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News from the DeMolay

ANGELS AMONG US WALK: Incredibly early Saturday morning, April 20th, the Assembly headed to Durham to participate in the Grand Miss Service Project, a walk to benefit the Brain Tumor Center at Duke. More than forty members, adults and family from Assemblies in Greensboro Raleigh, Onslow, Winston-Salem, Hillsborough, and



Bahama helped comprise the 4,500+ people who participated in the event. In the end, over \$2 million was raised to help with the development of new therapies, quality of life initiatives and innovative treatment techniques. Sterling Yeo, NC Grand Miss Service, presented the doctors at the Center with a check for \$1,000, which had been raised by NC-IORG.

GRAND WORTHY ADVISOR'S CHURCH SERVICE: The Grand Assembly of NC met at Friendship UMC in Concord on Sunday, April 21st, to attend the home church of Kaitlyn Kubacki, GWA of NC. Taking up one half of the sanctuary, over 80 members and family were met with smiles and a very friendly welcome from the pastor and church. Following the service, a delicious lunch was served in the fellowship hall that included cupcakes made by our GWA's grandmother, Ms. Dot, and chocolate cake prepared by our GWA's uncle, "Moose". It was a wonderful day worshipping together and being together to share an extremely tasty meal.

GWA'S FINAL EVENT: As we wrapped up our year of teamwork and leadership, the Grand Assembly of NC gathered in Winston-Salem on Saturday, May 18th, for a weekend of service and fun. We began by planting flowers and helping to beautify The Children's Home on Reynolda Road as well as helping to organize their clothes closet. After a terrific picnic lunch with the families of Salem Lodge #289 at New Philadelphia Moravian Church, we participated in a *Scavenger Hunt Extraordinaire* at Hanes Mall. After evading capture at the mall, we were joined for dinner by Mrs. Vicki Ward, State Executive Committee member, who gave us her special insight into IORG. We ended the day with some line-dancing instruction by "Sylvana" and some late night pizza provided by Mr. & Mrs. Vargas. The event wound down with a movie and card playing, and we were all out before 1 a.m.

TMY CAMPING TRIP: It wasn't quite the backcountry or even the wilderness, per se, but the TMY did venture into the Great Outdoors on April 26th for a weekend of camping in



Fancy Gap, VA. We arrived early Friday evening to a very gorgeous sky, and after putting up the tents, ventured over to the RV campsite of Mrs. Judy and Mr. Harley to enjoy some hamburgers,

hot dogs and a veggie burger or two around the camp fire. After dinner, we roasted marshmallows and made s'mores. Saturday was filled with all sorts of fun. Mr. Alan took part of the group on a "Death March" to Devil's Den, a cave formation that contains many large rooms. The group also explored an abandoned farm house before returning to camp. The remaining members of the group watched movies and played tetherball and badminton. After lunch, we all took a drive on the Blue Ridge Parkway, stopping at several historic sites including Mabry Mill and even Nancy's Candy Company in Meadows of Dan. That evening we played in the rain, and then snuggled into the Sigmon's RV for more movies and merriment. After breaking down the campsite Sunday morning, we gathered together to contemplate Psalm 19 and how the complexity of Nature reflects God as the Divine Designer. We came home smelling a little smoky and with our clothes a little damp, but our relationships were stronger; our souls were happy, and our bodies exhausted.

TMY MOTHER'S DAY PROGRAM: At our stated meeting on Monday, May 13th, the TMY honored our mothers with dinner, flowers and a special program that included a Mother's Day Service by the IORG and the *DeMolay Flower Talk*. May we always endeavor to live to be worthy of our mother's love.

DEMOLAY CAVE DEGREE: Anyone interested in a road trip to Luray Caverns in Virginia to witness a cave degree on June 1st should contact our Chapter Dad as soon as possible.

TO INQUIRE ABOUT THE TRIAD MASONIC YOUTH GROUPS, call or email our DeMolay Chapter Dad, Alan Williard, at (336) 817-2115 / awilliard9599@gmail.com, or call or email our IORG Mother Advisor, Dannielle Williard, at (336) 817-1909 / dwilliard14@gmail.com.