

THE PRECEPTOR

NEWS FROM NORTH CAROLINA DEMOLAY WINTER 2012

EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S CORNER



Greetings brethren and welcome to what we hope will be the first of many more quarterly newsletters for NC DeMolay.

This newsletter is a way for us to share information about past and upcoming state events, highlight chapter activities and feature membership contests and awards from DeMolay International.

I'm proud to say that DeMolay is alive and well in North Carolina, and we've already surpassed positive growth for the year. I also want to challenge each chapter to initiate 12 new members this year. If we do that, we'll double our membership.

We have several fun activities planned for 2012, and hope you will be a part of them.

-Dad Tony Glidewell

NC DEMOLAY HITS POSITIVE GROWTH FOR 2012



Fifteen new brothers joined DeMolay Jan. 14 in Winston-Salem during our first quarterly meeting of the year. The new brothers are part of Marquis de LaFayette, Jacksonville, Winston-Salem, James W. Shuford and Cliffside. State Master Councilor Nathan Fontes and DeMolays from across the state performed the Initiatory Degree, Senior DeMolays lent their services for the DeMolay Degree, and Dad Paul Jones performed the Flower Talk at Old Town Lodge #751. The Winston-Salem Rainbow Assembly provided refreshments between the degrees, and several of the new brothers participated in bowling at North Lanes and a lock-in later that night.

Because of the degrees, the state has already experienced positive growth for 2012. We look forward to more new brothers as we continue to grow in 2012. If you're a DeMolay, make it your goal to get two new brothers in this year. That's one for you and one to grow on.

FOR FAYETTEVILLE APRIL 21

Make sure to mark your calendars for April 21 when Marquis de LaFayette Chapter will host our next state event.

The DeMolay Leadership weekend includes DeMolay University for chapter officers, both Initiatory Degrees, team building activities and a lock-in. This is a great opportunity for chapter officers to learn more about creating a term plan and becoming a leader in the organization. It's also a chance for your friends to join DeMolay. Most importantly, it's going to be a lot of fun. More details will be coming out in the next few weeks.

WINSTON-SALEM OBSERVES PATRIOT'S DAY

Winston-Salem Chapter observed Patriot's Dav. one of seven obligatory days of DeMolay, at its meeting Feb. 13. Allan Hancock Jr., Major USAF (retired), a Senior DeMolav and Senior Aerospace Science Instructor Reagan High School, gave a presentation to the chapter about how his involvement with DeMolay formed his personal definition of Patriotism.

The next obligatory day is Devotional Day, which should be observed on the Sunday closest to March 18. Chapters might consider attending a church as a chapter, serve refreshments after a religious service or donate a DeMolay Bible to each member's family.

For ideas and resources to plan your next obligatory day, go to www.demolay. org.





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NEWS FROM DEMOLAY INTERNATIONAL

Great news from DeMolay International! North Carolina is currently tied for second place for the most new members in 2012. Let's keep up the good work and get in first place. Remember we will be having another State Degree Class April 21 in Fayetteville. We need all your members and candidates to make this a successful event!

2012 Membership (Top Ten Jurisdictions)

Florida.....15

North Carolina and Ohio.....11 (Each)

Indiana.....10

Oklahoma.....9

Southern California and Texas/Peru.....7 (Each)

Aruba and Missouri.....6 (Each)

British Columbia (DeCan) and Michigan.....5 (Each)

Kentucky.....4

Mississippi, Northern California/Hawaii and Pennsylvania.....3 (Each)

*NOTE: Four of our Form 10s from the January degrees have not been processed at the time of this count so we should be tied for FIRST PLACE.



START EARNING AWARDS AND HONORS

DeMolay offers several honors and awards for active DeMolays, advisors and parent volunteers.

One of the best awards to work toward as a new member is the Lamp of Knowledge. This is awarded to an active DeMolay, advisor, etc., who completes all the Leadership Correspondence Courses (LCC). There are four courses in all, as well as a special service project. To get started on the LCC, go to www.demolay.org and download an application. Soon, you will be on your way to learning more about DeMolay and earning your own Lamp of Knowledge.



KINGDOM OF DEMOLAY MEMBERSHIP CONTEST

DeMolay International is proud to announce the KINGDOM OF DeMOLAY MEMBERSHIP CONTEST. Prizes will be awarded for best overall growth, best net growth and top first-line signer. Each winner will receive a custom, limited-edition Crown of Youth, a display case, as well as a framed medieval certificate worthy of your Chapter. The top first-line signer will gain free admission for him and his chaperone to International Session in Louisville, as well as a framed medieval certificate.

All Form 10s must be completed and submitted according to the Rules and Regulations of the Chapter. The campaign runs through April 30. No Form 10s will be considered for this campaign if postmarked after May 10. Help spread the word of DeMolay throughout your Kingdom!

Have a chapter activity you want featured in the next issue of The Preceptor? Submit your stories or photos to preceptor@ncdemolay.org by May 15.