

Executive Officer Briefing February 19, 2017 Vol. 3 Issue 20

State Conclave is only 59 days away!

You are one of the key leaders in your Chapter! We need you to share the 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.

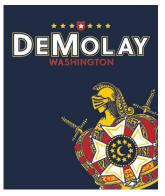


Changes to our Region system

Please read at your next Chapter meeting...

It has certainly been a busy year and we have seen increased activities in our Chapters around the state. Your State Corps has done lots of traveling and visiting, talking with members, and keeping the pulse of what is happening in the field. Myself, Dad Gross along with other State Advisors are constantly listening and asking questions about the Region system, support of the Chapters, and how we can do better to help DeMolay in Washington grow.

An area of concern continues to be our Regions, how they function, activities that have been scheduled, communications and support of their Chapters, and missed opportunities. We realize that the position of Region Master Councilor and Deputy are a tough, non-paid, thankless



job; just like being State Master Councilor or Executive Officer but on a smaller scale. With much input and brainstorming, I have come to a conclusion that it is time for some changes in our Region system. We will be announcing many of these changes between now and State Conclave as plans are finalized and put into place.

A) Each current Region will still be having a Region Conclave to be held on the date that has been on the State Events Calendar since last April. However, if that date needs to change due to other conflicts and with the approval of the Chapters (via the Chapter Dad) in your Region, the SMC (Luke) and Director of Regions (Dad Gross), the Region Conclave may be moved to a new date.

B) Your Region Conclave will have three goals. 1) To hold NO Business, No Elections, NO Formal or Boring Stuff. 2) Have FUN, include quality BRO-TIME for <u>all</u> the Members and Chapters in your Region. 3) Get everyone in your Region excited for DeMolay and to Celebrate this past year by having as many Members and Advisors from the Chapters in your Region attend this event.

C) Specific details of your Region Conclave will be communicated to you at least 14 days before the event date by your Region Master Councilor and Deputy.

D) Yes you read correctly... there will be NO Election of a Region Master Councilor at your Region Conclave this year. Thus, NO Letters of Intent will be needed for this position. Please ensure that all Members know this information as soon as possible.

E) For the 2017-2018 Term, the position of RMC will be appointed by the SMC-Elect (and new State Corps) with consultation of the Director of Regions, and approval of the Region Deputy, State Dad Advisor, and Executive Officer. The announcement of new RMC's and their Installation will happen on Saturday of State Conclave.

F) An online RMC application with clear guidelines and requirements is being drafted now and should be released by the end of February. The due date for submission of this new RMC Application will be midnight, April 10th to the State Office, via online only.

G) We have several changes in Region Deputies, many suggested revisions to the structure and operation of Regions, and modifications to the Chapters in each Region. Therefore, we will have a realignment of Chapters in each Region to be announced not later than March 15th.

These decisions are not made lightly. My intent is always take action that continues to enhance the experiences of the Members, for them to grow in Brotherhood, develop as Leaders, and prepare for their Future.

Please direct any and all questions about these changes to me as we get this word communicated out to everyone. Any questions about the process and management of the Regions, please direct to Dad Gross.

Thank you! Dad Jeffery A. Brunson Executive Officer DeMolay in Washington

GAME ON! CONVENTION 2017 Have you visited <u>www.demolaycon.org</u> ...yet???



April 20 - 23, 2017 - Grand Mound, WA

The Washington DeMolay <u>GAME ON! CONVENTION 2017</u> will be held April 20-23, 2017 at Great Wolf Lodge in Grand Mound, Washington. This site will serve as your go to Convention 2017 resource. Here you will find answers to your many questions, register, submit payments, find downloads and maybe even have a little gaming fun. Don't delay, get **registered** today!

Deadlines, registrations, payments, parent medical release forms, Banquet Tickets, and awesome videos are all available by <u>clicking</u> <u>here</u> <u>www.demolaycon.org</u>

2017-2018 Elected State Officers Announcement of Candidates for Elected State Officer...

The 2017 Washington DeMolay Convention will be held at the Great Wolf Lodge in Grand Mound from Thursday, April 20th to Sunday, April 23rd. On Saturday, April 22nd, the 2017-2018 State Chapter Officers will be elected.



Pursuant to the Washington State DeMolay By-Laws, several brothers have met the deadline of submitting a Letter of Intent, listed their qualifications, and most have participated in a formal interview held yesterday, February 18th at the Washington DeMolay Offices. However, until all candidates have completed this process, no formal word of the approved candidates will be announced.

Please note that formal campaigning is not permitted until the first day of Convention 2017.

Fraternally,

Dad Jeffery A. Brunson Executive Officer - WA DeMolay

Game On! Membership Quest

Join us in our Quest to Level-Up your Chapter with new members...

Don't miss out on this opportunity to join the brothers in your Chapter for the **Game On! Membership Quest**. If you follow the membership program and get new members you can earn fabulous prizes. <u>Get all of the details here!</u>

We know it not always easy to unlock all the Achievement Rewards by yourself, but if you work together as a team, put in the effort, do the work to make it happen - everyone is a winner! Follow the simple provided instructions, stick to the schedule, and you too, and your Chapter could benefit from this program. <u>Click</u>



here to print the Quest packet and bring to your next Chapter meeting to get started today!

2017 Medical Release Forms

Are all your members up to date with your files...

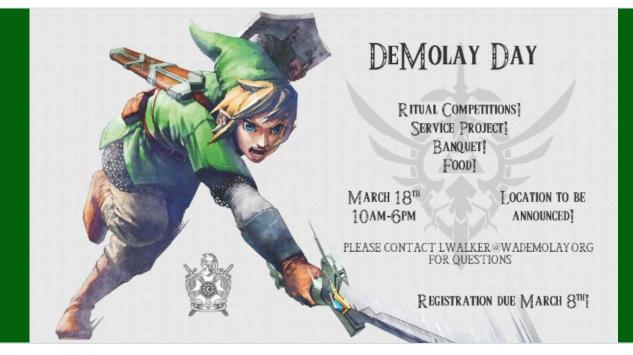
Now is time to update the Medical Release Forms you have on file for your Chapter Members. The forms have an annual expiration date of December 31st of each year.

<u>Print off the 2017 forms here.</u> You will know when you have the newest form by the large "2017" in the upper right corner. Once you collect them all back, making sure all the data is complete, and the form is signed by a parent or guardian, make copies for all of your Advisors who are drivers to events. Put them in a 3-ring binder and toss it in your car,



for you never know when you will need the forms. WE do ask for and collect them at every state event

through the year. NO current form, NO to able to participate, GO home ...



My feet are tired... I danced too much...

It was time to just Dance...

Last night was Leaders' Ball 2017 and we all survived! There were awesome dresses, slick suits, wonderful adults, and glowing blacklights that made for a night of endless dancing at another unique location. The Pt. Defiance Pagoda in Tacoma was packet to capacity. Thank you to everyone who attend and helped us celebrate our Youth Leaders from the Bethels, Assemblies, and Chapters from across the state and southern Washington.



Keep a lookout for pictures posted to our Facebook page. www.facebook.com/wademolay

Fred Meyer Community Rewards - it costs nothing to sign-up Anyone can help support WA DeMolay - family, friends & neighbors... Your support can help lower the cost of our Events and Programs



MAKE SURE TO LINK YOUR REWARDS CARD WITH WASHINGTON DEMOLAY #83738 ON FRED MEYER COMMUNITY REWARDS! FOLLOW THESE STEPS:

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- Sign up for or login to the Community Rewards program by linking your card to WASHINGTON DEMOLAY at www.fredmeyer.com/communityrewards.
- Then, every time you shop and use your Rewards Card, you are helping
 WASHINGTON DEMOLAY
 earn a donation!
- You still earn your Rewards Points, Fuel Points, and Rebates, just as you do today.
- If you do not have a Rewards Card, they are available at the Customer Service desk of any Fred Meyer store.
- For more information, please visit www.fredmeyer.com/communityrewards.

Planning your next term?

The 2017-2018 State Event dates are posted...

As Chapters are planning out their calendars, term plans, and setting up events date for the next 6 months and beyond, be sure you are checking out the State Google Calendar. It is being updated constantly with new events dates as we hear about them.

Please note that the State Event dates for 2017-2018 are posted. Make sure to include these dates when you are doing Chapter event calendar planning. <u>click here for State Event Calendar</u>



WA DeMolay Online Calendar The place to go to find out what's happening...

Is your Chapter or Region holding an event or activity that you want others to attend? Well that requires advertising, right?!? Let us help you promote your events! First, use the " Calendar Event <u>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. Email it to:



office@wademolay.org. Then look for it in the Chapter and Region sections of the Website!

Are you working on your Term Plan for the next 6 months? Trying to pick an event date? Check out the WA DeMolay State Event Calendar to see what is happening and what events are are already posted. The State Chapter puts dates out as far as possible so you can plan when you want to do something. We also post other organizations major events so you can plan for those too. When you have your Installation date picked, let us know so we can put it on there! Go to DeMolay State Calendar!

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



Contact us today!

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