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## Onondaga-Oswego & Capitol District Convention Liverpool, NY

On October 12th, the members of Fides #24, Onistagrawa #215, and Bal-On-Sen #65, got together to put on the "A&A Awards" for their District Convention.

It was very eventful as the members of these two districts hosted not only their District Convention, but the installations of the 2014-2015 State Representative, the 2014-2015 Chairman of the Junior Advisory Council, and the new Deputy State Director of our organization.



Annie Parks, Junior Advisor of the Capitol District, and Alison Wright, Junior Advisor of the Onondaga-Oswego District did a wonderful job presiding over the District Convention and bringing their two Districts together.

(Pictured below) The Junior Advisors welcome many distinguished guests.



It was a fun-filled afternoon with members of both the Junior & Senior Councils, Masonic Dignitaries, members of visiting Triangles, and supporters from all over the state.





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The District performed the Friendship Degree and asked all visiting members of Triangle, Rainbow, and DeMolay to participate.

(As you can see, there was great support from all of our Masonic Youth!)



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The District also awarded the members of the Junior and Senior Councils for all of their "STAR" qualities. It was a very sweet degree with a lot of laughs and smiles.



Triangle's future appears to be getting stronger!

Past Triangle Girls and their daughters enjoying the afternoon. Perhaps reflecting on their past, and looking forward to their daughters future in this fantastic youth organization.



The members of the Capitol District performed a degree for their Junior Advisor, Annie, and presented her with a meaningful bracelet and a bouquet of flowers for all of her hard work for the District Convention.



The members of the Onondaga-Oswego

District also performed a degree for their Junior Advisor, Alison, where they each presented her with a different color rose that had it's own meaning. Obviously, these Junior Advisors are extremely appreciated by their Districts!



Our State Director announced that she had a very important task that was an exciting surprise for the room.

At the Senior Council meeting the day before, the Senior Council elected a new Deputy State Director!

Congratulations to Mrs. Kristina Turri on her installation as the Deputy State Director of the Organization of Triangles, Inc.

After Mrs. Turri was installed, the members of Sunrise Triangle that were in attendance

presented Mrs. Turri with a bouquet of flowers and expressed how proud they are of her! Mrs. Turri is a Past Beloved Queen of Sunrise Triangle and the VERY FIRST Deputy State Director from Sunrise!

We know that our new Deputy State Director will do amazing things for our organization and will make us all very proud!



Another very special surprise was the appointment of the new State Treasurer.

Congratulations to Mrs. Laura Runkle Ferretti on her new position!

Mrs. Ferretti is a Past Beloved Queen of Ionic Triangle #94 and a Past State Representative. We are sure that our organization is in very able hands!



Over the past year, there have been a few new adults appointed to the Senior Advisory Council:

Mrs. Pam Melchert: Senior Advisor of the Nassau-Queens-Richmond District

Mrs. Andrea Williams: Senior Advisor at Large & Website Webmaster

Mr. Eddie Callaghan: Masonic Liaison & Editor of The Rose Trellis

Mrs. Stephanie Piston: Senior Advisor of the Onondaga-Oswego District

Congratulations to all of these dedicated adults! We could not function as an organization without your knowledge, guidance, and support.



The State Director's Award is for outstanding commitment and dedication to the Organization of Triangles, Incorporated is presented once a year to an active Triangle member who has been nominated by her Jr. Deputy.

She does not need to be a State
Representative, Junior Advisor, or even a
Past Beloved Queen, but should
demonstrate a willingness to help and
support her fellow Triangle sisters and
assist the organization in any way she can.

The recipient for 2014 is Miss Ashely Devoe from Fides Triangle #24! Congratulations, Ashely!

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Our State Director recently created a new award to be presented annually.

This new honor is the Adora Fortunato Award. This award is presented to a current member of the Organization of Triangles who demonstrates the dedication, virtues, and love, that Mrs. Adora Fortunato had for our organization. This award is in loving memory of a Junior Deputy who went above and beyond for Meridian Triangle and our organization.

Congratulations to the first recipient, Miss Jasmine Sharpe of Meridian Triangle #71!



A memorable farewell

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A very optimistic future for the Organization of Triangles, Inc.

Miss Ally Callaghan passed the crown and sash onto Miss Annie Parks. While this was

the end of a journey for Ally, it is just the start of an exciting term for Annie.



Miss Ally Callaghan gave her retirement speech (not many dry eyes in the room) and announced that she was able to raise \$1,720 to donate to the Joyful Heart Foundation, the charity she chose for her term.

After the District Convention, Mr. DeShane, the Grand Master of Cryptic Masons approached Ally with a check to reach the \$2,000 mark. Many thanks to Mr. DeShane for the heartfelt donation, and for all of the supporters who donated during her term as State Representative.



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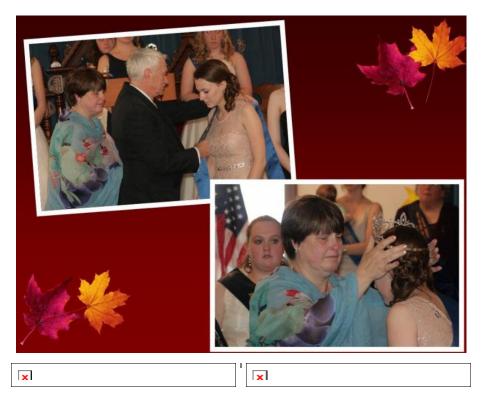
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# Every story has an end. But in life, every ending is just a new beginning.

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Miss Annie Parks addressed the room for the first time as our State Representative.

Her goal for this year is to make the **communication** amongst our Masonic Family stronger.

By selling pens, Annie hopes to raise \$2,000 for her chosen charity, the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society.



Annie was surprised by members of the Capitol District and Past State Representatives with a beautiful degree that talked about the upcoming year while tying in music; Annie's passion! It was an adorable tribute to a very special person.

Congratulations, Annie!



#### (Pictured below)

Top: Alison Wright was installed as the new Chairman of the Junior Advisory Council. Alison is now in charge of overseeing the Junior Council at all of their meetings.

Congratulations, Alison!

#### Bottom:

Our State Director presented the Jr. Past State Representative with her plaque and Past State Representative pin.



We are very blessed to have had present so many Masonic Dignitaries! Your support means more than you will ever know. Thank you for supporting our youth, and leading by example!

(Pictured below)

Top left:

Grand High Priest of the NY Royal Arch Masons, ME Piers Vaughan

Bottom left:

Grand Scribe of the NY Royal Arch Masons, RE Raymond Roche

Top right:

Right Eminent Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery Knights Templar, State of NY, Charles Roberts

#### Bottom right:

Most Illustrious Grand Master of the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of the State of NY, Harley DeShane



Mr. Roberts presented Ally with a pin from the Grand Commandery (the very first time that pin has ever been presented to anyone outside the Commandery) for all of her hard work during her term, and wished Annie the best of luck during her term. He added, "the adult organizations will continue to support youth in any way possible".



Also present was Hannah Nelson, the Grand Worthy Advisor of NY Rainbow, and Tyler Henderson, the State Master Councilor of NY DeMolay.

It is always so special to see that our youth representatives are such great friends!





(Pictured below)

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Top left:
The Grand Commander, State Master
Councilor, Grand Worthy Advisor,

#### State Representative, Jr. Past State Representative, Grand High Priest, and Cryptic Masons Grand Master

#### Top right:

David Celentano (Past State Master Councilor), Tom Perry (Past State Master Councilor), Hannah Nelson (Grand Worthy Advisor), Annie Parks (State Representative), Ally Callaghan (Jr. Past State Representative), Shannon Rudolph (Past State Representative), and Tyler Henderson (State Master Councilor)

> Bottom left: Tyler, Hannah, Ally, and Annie

Bottom right:
Mr. & Mrs. Roche with Tyler, Hannah,
Annie, and Ally



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#### (Pictured below)

### Left: Ally Callaghan and Annie Parks

Right:
Our State Representative with the Grand
Worthy Advisor



(Pictured below)

The Past State Representatives that were in attendance:

Laura Runkle Ferretti (1986), Kristina Little Groff (2008), Kellie Walker (2009), Ally Callaghan (2014), Shannon Rudolph (2013), Nicole Walker Thomsen (2006)



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#### The "Rose Garden"

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