

Executive Officer Briefing Jan. 24. 2016 - Vol. 2 Issue 19

Lots of stuff coming up! Are you planning to attend?



You are one of the key leaders in your Chapter! We need you to share the **DEMON** information here with the members and advisors of your Chapter. It is our desire to ensure frequent communications are taking place throughout the jurisdiction. Thank you for your effort in accomplishing this important mission. If you have feedback please share it with us at any of the options at the bottom of this email and we will endeavor to make it happen.

2016 State Ritual Competition - Feb 13th

Registration for the 2016 SRC is due February 3rd ...

As we have been announcing since last Convention, we have moved most of the Ritual Competitions from Conclave to our own independent State Ritual Competition. This year it will be held on Saturday, February 13th at Fairview Christian School in Seattle (Northgate).



The tournament will run from 8:00am to 5:00pm, with plenty of time to go get changed to attend Leaders' Ball later that evening. Dad William Hart and his Committee are getting things ready for the ritual competitions. Remember that all competitions (except Ceremony of Light, Flower Talk and Obligations) will take place at the State Ritual Tournament. The other three will be at Convention, and Obligations will now become a proficiency examination as well as a 3 Division Competition.

Registration and the Need to Know Packet are available now by hitting <u>Click Here</u> or visiting the State Website (News/Info - State). Any questions can be directed to Dad Hart or Dad Brunson. *The updated* <u>Ritual Rules</u> are posted on the website.

Leaders' Ball 2016

Saturday, February 13th at the Pacific Science Center in Seattle ~ 8:00pm

Your favorite dance of the year is returning "LEADERS' BALL 2016" will be on February 13th from 8:00pm to 11:00pm. We want this event to feel like a formal prom, so we booked the Pacific Science Center in Seattle! Yummy treats, a beautiful location, all your friends together from around the state, and a visit to the Tropical Butterfly House equates to a night you'll never forget!



Click here for the "<u>Need to Know Packet</u>" or go to the website - State News. Remember that registration is due on FEBRUARY 3rd and is available online by <u>Clicking Here</u>.

With questions on the event contact: SMC Andrew J. Everett 253-720-0791.

2016-2017 State Officer Elections

Are you interested in running for Elected State Office...



If you are interested in running for an Elected State Office then you will need to click here or go the <u>website</u> (New/Info - State) and checkout details for what you must do in order to be considered and approved to run for office by the Executive Officer. All letters of intent must be <u>POSTMARKED by February 5</u>, 2016 in order to be considered. You must mail them, or hand deliver, as

electronic submissions will <u>not</u> be considered. Please read everything completely as there are a changes to the qualifications to run for office. All details including the following deadlines can be found in the letter from our State Dad Advisor.

 Friday, January 1, 2016 - Notice to Chapters requesting Letters of Intent to run for Elected State Office.

- 2. Friday, February 5, 2016 Deadline to submit Letters of Intent to the Executive Officer. Must be Postmarked no later than the deadline date (hand delivered is acceptable, emailed Letters of Intent will NOT be accepted):
- 3. Saturday. February 13. 2016 Candidate Interviews (to be held during the State Ritual Competitions). Time schedule and location to be announced;
- 4. Sunday, February 14, 2016, 12:00pm "So You Want to be A State Officer Meeting" (discussion with candidates and parents about the responsibilities of being an Elected State Officer and details of the election process and rules). Will be held at the WA DeMolay Offices in Tacoma from Noon to 1:30pm, Mandatory for all candidates.
- 5. Monday, February 15, 2016 Official Announcement of approved candidates and written notice to all candidate applicants.

Region Conclaves are February and March

Check with your RMC for details ...



DEMOLAY This is the time of year when you elect your 2016-2017 Region Master Councilor and have some fun together as a Region. Also you will do some planning for spirit and enthusiasm at Conclave

and for the upcoming year in your Region. Your Region Deputy will announce when letters of intent to run for Region Master Councilor are due. If you would like to run for Region Master Councilor you will also need to have your advisory Council submit an Advisory Council Acknowledgement Form to your Deputy in order for you to run.

The four Conclaves that have been scheduled are: Cascade Region Conclave is February 27th, St Helen's Region Conclave is March 5th, Destiny Region Conclave is March 18th, and Adelphos Region Conclave is March 19th. A date for the Pilchuck Region Conclave has not yet been determined.

Dad Gross, Director of Regions, will be emailing directly to the Region Deputies an outline of the items for business that must be handled at the Region Conclaves. Please contact him with any questions. SMC Andrew Everett will be contacting the Region Master Councilors to get details of their plans for the Conclaves and offer assistance for planning.

Convention 2016 - DeMolayland

April 21-24 at Great Wolf Lodge in Grand Mound

Are you excited? Conclave is just 3 months away! Now is the time to get your plans in full swing and start getting registrations moving. WE have a new process for registering this year - it is all online. Go to our website, top tab "News/Info", first drop-down tabs is "Conclave 2016 -DeMolayland". This is your one stop shop for everything you want to



know about our Conventions. Here you will find ONLINE registration for Chapter Members, Advisors and Guests. You have two options - register as a Group (up to 10 attendees at a time) or register as an Individual (have your members register themselves). Either way the Chapters/Groups main contact person will get regular updates on who has registered, what they owe, and what is missing from the registration. Reminder that registration deadline (all the paperwork) must be completed by February 15th. Other important information, housing forms, schedule, flyers, and updates will be constantly posted, edited and changed. Any questions - please contact Convention Director Mom Lorrie Brunson

Membership Focus includes getting them Registered

Reporting new Initiates...

As many of you heard at our last WADA we are now reporting new initiates a little different than we used to. Instead of sending any paperwork to the State office or to DI office, you will now enter all the info directly into the eScribe system and have it processed by



DeMolay International. You can Click Here to be taken to the system, where you can login and enter the details for your new initiates. You will also need a PayPal account or an electronic payment option ready when you do or you will not be able to complete the registration process. If you have any questions you can contact Dad Gross with your question and he will get you an answer or walk you through the process as needed.

All Members Must Be Proficient Now

In order to hold office or vote, you must be proficient ...

Now that the New Year is upon us, all members must be proficient in order to hold an elected office and/or vote. This is applicable to Chapter, Region and State Offices. Dad Brunson announced this several months back and should serve simply as a reminder that we have now reached the time when it is effective. If you have questions about how this should be handled you can contact your Region Deputy or the Jurisdiction Office for answers.



Revised State By-Laws

Please review the current By-Laws, they are effective now!

The new and most current version of our State By-Laws can be found by clicking here. They are also on the State Website (Members & Advisors -Online Resources). These are inclusive of several changes that will be voted on and considered at Conclave this year by the delegates. As always, if you have any questions you can reach out to the <u>state office</u> by email and we will get back with you as quickly as we can. These By-Laws are in effect immediately by order of the Executive Officer.

"DAD" Training

Do you need to schedule anyone?

As we round out the year and start working towards next year, we need to get all those new adults trained and registered correctly. If you have any adults that you need to get "DAD" trained please take a minute and <u>email</u> <u>the office</u> so that we can coordinate the training dates for everyone. We

have several trainers throughout the state now so we can definitely accommodate most any needs.

Are all the Leaders in your Chapter on our Mailing List?

Please check with all your leaders...

Every two weeks we send out this EO Briefing to make sure that everyone is up to speed with all the latest and greatest info that we have to share. Your Chapter Chairman, Dad Advisor, and Councilors should be receiving this at a minimum. As time goes by please be sure to check with your fellow leaders and make sure everyone is receiving it. If you need someone added they can email the office or go to the <u>website</u> and click the link to be added to our <u>electronic mailing list</u>.



Be Sure to Begin Planning for DLC 2016

DLC 2016 will be held July 24th - July30th...

DLC 2016 is now on the calender. Please make sure to start putting your plans together for how to get as many of your members there as you can. The dates are July 24-30, 2016 and will be held once again at Camp Shepard, near Enumclaw, WA. So be talking with your local lodges and



anyone else who can help you send as many boys as you can to help your chapter grow.

WA DeMolay Directory

Current as of January 24, 2016...

With the new year here is a new and updated version of the <u>Washington DeMolay</u> <u>Directory</u>. Please take a minute to review your chapter's information to ensure we have the most accurate detail for your leaders. If you find something incorrect you can use the <u>Form 11/Update</u> to submit a correction, and if you find that there is a lot of wrong information you can submit a new <u>Form 11/Chapter roster</u> to get it all updated.

WA DeMolay Online Calendar - The right spot to find a date...

Is your Chapter or Region holding an event or activity that you want others to attend? *Well then, that requires advertising, right?* Let us help you promote your events. First, use the "<u>Calendar Event Submittal Form</u>" on the Website. This will get your date booked and posted on the WA DeMolay State Event Calendar. *Second, email us a flyer* (PDF or JPEG) of the event including the Who, What, Where, When, Why, and How much. We will post it on the State Website, Facebook and other social media outlets.



Send it to - <u>office@wademolay.org</u>. Then check out your flyer in the new Chapter and Region sections of the Website! Go to Calendar

You asked for it.... Conclave 2016 Payment Schedule Registration prices are posted on the website and facebook page... Third payment is DUE on February 15th! Final balance is due March 15th!

Many people were asking at this Convention if we could post as soon as possible the schedule of payments for the 2016 Conclave. You can simply click the link for the schedule as posted on our website. We can start taking payments as soon as you want and even in different increments. Simply go to the State website and go to event registrations for Conclave pre-payments



Contact our State Financial Director, Dad Kevin Reid if you have any questions. Any questions about the event can be directed to the Convention 2016 Director Mom Lorrie Brunson.



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Our work and our people are regularly recognized as the best DeMolay has to offer.



Give us a call today!

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