

# New Jersey Rainbow Review



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## A message from our grand worthy Advisor

Hello New Jersey Rainbow,

As my year as Grand Worthy Advisor has come to a close, I am grateful for this opportunity to leave you with a final message. I hope this year you lived by our theme "Get Tangled in New Jersey Rainbow".

I chose this theme to inspire you to: "Step into Adventure" like Rapunzel and explore outside of your comfort zone. I hope that as you journey onward throughout your life that you always remember to "Paint your Dreams", for you are the only one who can control your fate.

Lastly, I hope you "Let your Light Shine the Way" throughout your time in Rainbow, holding close always to the hand of faith.

I am so proud to have served as Grand Worthy Advisor for the past year but more specifically I am proud to be called a Rainbow girl.

In Rainbow Love and Service,  
**Abbey Rose Wilkie**  
2021-22 Grand Worthy Advisor



GWA Abbey Wilkie as Acting Supreme Faith at the July 2022 Supreme Sessions in Oklahoma

## A message from our supreme inspector

Dear Rainbow Family,

The New Jersey Delegation had an amazing time at the 2022 Supreme Sessions in Oklahoma and I am very proud of the girls that participated. Grand Worthy Advisor Abbey Wilkie was fantastic as Acting Supreme Faith. Grand Worthy Associate Advisor Bella Storie represented with New Jersey pride in the Cavalcade of Flags. Jr Past Grand Worthy Advisor Heldreth Yu shined brightly when she took 3rd place in the Advanced Ritual Competition. Now, our 2021-22 Rainbow year has come to an end. Congratulations to Abbey and all the 2021-22 Grand Officers. Be very proud of all that you accomplished during this fun, but challenging this year.

One hundred years ago, our lovely order was founded. The Centennial Committee has been hard at work and have many fun and interesting things planned for our convention. In 1923, Newark Assembly #1 opened, so 2023 marks 100 years of New Jersey Rainbow. My wish for the future is that we will grow and prosper. This can happen if every assembly continues to work together and each and every Rainbow Girl works to help our membership grow. Show that you are proud to be a member by talking about Rainbow to all of your friends. Do you baby sit a girl of Pledge age? Tell her and her parents about your Rainbow experiences. Look around your church congregation. You may find other girls that would like to join your assembly. Blast your Rainbow activities across all of your social media, not just Rainbow pages, but your personal pages too. Show everyone how much you love Rainbow and all of the charity, community service and fun things you do with your Rainbow sisters. This is your organization and it will only succeed if you put in the effort. We advisors are here to help and are open to your suggestions on what can make this happen.

As we wrap up another Grand Year, I'd like to thank the advisors and parents for all they do for New Jersey Rainbow and our girls. I also extend sincere gratitude to the members of our Masonic Family for their ongoing support.

In Rainbow love and friendship,  
**Kathleen Nase,**  
Supreme Love, Supreme Inspector

## Trenton #9

### **Elizabeth's Installation**

*By Delany Zeidman*



Even though it was online, it was still such a treat to attend Elizabeth's installation. Almost everyone in our Rainbow group showed up. It was nice to see everyone on the Zoom to be there for Elizabeth. The installation went nice and smooth. Elizabeth's cousin was invited to be the guest speaker and she did an amazing job. I was so honored to be installed as Charity for Elizabeth's term. Elizabeth had such positive energy the whole time. Everyone seemed pretty happy with their new stations for the next term. I could tell immediately after she was installed that Elizabeth was going to be a great Worthy Advisor. I know all the girls are so proud of Elizabeth and that we will support her for the rest of her term.

### **Card Making Event**

*By Audrey D'Abronzio*

On February 5, 2022, Trenton Assembly held an event to make cards for the Eastern Star Nursing Home. We had a few new prospects show up and it was super great to be able to meet them. We made over 28 cards to give away, and I wish I could have seen the reactions to receiving them. The cards all turned out so beautiful and unique, I loved how they all turned



out. I know everyone who showed up had a great time listening to music and having some snacks. I can't wait to do that again with my Rainbow sisters.

## Mistletoe #20

### **December Initiation**

*By Alyssa Heaton*

Mistletoe Assembly welcomed a new member at our December 18 meeting. It was my very first time as an officer and I was helping to initiate my sister, Cadence. We had about 40 people in attendance. Girls from Delaware Valley Assembly and Golden Assembly assisted. Our Grand Deputy Mrs. Vander Horn was there along with Past Grand Worthy Advisors, Grand Executive Committee Members, Grand Deputies, Mother Advisors, Pledge Mothers and the Worshipful Master of Enterprise Lodge.

All the officers did a great job- even me. It was an exciting day because Mistletoe Assembly is growing.





## Holiday Party

*By Cadence Heaton*

Mistletoe Assembly held a Holiday Party following my Initiation on December 18. It was a pajama party and all the girls wore their favorite PJs. We had a Secret Santa gift exchange. Our Mother Advisor gave gifts to all the girls, visitors and Advisors.

We played games and enjoyed just being with each other. We feasted on salad, baked ziti, meatballs and lots of desserts. Everyone had a blast.



## Gavel Dedication Ceremony

*By Amaya Nieves*

Mistletoe Assembly was asked to perform the Gavel Ceremony for Nutley Lodge on March 7, 2022 by the Worshipful Master, Will Sikora. Mr. Sikora is the cousin of our Majority Member Kaitlyn Raido.

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The girls did an awesome job and the Worshipful Master was very impressed. Those taking part were Amaya Nieves, Breann O'Neill, Alexandra Reyes, Priscilla Fowlkes, Kaitlyn Raido, Gaby Gucciardo from Clifton Assembly and Ms. Musselman was acting Mother Advisor. We enjoyed a delicious dinner prior to the degree.



## May Installation

*By Emily Warhaftig*

Mistletoe's Installation was held on May 21<sup>st</sup> 2022. It began at 2pm with the Mother Advisor welcoming everyone and thanking them for coming. The Installing Team was escorted into the room, introduced and accorded proper honors. The team was Amaya Nieves, Installing Officer; Alexandra Reyes, Chaplain; Rosella Valencia, Marshall; Kaitlyn Raido, Soloist; and Breann O'Neil. The Chaplain attended the altar and the officers were escorted into the room. Fourteen officers were installed.

The following were received and accorded proper honors: Grand Worthy Advisor Abbey Wilkie, our Grand Deputy, Mrs. Vander Horn, other grand deputies, Past Grand Worthy Advisors, Worshipful Masters, Past and Present Worthy Advisors, Mother Advisors, Master Masons and members of Eastern Star.

The Worthy Advisor's Theme is Sleeping Beauty. Her motto is "If you dream a thing more than once, it is sure to come true." Her colors are Baby Pink and Blue. Her flower is a pink rose. Her symbol is a kiss. Her song is "This is What Falling in Love Feels Like" by JVKE. Her charity is the Shriner's Children's Hospital.

Everyone enjoyed yummy refreshments and socializing following the installation.

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## Master Mason Day

By Candace Heaton

Mistletoe Assembly honored Master Masons from the 5th, 6th and 8th Masonic Districts We performed the Gavel Ceremony for the District Deputy Grand Master and the Worshipful Master of Enterprise Lodge. We also performed the Dad Talk for all Master Masons that were there.

We were presented with many monetary donations. We enjoyed yummy refreshments and sociability following the meeting.

## Baby Shower

By Amaya Nieves

Mistletoe Assembly held a Baby Shower for our Advisor Mangito Fowlkes and his wife on Saturday June 18, 2022. We decorated the room with everything pink because they are expecting a little girl. We had baby bottle centerpieces, lanterns, balloons and pink favors.

They received lots of gifts, each one cuter than the next. We played games which was lots of fun. We enjoyed pasta, meatballs and pink cupcakes. It was a fun day!!!!



Mrs. Fowlkes playing a game at the shower

## Holly #56

### Honoring our First Responders

Because the world has so much uncertainty, the members of Holly Assembly #56 decided to spread some cheer and try to bring a smile to the community. This term the girls decided to bake cookies for local first responders



Ocean County Sheriff's Officers posed with Mrs. Kidwell, Adriana, Michaela and Robin

We baked the cookies individually to ensure everyone's safety but delivered them in teams. We took our rainbow goodies to the Manchester Police Department and the Ocean County Sheriff's Department, thanking them for all they do. The police officers were so amazed that someone thought of them during these difficult times.



Lacey Township Police receive cookies from Skylar, Jocelyn and Natalie

## Delaware Valley #65

### Mt. Holly OES Christmas Party

On December 17th, Delaware Valley Assembly #65 was invited to a Christmas Party by their Sponsoring Body, Mt. Holly OES Chapter. There was a surprise visit by Santa Claus and he had gifts for everyone! Mt. Holly OES Chapter served a full course meal and had many desserts for everyone.

It was a great time to socialize and spend time together. Santa was very happy to see our Grand Worthy Advisor with Pascal and he wished everyone in NJ Rainbow a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!



Amy W, GWA Abbey W., Santa, Faithanne B. and Jdyn T.



Back row: Caitlyn C., Amy W., MA Mrs. Wilkie, Shawna I.  
Front: WA Heldreth Y, GWA Abbey W., Herschel Y., Faithanne B. & Angelica S.

### January Installation

By Faithanne B.

Delaware Valley Assembly #65's Installation was held on January 22, 2022. The theme is "Happy Birthday Rainbow" and our motto is "Count the memories, not the years". My favorite part of the day was the pizza and birthday cake. I was installed into to my second office as Chaplain of our Assembly.



The assembly also attended Mistletoe Assembly's virtual installation during our downtime.

## Blast from the Past



Former Delaware Valley Mother Advisor Chris Shubert (center) is a PWA of Mystic Assembly. This picture is from her 1971 Installation.



Back: GWA Abbey W., Shawna I., Caitlyn C., Faithanne B. & Angelica S. Front: Amy W., Herschel Y. & WA Heldreth W.

# majority class of 2021-22

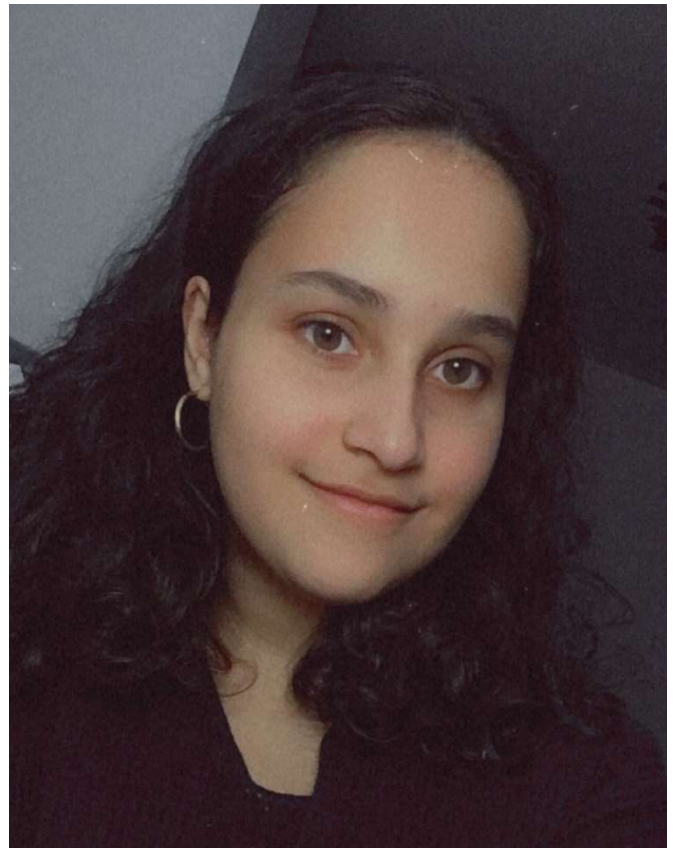


## Jenna Barron

Temple Assembly #32's Jenna Barron was born on February 17, 2000 and is now 22 years old. She was initiated into Rainbow on November 9, 2012. She served as Worthy Advisors numerous times between 2015 and 2022.

In the Grand Assembly, Jenna has held several bow offices and Grand Representative Commissions. She served as Grand Hope during the 2016-17 term.

Her favorite Rainbow memory is: Doing charity work all across the state of New Jersey and locally, but also creating life long lasting friendships and memories with Eva and Heldreth and several other girls among the different assemblies. Jenna said: "They all truly made me the person I am today."



## Alexandra Reyes

Born on January 9, 2001, Alexandra Reyes is 21 years old. She was initiated into Mistletoe Assembly and served as Worthy Advisor in May 2018 and January 2021. She has been a Grand Representative to several jurisdictions including New Hampshire and South Carolina. Her highest grand office was Grand Service during the 2021-22 Grand Year.

Alexandra has been called a very dedicated Rainbow Girl who was active since the day she joined. She has been known to arrive early to help set up and stay until all clean-up is done. She enjoys helping younger members learn about Rainbow.

## did you know?

- 🌈 Delaware Valley Assembly #65 is celebrating 100 years of Rainbow with a birthday themed term?
- 🌈 New Jersey Rainbow performed the Grand Cross of Color degree at Supreme 1994 and 2014, both in Baltimore, MD?

## have we met?

- 🌈 Delaware Valley Assembly #65 meets on the second and fourth Saturdays of each month? Come visit us and celebrate Rainbow!
- 🌈 Chameleons can change the color of their skin by reactions to temperatures, light, and their mood?
- 🌈 The eyes of a chameleon can swivel, giving them a 360 degrees panoramic view of things?
- 🌈 The tongue of a chameleon can be longer than its own body length?
- 🌈 Amaya from Mistletoe now has her own car?
- 🌈 Michaela S. from Holly Assembly graduated 8<sup>th</sup> Grade at Point Pleasant Memorial Middle School and received a Presidential Education Award for Academic Achievement?
- 🌈 Alexandra H. of Holly Pledge/Iris Assembly graduated 5<sup>th</sup> Grade and will be attending Middle School in September?
- 🌈 Grand Hope Emma D. graduated from Freehold Regional High School and is heading to Nova Southeastern University?



**Faithanne B**

From Delaware Valley Assembly #65

### What attracted you to Rainbow?

- 🌈 The Pledge Interest Meeting where we made cloud wands with the Rainbow girls.

### What's your favorite part about it so far?

- 🌈 Learning ritual parts and being in a station.

### What are you interested in?

- 🌈 I love social studies classes. It's fun to learn about history. I also do Karate.

## from the Past



*Stacy Egan Holst was installed as Grand Worthy Advisor in 1997, the year Rainbow celebrated the 75th anniversary of its founding. This year Rainbow celebrates 100 years! Mrs. Holst is pictured here after her installation with her parents and brother.*



## Oklahoma Hosts the 2022 Supreme Sessions

New Jersey Rainbow was well represented at the July 2022 Supreme Sessions in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. Miss Nase was installed as Supreme Love for the 2022-24 term.

Many of the group took a bus trip to visit the Supreme Temple and Rainbow Reflections Memorial Park in McAlester. All are sure that the girls that attended they made many memories to last a lifetime.



## Rainbow Celebrates 100 Years!

The International Order of the Rainbow for Girls is celebrating the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of its founding during 2022 and unveiled this special centennial logo.

New Jersey Rainbow will be 100 years old in February of 2023. It was the first state in the east to institute a Rainbow Assembly.

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