

February 1st, 2026

Volume VIII

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Highlights of Winterfest 2026

- Friday night mini-golf outing for friendly competition and camaraderie
- Educational workshops designed to inspire and empower our members
- A unique group Saturday dinner experience at Medieval Times

Registration and Pricing:  
Registration/Payment Link: <https://www.zeffy.com/en-US/ticketing/winterfest-registration--2026>

- Youth (members): \$175
- Adult: \$250
- Commuter Registration (no lodging): \$125

Prices include: Lodging (if selected), Mini-golf (youth only), Saturday breakfast/lunch onsite, educational programming for youth and adults, Medieval Times admission/dinner, and Sunday breakfast.

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**TOP STORIES:**

New Jersey DeMolay,

We are delighted to invite you to the highly anticipated New Jersey DeMolay Winterfest—one of the flagship events on our annual DeMolay calendar! Winterfest is designed to be a vibrant weekend that combines engaging educational workshops with the fellowship, fun, and food that defines the DeMolay experience. We thank you for your patience as our team worked with new vendors to revive this marquee event.



Event Details

- **Date: February 6–8, 2026**
- Venue: Renaissance Meadowlands Hotel, [801 Rutherford Ave. Rutherford, NJ](https://www.rrh.com/)
- Overview: Winterfest spans an entire weekend, pairing enriching workshops with exciting activities and opportunities to connect.

Important Notes

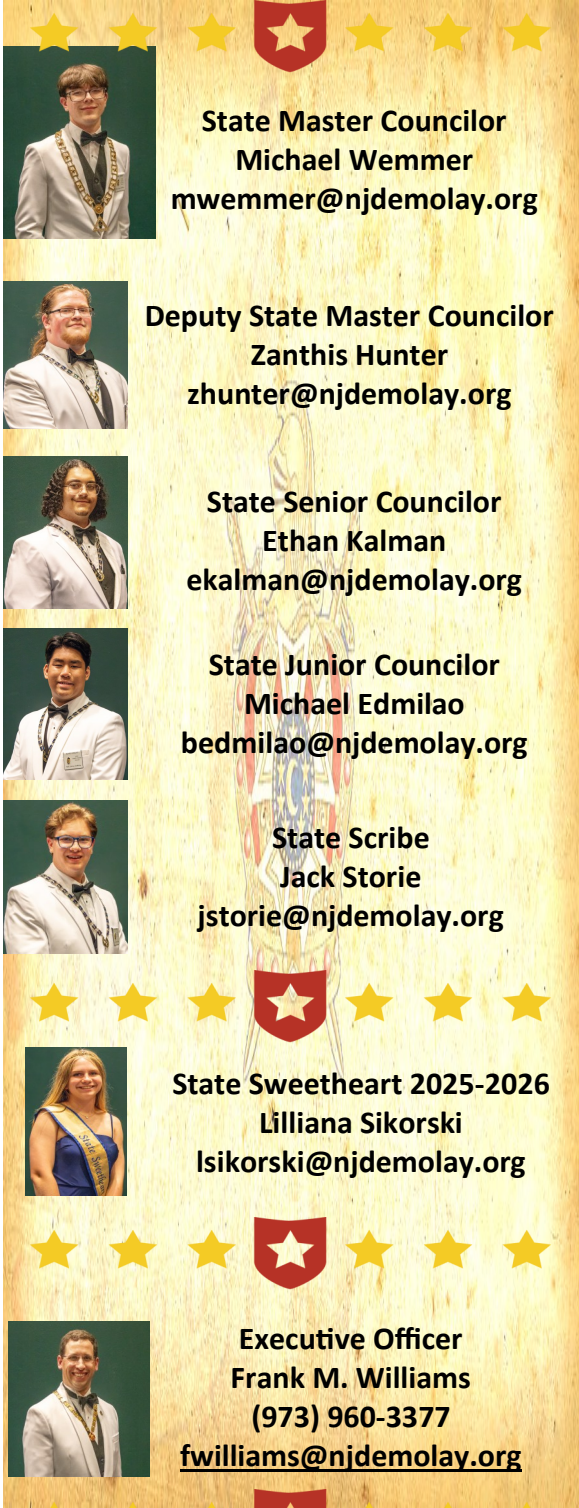
- Each chapter member must be accompanied by an advisor from their home chapter for the entire weekend.
- Room assignments: Four youth per room and two adults per room. Adults requesting single occupancy will be responsible for the additional charge.

We highly encourage early registration, as availability is limited and demand is expected to be high. Please register soon to secure your spot at this unforgettable event!

Should you have any questions, please reach out via email at [NJ.DeMolay.Winterfest@gmail.com](mailto:NJ.DeMolay.Winterfest@gmail.com) or contact your chapter advisor directly.

We look forward to celebrating Winterfest 2026 together and making it a memorable occasion for all!

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## Message From Your JO's:

Hello Brothers,

I hope everyone has had a wonderful start to the year, I know I sure definitely have!

January 10th was Ethan Allen's installation, where they also initiated a new brother. January 11th was Capital Chapter's installation. I'm excited to see what the new Master Councilors have lined up for there terms! On the 17th, I performed the Flower Talk and Ceremony of Light for the 33rd OES District during their meeting. It was nice to perform

February 1st, I visited Jersey Shore chapter. February 6th to the 8th is return of Winterfest! I'm excited to see all of my brothers there for both fun and learning. On March 22nd is Capital Chapter's Table chapter, make sure you RSVP before tickets run out!

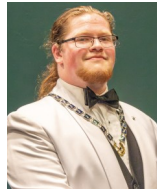
If you have any questions or need advice regarding your chapter ritual, please do not hesitate to reach out to me at [zh.ritualhelp@aol.com](mailto:zh.ritualhelp@aol.com), my email is always open.

Good afternoon, good evening, and good night!

Zanthis X. Hunter

Deputy State Master Councilor

NJ Order of DeMolay



Hello NJ DeMolay, this year is off to great start this past month as we kicked off our 2026 with some amazing installations of the officers at Ethan Allen, Capital, and Clifton Chapters. I would like to congratulate brothers, Ryan .E, James .T, and Aid-en .M on becoming the newly elected Master Councilors or your respective chapters. I wish you the best to come in your terms and that you lead your brothers to best of your capabilities in a positive direction.

Strolling into February we have snuck up very quickly on our Winter Fest Weekend filled with Fun and Learning Opportunities for all who attend. Many topics from DeMolay basics to Public Speaking will help prepare you for your future in AND outside of DeMolay. With the company of your fellow brothers and activities like Medieval Times, the American Dream Mall, and the beginning of our NJ Mini Golf Tournament, you are bound to have a great time. I hope to see as many of you as possible this weekend as it's gonna be one you wont want to miss!

One last thing, if you haven't heard already, .....



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**Message from your JO's: continued...**

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...**New Jersey DeMolay** has achieved membership growth for the first time in 18 years. Now I hope after reading or hearing about that you at least raised your eyebrows as this is a very important achievement. Not only does it show that DeMolay is worth the time we say it is but it shows that the hard work of all the people involved is finally contributing to growth of our cause and not just to helping it survive, and for that I personally thank everyone involved.

If we work together, we can continue the work of those who came before us and keep the opportunity of DeMolay possible for those who come after. This year we will need 50 members to uphold to status of positive growth. We can do it. Whether you are a new member or have been hanging around for a while, remember what brought you here and why you stuck around. If you see a young man in your life who can benefit from an experience like yours, by all means try to offer this opportunity to them as that is what makes us grow.

Honestly & Earnestly,

Ethan Kalman

NJ State Senior Councilor



Hello New Jersey DeMolay!

January has been an extremely eventful and exciting month. I would like to congratulate Brothers James, Ryan, and Aiden on their successful installations, and I wish the officers of Capital, Ethan Allen, and Clifton Chapters a productive and successful term.

This month, Mickey and I attended Florida DeMolay's "Escape to Florida", and it was an incredible experience. Meeting brothers from different states, sharing ideas, and building connections was truly meaningful. Spending time together at Disney made the weekend even more memorable. We also learned valuable takeaways that I am excited to help bring back and implement at upcoming New Jersey DeMolay events, especially Winterfest.

Speaking of which — Winterfest registration is now OPEN! This weekend will be packed with fun, fellowship, and educational sessions for every brother. These sessions will be led by our Junior Officers and Advisors to help prepare you for future leadership roles. Personally, I'm especially looking forward to the mini golf. Winterfest is going to be an amazing time, and I strongly encourage everyone to attend.

I also want to highlight an important new initiative from the DeMolay International Service Committee. They are launching DeMolay One, an initiative supporting the JED Foundation, a foundation that New Jersey DeMolay proudly supported in 2024. DeMolay One is centered around the message that no brother stands alone, reinforcing our commitment to looking out for one another and supporting mental and emotional well-being across the Order. There will also be DeMolay One merchandise coming out soon, so be sure to stay tuned for more information.

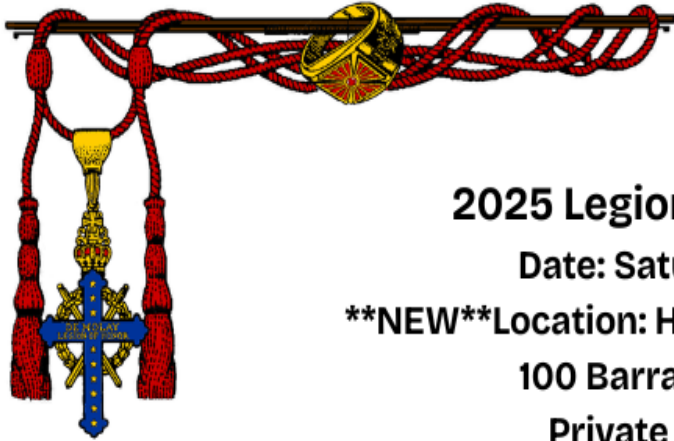
As we move forward into the rest of the year, I encourage every brother to stay involved, step up, and take full advantage of the opportunities DeMolay offers. Whether it's supporting your chapter, attending events, serving others, or challenging yourself to grow as a leader, every effort counts. This year has already started strong, and if we keep this momentum going, New Jersey DeMolay is going to have an unforgettable year. Let's continue to grow together, support one another, and leave this term better than we found it.

Fraternally,

Michael Blake Edmilao

State Junior Councilor, New Jersey DeMolay





## **2025 Legion of Honor Investiture**

**Date: Saturday, March 14, 2026**

**\*\*NEW\*\*Location: Historic Trenton Masonic Temple**

**100 Barrack Street, Trenton, NJ**

**Private Ceremony: 2:00 pm**

**Investiture: 3:00 pm**

**Dinner to follow - reservations only, details to follow**

**Parking directions will be provided.**

**Note: The NJ Scottish Rite Council of Deliberation is scheduled at same location earlier in the day.**

### **Congratulations to our 2025 Designates:**

#### **Active Legion of Honor:**

Frank M. Cason  
Joseph P. Hollis  
Simon L. Kramer  
Michael R. Vandevander

#### **Civic Legion of Honor:**

Doretta W Gasorek  
Dr. Richard J Helldobler, Ph.D.  
Kathleen Nase  
Joyce F. Rouba  
Susanne Rowe  
Myra W. Strucek  
Dorothy Mae Vernon Lydecker  
Westdyke

#### **Honorary Legion of Honor:**

Kevin F. Colquhoun, Esq.  
Laurence S. Frolow



# 2025-2026 State Master Councilor Official Visits:



The State Master Councilor has announced the following dates for Fall and Spring Official Visits. Please check the online New Jersey DeMolay State Calendar for additional details for each official visit.

## Fall Official Visits

September 14 - Ethan Allen Chapter  
September 24 - Clifton Chapter

October 2 - Jersey Shore Chapter  
October 5 - Capital Chapter  
October 15 - Union Chapter

November 3 - William Findlay Chapter  
November 10 - Kenneth E. Hendrickson Chapter

## Spring Official Visits

March 8 - Ethan Allen Chapter  
March 11 - Clifton Chapter

April 2 - Jersey Shore Chapter  
April 15 - Union Chapter  
April 19 - Capital Chapter  
April 27 - Kenneth E. Hendrickson Chapter

May 5 - William Findlay Chapter  
June 7 - Capital Chapter (SMC Homecoming)

Additional information will follow to each Chapter Master Councilor, Chairman and Chapter Advisor as to a proposed agenda and action items that the State Master Councilor and Executive Officer would like to discuss with the members and advisors, respectively, at each of the official visits.



**2026 New Jersey DeMolay New Member Goals**  
**(eScribe Reporting as of January 27, 2026)**

<u>Chapter Name</u>	<u>01/01/2026 Membership</u>	<u>2026 Majorities</u>	<u>2026 Initiates</u>	<u>2026 Goal</u>
Capital	33	14	0	15
Clifton	27	5	0	8
Ethan Allen*	11	0	1	6
Excalibur	7	0	0	6
Excelsior	12	0	0	6
Jersey Shore*	13	1	0	6
KEH	13	0	1	6
Union	27	17	0	18
William Findlay	7	2	0	6
New Jersey at Large	16	10	0	-
	<b>166</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>77</b>

Membership Goals are initially based on Chapter size, based on a formula established by the Executive Officer, in conjunction with the Director of Membership.

- If Chapter size is <25, the annual goal is 6.
- If Chapter size is ≥25, but <40, the annual goal is 8.
- If Chapter size is ≥40, but <55, the annual goal is 10.
- If Chapter size is ≥55, but <70, the annual goal is 12.
- If Chapter size is ≥70, but <85, the annual goal is 14.
- If Chapter size is ≥85, but <100, the annual goal is 16.
- If Chapter size is ≥100, the annual goal is 20.

In the event that majorities equal or exceed the membership goal, the goal will be modified only to ensure that no goal is set lower than growth by at least one new member.

For a Master Councilor to be eligible for PMC-MSA eligibility, eligibility shall be based upon either (1) whether the chapter initiated his share of all initiates during the months of his term (i.e., half of the goal during a 6-month term), or (2) the chapter meets its membership goal during the calendar year, regardless of whether the initiates were initiated during his term. All membership goals for PMC-MSA eligibility shall be those goals in effect as of the date of the Master Councilor's installation.

\* Denotes Letters Temporary



[Beademolay.org](http://Beademolay.org)

NJ DeMolay Calendar

**So do you want to win the..**

# **2025 Membership Challenge?**

## **HOW TO ENTER!**

You must be a **FIRST LINE SIGNER** for 2 or more prospective members to be eligible for the Membership Challenge

### **Segment Dates**

 **Segment 1:**

**July 1 – November 30**

 **Segment 2:**

**December 1 – May 31**

## **PRIZES**

**Segment 1 Winner:  
FREE WINTERFEST  
2027!**

**Segment 2 Winner:  
FREE CONVENTION  
2027!**

All members who are first line signers of 2 or more members automatically win a free DeMolay bracelet



# DeMolay International Distinguished Service Award

## **2025-2026 Nominations are now OPEN!**

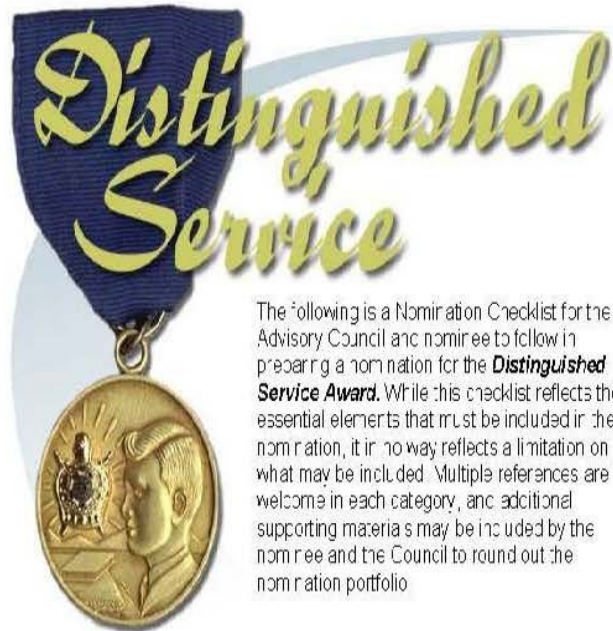
The Distinguished Service Award (“DSA”) recognizes outstanding overall service by a DeMolay in various fields of life. The purpose of the DSA is to recognize a DeMolay member’s outstanding service to others in his home, school church, community, county and Chapter.

Established by DeMolay International in 1959, it is awarded to a maximum of two (2) DeMolay members per jurisdiction per year, and complete applications for consideration **MUST** be received by May 15. Of those two recipients each year, the Executive Officer will transmit one of the two winners to DeMolay International for its consideration as DeMolay International “DeMolay of the Year”. If a member is not selected as a recipient, his advisory council may re-submit his nomination for consideration the following year, with any additional materials they deem necessary in support of his application. It should be noted that this award is different from (but may, in fact, be awarded to), the same individual who receives the honor of New Jersey DeMolay of the Year, as selected by the State Master Councilor and the Jurisdictional Officers.

Since the DSA is an award, rather than an honor, the prospective recipient may participate actively in preparing his own nomination. Applications may be submitted at any time; however, recipients will only be notified of their selection at the annual banquet of New Jersey DeMolay each June. The Executive Officer, in consultation with other staff, selects the recipients from among qualified applicants, and he further may submit his own nomination if no nominations are received from any chapter during the year. It is strongly recommended that for a candidate to receive this award, he first must have received the Representative DeMolay Award and Lamp of Knowledge.

There is no standard form for applying for the DSA. Rather, the applicant, working with his local Advisory Council, assembles a package of materials demonstrating his service in various areas. The local Advisory Council generally assists in soliciting recommendations from individuals who have worked with the applicants in various areas of service. The nomination for the Award officially comes from the Advisory Council, though a member may apply for his own nomination through his Advisory Council.

The information below will help you in assembling an application for the DSA and outlines the essential information that should be included. The package of materials should reflect the personality and experience of the nominee, while showcasing his qualifications to be designated as truly distinguished in his service, both in DeMolay and beyond.



The following is a Nomination Checklist for the Advisory Council and nominee to follow in preparing a nomination for the **Distinguished Service Award**. While this checklist reflects the essential elements that must be included in the nomination, it in no way reflects a limitation on what may be included. Multiple references are welcome in each category, and additional supporting materials may be included by the nominee and the Council to round out the nomination portfolio.

### **Step 1: Select a Nominee**

Your Chapter's Advisory Council may select an outstanding DeMolay for each six month term. Each nominee should be active in the basic areas listed below. The Advisory Council should formally act on the nomination, and include a signed certification form with the nomination.

### **Step 2: Gather Endorsement and Recommendation Letters**

Letters explaining your nominee's activities and outstanding qualities in the following basic areas must be attached with the summary sheet. These letters should be from reputable persons of the community who know of the nominee's activities.

The nominee should provide contact information for these potential endorsers, and the Advisory Council should send letters to them, requesting that they provide a letter of recommendation to the Council for inclusion in the DSA nomination. A completed nomination should contain *at least one* endorsement in each of these areas:

Area of Activity	Recommendations from ...	Letter Should Cover
Religious Life	Minister, Priest, Rabbi, Sunday School Teacher, or other religious leader.	Attendance, youth group activities, choir, camp, or other services rendered to his faith community, and general character.
Education	Teachers, Administrators, Coaches. High School and/or college.	Grade average, ability and effort, and honors earned. All clubs, school sponsored activities participated in, and general character.
Community	Civic leaders, organization advisors	All activities which provide services to the community, jurisdiction, or state. Also service to clubs like Boy Scouts, YMCA and other civic-type organizations.
Home	Parents and/or close family and friends	Describe regular home duties, attitude, cooperation. All special services and assistance to the family, and general character.
DeMolay	Chapter Advisor or other Advisors, Deputy Executive Officer, Executive Officers' Staff	All offices held and all honors and awards. Committee service, Chapter and state-wide service and honors. This area must be covered in great detail and should only contain DeMolay information. Give years applicable.
Other	Employers, other persons who can offer insight to the candidate	Employment record and any activity which falls under service to humanity and is not covered elsewhere.
Recommendation	Advisory Council Chairman	Appropriate remarks explaining reasons for selection and recommendation only.

### Step 3: Complete the Summary

A summary (see sample) of the nominee's activities for the last four years must be included with all nominations. The more complete this summary is, the better the nominee's chances for selection.

### Step 4: Enclose a Photo of the Nominee

A quality "head and shoulders" photo of the nominee should be included to be used in publicity. The photo shall be e-mailed to the Executive Officer.

### Step 5: Send Nomination Material to the Executive Officer

Aside from the photo, please MAIL all materials in one envelope or package. The completed portfolio should be sent to the Executive Officer for his review. All documents must be sent via mail in order to ensure that all documents are properly then transmitted to the DeMolay International Service and Leadership Center for further consideration.

# Distinguished Service Award

## *Nomination Summary*

Nominee's Name and Age

Chapter

Address, City, State, Zip

### EDUCATION

#### *Central High School*

Football letterman 3 years  
Football captain in Senior Year  
All-District End (Football)  
Senior Year  
Drama Club 3 years  
Valedictorian  
Grade average in high school of  
3.80  
Voted best-liked senior

#### *Valley College*

Freshman Council  
Science Scholarship Senior yr.  
Intramural Gymnastics 3 yrs.  
Phi Kappa Sigma Senior Year

### DeMOLAY

RD 2003  
PMC  
Chevalier 2006  
Fourteen merit bars  
Blue Honor Key 2005  
State Junior Deacon  
MATOC Flower Talk Champion  
2005  
Attended Key Man Conference  
2002, 2003

### COMMUNITY

Eagle Scout  
Senior Patrol Leader  
Junior Rotarian 1 year  
God and Country Award  
Red Cross Life Guard Certified  
City Youth Council 1 year

### CHURCH

President of Youth Fellowship 1  
year  
Participation in Youth Sunday  
Service 1 year  
Delegate to District Camp 1 year  
Perfect attendance during 1 year  
Chairman of fund raising for  
youth group – current

### HOME

Maintain savings account for  
college  
Perform assigned household  
chores  
Responsible for looking after  
younger brothers and sisters  
while parents travel  
Aids in household repair work.

[Chapter Letterhead]

[Date]

Mr./Mrs. \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Dear \_\_\_\_\_:

\_\_\_\_\_, of \_\_\_\_\_ Chapter, Order of DeMolay is being considered for the DeMolay International's **Distinguished Service Award**. This award recognizes the outstanding service of a DeMolay to others: in his home, school, community, church, country and Chapter.

DeMolay is a service and leadership organization open to young men from 12 to 21 who believe in God and are of good moral character. Founded in 1919, DeMolay International has had over 1 million members, and continues its commitment to leadership and character development among young men today.

To qualify for the award, a DeMolay must demonstrate a willingness to give freely of his time and efforts in the service of others while striving to fulfill his own individual ideals and beliefs through his daily actions. It is necessary that we obtain written references on behalf of \_\_\_\_\_ and would appreciate your participation in this important endeavor by providing your impressions of \_\_\_\_\_ in the area of \_\_\_\_\_.

We hope that you will help us to encourage worthy accomplishments by today's youth through the submission of a letter. Your appraisal will be important in the final decision. Please forward your letter of reference to the address below.

Thanks for your assistance in this very important project!

Sincerely yours,

\_\_\_\_\_  
Chapter Advisor  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_



# "ANY 2025 RD RECIPIENT INTERESTED, PLEASE CONTACT DAD WILLIAMS ASAP"



## 2025 DeMolay International RD of the Year Guidelines

### Qualifications:

- Received the Representative DeMolay during the 2025 calendar year
- Senior Division - Ages 17-21, Junior Division - Ages 12-16. Division will be determined by the age they were when they received the RD.

### Process - Regional Level:

1. Each Executive Officer/Personal Representative will submit up to 1 RD in each Division who meets the above qualifications to the Region Director.
2. The Region Director will coordinate an interview process to determine the Regional winner in each Division.
3. Interviews may be done in person or virtually.
4. The interview panel for each region shall be:
5. **Moderator** - The Region Director shall select any Class 1-5 Member of DeMolay International, which could be themselves. The Moderator will not have a vote on selecting the Regional Winner.
6. **Region Representative (Congress Elected Officer).**
7. **One Class 1-5 Member of DeMolay International from each of the jurisdictions within the Region selected by the Region Director** through suggestions from the Executive Officers/Personal Representatives in their Region.
8. There can be separate panels for Junior and Senior Division, as there will be separate questions for each division.
9. Questions asked shall be at the discretion of the Region Director.

### Process - International Level

1. Each Region winner at each Division is eligible for the International Award.
2. The interviews may be done in person or virtually.
3. The interview panel shall be:
4. **Moderator** - Any Class 1 Member of DeMolay International chosen by the Grand Master who is not from a jurisdiction of any of the candidates in that division.
5. **The International Master Councilor** and **International Congress Secretary.**
6. **One Class 1 Member of DeMolay International from each Region**, chosen by the Grand Master, who is not from a jurisdiction of any of the candidates in that division.
7. The GM, IMC, and ICS shall compose the questions for the International award level interviews.

### Timeline:

1. Region Directors should get each EO/PR nomination for each division by February 15 and form their interview committee(s).
2. Region Directors should supply the names of the Regional Winners to the ED and GM no later than **March 31.**
3. The GM should ensure the International award level interviews and selections are made prior to May 31.





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## NEW JERSEY

**UNION CHAPTER  
ORDER OF DEMOLAY**

**INVITES ALL MASTER MASONS  
(ESPECIALLY THOSE GOING FOR THE DAVID BREARLEY AWARD) TO  
DAVID BREARLEY AWARD NIGHT**

**MARCH 4TH AT ATLAS PYTHAGORAS LODGE  
1011 CENTRAL AVE WESTFIELD**

**LEARN ABOUT THE ORDER OF DEMOLAY  
AND CHECK OFF THE REQUIREMENT  
FOR THE DAVID BREARLEY AWARD**

**START TIME 7:30 REFRESHMENTS TO FOLLOW  
ATTIRE: BUSINESS CASUAL / NO JEANS**





JERSEY SHORE CHAPTER, <sup>59</sup> ORDER OF DEMOLAY  
PRESENTS

# The Annual Open House & Italian Dinner

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS • MEMBERSHIP DRIVE  
Italian Dinner - **Free** Pasta Bar Buffet

*All Are Welcome • Support Masonic Youth Organizations*

*Jersey Shore Chapter*  
Developing Tomorrow's Leaders



**ORDER OF DEMOLAY**

For Young Men Ages 12-21

Leadership • Brotherhood • Service

Meets 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays at 4:30 PM

*Empowering Young Women*  
Through Service & Leadership



The International Order of the  
**Rainbow for Girls**

NEW JERSEY

2nd & 4th Fridays

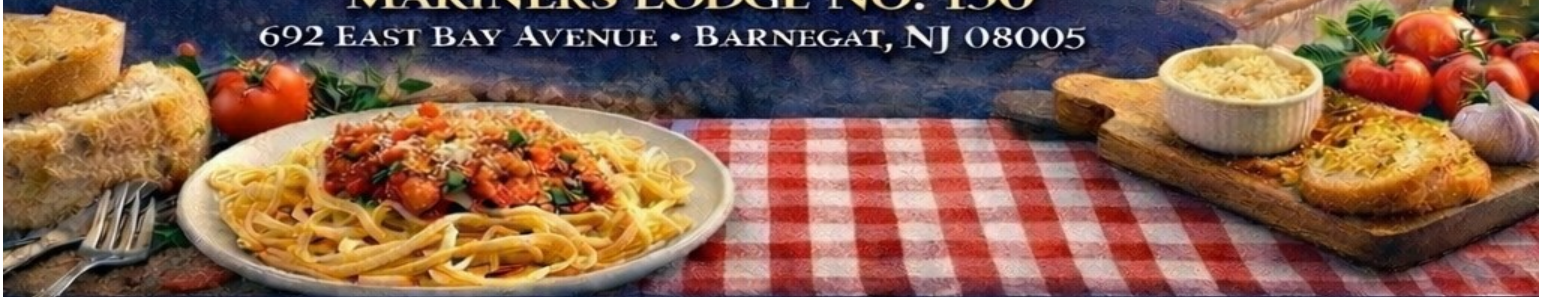
Holly Pledges (Ages 5-10): 6:15 PM

Holly Assembly (Ages 10-21): 7:15 PM

**SUNDAY, MARCH 22, 2026 • 4:30 PM**

**MARINERS LODGE NO. 150**

692 EAST BAY AVENUE • BARNEGAT, NJ 08005



DeMolay: 908-910-3471

Rainbows: 702-355-9997



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**DEMOLAY**  
CAPITAL CHAPTER

## Table Chapter

Date: March 22, 2026

Time: 5-9pm

Location: Gothic Mercer Lodge #270

3682 Nottingham Way

Hamilton, NJ 08690

Attire - Business Casual

Tickets - \$35 each

Only 50 Tickets Available

Includes Soup, Salad, Dinner, Dessert & Beverages

RSVP by - March 7th

Email - [capitalchapter31044@gmail.com](mailto:capitalchapter31044@gmail.com)

Include your name and # of tickets



Please pay in advance using the QR Code

**THE  
ROAD  
BEGINS  
HERE**

Thank you for your support



As this is a DeMolay event, no alcohol is allowed

Brethren and families,

The Masonic Charity Foundation of New Jersey is excited to share our 2026 scholarship application with you.

- **Continued Expanded Eligibility.** Eligibility for most scholarships now include child, step-child, niece, nephew, grandchild or step-grandchild of a living or deceased Master Mason in good standing.
- **Scholarships available.** Scholarship offerings include students attending 2-year College, Trade/Technical School and 4-year College/University.
- **Simplified Google Form Application Process.** One application form (via Google Forms) will cover all nine MCF Scholarship offerings.

See the attached flyer for more details or contact Scholarship Coordinator Karla Lippincott at 609-239-3830 or [kpl@mcfnj.org](mailto:kpl@mcfnj.org) for more information.

Thank you for your continued support.

Sincerely and fraternally,  
The Masonic Charity Foundation of New Jersey



The Masonic Charity Foundation of New Jersey offers these scholarships to students interested in pursuing higher education.

For the single application for all scholarships, visit [tinyurl.com/mcf scholarship26](http://tinyurl.com/mcf scholarship26)  
**All completed applications must be postmarked by March 1, 2026**

**2-Year College,  
Trade/Technical School  
4-year College/University**

**4-Year College/University**



**Burk-Townley Scholarship \$4,000**  
 \$1,000 minimum per year  
 For Graduating High School Seniors  
 One 4-year and at least one 2-year /trade school available  
 Must be child or grandchild of NJ Mason  
 Demonstrate financial need

**Serewitch Family DeMolay Scholarship \$20,000**  
 \$5,000 minimum per year for up to 4 years  
 For Graduating NJ High School Seniors  
 GPA: C or 2.2 over last 2 years; SAT 1200  
 Must be active New Jersey DeMolay  
 Demonstrate financial need  
 Organized swimming activity required

**Sol & Reba Serewitch Scholarship \$5,000**  
 \$5,000 for 1 year  
 For Graduating NJ High School Seniors  
 GPA: C or 2.2 over last 2 years; SAT 1300  
 Must be relative of NJ Mason\*  
 Demonstrate financial need

**Asbury Jordan Lodge Scholarship \$4,000**  
 \$1,000 per year for 4 years  
 For Graduating High School Seniors  
 GPA: B or 3.0 over last 2 years  
 SAT 1400  
 Relative of NJ Mason preferred\*  
 Demonstrate financial need  
*In honor of Christian Mogensen and John D. Post*

**Chairman of the Board Scholarship \$10,000**  
 \$2,500 per year for 4 years  
 For Graduating High School Seniors  
 3 available  
 GPA: B or 3.0; SAT 1290 or 27 ACT  
 Must be relative of NJ Mason\*

**John H. Critchley, Sr. & Emma F. Critchley Scholarship \$4,000**  
 \$1,000 per year for 4 years  
 For Graduating High School Seniors  
 Engineering/Related Science Major required  
 GPA: B or 3.0  
 Unmarried sons or grandsons of NJ Mason only

**Culver DeMolay Scholarship \$4,000**  
 \$1,000 per year for 4 years  
 For Graduating NJ High School Seniors  
 GPA: B or 3.0 over last 2 years  
 SAT 1090 or ACT 21  
 Active DeMolay preferred

**Patterson Engineering Scholarship \$16,000**  
 \$4,000 minimum per year for 4 years  
 For Graduating NJ High School Seniors  
 Engineering Major required  
 GPA: C+ or 2.5 over last 2 years

**Taylor Scholarship \$4,000**  
 \$1,000 per year for 4 years  
 For Graduating High School Seniors  
 Must be relative of NJ Mason\*  
 Must perform up to 30 hours of community service at Masonic Village or other approved Masonic institution

**The Grand Lodge of New Jersey offers these scholarships.  
 For an application visit [www.newjerseygrandlodge.org](http://www.newjerseygrandlodge.org)**



**William Mayer Memorial Scholarship \$4,000**  
 \$2,000 per year for 2 years  
 For High School Graduates ~ 2 Available  
 GPA: C+ or 2.5 over last 2 years  
 Must be relative of NJ Mason

**William Mayer Memorial Scholarship \$4,000**  
 \$2,000 per year for 2 years  
 For College Graduates ~ 2 Available  
 GPA: B+ or 3.25 over last 2 years  
 Must be relative of NJ Mason

*\*Relative is defined as the child, stepchild, niece, nephew, grandchild or step-grandchild of a living or deceased Master Mason in good standing in a Masonic Lodge of the Grand Lodge of New Jersey*

DOROTHY M. WESTDYKE SCHOLARSHIP  
New Jersey DeMolay

GENERAL INFORMATION AND PLAN OF ADMINISTRATION:

*Any high school senior or first year undergraduate college student who is a member in good standing of New Jersey DeMolay is eligible to apply for the Dorothy M. Westdyke Scholarship.*

*A winner or winners will be recommended by committee, ultimately chosen by Dorothy M. Westdyke herself, and presented at the NJ DeMolay Convention on Saturday June 14, 2025.*

*Questions should be directed to Dad James Chwalyk, Director of Scholarships and Career Development, at: [james.chwalyk.jr@gmail.com](mailto:james.chwalyk.jr@gmail.com)*

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DOROTHY M. WESTDYKE SCHOLARSHIP  
New Jersey DeMolay

Application # \_\_\_\_\_

**Note:** All applications must be submitted no later than June 2, 2025 and are to be typed or written in ink using legible handwriting. All information is for the confidential use of the Scholarship Committee and is subject to verification from other sources. **Do not put identifying names on any pages except this one.**

*Return this application to Dad James Chwalyk, Director of Scholarships, 39 Newark Ave., Bloomfield, NJ 07003.*

**A. APPLICANT**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Residence: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Place of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**CERTIFICATION OF APPLICANT**

I HEREBY CERTIFY that I have read the Plan of Administration of the Dorothy M. Westdyke Scholarship Award, and that the facts contained within this application are true and correct to the best of my knowledge. I further agree that if I receive the Dorothy M. Westdyke Scholarship Award, I will accept it subject to the rules and regulations of the Plan of Administration.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature of Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

Member of \_\_\_\_\_ Chapter, located in \_\_\_\_\_, New Jersey

**CERTIFICATIONS OF PARENT OR GUARDIAN AND CHAPTER ADVISOR**

WE HEREBY DECLARE that we have read the answers of the applicant in the foregoing statement, and that they are correct to the best of our knowledge and belief.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature of Chapter Advisor: \_\_\_\_\_

Note: Signature does not indicate endorsement of the applicant.

Attendance Record: *(Chapter Advisor, please estimate the percentage of the applicant's attendance at meetings over the past 3 years. Refer to other sources if necessary and make the best possible effort to be accurate.)*

This year: \_\_\_\_\_%

Last year: \_\_\_\_\_%

Previous year: \_\_\_\_\_%

**B. EDUCATIONAL HISTORY**

**Previous Schools Attended:**

<i>Date Enrolled:</i>	<i>Date Completed:</i>	<i>School Name:</i>	<i>Location:</i>	<i>Courses Completed: (or ALL)</i>

**To which schools have you applied for admission?**

<i>School Name:</i>	<i>Location:</i>	<i>Have you been notified of acceptance?</i>

**What course of study do you intend to pursue, and what profession do you plan to practice?**

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**What financial aid, if any, have you already received to assist in furthering your education?**

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**C. DeMOLAY HISTORY**

**Date of Initiation:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Chapter:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Chapter Offices Held:** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Jurisdictional Offices Held:** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Awards and Honors:** \_\_\_\_\_

**D. SOCIAL ACTIVITIES**

Name all groups or organizations in which you held active membership or office. (e.g. sports, drama, musical groups, clubs, etc.)

What honors or awards have you earned in school?

What financial prizes, awards, scholarships, etc. have you earned?

**E. RELIGIOUS ACTIVITIES**

What house of worship do you attend and how often? (e.g. weekly, once a month, holidays only, etc.)

In what religious clubs or organizations do you hold membership or office, and what is your level of activity in each?

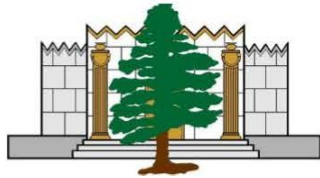
Provide any additional information you think pertinent, related to your religious activities.

**F. GENERAL INFORMATION**

How many siblings do you have and what level of education have they received or are currently receiving?

Briefly summarize your accomplishments in DeMolay and their relevance in furthering your education.

*Note: Use additional sheets as necessary, labeling the responses to coordinate with the question(s) and attach to this form.*



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### **2026 Educational Scholarships**

The Tall Cedars of Lebanon International will award five \$1,000 Scholarships for a one-year period according to the following criteria:

A. Awarded annually to a member in good standing of a Job's Daughters Bethel, a Rainbow Assembly, or a DeMolay Chapter in a jurisdiction where a Tall Cedar Forest exists, or be the son, daughter, grandson, or granddaughter of a Tall Cedar in good standing. Previous recipients are not eligible. The jurisdictions where Tall Cedar Forests are located are as follows:

Brazil	El Salvador	Mexico	Alabama
Connecticut	Delaware	Florida	Georgia
Illinois	Indiana	Maryland	Massachusetts
Michigan	Missouri	Nebraska	New Jersey
New York	North Dakota	Ohio	Pennsylvania
South Carolina	Tennessee	Virginia	West Virginia

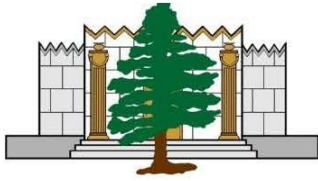
B. Each candidate must:

1. Be accepted, or completed the first year, at an accredited institution in any Associate Degree, Baccalaureate Degree, Technical or Vocation Program;
2. Plan to attend on a full-time basis;
3. Be of excellent character, personal integrity, leadership, and community involvement;
4. Provide two recommendations from school administrators, guidance counselors, and/or teachers;
5. Provide one personal reference;
6. Provide financial need information;
7. Complete a personal essay of no more than 1,000 words outlining why education is important to themselves;
8. Submit an official school transcript;
9. Complete the Masonic Affiliation form; and
10. Complete a photo/video release form.

C. Deadline for all applications is March 31<sup>st</sup>, with the awards being made prior to April 30<sup>th</sup>.

D. All scholarship monies will be paid directly to the selected candidates.

All components of the application are available through the Supreme Forest office (see contact information, above) and must be submitted in one package to the Scholarship Chairman at the above address.



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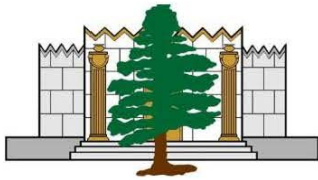
### EDUCATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP CHECKLIST

All application packets must contain the following items in the order listed below.

All sealed envelopes (transcripts, references) must be placed in the proper order according to this checklist.

- \_\_\_ Scholarship Application
  - \_\_\_ Applicant Information
  - \_\_\_ Family Information
  - \_\_\_ Field of Interest, Planned Course of Study, and Career Objectives
  - \_\_\_ Scholastic Record, including Standard Test Scores
  - \_\_\_ Volunteer Activities
  - \_\_\_ Financial Information
  
- \_\_\_ School Recommendation, including Official School Transcript  
Two recommendations from guidance counselors, advisors, and/or teachers
  
- \_\_\_ Personal Letters of Reference  
One personal reference from an employer, minister, or community leader.  
(Please, no family members)
  
- \_\_\_ Masonic Affiliation form
  
- \_\_\_ Photo/Video Release form

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## Tall Cedar Scholarship Application

### Applicant Information:

Name: _____		
Last	First	Middle
Address _____	City _____	State _____ Zip _____
Phone # _____	email _____	
Date of Birth _____		
What College, University, or Technical School Do You Plan to Attend? _____		
Have You Been Accepted? ____ Please include a copy of the acceptance letter.		

### Family Information:

Father's Name _____	Place of Employment _____	Occupation _____
Mother's Name _____	Place of Employment _____	Occupation _____
Brothers & Sisters		
Name _____	Age _____	Grade in school _____
Name _____	Age _____	Grade in school _____
Name _____	Age _____	Grade in school _____

**Field of Interest, Planned Course of Study, and Career Objectives:**

Please explain why a post-secondary education is important to you. What are your educational goals? What are your career objectives? (Please limit yourself to 1,000 words.)

**Scholastic Record:**

Name of High School or College \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

SAT and/or ACT Scores (optional): Combined \_\_\_\_\_ Math \_\_\_\_\_ Verbal \_\_\_\_\_

Current Grade-Point Average \_\_\_\_\_ Major \_\_\_\_\_

School Activities & Honors \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

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\_\_\_\_\_

**Volunteer Activities/Interests:**

Civic, Church, Fraternal (Indicate organization & period of membership in each.)

\_\_\_\_\_

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\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

**Financial Information:**

Estimated Higher Education Costs:

Tuition & Fees: \_\_\_\_\_ Room and Board \_\_\_\_\_

Books & Supplies: \_\_\_\_\_ Other Costs \_\_\_\_\_

What will you and your family be able to contribute towards your education?

Taxable Income (Parents): \_\_\_\_\_ Income (Student): \_\_\_\_\_

Savings: \_\_\_\_\_ Home Equity: \_\_\_\_\_

Scholarships Received (if any) \_\_\_\_\_

Need for Scholarship Grant – Simply state how the grant will help you and how the lack of grant will hinder you. Describe why you are a worthy candidate to receive a Tall Cedar scholarship.

\_\_\_\_\_

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**School Recommendation Form**

Instruction: Please have your high school counselor/college advisor complete the following form, place it in a sealed envelope with your transcript, and return it to you for inclusion in your application packet.

\_\_\_\_\_ is currently a member of the \_\_\_\_\_  
Student's Name Class

at \_\_\_\_\_,  
School Address

\_\_\_\_\_ City State ZIP

The student is currently ranked \_\_\_\_\_ out of a class of \_\_\_\_\_. In addition, he/she is maintaining an accumulative grade point average of \_\_\_\_\_ out of a possible 4.0.

Comments:

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Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Title \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Masonic Sponsor or Affiliation  
Please complete section(s) that apply:

Section I

I am a member of the following Masonic organizations:

\_\_\_\_\_ Tall Cedars of Lebanon of N.A.

\_\_\_\_\_ Job's Daughters

\_\_\_\_\_ Rainbow Girls

\_\_\_\_\_ Triangles

\_\_\_\_\_ DeMolay

Organization's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

Organization's Advisor \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone # \_\_\_\_\_

\* \* \* \* and/or \* \* \* \*

Section II

I am the son, daughter, grandson, or granddaughter of a Tall Cedar.

Cedar's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Forest No. \_\_\_\_\_

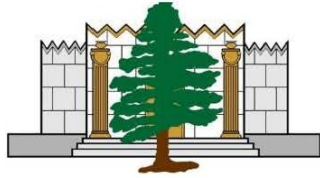
Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone # \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship \_\_\_\_\_

\* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \*

Please attach a photocopy of your current organization's Dues Card or a photocopy of your Tall Cedar Sponsor's Dues Card.



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**PHOTO/VIDEO RELEASE**

I, *(please print full name neatly)* \_\_\_\_\_,

hereby grant permission to the Tall Cedars of Lebanon International (Tall Cedars), including any of its Forests, to publish photos/images/videos including the name of the applicant in press releases and/or other materials either in print or electronic format for purposes deemed appropriate by the Tall Cedars.

I am signing this release form with the knowledge that any photos/images/videos posted electronically and in press releases can be downloaded and reprinted by news organizations, individuals and others, including print, electronic, and broadcast media, and I, therefore, release the Tall Cedars from any liability arising from use of these photos/images/videos in web postings.

I further understand that if I wish to rescind this agreement, I may do so at any time by sending a letter to the Tall Cedars. I further understand that already published photos/images/videos cannot be recalled. The requested rescission will take effect upon receipt of said notification.

Name of applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Parent or guardian if applicant is a minor)

**So do you want to win the..**

# **2025 Pasport Challenge?**

## **POINT BREAKDOWN**

Every member gets a passport –  
start collecting stamps NOW!

 **Visit Chapters:**  
5 pts

 **State Events:**  
10 pts

**Max 5 stamps per  
chapter per segment**

 **10+ visits = prize eligibility**

## **PRIZES**

**Visit ALL chapters:  
VIP Dinner  
at Convention  
2027!** 

**Top scorer:  
FREE 2027  
Convention!** 

## **SUBMISSION PROCESS**

**Hand in your  
passports to the  
state scibe before  
the 2026  
convention!**

**So do you want your chapter to be the..**

# **2025 Chapter of the Year?**

## **POINT BREAKDOWN**

**New Members: 150 points each**

**Full Degree Held: 2,000 points**

**Surpassing Majority: 400 points**

**Completing LCCs: 40 points each**

**Completing RD: 50 points each**

**PMC-MSA: 350 Points**

**Fundraiser Held: 200 points each**

## **POINT BREAKDOWN**

**Obligatory Day Observed: 100 points each**

**Social Activity: 50 points each**

**Public Relations Event: 100 points each**

**Masonic Service Attended: 50 points each**

**Civic Service: 150 points each**

**Athletic Activity: 50 points each**

**Chapter Performance (JO's)**

**- Good: 150 pts**

**(no ritual books needed)**

**- Medium: 100 pts**

**(some members need books)**

**- Poor: 50 pts**

**(most members need books)**

## **PRIZES**

 **1st Place**

**Nintendo Switch 2**

 **2nd Place**

**Vinyl Record Player + Vinyl  
Record of your choice (donated  
by Dad Vander Horn)**

 **3rd Place**

**Rocking Pony or State-Funded  
Event (bowling, escape room,  
etc.)**



# **SUBMISSION PROCESS**

**Complete the form linked here  
before June 2026**

**The form itself, as well as the  
online submission, are on the  
same Google form found here!**



[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfjXOt937hubG8-iKi6chgYyNg0SVYgqllk77WL\\_EE1ZW70w/viewform?usp=dialog](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfjXOt937hubG8-iKi6chgYyNg0SVYgqllk77WL_EE1ZW70w/viewform?usp=dialog)

The following position is being offered.

#### Assistant Administrator

##### Duties include:

Administrative duties such as data input for new members, new advisors, existing members and advisors and Senior DeMolays.

Basic correspondence of new member packages and information to the various Jurisdictions Executive Officers and his staff.

Answering telephone calls and emails and handling such calls and emails professionally or directing them to the proper staff.

Doing basic book keeping of DeMolay International financials using Quickbooks, including purchase orders, payments, PayPal invoicing and receipts, income and monthly financial reports. Working with the Budget and Finance committee on budget preparation.

Note, this does not include payroll, tax preparation, or formal audit.

Assisting the Executive Director in the performance of his daily duties including preparation for Board of Director meetings. Annual and Semi-annual meetings of DeMolay International and other items in the management of the building.

Some travel will be required. Each year in June we have a large international meeting which may require travel to that location. Other occasional weekend trips for training or meetings may also be required.

##### Skills and Qualifications

Strong written and verbal communication skills. Organization and the ability to multitask to complete a wide variety of tasks. Flexibility to adjust to new tasks should company or office needs change.

Strong interpersonal skills to interact positively with all employees and members of DeMolay International.

Attention to detail to ensure tasks are completed thoroughly and correctly.

Computer literacy sufficient to function easily with Microsoft Office software, Quickbooks, and the internal software program of DeMolay International, Escribe.

This position reports directly to the Executive Director. The Executive Director manages the administrative, staff, and building of DeMolay International and reports to the Grand Secretary. Any accounting/bookkeeping responsibilities will be under the direction of the Grand Treasurer who will coordinate with the Executive Director to assure completion and accuracy.

Position is considered a full time position and will office at the DeMolay International headquarters located at 10200 NW Ambassador Drive, Kansas City, MO 64153



Following a 90 day probationary period, benefits include a package that includes, health, vision, dental, disability, and 401(k) match, eleven paid holidays. After one year of service PTO will include 10 days paid time off and after 5 years 15 days paid time off.

Starting pay                    \$55,000.00 with increase to \$60,000.00 after 90 day probation

Starting timeframe        At your earliest opportunity.

Please contact Alan Kelvin, Executive Director, at your earliest convenience to accept this proposal.

Sincerely,

Alan Kelvin  
Executive Director

SERVICE & LEADERSHIP CENTER  
10200 NW Ambassador Dr.  
Kansas City, MO 64153

 (800) DEMOLAY  
 DEMOLAY@DEMOLAY.ORG  
 WWW.BEADDEMOLAY.ORG



## Job Description: Store & Marketing Manager

Reports to: Executive Director

### The Role

We are looking for a versatile, tech-savvy Store Manager to spearhead our eCommerce operations and support our broader mission through marketing and administrative excellence. While the bulk of our sales happen online, you are the face of our customer service and the engine behind our digital storefront.

This isn't just a "retail" job, it's a multifaceted role where you'll pivot from managing spreadsheets and online orders to executing marketing campaigns and running a high-energy, on-site pop-up shop during our premier annual event.

### Key Responsibilities

#### 1. eCommerce & Logistics (60%)

- **Platform Management:** Maintain and update our online storefront, ensuring products are accurately listed with compelling descriptions and photos.
- **Customer Excellence:** Act as the primary point of contact for members and clients via phone and email, resolving order issues with professional flair.
- **Order Fulfillment:** Manage inventory levels and oversee the shipping/receiving process for all online orders.
- **Data Management:** Utilize spreadsheets to track sales trends, inventory turnover, and financial reporting.

#### 2. Marketing & Administration (30%)

- **Brand Promotion:** Assist in creating and executing marketing strategies (email blasts, social media, and newsletters) to drive store traffic and member engagement.
- **Administrative Support:** Perform various office tasks as needed to support the DeMolay International headquarters.

#### 3. Event Operations (10%)

- **The Pop-Up Experience:** Lead the complete setup, operation, and teardown of our in-person store during our major annual event.
- **On-Site Leadership:** Manage temporary staff or volunteers and handle high-volume, in-person transactions during the event.

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### What we are looking for

- **Digital Proficiency:** You are comfortable working within eCommerce platforms (e.g., Shopify, WooCommerce) and are a spreadsheet wizard (Excel/Google Sheets).
- **Communication Skills:** You have a "service-first" mindset and can handle customer inquiries over the phone with patience and clarity.
- **Organizational Prowess:** You can juggle day-to-day shipping with long-term marketing projects without dropping the ball.
- **Physical Ability:** Must be able to lift boxes (up to 40 lbs) and handle the physical setup/teardown of a retail booth for our annual event.

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### Compensation & Benefits

- **Starting Salary:** \$35,000 per year.
- **Performance Incentives:** Opportunities for pay increases based on performance and sales growth.
- **Comprehensive Benefits Package:**
  - Health, Dental, and Vision insurance.
  - Disability insurance.
  - 401(k) retirement plan with company match.
  - 11 Paid Holidays per year.
- **Paid Time Off (PTO):**
  - 10 days of PTO after 1 year of service.
  - 15 days of PTO after 5 years of service.

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4	5	New Jersey DeMolay Winterfest @ TBA	
8	9	10	11	12	13	14 Valentine's Day
New Jersey DeMolay						
15	16 Presidents' Day	17	18	19	20	21 9pm - JGW
22 JGW Reception*Blackout	23	24	25	26	27	28

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4	5 12:30am - Union Chapter	6	7
8 Daylight Saving Time 8pm - Ethan Allen Chapter	9	10	11 11:30pm - Clifton Chapter SMC-OV (Spring) @ Clifton	12	13	14 6pm - NJ Legion of Honor
15	16	17 St. Patrick's Day	18	19	20	21
22 1pm - Bayonne St 8:30pm - Jersey Shore	23	24	25	26	27	28 9pm - KEH Installation @
29	30	31	1 JO Elected Officer	2 11:30pm - Jersey Shore SMC-OV (Spring) @ Mariners	3	4