christmas party was not long after, and I was so glad to reconnect with my sisters again. We had an amazing time scavenger hunting in downtown Knoxville and playing games in the loft after.

I am so thankful for the girls who I have met through Rainbows and the friends this Order has given me. A few weeks ago, I was Installed as Worthy Advisor for Johnson City Assembly. It was a beautiful Installation and Majority Service. I am so grateful for the support of the Johnson City Advisory Board as well as the Masons and Eastern Star for being there to support me and my officers as we entered our new term.

In other news, I was accepted into Bill Gatton College of Pharmacy Class of 2024 to begin in fall 2020. I am so excited to start this new chapter of my life in Johnson City. I am so thankful to Mom Fortenberry for allowing me to serve as a Grand Officer again. I am also extremely grateful to Mom Dinah for making sure I am getting to and from all of my events and keeping me sane when things get busy.

Thank you all for being a part of my Rainbow experience and I can't wait to see you again.

Rainbow Love,
Gabby Hall, Grand Drill Leader

Happy New Year to everyone from Fountain City #56

We can't believe that we have started a new Decade. We hope that everyone had a safe and Happy New Year celebration.

Fountain City Rainbow has been busy this fall. On Friday, the day of camp, we finally had the chance to do something fun, so we had a picnic lunch and explored the Chickamauga Battlefield. Then off to camp where we had a ball. We were fortunate to have 2 Pledges with us!

Then November found us fixing dinner for the Masons in appreciation for their support of our Assembly. Then we were off to our annual shopping for kids who do not have as much and we bought toys for Mission of Hope, which serves Appalachian families. Then we decorated Christmas trees for the ToyStore. Come December, we finally got to Initiate our Pledge Lilly, who is our Grand Choir Director's little sister. We closed out the year with an Initiation at Holston followed by a sleep over.

We look forward to seeing everyone at Homecoming here at Fountain City Lodge on Saturday, April 4, 2020.



Hello everyone,

I hope everyone had a safe and happy Christmas and New Year, and I hope you have enjoyed your school year so far. I loved having my whole family home this year for the holidays for the first time in about 3 years. It was the best time ever.

I want to send a huge shout out to my Grand Page, Rylee. I can't wait for the rest of this year together!! The Nashville Area had our Grand Cross of Color Banquet at the Piccadilly Cafeteria. I loved spending time with all my Grand Cross of Color Sisters. This past December the Grand Officers had our annual Christmas Party in Knoxville. We had amazing food at their local lodge, we made sausage balls and candy mix for the local fire department, and then we went on a scavenger hunt through downtown Knoxville which was so much fun. We ended up at the loft where we were staying the night. We enjoyed a fun night of games and late-night talks.

I just finished my first semester of my senior year, and boy it was interesting but I'm so excited to start my last semester of high school!! I hope everyone has a great rest of your school year and New Year!!

Rainbow love,
Kaitlyn Mayo
Grand Patriotism 2019-2020



Dear Rainbow Girls, Adults, and Friends,

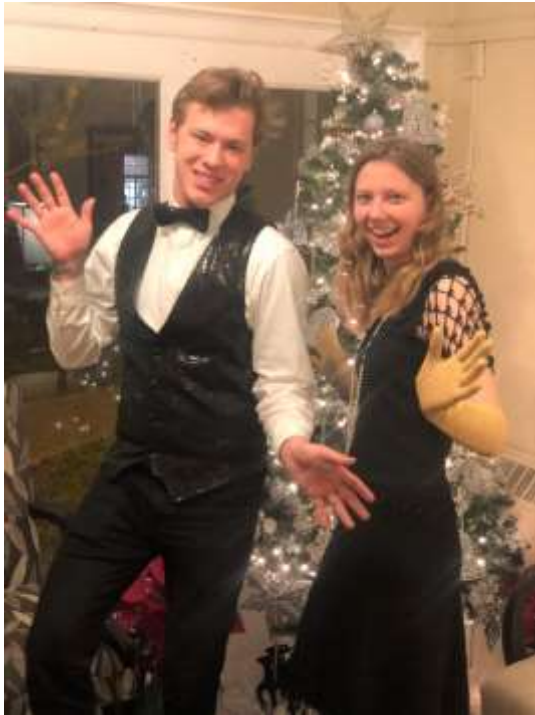


It is hard to believe that it is already January. I have been very busy as this is my senior year in high school and I am starting to look at different colleges. I am leaning toward going to Walter State Community College in Morristown for my first two years of school then transferring over to Carson Newman University, but I am not quite sure yet. I am hoping to visit different campuses this spring.

I am so glad that I have had the opportunity to be a part of this year's Grand Family. I am so grateful for all of the wonderful memories and cannot wait to see everyone at Grand Assembly.

My Assembly has been very busy with service projects. For Christmas we had a pancake breakfast with Santa and I had fun making pancakes and serving all of the people. We had our annual Christmas party and we had a gift exchange, decorated gingerbread houses, and played several games. Christmas is my favorite time of year and I was very happy to be able to spend it with my Rainbow family.

Rainbow Love and Service,
Ashlee Dawson. Holston #124



Rainbow Family,

Happy New Years to all! I hope everyone's holidays were full of joy and love. I would like to say a special hello to Chloe McAmis, though we still haven't had the chance to meet, I look forward to doing so. I attended the Nashville OV in September and the Christmas Party. I enjoyed being able to attend these and spend time with my fellow Rainbow Sisters.

I have also attended an Assembly in Birmingham a few times, serving Chaplain for an Initiation and Hope for a regular meeting. It has been a

great experience seeing how Assemblies in another state are run and how they are similar and different from Tennessee. The Nashville OV was around the same time as my Mom's birthday, so I was glad I was able to be home for that. I also had a great time at the Christmas party, as it had been a while since we had all been together, and it was wonderful to see everyone.

I loved getting to be with family and friends for Christmas and having time to relax and enjoy those around me. I also got to staff for Winterfest, which is an Episcopal Church retreat that I have attended prior, and it was an incredible opportunity and a great way to ring in the New Year with the family and community on Monteagle Mountain.

I look forward to seeing where this new year will take us. School is going fairly well as first semester wasn't the easiest, but I learned a lot about myself and am incredibly happy to be where I am. I would especially like to thank Mom Fortenberry and the Grand Deputies for the opportunity to serve as Grand Faith. It has been amazing, and I truly believe the best is yet to come.

Rainbow Love and Service,

Zealan Hoffman

Grand Faith 2019-20



Hello, Rebekah Carmichael, and my other Rainbow Sisters.

So far this year, I have attended all the Official Visits and the people there were always friendly. I enjoyed the company from the many new friends. Leadership was great and it gave me a better opportunity to bond with other girls in a less formal environment.

The holiday I liked the best this year was Christmas because I got to see some family that I don't see as often as others, and we shared some great moments. The Grand Officer Christmas Party was wonderful, and I got to see things around Knoxville that I wouldn't normally see, so thank you to the Knoxville Area for hosting the party this year.

School, so far, has been a little hectic from getting back into the swing of things and adjusting to my new semester classes, but I plan to finish off this last semester strong and keep my grades up.

Looking forward to seeing all of you soon.

Cherie' Braud

Grand Musician



Serving at the Shrine Children's Christmas Party

Hello everyone,

So far, it's been another great year! We've done so much since September I don't know where to start! First, our Official Visits were a success! Unfortunately, I was not able to attend the Livingston OV, but the Nashville and Johnson City both were loads of fun. The initiations were beautiful, and the activities were fun!

In November, we had our Grand Cross of Color Banquet. There was delicious food and the ceremony was beautiful. We also had our Grand Officers Christmas party which was a blast. We did a scavenger hunt around Knoxville and got lots of presents! I'd like to thank the Knoxville Area and all the adults who had a hand in making it happen.

- Sarah Knight
Grand Fidelity



Charter Presentation

On December 15th, Smokey Mountain DeMolay received their charter from Dad John Whitaker, Grand Master of DeMolay International. Daylen, State Master Councilor, and Cade, Deputy State Master Councilor, participated in the events of the afternoon also. The Chapter Dad, David Needham, was installed as Worshipful Master of Sevier Lodge. Friends from all Masonic bodies were present to witness this historical event!




Meet Braxton...at Shriners Hospital in Lexington

Tennessee Rainbow received a Christmas greeting from our Shriners Hospital in Lexington and this was the special story in our card.

Remember to work hard to raise money for our Shriners Hospital project to help children like Braxton! And say a special prayer for Braxton as he learns many new things!

Braxton may be young, but he is mighty!




Braxton was born with right proximal femoral focal deficiency (PFFD). PFFD is a complex birth defect in which the upper part of the femur bone (in the thigh) is either malformed or missing, causing one leg to be shorter than the other. There is no "one size fits all" approach to treatment for this condition, which is why it can be so difficult for a parent to make the right decision for their child, especially a child who is so young.

Bree and Josh, Braxton's parents started researching and meeting with medical professionals the first day of his life. After receiving recommendations from several different doctors throughout the United States, they made an appointment at Lexington Shriners Medical Center for one last recommendation from Janet Walker, M.D.

Braxton's parents immediately fell in love with Dr. Walker and decided that her recommendation to amputate part of Braxton's leg was the right one for him and his future. Bree states that the recovery process for Braxton was harder on her than on him. The day Braxton returned home in his cast, Bree recalls how he pulled himself up and was crawling to keep up with his brother and sister.

Braxton is now 18 months old. He recently received his first prosthetic leg, custom fabricated for his size, needs and current mobility. He had the biggest smile on his face that day and is making great strides as he learns to use the prosthetic leg to walk, run, play and be a typical almost 2 year old!



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