



Grand Assembly was AWESOME

Thank you to everyone who contributed to the success of Grand Assembly! So many fantastic memories were made, so many new friendships, so many smiles and so much kindness shown. We really did "Come Alive" with CT IORG!

Term Information 2023-2024

Motto - Finding our Forever Family with Connecticut Rainbow

Mascot - Annie

Symbols -Gold hearts, Red bows, and Music notes

Colors - Annie red, Sunshine yellow, Warbucks blue and Hannigan purple

Flower - Hydrangea

Honor Station - Nature

Song -“You’ll Always Find Your Way Back Home” by Hannah Montana

Quote -“In truth a family is what you make it. It is made strong, not by number of heads counted at the dinner table, but by the rituals you help family members create, by the memories you share, by the commitment of time, caring, and love.” by Marge Kennedy

Charity - Ciara’s Light

Grand Representatives

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| Alabama | Branna B. #6 | #8 |
| Arizona | Krista O. #8 | #4 |
| California | Caitlin T. #6 | |
| Colorado | Lily M. #46 | rson #8 |
| Florida | Kyra F. #6 | ley #6 |
| Georgia | Lily M. #46 | rton #8 |
| Hawaii | Branna B. #6 | nott #19 |
| Illinois | Kathryn R. #8 | g #6 |
| Indiana | Victoria N. #8 | ason #46 |
| Iowa | Branna B. #6 | els #30 |
| Kansas | Lindsey D. #8 | umott #19 |
| Kentucky | Amber H. #6 | k #6 |
| Louisiana | Kathryn R. #8 | o #8 |
| Maine | Emilie V. #46 | ler #11 |
| Maryland | Victoria N. #8 | #6 |
| Massachusetts | Kyra F. #6 | son #8 |
| Michigan | Lily M. #46 | |
| Mississippi | Kyra F. #6 | |

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| Missouri | Lindsey D. #8 |
| Montana | Amber H. #6 |
| Nebraska | Krista O. #8 |
| New Hampshire | Shayla V. #46 |
| New Jersey | Morgan W.#4 |
| New York | Aryana N. #46 |
| North Carolina | Aryana N. #46 |
| Ohio | Emilie V. #46 |
| Oklahoma | Krista O. #8 |
| Oregon | Victoria N. #8 |
| Pennsylvania | Shayla V. #46 |
| Rhode Island | Aryana N. #46 |
| South Carolina | Kathryn R. #8 |
| Tennessee | Morgan W.#4 |
| Texas | Shayla V. #46 |
| Vermont | Caitlin T. #6 |
| Virginia | Emilie V. #46 |
| Washington/Idaho | Lindsey D. #8 |
| West Virginia | Caitlin T. #6 |
| Parana Brazil / Philippines | Morgan W.#4 |
| Sao Paulo / Espirito Brazil | Amber H. #6 |

Spirit Trophy Recipient - Sabrina C #6

IORG Trophy Recipients

- Integrity - Hope Assembly #46
- Opportunity - Branford Assembly #19
- Responsibility - Norwich Assembly #30
- Generosity - Sophia P. #8

Grand Cross of Color Degree Team

- Mistress of Ceremonies - Kaylee Connors
- Sister of Victory - Kelsy Orsini
- Sister of Vision - Maia Ridley
- Sister of Truth - Brenna Wrinn
- Grand Chaplain - Jenna Hugh
- Grand Marshall - Jamie Owens
- Grand Keeper of the Door - Adele Rossignol
- Crown Bearer - Keila Parkinson
- Cross Bearer - Charlotte Benson

Adult Appointments

Executive Committee

Hope Cotter
Betty Laferriere
Ann McKusick
Darcy Needham
Staci Stamm - Chair
Melissa Trofatter
Kelsey Reutenauer

Grand Assembly Hostesses

Kaylee Connors
Meghan Dana
Gabby Dana
Marissa Gonynor - Chair
Melanee Haggett
Jenna Hugh
Kelsy Orsini
Jamie Owens
Maia Ridley
Adele Rossignol
Charlotte Wakelee
Brenna Wrinn

Grand Assembly Advisors

Tonya Affricano
Stephanie Bink
Brittany Bray
Sharon Busher
Jim Cosgrove
Hope Cotter
Samantha Creighton
Kelsey Gilbert
Suzi Jensen
Don Langlois
Sandy Langlois
Caroline Maselli
Russ McKusick
Kelsy Orsini
Anna Plasky
Liz Plasky
Kathy Raveneau
Kelsey Reutenauer
Susan Rossignol
Ali Stamm
Joyce Stobierski
Melissa Trofatter
Judy Watts
Amy Wrinn

**IORG'S YEAR OF SERVICE
2023**

Food Drive

Collection:

March - April

How to:

Collect non perishable food and donate it to a food pantry in your community! You can even host a local food drive in your town!

www.CTIORG.com

Let's make this a great year of service!



Year of Service

March and April are focused on collecting funds and non-perishable food for local Food Banks. We started off our collections at Grand Assembly with a total of \$391.00. We are asking all GOs and GRs to bring 1-2 food items to our get-together in April. What will your assembly do to contribute? Let's fill our Social Media sites with good deeds and positive posts of our service!

Upcoming Dates

March 23 - Amaranth Informal Opening

Grand Officers/Representatives arrive by 6:30 PM, Please wear white gowns

Holiday Inn Hartford Downtown Area, an IHG Hotel

100 E River Dr, East Hartford, CT 06108

March 26 - DeMolay Bowling Tournament

March 31 - Grand Lodge

Grand Officers participating need to be there by 5:00 PM. Please wear white gowns. Dinner will be provided.

Marriott Hartford/Windsor Airport

28 Day Hill Rd, Windsor, CT 06095

April 1st - Registration for Maine Grand Assembly is due. You must let Mom Needham know if you are planning to attend by March 29th.

April 1st - GO/GR Get together - Shelton Lodge 2-7pm

April 1st to April 2nd - GO Sleepover

Shelton Lodge, starting at 2pm

April 14th - Hope Assembly - 2nd Annual Instruction Night. All are welcome to join the members of Hope Assembly for their Instruction Night. Pajamas/comfy clothes are the suggested attire. Please let Mom Vaill know if you plan to attend.

And Norwich Assembly is continuing to collect stretchable plastic to create another bench. Please donate all your clean stretchable plastic and save the environment!

From Mom Needham

A special thank you to all who attended our Grand Assembly sessions earlier this month. It was so nice to see so many guests visiting from out of state! It was also nice to see the close friendships that developed and strengthened over the weekend. It was with pride that I watched the Grand Representatives and Grand Officers complete their responsibilities with grace and poise. And we were blessed to have Mrs. Kay, our SWA with us for the weekend! What a positive impact she had on the girls and adults!

There was one couple, not part of our group, that was staying in the hotel for the weekend. The couple went up to our registration area, and said they were so impressed by the girls they saw in

the hallways. They actually sought out additional information about IORG on line. They wanted to make sure all you girls know how much they admire what you do.

On Friday night, we were able to pack 145 pocketbooks full of needed items to support Purses of Empowerment. Several girls and Advisors left with totes full of pocketbooks for charities they are associated with.

I hope everyone enjoyed the weekend as much as I did, and left with a renewed enthusiasm to make our local and state programs grow through love and service!

Name the Newsletter

It is time once again to Name the Newsletter, to correspond to our new Grand theme. You can reply to this email with your suggestions or email Mom Needham.

Winner to be announced on the next newsletter - send your ideas in now!