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## Number One in Membership....Again!

It is amazing that I can be a leader of a Jurisdiction in which the members are able to bring in a lot of their friends in. That is why it gives me pleasure to announce that we are number one in Membership for the 10th year in a row! The joy that this Fraternity brings me is unmatched to anything, DeMolay has given me a purpose in life and I am truly thankful for that, but that was last year and a new year is upon us. We have set up a Membership Drive that will run to the start of Conclave. The First Place Chapter Prize is the choice of a Xbox One or PlayStation 4 with 2 controllers and 2 games for that system and also a video projector! Second Place Prize is \$300 and Third Place Prize is \$200! Top Line Signer will receive 2 video games of their choice for any game console. They will also receive a special prize to be named at Conclave!



So get out there and bring in your friends so they can experience DeMolay and maybe at your next lock-in you will be playing on a brand new PlayStation 4 or Xbox One!

Get In The Game!

Brandon Rarey

State Master Councilor 2013-2014

**GET IN THE GAME**  
MISSOURI DEMOLAY MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

**CHAPTER PRIZES**

**FIRST PLACE**  
PlayStation 4 or Xbox One  
2 Controllers + 2 Games  
Video Projector

**SECOND PLACE**  
\$300

**THIRD PLACE**  
\$200

**TOP LINE SIGNER PRIZE**  
Two video games of your choice  
and an exclusive prize to be revealed at Conclave

Missouri DeMolay Membership Drive { January 1st - May 24th }

## Success Through DeMolay



I truly believe that living by the virtues of a DeMolay is the best way to live and to fulfill your purposes in life. After the past few years, the Ritual work has helped guide me through many situations where our teachings were prominent aspects of what I was doing. Within the past year I have kept walking down the pathway of light through Freemasonry and into the Scottish Rite brotherhood. I have learned many lessons on how to be a better friend, a better brother, and a better man. It has been through DeMolay that I have discovered my purpose in life – and that is to always do more for

others than I should do for myself. I have learned that in fulfilling my purpose, I can call myself successful. Throughout the progression of the last couple of months, I have had the distinct honor in planning our 2014 State Conclave. There will be changes that will make this Conclave significantly different from years past. I know, for me, the weekend of Conclave goes by in an instant, and I miss it. I'm hoping that this year, we can all come together as a State and enjoy the prosperity that is our Missouri DeMolay family. If I could please everyone who comes to Conclave, that would be my greatest success. I truly believe that if you live by the virtues of DeMolay and you seek to perpetuate our teachings through your daily lives, then you will find true success through DeMolay.

Fraternally,

Quentin Cockerham  
Deputy State Master Councilor 2013-2014



## Masonic Family Hockey Night

We have a great chance as a Masonic Family to enjoy some fun Hockey! The St. Charles Chill has offered us reduce price tickets to see The Chill take on the Missouri Mavericks on Friday February 28th, 2014. Tickets will be \$10 for anyone with a masonic affiliation! The puck will drop at 7:05pm and the Blues great and Hall of Famer Brett Hull will be in attendance. There will also be a Mascot Madness with the St. Louis Areas best Mascots!



This will sure be an amazing opportunity to have fun with your fellow brothers as well as enjoy some hockey. To order Tickets please call (636) 724-SHOT. I hope to see you all there!

Fraternally,  
Jacob Scholl  
State Senior Councilor 2013-2014

## What is DeMolay?

When we DeMolay's are in public as a group, there is one question that is always asked by those who don't know who we are. WHAT IS DEMOLAY? That's why we ask that you know what we call an elevator speech that is a 30 second description of what DeMolay is. Well, if everything you say gets them interested and wanting to know more, here are 7 more subjects to bring up if you haven't already, that we do or teach:

Determination

Education

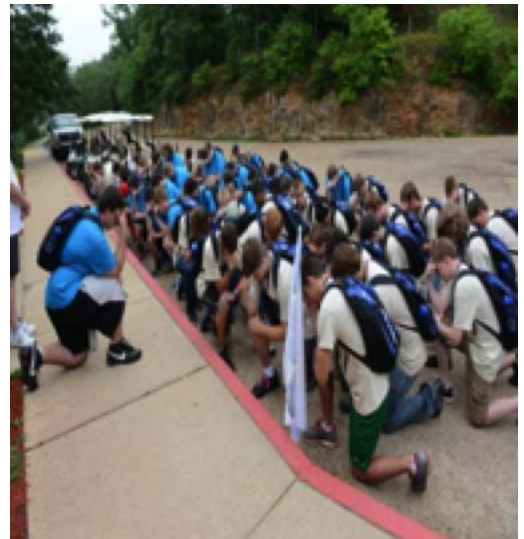
Motivation

Organization

Leadership

Awards

Years of friendships



These are things that can get people hooked even more into DeMolay, especially the adults. Adults like to see these kind of things in a young man because a young man can go a long way with these traits. So next time you're stuck after that elevator speech to talk about DeMolay, talk about these 7 parts of DeMolay. Keep spreading the word of DeMolay and keep on bringing in new members.

Fraternally,

Christian Westermayer  
State Junior Councilor 2013-2014



## Communication in DeMolay

As the years have gone by there have been many different ways to communicate with each other, Today the main ways to communicate are through calling, texting, emailing, and using social media sites, as these



are all great, face to face is still best if it is possible to do so. As State Scribe I have to communicate with all of the other state officers on a regular basis, this and previous Seven Times newsletters are examples of this effective communication between State Officers. Communication is a key to not only success but also retaining members, public relations, and a functioning Chapter. For instance whenever you initiate a young man, call him rather than text him because calls are more personal and will likely make him feel more welcome and invite him to an upcoming event. In my own chapter, we use our Chapter Face Book page and texting as way to communicate and it works very well, but if we

ever think that they didn't get the message or if they are a new member, we will simply make a call. As a chapter you need to find the best way to get in touch with every member and if you have inactive members give them a call to see what has been going on in effort to fix any problem there may be. So please, as this year goes by, strive to make more effective communication with the members of your chapter in an effort to retain your membership and help your chapter grow.

Fraternally,

Michael Braun  
State Scribe 2013-2014

## OPEN HOUSE



DeMolay is a fraternal organization that is all about brotherhood, leadership, and tradition. We strive to grow bigger and bigger every year, but due to majority's rising, we need to bring in new members faster than ever. So we have found a way to do this. It is called an open house. Why not open our doors to those who have not seen or heard of our organization. These open houses so far have done great on a state level, but we need to get back to chapters having initiations themselves. So let's

integrate these in to the chapters. We need to have an open house in all chapters so each chapter can be such as Joplin chapter and bring in 70 new people in one day. Even a small scale open house will be beneficial to one if not more chapters, but we need to be looking into state wide open houses, and this is only possible if we have the vision to do it. With vision we can complete anything we set our minds to. I think if the chapters had such a great vision to do something as amazing as these open houses one a yearly basis, the membership in Missouri DeMolay would sky rocket through the roof. I, as a state officer, would love to see this happen in all the chapters in Missouri DeMolay, this year. I can see the potential in all chapters to achieve this goal especially with the new membership program incentives for the chapters in-which you could possibly win an Xbox One or a Playstation4, and who in this day and age doesn't want to win an awesome new gaming console!? So I hope to see everyone within the next year put on an open house and bring in at least 25 new members to their chapter to help Missouri Demolay and to help those who have not seen the things DeMolay can bring to you and the world you live in.

John Parker

State Chaplain 2013-2014





## Sports in DeMolay

There are many fun and exciting ways to get involved and make friends through DeMolay. A way that many kids do this is through sports! In DeMolay we love to have fun and stay active while doing it. Sports such as Basketball, Volleyball, Dodge ball, Billiards, Track, Tug-of-war and many others are played throughout the state during the State Conclave, District Conclaves, or simply inside one's chapter. During Conclave you'll even get a trophy if you place in certain sports. We devote basically a whole day to sports during conclave and at the end of the day you'll feel that you've done enough sports for a week. While we like to have fun with our many sports we play, we all must keep in mind that this is simply for fun and even though we are winning a trophy, this isn't the Olympics. Sports in DeMolay were started simply because they are a fun, simple and easy way to bring strangers, brothers and friends together and to enjoy what every teenage guy loves to do in his spare time. During the State Conclave, you have the opportunity to make a lot of new friends just by playing against them on the other team; you may even be paired up with them for another event and then, Boom, you made yourself a new friend. You can even go inside your own chapters and schedule a time to do outside sports such as paintball, baseball and others if you and your friends want. The options are endless. Sports, I think, really put the fun in the saying "*Food, Fun and Girls*". Sports are a very simple way to bring everyone together for a day of fun and what they take away from it, the memories, the laughter, the newly created friendships, are what really make the day special.



Devin Sharpe  
State Marshal 2013-2014

## New Year and New Goals

The Chivalric Knights of the Holy Order of the Fellow Soldiers of Jacques DeMolay or Knighthood is an organization within DeMolay for young men ages 17 to 21 with events designed for their age group. I have been in knighthood for 4 years now and I firmly believe you get out of it what you put into it and that is how I plan to run my term as State Illustrious Knight Commander this year, maximizing the Knighthood experience and further expanding its membership across Missouri. The New Year ushers in the start of planning for Missouri DeMolay's State Conclave and I am planning to make Knighthood more special at conclave with the annual State Investiture, continued individual ritual competitions, and possibly even a Knighthood member only event. This will surely engage older members of chapters to remain passionate for DeMolay through the experience Knighthood can give you. Knighthood membership is a big concern for me this term and my officers and I plan to expand Knighthood and revive some forgotten Pories and try to start a new one, making Knighthood no longer a St. Louis centralized organization but a statewide organization within Missouri DeMolay. To add excitement to the Knighthood program this year and for years to come, I hope to introduce an award not well known in the Missouri DeMolay Knighthood Program, the Illustrious Knight Commander's Meritorious Service Award for Illustrious Knight Commanders of any priory across Missouri. Much like the Past Master Councilor's Meritorious Service Award, the Knighthood equivalent promotes excellent term planning while growing the priories themselves. Finally, under my term, I would like to implement statewide Knighthood member only events. These events will promote fun and camaraderie while being exclusive to excite members across Missouri to join Knighthood when they turn 17. Look for more information in the next issue of the Seven Times. I hope everyone is as ready to grow Missouri Knighthood as I am. I feel the older members are a resource vital to the success of Missouri DeMolay with the passing of experience to the future leaders in Missouri DeMolay and Knighthood helps accomplish this. Get ready for Missouri Knighthood coming to a city near you!

Sincerely & fraternally,

Adam Frigerio  
State Illustrious Knight Commander 2013-2014



# Save The Date!

**DISTRICT 1 DEMOLAYs, SQUIRES AND ADVISORS**



**DISTRICT 1 CONCLAVE**

**MARCH 1, 2014**

**SCOTTISH RITE ST. LOUIS**



**WATCH YOUR EMAILS FOR MORE INFORMATION**