

Novas ~ ✨ ~ New Stars

Worthy Grand Matron Gayle Smith and Worthy Grand Patron Norman J. Payne Jr., this year have Project Nova - or "new stars." It encourages Masonic youth to join Eastern Star. Here are some of our own "novas."

Kelly Glen, 12/17

Kelly Glen was initiated into Eastern Star at the Official Visit to Eastern Star of the Official Visit to Eastern Star. From the left, Susan Wallis, Worthy Matron; WGM Gayle Smith; J/PGRS Lisa Wallis, who was Star Priest Adah and did a wonderful job; Kelly; WSP Yvonne Meyer; and Worthy Patron Art Payford.



Margan McClain, 12/18

Margan McClain, center, was initiated into OES at the Official Visit to Alameda Chapter. Her mom, far right, and dad, far left, participated. WGM Gayle is second from the right and WSP Norman is second from the left.



Kelly Schumperl, 12/18
Grand Cross of Cedar Grove 98 & Grand Religion 99, was Star Priest Adah at Spring Chapter's OES Official Visit in April.



And last, 12/18 to 1/1, who is Worthy Matron at Sunshine Chapter 44 in Santa Rosa - Elizabeth Salazar!



Not Novas, but Rainbow is active! Rainbow Girls, 12, working at OES ON. To the left are Dorothy Payford Assembly Rainbow Girls who served lunch for Kelly Glen's initiation into Eastern Star.

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Com un iqu from Katy



**Hello Rainbow Girls, Mother Advisors,
Advisory Boards and Friends!**

Well it's getting close to Grand Assembly and I can hardly believe it! I know that everyone's working so hard and everything's going to be great for every Rainbow Girl and supporter's favorite week of the year (I know it's mine).

I'd like to say congratulations to **Bianca Smoker** for becoming New Mexico's Grand Worthy Advisor-elect. I know that she's going to have a fun and memorable year, and I'm so glad to call her my Rainbow sister and friend.

My Official Visits this year have been amazing, and I've seen so much outstanding work. The Rainbow Girls of New Mexico never let

me down.

I'm looking forward to Homecoming in Farmington! It's going to be so much fun, and I hope that everyone can go, although I know it's a long drive for most.

I hope everyone is working to get their Grand Assembly projects done. I've been working on mine! I'm looking forward to seeing everyone at Grand Assembly for a great week of fun, laughter and fellowship. See you all there!

**Lots of Rainbow Love,
Katy Boyles, GWA**

Katy's Term

THEME: Forever the Rainbow

MOTTO: "We must be the change we wish to see in the world" - Mahatma Gandhi

SCRIPTURE: "For God and this is the token of the covenant which I make between me and you and every living creature that is with you for perpetual generations. I do set my bow in the cloud and it shall be for a token of a covenant that I make between me and the earth." - Genesis 9:13-15

SYMBOLS: Stars, waterfalls, butterflies and rainbows

COLORES: All the colors of the rainbow

SONGS: "I Believe," "Here I Am Lord" and "I Can See Clearly Now" by Johnny Nash

FLOWERS: Marimarias and other tropical flowers

HONOR STATIONS: Nature and Immortality

CHINA PATTERN: Glowase Raspberry by Nichole

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MAY 30: HOMECOMING, FARMINGTON

JUNE 20-23: Grand Assembly, Albuquerque

JULY 17-20: Supreme Assembly, Oklahoma City

FALL EVENT

NOVEMBER 4 & 5

This will take the place of Rainbow Kamp this year.

Official Rainbow Web Sites

Supreme Assembly: <http://www.io.org/>

New Mexico Grand Assembly: <http://www.nmi.org/>



Greetings from Aunt Bobby



Happy Spring to All:

It is hard to believe that it is already time for our spring deadline for the Sunshine State Recorder. So much has happened but there is still much to come for this Rainbow year. We had a great Rainbow Celebration on March 4 and 5. Many thanks go out to all who worked so hard to make this a great day. We are always grateful to be able to meet at the Scottish Rite Temple in Santa Fe. Special thanks go to **David Barton** and **Dan Sutcliffe** for another wonderful meal. They and their "special crew" are super and we appreciate them. Another thank you goes to **Phoebe Wright** and all who helped her with the preparations for this weekend. It was truly a weekend of Rainbow friendship.

Our Grand Worthy Advisor has had outstanding Official Visits. It was especially rewarding to witness Pledge work with our new Pledge Groups in Alamogordo and Las Cruces. And what a thrill it was to see the progress Alamogordo Assembly #18 and Ruth Laws Assembly #55 have made during this year.

Katy and **I** had the pleasure of representing Rainbow at Masonic Grand Lodge in mid March. We give special thanks to the 2005-2006 **Most Worshipful Grand Master Wayne Morrison** and his wife **Marianna** for their support to Rainbow not only this year but throughout the years.

We are now preparing for our remaining Official Visits and Homecoming on May 20. We will then be anticipating a great Grand Assembly June 20 through June 23. We hope everyone joins us for our "Forever the Rainbow" Session.

As we experience the beginning of spring, may we be mindful of our beautiful lesson of Nature and be thankful to our God for His beautiful creation.

I look forward to seeing all of you at Grand Assembly.

*Rainbow love,
Aunt Bobby*

Aunt Bobby Sends News, Congratulations & More

Congratulations Bianca!

Bianca Smoker, Santa Fe Assembly #10 has been elected to serve as our 2006-2007 Grand Worthy Advisor. Bianca will be installed at the close of our 2006 Grand Assembly Session.

We look forward to all the plans Bianca has for her year serving New Mexico Rainbow. Bianca will carry the New Mexico flag at Supreme Assembly.

Supreme Page Katy Boyles

Our **Grand Worthy Advisor Katy** has been selected by **Mrs. Dorothy Brillhart**, Supreme Worthy Advisor, to serve as a Supreme Page

during our 2006 Supreme Assembly Session in July in Oklahoma City. Katy also will give the tribute to the Oklahoma State Flag. Katy's grandmother was an Oklahoma Rainbow Girl in the early years of our Order so this is a special honor for Katy. We are very proud of you, Katy.

New Grand Officers

During Rainbow Celebration, the following new Grand Officers were announced:

Grand Treasurer **Sabrina Daniel**, Clovis Assembly #8

Grand Confidential Observer, **Courtney Lovato**, Santa Fe Assembly #10

Grand Outer Observer, **Brittany Stivers**, Ashlar Assembly #58

Supreme Assembly

July 21-27, 2006 Oklahoma City

Mrs. Mary McClain, Grand Executive, will be our tour director. This will be a wonderful opportunity to visit Mc Alester, Oklahoma, to see our Rainbow Temple. Supreme Assembly is our opportunity to meet Rainbow Girls from throughout the world.



GRAND ASSEMBLY
TUESDAY, JUNE 20 - FRIDAY, JUNE 23, 2006
WYNDHAM HOTEL
ALBUQUERQUE



Grand Cross of Color

GRAND CROSS OF COLOR TEAM Announcement!

*Hello New
Mexico Rainbow*

Sisters and Friends:

The flowers are blooming, and spring is beginning to take hold of our enchanted land. It is truly a magical and special time of the year. It also is a special time for me, as I am pleased to announce the young women selected to be a part of our Grand Cross of Color Team for our degree at Grand Assembly 2006. Each of these special ladies have earned this honor through faithful service and dedication to our order, and

it is my honor to recognize them:

- Mistress of Ceremonies/Degree – **Lisa Wallin, PGWA**
- Mistress of Ceremonies/Banquet – **Kimberly Rioux, PGWA**
- Grand Flag Bearer/Degree – **Kimberly Rioux, PGWA**
- Obligation – **Katy Boyles, GWA**
- Sister of Truth – **Keilyn Wright**
- Sister of Vision – **Amber Deveraux**
- Sister of Victory – **Michelle Skibyak**
- Marshal – **Chandra Gallindo, PGWA**
- Chaplain – **Morgan McClain**
- Cross Bearer – **Emma Sultemeier**
- Crown Bearer – **Jessica Reynolds**

Keeper of the Door –
Bianca Smoker

I congratulate each of you on this very special and meaningful honor.

I look forward to working with each one of you this summer to create a memory that will last forever.

*With Rainbow Love,
Tsenre L. Deveraux,
P G W A*

*Director of the Grand
Cross of Color Team*



Grand Reps: Time is Short!



Hi, Grand Representatives,

With Grand Assembly just around the corner, are you ready? Do you have your dress made or nearly made? Don't let time slip past you.

There are two contests that are just for Grand Representatives: the poster and the slipper contests. You need to have your poster(s) ready when you get to Albuquerque. Your Mother Advisor has a copy of the entry form. Your name and state must appear clearly. It can include, but is not limited to, correspondence, information about the state, information about Rainbow in the state, honorary memberships, photos and anything of interest. You'll be judged on penmanship: 25 points; durability: 10 points; creativity: 25 points; amount of information: 20 points; and overall rating: 20 points.

There also is the Grand Representative State Slipper competition – make slippers to represent your state or states. If you have more than one state, make one slipper for each state. The cost cannot exceed \$20. Receipts must be attached, or if the items are donated, please estimate the cost and add to the total. Slippers will be judged on the following point scale: creativity and originality: 20 points; state representation: 15 points; presentation: 20 points; price maximum maintained: 15 points; receipts included: 10 points; and overall rating: 20 points.

Grand Officer's Pantaloons Competition – make pantaloons that represent New Mexico. Katy thought it would be fun to have

them for Supreme Assembly. Cost must not exceed \$15 and receipts must be included. If items are donated, the cost of donations must be estimated and included in the total. The pantaloons will be modeled at the Grand Officers' Luncheon.

Howdy Hey Grand Representatives!

Guess what?! Grand Assembly is just two months away! I hope everyone is excited to see each other again and is looking forward to Katy's Forever the Rainbow Grand Assembly sessions! This time of year is a great opportunity to contact your correspondent(s) to tell her all about what we do at our Grand Assembly and learn about what they do at theirs! You can tell her all about our Grand Assembly traditions. Just remember to have fun when writing to your counterpart.

Thinking about our Grand Assembly traditions, how is your Grand Representative poster coming along for the poster competition? Remember that your poster can include (but not be limited to) correspondence, information about the state/country, information about their Rainbow activities, photos, etc. I know that you'll use your creativity to capture

your state's/country's spirit of Rainbow!

Also this year, the Grand Representatives will have a State Slipper competition at our Grand Assembly! Make a slipper for each of your states/countries. Slippers are to be turned in on Wednesday of Grand Assembly by noon. We will get to model these on Thursday night at the Drill! The cost must not exceed \$20 (attach your receipts). Your Mother Advisor has the entry forms, and each slipper requires a separate form. What a fun addition to our traditional drill!

Because we're having so much fun with our exciting projects, time will fly as fast as Tinker Bell and we'll be together at Grand Assembly!

*Rainbow Love,
Rylee Hahn,
Chairman, Grand
Representatives*

Please note, the Grand Officers' Luncheon is on Thursday. Please ask your Mother Advisor to be sure to have a ticket for you.

Practice for the Grand Representatives' Drill is Tuesday night after the talent show. Please be there on time so practice can go smoothly. You might want to wear the shoes you are going to wear during the actual drill.

Looking forward to seeing you at Grand Assembly. If you have any questions, you know how to get in touch with me.

*Fraternally
Yours,
Camille*

And News From Our PGWAs



Sharon Briggs

I currently live in Tucson, Ariz., where I am a lawyer working in the Pima County Attorney's Office prosecuting felony property crimes. (I graduated from law school in

May 2004 and was admitted to the Arizona bar in October 2004.)

I have not yet married and have no children, but I do have a boyfriend and a wonderful 4-year-old Golden Retriever named Sebastian.

Even though it has been nearly 16 years since my Grand Assembly session (*Can you believe it?!*), I still count many people I met during my years in Rainbow among my closest friends. I talk regularly with **Denise Haeber Frick** (GWA 1988-89) and **Hope McIntosh Trigg** (GWA 1994-95) and visit them periodically in the Houston metro area where they both now live. I also keep in touch with plenty of other Rainbow friends . . . including you, **Kay Miller** (my mother advisor), **Christy (Milligan) Zahn**, **Pati McClure**, and **Kathy (Denslow) Gough**, among others.

Over the years since serving as GWA, a lot has happened in my life. I have graduated from college and law school, spent several years working in hospitals as a registered nurse, and lived and worked in five different states. Through all these many and varied experiences, my term as GWA still stands out in my mind as a very special time. I will never forget it and will always be grateful for the opportunity I had to serve Rainbow in New Mexico.

**Sharon Briggs, PGWA
1989-90**

Hope M^CIntosh Trigg

I live in Spring, Texas, outside Houston where I am an information technology manager

supporting the human resources organization for Hewlet Packard Company. I've been with HP for 7 years.

I recently celebrated my six-year wedding anniversary to husband Matt Trigg, a native New Mexican as well.

I have a beautiful 16-month-old-daughter Tayler Rose and am expecting my second child in late August. When not thoroughly busy with taking care of home, my toddler or traveling for my job, I enjoy participating in a monthly book club, sewing/quilting and being very active in my local church.

I am looking forward to dusting off my running shoes once baby #2 arrives so I can start running in *marathons again*.

**Take care,
Hope Trigg**

Andrea Harbinson

Bienvenidos New Mexico Rainbow! I am saying hello from Houston, Texas. I moved here in August 2005 after getting my master's degree in Medical Genetics from the University of Cincinnati.

I work as a genetic counselor at the University of Texas Medical School at Houston. I see patients at clinics throughout the city and speak Spanish every day! Most of my patients have recently moved here from Mexico or other Latin American countries and don't yet speak English.

I love my job and feel like I am really helping people. I've learned a lot of Spanish in a short period, but I still have lots more to learn and am taking continuing education classes. My parents and my brother now live in Houston, as well as my extended family, so I've enjoyed being closer to them for frequent get togethers.

I've also been in touch with **Hope McIntosh Trigg**, PGWA 1994-1995, who lives in the Houston area. We had lunch and I got to meet her beautiful baby girl, Tayler. It's wonderful to know that the sisterhood of Rainbow continues through your life. I do miss New Mexico and hope to visit often and soon. I'd love to hear news from anyone, and you'll always have to

place to stay if you visit Houston. My email address is Andrea.Harbison@gmail.com.

**Rainbow Love,
Andrea**

Lisa Wallin: Hello New Mexico Rainbow!

Can it really be this time of the year again? It seems that this year has flown by, and I can't believe how quickly Grand Assembly is approaching. I would like to send a big congratulation to the Grand Worthy Advisor and my dear friend, **Katy Boyles**, who has been doing an incredible job in her term of office. I am so excited for her Grand Assembly session this summer, and I am sure you all are too. Also, I would like to wish **Bianca Smoker** the best of luck, as she will be installed as GWA this summer!

Well, I have been a busy, busy girl since I last left a message here. I am finishing up my junior year at the University of New Mexico and plan on graduating next spring with my degree in elementary education.

Throughout this whole school year I have been working at an after school program, in which I get to work with kids. I have loved having the opportunity to interact with young children everyday, and I think that this experience will help me in my future classroom.

Also, this semester, I started student teaching once a week at an elementary school in Albuquerque. I am in a second-grade classroom, which I have truly loved. The kids are fantastic and the cooperating teacher has been fabulous! I have learned so many things from her in this short time, and her love for children and teaching has inspired me. I am so excited to become a teacher!

I hope that you all have been enjoying this Grand Year. I know that Katy's message, "Forever the Rainbow," has made an impact on all of our lives. Her Grand Assembly session is going to be all that you hoped for and more! See you then!

**All my Rainbow Love,
Lisa J. Wallin, JPGWA**

News From Alamogordo #18

Grand Visit

Katy Beyles made her official visit to Alamogordo Assembly '18 Feb. 25. A covered-dish dinner was served before the meeting. Decorations for the dining room were from the January installation, "Life Is A Picture, Paint It Well" with the symbol of the artist palette and brush.

The Pledge Girls also had a meeting and Katy visited with all the Pledge and Rainbow Girls together.

Initiated during the Rainbow Official Visit were Kelly Beeman and Angelica "Teddy" Garcia. Kelly is the first of our new Pledge Group to join Rainbow. We served ice cream sundaes as refreshments after the meeting.

School of Instruction

Jan. 26 our Supreme Inspector Mrs. Roberta Myers conducted a School of Instruction. The Pledge instruction was at 4 p.m. Pizza was served at 5 p.m. and the Rainbow instruction began at 6 p.m.

Everyone had fun and learned a lot. Parents of the girls as well as prospective parents met with Aunt Bobby during the pizza supper while she explained the history

and meaning of Rainbow. Thank you, Aunt Bobby, for coming.

Fun Activities After Our Meetings

Feb. 9 we held a Valentine Exchange after the meeting. Ms. Michele Harrell, Pledge Mother, assisted the girls in making edible flowers from cookies and gumdrops. Each girl made one for herself and at least one to give away.

March 9, Rainbow Girls and Pledges made leprechauns out of paper rolls and felt as a fun project. Many thanks to Mother Advisor Ms. Floreine Hall and her daughter Ms. Shirley Owen for assisting!

Quilt Raffle for Grand Assembly

Board member Mrs. Donna Calhoun arranged for a beautiful quilt to be made for the Rainbow Girls to offer for donations. Tickets were collected and drawing was held in December. The Assembly earned \$700 that will be used to help with Grand Assembly expenses. Thanks to Mrs. Calhoun for the idea and to her mother for making the quilt! There was a lot

of disappointed ticket holders!

Rainbow Sunday

April 2, eight girls, members of Alamogordo Pledge Group '18 and Alamogordo Assembly '18, nine board members and an Eastern Star and a member of Amaranth attended Calvary Baptist Church for Rainbow Sunday.

Following the service, three additional girls joined the group at the Masonic hall for pizza and an Easter egg hunt. The candy-filled eggs were provided by the Alamogordo Rainbow Board. Board Member Mr. Andrew Davis hid the eggs while we waited for the pizza. After the lunch, Board Member Mrs. JoEllen Montjoy helped the girls make edible Easter egg baskets.

This is an event that prospective members and parents are also invited to attend.



Above are ALAMOGORDO '18 RAINBOW GIRLS AND PLEDGES, returning from their Easter Egg Hunt on Rainbow Sunday. Back Row: Tobby Garcia, Mikalah Armstrong, Darryann Smith-Bridges, Haley Campos. Second Row: Colleen Brennan, Rachel Duran, Annie Hillis. In front is Auntie's little sister. Other attendees not pictured are Kelly Beeman, Norma Calhoun, Karel Campos, Nina Davis.

Meeting Day Changed

For over 50 years, Alamogordo Rainbow Assembly '18 has met on the second and fourth Thursdays. We have now voted to change our by-laws to meet on the first and fourth Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m. The change was to make it easier for the adult leadership and Rainbow Girls as well as Sacramento Lodge '24 and they were most cooperative in changing the day and time.

Floreine Hall,
Mother Advisor

News From Clovis #8

Clovis Assembly had a 100 percent turnout for Rainbow Celebration Day. Sabrina Daniel, Lucy Oldham, Morgan McClain and Mom Mary all made the long trek to Santa Fe to see the Veterans Memorial and a brick walk. Mom Mary and Morgan were happy to have helped select the new Grand Worthy Advisor Bianca Strober. We made it back to Fort Sumner for church and then a long nap.

Are we suppose to sleep at Rainbow functions?

Morgan McClain



News From Santa Fe #10

Time that we visited, a rehearsal that occurred and years truly was swept up in it! But let me start at the beginning... (Where is that?)

October . . .

October came and went and Farrington's Official Visit began **Grand Worthy Advisor Katy's** wonderful journey. The final days of the month, we received a wonderful invitation to the DeMolay Installation and Conclave Oct. 29 and enjoyed a nice dinner after that along with a dance. Five of our girls attended.

November . . .

November found us diving in head first into the commencement of our annual service project and fund-raiser, pie sales, that was for St. Jude's this year. Nov. 20 - pie making day, **Courtney Lovato, David Barton** and our eternal **Mother Advisor Yolanda Colorado** along with myself, **Courtney, Katherine** and **Felicia** participated and made 24 pies (pumpkin only, this year). The girls agreed that store-bought pie crusts were the way to go. A big thank you from the girls for the **board's support** in providing supplies.

The girls sponsored families for Christmas this year, so we met at Wal-Mart to purchase groceries and presents for a two families; four hours later, mission accomplished.

The girls also picked out material for the grand worthy advisor's project for the tote-bag competition as our future project.

December . . .

We entered December with Ashlar's Official Visit that was quite enjoyable. All enjoyed a baked potato luncheon and then the meeting at 1 p.m. Ashlar Assembly



initiated two girls in a lovely ceremony.

Dec. 8 we met and helped decommissioned up for the Montezuma Lodge's installation of officers Sat., Dec. 10. Beautiful poinsettias were used as the centerpiece for this occasion; we also helped serve dinner and clean up. **Katherine** and **Felicia** began serving the dinner, **Lauren, Sarah** and **Bianca** joined later. We then broke down the extra tables and chairs and cleaned up. **Yudi** and his wife ran the dishwasher and basically kept us moving.

Finally, on Dec. 30, a dinner of spaghetti, bread, salad and dessert was dishes up by **David Barton** and **Dan Suttelle** (our in-house chef's extraordinary) to about 25 people in appreciation for their very generous contributions this past summer.

January . . .

January swept in with election of officers at our first meeting. Elected were **Courtney**, Worthy Advisor, **Katherine**, Worthy Associate Advisor, **Bianca**, Hope; **Felicia**, Drill Leader, **Sarah**, Love, and **Lauren**, Service.

We accepted an invitation to Ashlar's installation, Jan. 14. **Brittney Stives** was installed as Worthy Advisor, her Special Installing Officer was **Ms. Yolanda Colorado**.

Jan. 26 we met and made final plans for the installation and then decorated the dining room and a little of the assembly room.

Jan. 28 we had our installation of officers. This went well, given a few humps here and there. Fun was had by all.

Congratulations to **Courtney**. Memory work was confirmed and awarded. Congratulations to all the girls for their hard work!

February . . .

February crept up on us setting up the Scottish Rite banquet room once again for a dinner and dance; three girls came to help set up tables, chairs, silverware, etc. The same three then represented Rainbow at this Masonic membership drive event. The Masons had a nice jazz band and dinner. The rest of February found us planning Celebration Day, and I finally made the decision to throw my hat into the ring and interview for Grand Worthy Advisor.

March . . .

In March, Rainbow Celebration found the Santa Fe Assembly offering a luncheon this year to help facilitate things for those who had to travel. One girl was present to begin luncheon set-up at 10 a.m. Three more showed later and the festivities began. The luncheon was well received. The



service project went well, and the girls had fun putting this together (overnight bag donations for Children Youth and Families Department and medicine bottles for a nursing home to deliver). We also had a walk to the National Cemetery for a tour and historical presentation. Also, **Grand Deputy Phoebe Wright** received permission to do rubbings on some headstones. Then, everyone returned for the banquet. Then, the moment we were all anticipating, (and **wait to my surprise!**) **Aunt Bobby** made the announcement that I had been selected as the GWA-elect. **OWMW- ME, MY GOSH!**

I would like to take this opportunity to apologize whole-heartedly

to all the girls for having had to run to a violin concert I had been teaching at for the last three days and it couldn't be helped. Following the banquet, our very own **Sarah's** Marimba band provided entertainment for all. The next morning, everyone awakened bright and early by their wonderful chaperones and mother advisors for a breakfast prepared by Santa Fe. After a little while though, we were forced to bid adieu and head home. Although it was sad to say good-bye to everyone, we were able to get through it, and look forward to the fact that we'll all be seeing each other soon!

March 16, we met at the Lodge to serve a St. Patty's day dinner for Eastern Star, complete with corned beef, cabbage, cornbread; and to top it all off, Sprite with lime sherbet. It was wonderful! When everything was done and over with, we cleaned up and headed home.

Finally, March 31, we met at St. Elizabeth's Shelter, which provides a bed and food for the homeless, as well as encourages and helps them find work. There, we prepared a meal of baked chicken, green beans, rice and cornbread, which I must say smelled delicious! It was served to the people at the shelter, and they were very appreciative of our being there.

Well, as you can see, Santa Fe has just been busy little bees, but this is all for now, and I hope you are all doing well!

Until next time,
with much
Rainbow Love,
Bianca Smoker,
Grand Drill Leader
& Grand Rep. to
Washington/Idaho

News From Farmington #35

Jessica Reynolds

Installed Worthy Advisor

Farmington Assembly '35 had a beautiful Installation Jan. 22 at 2 p.m. The meeting started with **Hannah Billingsley** and **Tierney Jane Kennedy** (two future Rainbow girls) bringing the baton and Holy Bible into the Assembly room. **Rainbow Mother Advisor Mrs. Jean Lomenick** was escorted by **Rainbow Dad Don Dalrymple** to the East. The American flag was presented by Don Dalrymple; **Mazie Cadle** presented the Christian flag; **Patricia Reynolds** the Eastern Star flag; last but not least, **Christa Wiggins** carried the Rainbow Flag.

The Officers installed were **Jessica Reynolds**, Worthy Advisor; **Suzanne Talliver**, Worthy Associate Advisor; **Kelley Dignam**, Hope; **Brianna Schmittel**, Faith; **Aubre Billingsley**, Drill Leader; and **Christa Wiggins**, Service. **Assistant Mother Advisor Micki Dalrymple** installed **Jean Lomenick** as Mother Advisor. The Advisory Board was then installed for the coming year. **Jean Muse**, Vice Chairman; **Marge Mosiman**, Secretary; **Barbara Willis**, Treasure; **Micki Dalrymple**, AMA; others installed were **Nicki Elmore**, **Mazie Cadle**, **Butch Condreay**, **Jan Smith**, **Jim Kross**, **Gene Smith** and **Nancy Bessy**.

Jessica Reynolds' term plans are as follows: *Motto:* Life is a song. Love is the Music; *Scripture:* Psalms 28:7 The Lord is my strength and my shield, my heart trust in Him and I am helped. My heart leaps for joy and I will give thanks to Him in song. Her symbols are string instruments, hearts and music notes. Her fan symbols are the humpback whale and her colors are baby blue, royal purple and emerald green. Her flowers are lilacs and morning glories and song for the team are "Love is a Song" and "Nearer My God to Thee." Jessica's Honor



Stations are Immortality and Charity.

After the Bible was closed, the baton, Bible and flag barriers were given gifts. The meeting was then closed and pictures were taken. We then went downstairs for delicious cake, a party and refreshments. Everyone visited and had lots of fun.

Rainbow Love,
Brianna Schmittel, Faith

Farmington Assembly at Rainbow Celebration

Celebration Days were held March 4 and 5 at The Scottish Rite Temple in Santa Fe. Saturday, March 4, **Brianna**, **Kelley**, **Christa**, **Mrs. Boyles**, etc (**Aubre Billingsley**) and our driver **Mrs. Becki Dunham** left at 9:45 a.m. for the Santa Fe Celebration Days.

After arriving at the temple, we all started working on the activities for our service project of the day. Once our activities were completed, we took a hike to the National Cemetery, which we toured looking at the stones of different people buried there.

While most of the girls were on this tour, there were other girls being interviewed for the position of Grand Worthy Advisor-elect of the State of New Mexico, to be installed at Grand Assembly in June.

We returned to the temple and were dismissed to begin getting ready for our main sit-down dinner of the evening.

After dinner, which was served by several Masons, **Supreme Inspector Mrs. Myers** announced who had been elected to Grand Worthy Advisor-elect. This was a very special person from Santa Fe, **Bianca Smoker**. Of course, we were all delighted with the choice the committee had made.

After all this excitement, everyone adjourned to the hall for entertainment from different girls of different assemblies. **Christa Wiggins** and I performed a tuba and clarinet ensemble. **Lauren** and I sang a song next. All

the performers were fabulous.

After the long day and evening, we all went to our rooms to get ready for bed. **Grand Worthy Advisor Katy Boyles** then told all of us a bed time story! It was great.

In the morning we got up, packed up our bedding, had breakfast, loaded up the car, said our goodbyes and headed home.

Aubre Billingsley,
Drill Leader

Initiation

March 19, it was Farmington's pleasure to initiate **Caitly Rogers** into Assembly '35.

Caitly's initiation was witnessed by her mother **Jimmie Rogers**, her grandmother, **Mary Rogers**, and her great grandmother from Roswell. Caitly's great grandmother also is a Majority Member of Rainbow Girls.

I am very proud of all the girls in our assembly who filled offices on the floor for initiation. Some girls even did more than one station. We have lost older girls to college, and we now are in the process of finding younger girls to join our organization.

I want to thank everyone who sent flowers, prayers, cards and, called during my husband's illness. God bless you all for your love and support.

Rainbow Love,
Jean Lomenick,
Mother Advisor



News From The Kamp Dog

From the Kamp Dog

Hello! My name is **Rusty** and I live in the Jemez Mountains at Hemmingbird Music Camp. I haven't lived there very long, but I have found it is a wonderful place for a dog. I get lots of attention and can roam all around these beautiful mountains. Many different groups visit my camp, and usually they are music students who come to practice all their music. But one Saturday in August an entirely different group arrived. This group was a whole bunch of girls, some very nice ladies and one man. The girls all called the man, "**Uncle Grady,**" and I noticed he was always busy doing things for the group.

One lady named "**Miss Phoebe**" seemed to be in charge of Rainbow Kamp. She had lots of fun activities planned for the girls who were called Rainbow Girls. Because it rained most of the weekend, I think "Rainbow Girls" was a pretty good name. Miss Phoebe worked very hard the whole weekend. I was amazed at all the interesting things she had planned. She must be a super lady!

The girls were so excited to be there, and I watched them all arrive. One girl was called the Grand Worthy Advisor and her name was **Katy Boyles**. Lots of these girls had fancy sounding titles. Katy was full of pep and energy. She led the songs at the campfire before it was rained out. The campfire being rained out made Miss Phoebe very sad. I think she really likes campfires. Everyone seemed to like Katy, and I decided she must be the girls' leader. Katy was excited about starting college at the University of New Mexico the next week.

Not only did some of these girls have strange sounding titles but when they hung up a flag, I noticed it said "Rainbow Kamp." Now that was a strange way to spell camp. A lady they called **Aunt Bobby** explained that in 1992 they had their first Rainbow Kamp, and it was held at Camp Kiwanis near Gallup and **Kristi Baloch** was the Grand Worthy Advisor. With all these "K's" they decided to spell their camp with a "K."

Aunt Bobby must be good at telling stories because she also told a bedtime story late that night.

I was interested in finding all about these "Rainbow" Girls, so I did a lot of listening. I learned that several of the girls are dancers. Katy is a dancer. And **Amber** and **Lauren Deveraux** had been to a National Dance Competition in Las Vegas, Nevada, and had won some great honors. But they seem to do more than dance. Lauren wants to be a veterinarian when she grows up. I like people who like animals. Amber wants to be a pack animal courier. **Kayla Arngren** is another dancer who went to Las Vegas this summer. Someday she hopes to go to Rome, Italy. Now that sounds far away.

Courtney Lenato had gone to Mexico during the summer. Courtney wants to be a dancer. **Alicia Safford** liked Rainbow Kamp but didn't like the mud! And there was lots of mud. Alicia had a beautiful worship

service on Sunday morning. Alicia might be a veterinarian someday, too.

Shanna Lundy had been to State Police Youth Camp this summer. She wants to be a lawyer so I bet that camp was interesting to her.

"**Miss Thore**" led a hike up to the beautiful falls, and I always like those hikes. She had been to my camp many times, and she told the girls she loves to hike to the falls. **Michelle Skibyak**, **Anika Mollan**, **Emily Arngren** and **Jena Chavez** seemed to have lots of fun on the hike. I noticed Jena just loved gazing at the waterfall. Emily liked seeing all the plants. Michelle liked the rain and said it made her think of happiness. This was Anika's first time at Rainbow Kamp but she had been at Camp Hemmingbird for music camp this summer. I thought I had seen her before!

It was interesting to hear what the girls thought about the rain. **Casey Ross** said, it reminded her of "rubber ducks." Casey had worked all summer, so she was enjoying this chance for fun. **Ashli Stafford** thought the rain reminded her of playing in water. Ashli got a new horse this summer. **Haley Collier** thought the rain sounded like water rushing down and so hard as it rained, it really did wash down. Haley would like to go to California some day. **Ariana Collins** thought rain reminded her of a huge fountain. Ariana wants to become a landscape architect. Maybe she will put fountains in some of her landscapes.

Some of the girls had taken interesting trips this summer. **Keilyn Wright** had gone to Six Flags and she liked riding scary roller coasters. I think I have seen Keilyn around this camp before.

Sara Moretti took an eight day trip to Arizona to see her cousin but someday she wants to go to Sicily. That sounds like a long way from Arizona. **Christine Johnson** went to San Diego. Do you think she visited the zoo? I hear that is a great zoo.

While the girls were at Rainbow Kamp, they wore their jeans and muddy shoes but at some of their meetings they must wear pretty dresses that they call "Formals." **Brianna Schmitt**, **Chelsea Marsh** and **Tracy Bowman** were talking about dressing. Brianna went to the "ice cream" in Durango this summer. Tracy had a great time visiting two Rainbow assemblies last year. Chelsea visited her cousin in China this summer.

Felicia Swaker went to Washington, D. C., and New York. Maybe she is already preparing for a career in the FBI or CIA. **Lauren Rivera** and **Sarah Rivera** were some of the new Rainbow Girls, and it was their first time at Kamp. They said they liked everything about Rainbow and most of all meeting new people. Lauren wants to be an Egyptologist and maybe that's why she wants to visit Egypt. Sarah wants a career in the U. S. Coast Guard.

Blanca Swaker must be a very busy young lady. She plays the violin, is in a Mariachi group and the symphony. She will be taking four honors classes in school this year. **Kelley Dignan** was having lots of fun. She liked sitting on the bridge and looking at the water. Maybe that's because Kelley likes jet skiing.

Amber Billingsley is involved in sports and made TV soccer goalie this year. **Jessica Reynolds** has been to camp before and likes to be with all the other girls. Jessica is Grand Charity this year and she says Charity teaches some of life's most important lessons.

Rylee Hahn went to the National Student Council Conference during the summer. Rylee is another girl who wants to be a veterinarian. She also wants to be a jockey. Now that should be fun!

There were some interesting adults at Kamp. "**Miss Jean**" **Lorenzick** is from Farmington. She came to New Mexico from the East Coast, and she said all the rain reminded her of "back home."

Everyone was excited to see "**Miss Susan**" **Watts**. Her daughter Lisa was Grand Worthy Advisor last year. They had visited all over the state so she knew everyone there. Miss Susan said her goal is to help young girls achieve their dreams.

"**Miss Susan**" **Boyles** is the mother of the new Grand Worthy Advisor Katy. She is excited about the trips she and Katy will be taking. She really enjoyed the rain, and said it proved the uncomparable power of nature.

"**Miss Paula**" **Cousins** was a brand new Mother Advisor from Mother Assembly '98. I guess being Mother Advisor makes her a "Mom" to lots of girls. She seemed to be a big help to "**Miss**" **Phoebe**.

"**Miss Yolanda**" **Colorado** was excited that two of her new Rainbow Girls were there. She was the "mom" for the girls and even carried a first aid kit on the hike.

Two Rainbow Girls said they had just become "majority members." I guess that means they are grown-ups! **Kim Brown** is a Past Grand Worthy Advisor and has been to Rainbow Kamp six times. She has just graduated from college. She was so glad to see all the girls.

Emma Subramier goes to college in Texas. She has been to Rainbow Kamp and to Grand Assembly six or seven times. Emma will have an exciting life as she wants to be a "wild cat" veterinarian.

I really enjoyed having all these fun people at Camp Hemmingbird and I hope they will come back. They were such a happy, busy group and they all liked me. I got lots of petting while they were here.

Good Bye for this year,
Rusty



News From Ashlar #58

Don't Be Tricked . . . Good Health Is A Treat! . . . Health Fair

A long standing tradition of Ashlar Assembly '88 is for the Sister of Charity to coordinate a community service event that is also a fundraiser, with a set amount of the funds going to the assembly and the remainder to a charity.

Last October **Rylee Hahn**, Worthy Associate Advisor, (then Charity) coordinated a Halloween weekend Health Fair. It was held on Saturday, Oct. 29, 2005, at the Masonic Temple, Temple Lodge #6. The Health Fair was from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., with lunch served from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. There was no charge for the Health Fair. The baked potato/salad bar lunch was a \$5 donation.

Summer of 2005, **Jim Smith**, a member of Ashlar's Advisory Board had a heart attack while Rylee and Ashlar members were participating in another fundraiser. Unfortunately

over the course of the next hour or so, Jim had several more heart attacks and died. That was a life-changing experience for Rylee. During this unfortunate event, it was learned that he was diabetic with a history of heart disease. Jim was a very gracious man to the girls in our assembly; his support for our organization was above and beyond.

In honor of Jim, Rylee chose to coordinate the Halloween weekend Health Fair. Exhibitors included United Blood Services; the Parkinson Disease Assn.; Sickle Cell Council; nutritionist **Judy Arrigoletti** (**Emily** and **Kalya's** mom); Eye Associates (**Paula Gonzales**, Mother Advisor); the American Cancer Society; the Heart Hospital (**Heidi Moretti**, Past Worthy Matron); a Rio Rancho Fire Department paramedic; a kinesiologist; a massage therapist; and of course, the American Diabetes Assn.

Several other health agencies donated materials for display. Beautiful celebrating women and angel pins were sold. To continue the weekend of good health reminders, on Sunday, Oct. 30, members of Ashlar assisted with the American Diabetes Assn. Walk in downtown Albuquerque.

A donation of \$800 was raised from the Health Fair for the American Diabetes Assn. The Ashlar girls did such a wonderful volunteer effort for the Diabetes Assn. Walk.

The Albuquerque mayor's office waived the \$1,000 fee that they were to assess the Diabetes Assn. for using Albuquerque's Civic Plaza. In total, Ashlar actually contributed \$1,400 for the New Mexico Diabetes Assn. in Jim Smith's memory. What a wonderful service to all participants to be reminded that good health is a treat! What a wonderful tribute to Jim Smith as recognition of his devotion to Ashlar Assembly.

Visiting the National Cemetery Rainbow Celebration



Here is part of the group of advisors and girls who talked to the National Cemetery in Santa Fe as part of the March Rainbow Celebration. Many of the participants did rabbings from the grave sites.



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