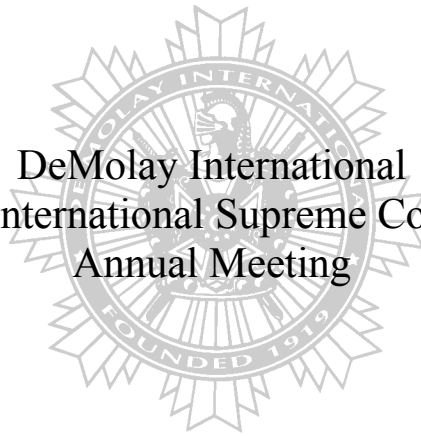


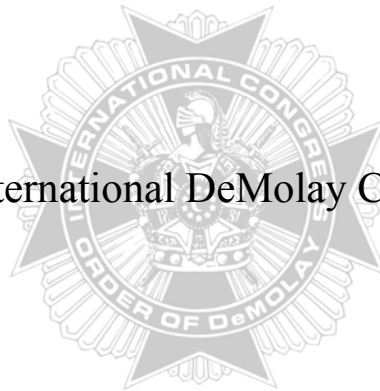
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SUPREME COUNCIL ANNUAL MEETINGS

**Designates Executive Committee Only **Designates Special Called Sessions*

March 7 – 8, 1921 Kansas City, MO	April 1 – 2, 1937 Washington, DC	April 6, 1953 Tucson, AZ	March 15 – 19, 1969 Kansas City, MO
March 6 – 8, 1922 Kansas City, MO	March 21 – 22, 1938 Kansas City, MO	Feb. 27-March 1, 1954 Washington, DC	April 5 – 8, 1970 Omaha, NE
March 5 – 7, 1923 Baltimore, MD	March 20 – 21, 1939 Louisville, KY	February 24–26, 1955 Washington, DC	March 28 – 31, 1971 Sacramento, CA
March 5 – 7, 1924 Kansas City, MO	March 11, 1940 Baltimore, MD	March 8 – 10, 1956 Reno, NV	June 18 – 21, 1972 Hollywood, FL
March 16 – 18, 1925 St. Louis, MO	March 10, 1941 Dearborn, MI	March 7 – 9, 1957 Detroit, MI	May 27 – 30, 1973 St. Louis, MO
March 15 – 17, 1926 Kansas City, MO	March 9, 1942 Louisville, KY	March 6 – 8, 1958 Milwaukee, WI	March 31–April 3, 1974 Memphis, TN
March 21 – 22, 1927 Louisville, KY	*March 7, 1943 Kansas City, MO	March 29 – 30, 1959 Kansas City, MO	April 6 – 9, 1975 Kissimmee, FL
March 18 – 19, 1928 Kansas City, MO	March 6, 1944 Kansas City, MO	April 10 – 11, 1960 Tucson, AZ	March 13 – 17, 1976 Indianapolis, IN
March 18 – 19, 1929 Pittsburgh, PA	March 5, 1945 Kansas City, MO	March 27 – 30, 1961 Victoria, BC, Canada	April 17 – 19, 1977 Dearborn, MI
*March 16 – 17, 1931 Chicago, IL	March 5, 1946 Kansas City, MO	April 2 – 5, 1962 Indianapolis, IN	April 16 – 18, 1978 Milwaukee, WI
March 16 – 17, 1930 Washington, DC	March 7, 1947 Kansas City, MO	April 2 – 4, 1963 Tampa, FL	April 29–May 2, 1979 Kansas City, MO
May 10, 1932 Washington, DC	March 8, 1948 Kansas City, MO	April 14 – 16, 1964 New York, NY	April 13 – 16, 1980 Indianapolis, IN
*May 6, 1933 New York, NY	March 7, 1949 Kansas City, MO	March 30 – 31, 1965 Louisville, KY	April 5 – 8, 1981 Cherry Hill, NJ
*April 11, 1934 Washington, DC	March 6, 1950 Fort Worth, TX	April 4 – 6, 1966 Tulsa, OK	March 21 – 24, 1982 Reno, NV
April 5 – 6, 1935 Washington, DC	March 5, 1951 St. Louis, MO	April 10 – 12, 1967 Dallas, TX	May 1 – 4, 1983 San Antonio, TX
April 10 – 11, 1936 Washington, DC	March 3, 1952 Chicago, IL	March 31-April 3, 1968 Washington, DC	May 6 – 9, 1984 Sarasota, FL

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May 12 – 15, 1985
Jackson, MS

June 19 – 21, 2003
Buffalo, NY

April 20 – 23, 1986
Anaheim, CA

June 17 – 19, 2004
Denver, CO

May 1 – 4, 1988
Tucson, AZ

June 16 – 18, 2005
Orlando, FL

April 12 – 15, 1989
Kansas City, MO

June 15 – 17, 2006
Seattle, WA

April 25 – 29, 1990
Philadelphia, PA

June 14 – 16, 2007
St. Louis, MO

April 22 – 28, 1991
St. Louis, MO

June 19 – 21, 2008
Anaheim, CA

April 22 – 27, 1992
Novi, MI

June 18 – 20, 2009
Kansas City, MO

June 24 – 26, 1993
Washington, DC

June 17 – 19, 2010
Dallas, Texas

**November 19–21, 1993
New Orleans, LA

June 22 – 26, 1994
Kansas City, MO

June 13 – 18, 1995
Bismarck, ND

June 20 – 22, 1996
Tulsa, OK

June 11 – 14, 1997
Kansas City, MO

June 17 – 20, 1998
Kansas City, MO

June 24 – 26, 1999
Kansas City, MO

June 14 – 17, 2000
Orlando, FL

June 14 – 16, 2001
Anaheim, CA

June 13 – 15, 2002
Houston, TX

PAST GRAND MASTERS
INTERNATIONAL SUPREME COUNCIL ORDER OF DEMOLAY
**Deceased*

*Alexander G. Cochran
March 7, 1921-May 1, 1928

*John H. Glazier
May 1, 1928-March 17, 1931

*Ernest A. Reed
March 17, 1931-May 6, 1933

*Jesse M. Whited
May 6, 1933-April 6, 1936

*Louis A. Watres
April 6, 1936-April 2, 1937

*Maj. Gen. Amos A. Fries
April 2, 1937-March 21, 1938

*Chandler C. Cohagen
March 21, 1938-March 21, 1939

*Allen M. Wilson
March 21, 1939-March 11, 1940

*Robert D. Williams
March 11, 1940-March 10, 1941

*Elden E. DuRand
March 10, 1941-March 9, 1942

*Simon H. Rubel
March 9, 1942-March 6, 1944

*William J. Kerr
March 6, 1944-March 5, 1945

*Harry M. Bundy
March 5, 1945-March 5, 1946

*Frank H. Deal
March 5, 1946-March 7, 1947

*Laurence H. Watres
March 7, 1947-March 8, 1948

*Bryce B. Smith
March 8, 1948-March 7, 1949

*William R. McKay
March 7, 1949-March 5, 1950

*Egil Steen
March 6, 1950-March 5, 1951

*Carl A. Miller
March 5, 1951-March 3, 1952

*Walter C. Ploeser
March 3, 1952-April 6, 1953

*H. Malvern Marks
April 6, 1953-March 1, 1954

*Carl W. Gustkey
March 1, 1954-Feb. 26, 1955

*Frank H. Thompson
Feb. 26, 1955-March 10, 1956

*Robert H. Parker
March 10, 1956-March 9, 1957

*George M. Saunders
March 9, 1957-March 8, 1958

*Clarence W. Head
March 8, 1958-March 30, 1959

*Earl E. Dusenbery
March 30, 1959-April 11, 1960

*Albert J. McNally
April 11, 1960-March 29, 1961

*Willard P. Lombard
March 29, 1961-April 4, 1962

*Ralph E. Hamill
April 4, 1962-April 3, 1963

*Dr. Ivan H. Northfield
April 3, 1963-April 15, 1964

*Dr. Samuel S. Steinhauser
April 15, 1964-March 31, 1965

*Joseph S. Lewis
March 31, 1965-April 6, 1966

*R. Lee Lockwood
April 6, 1966-April 12, 1967

*William A. Hensley
April 12, 1967-April 3, 1968

*Albert P. Ruerat
April 3, 1968-March 19, 1969

*Stanley R. Garrity
March 19, 1969-August 9, 1969

*J. Chris Nungesser
August 9, 1969-April 8, 1970

*Walter O. Helwig
April 8, 1970-March 31, 1971

*Chester Hodges
March 31, 1971-June 21, 1972

*J.W. "Jack" Nutt
June 21, 1972-May 30, 1973

*George M. Klepper
May 30, 1973-April 3, 1974

*John L. Crofts
April 3, 1974-April 9, 1975

*Robert A. Grant
April 9, 1975-March 17, 1976

*Jack H. Myers
March 17, 1976-April 19, 1977

*William J. McCulley
April 19, 1977-April 18, 1978

Thomas C. Raum, Jr.
April 18, 1978-May 2, 1979

*C.C. Faulkner, Jr.
May 2, 1979-April 16, 1980

*William C. Chasey, Sr.
April 16, 1980-April 8, 1981

David J. Morgan
April 8, 1981-March 24, 1982

Reese L. Harrison, Jr.
March 24, 1982-May 4, 1983

G. Lawrence Hunt
May 4, 1983-May 9, 1984

*Don W. Wright
May 9, 1984-May 15, 1985

*A.J. Tullos
May 15, 1985-April 23, 1986

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Henry E. Stickney
April 23, 1986-April 29, 1987

Keith K. Klein
June 18, 2006 – June 16, 2007

Robert M. Walker
April 29, 1987-Feb. 6, 1988

Patton R. Hart
June 16, 2007 – June 21, 2008

Robert F. Hannon
Feb. 6, 1988-April 15, 1989

C. Michael Watson
June 21, 2008 – June 20, 2009

Joe R. Manning, Jr.
April 15, 1989-April 28, 1990

Robert W. Cockerham
June 20, 2009 – June 19, 2010

*Edward C. Bieser
April 28, 1990-April 27, 1991

Russel C. Wells
April 27, 1991-April 28, 1992

Jerold J. Samet
April 28, 1992 - June 26, 1993

William J. Mollere
June 27, 1993 - June 25, 1994

Dale V. Sandstrom
June 26, 1994 - June 17, 1995

Joe A. Williams
June 18, 1995 - June 22, 1996

E. John Elmore
June 23, 1996 - June 14, 1997

Tony R. Krall
June 15, 1997 - June 20, 1998

*Samuel L. Cole, Jr.
June 21, 1998 - June 26, 1999

James C. McGee
June 27, 1999 - June 17, 2000

Ross Van Ness Bayer
June 18, 2000 – June 16, 2001

Gregory R. Klemm
June 17, 2001 – June 15, 2002

Franklin J. Kell, Jr.
June 16, 2002 – June 21, 2003

Frederick W. Welch
June 22, 2003 – June 19, 2004

Greg L. Kimberling
June 20, 2004 – June 18, 2005

Jeff A. Chretien
June 19, 2005 – June 17, 2006

INTERNATIONAL SUPREME COUNCIL SESSION ROLL CALL

ACTIVE MEMBERS

Weston B. Aanderud (Oregon)
Michael Howard Acker (Maine)
Jarrod Rodney Adkisson (Arkansas)
Bret A. Akers (Missouri)
Brian Lee Atkinson (Indiana)
Anthony Nicholas Auck (Louisiana)
Bruce Alan Baily (Texas)
Lee A. Beattys (New Jersey)
Glenn Lee Beaver (Ohio)
Stephen M. Berry (Florida)
Marc Bernard Bohn (Georgia)
Clayton Johnson Borne (Louisiana)
George Orland Braatz (Ohio)
Lee Bradley (Illinois)
Kevin Breitzmann (Wisconsin)
Shawn G. Brewster (Vermont)
Matthew Anthony Buckley (Iowa)
Larry Clarke Burruss (Virginia)
Louis K. Campbell (Virginia)
William Ray Carver (Georgia)
Anthony Charley (Ohio)
Gregory A. Chiles (Indiana)
Andrew B. Christensen (Idaho)
J. Weldon Clampitte (Texas)
Dale William Claypool (Oregon)
Robert W. Cockerham, PGM (Missouri)
Gregory Wayne Coffey (Kentucky)
Danny K. Coffey (Kentucky)
George Kirby Coffman (Arkansas)
Stanton Jay Cohen (Arizona)
Warren R. Cole (Oregon)
David Andrew Craft (Maine)
L. Richard Craft (Virginia)
Steven Ellis Crane (Kansas)
Luciano Critelli (Italy)
Mitchell B. Cross (Missouri)
Vincent A. D'Aguanno (Michigan)
Norman F. Day (Washington)
David Benton Dibrell (Texas)
R. Stephen Doan (So. California)
Peter Norman Doelfs (Utah)
Todd C. Duehring (Maryland)
Christopher J. Earle (Connecticut)
Carl G. Ek (Connecticut)
Robert William England (Maryland)
William Calvin Eppig (Maryland)
Kurt Harold Faulkner (Dist. of Columbia)
William R. Fischer (Kansas)
Raymond Charles Flynn (New Jersey)
Rick S. Freedman (New Jersey)
Gerald Anthony Garafola (Arizona)
Russell W. George (Connecticut)
Dale Howard Gillilan (Alaska)
Curtis L. Gimlin (Oklahoma)
David A. Glattly (New Jersey)
Russell B. Glendinning (Florida)
Tony Randolph Glidewell (North Carolina)
Kent Robison Gould (Colorado)
Kevin D. Grazier (Nebraska)
Benny Lamar Grisham (Illinois)
Mark Roy Hailer (Minnesota)
Robert F. Hannon, PGM (Arizona)
Reese L. Harrison, Jr., PGM (Texas)
Shane Allen Harshbarger (Iowa)
Bruce N. Hazard (New York)
Craig Henderson (New York)
Howard Bart Henderson (Texas)
Allan E. Iding (Wisconsin)
Alan H. Jelalian (Massachusetts)
Robert Marshall Jones (South Carolina)
Franklin John Kell, Jr., PGM (Oklahoma)
Duane Allan Kemerley (Ohio)
Gordon L. Kimball (Maine)
Greg L. Kimberling, PGM (Idaho)
Keith K. Klein, PGM (Indiana)
Theodore B. Korn (Ohio)
Tony R. Krall, PGM (Minnesota)
Steven J. Krekus (Ohio)
James Robert Kuester (Indiana)
Thomas R. Labagh (Pennsylvania)
James C. Lamb (Oregon)
Steven Dale Lancaster (Utah)
Charles M. Levan (Florida)
John Douglas Limb (Utah)
Ernest G. Loiselle (Ontario)
Andre E. Lovas (Georgia)
Richard S. MacInnis (New Hampshire)
Craig Richard Maddux (Tennessee)
Dr. Howard Gerald Malin (Maryland)
Joe R. Manning, PGM (Oklahoma)
William A. Marti (Florida)
Walter Harrall Martin (Colorado)
J. Eldon Masters (Kansas)
Chad Rory McCabe (North Dakota)
James C. McGee, PGM (Alabama)
Jeffrey Edmond McMorris (New York)
Jerome M. Meguiar (Florida)
Richard E. Melvin (New Hampshire)
Ronald J. Minshall (Oklahoma)
William J. Mollere, PGM (Louisiana)
Ray Reid Morgan, III (Texas)
David J. Morgan, PGM (Nevada)
G. Wayne Morrison (New Mexico)
Gary E. Mueller (Colorado)
Richard P. Naegele (Maryland)
Harry E. Needham, III (Connecticut)
Brian S. Noble (Massachusetts)
Simon Q. Oduber (Aruba)
Johnny Dean Onkst (Oklahoma)
William K. Paisley (Nebraska)
Sherman C. Parker, Jr. (Michigan)
M. Boyd Patterson, Jr. (Texas)
Thomas Andrew Paul (Alabama)
Roger H. Pelham (New York)
Terry L. Peters (No. California)
Brian Wade Pierson (Oklahoma)
David K. Poffenbarger (Illinois)
Eric J. Pogg (Connecticut)
Mark L. Rauschenberger (Illinois)
James Allan Ray (Pennsylvania)
Merritt Eugene Read (So. California)
James Neil Reid, Jr. (Washington)
Frank Spencer Rice (New York)
Dennis Matthew Rose (Tennessee)
Craig Steven Ruby (Nevada)
Keith B. Rung (New York)
Michael Stanley Rushin (Arkansas)
Ernest W. Ryder (Florida)
Mike Angel Salazar (No. California)
Roger Dale Salyer (Missouri)
William M. Sardone (New Jersey)
Darrell W. Sartin (Mississippi)
Richard L. Sayre (Washington)
John Michael Schuster (So. California)
Dana Elmer Schwarz (Georgia)
Ronald A. Seale (Louisiana)
Thomas Melvin Sellers (Virginia)
Robert Eugene Simon (Wisconsin)
Donald John Slade (Alberta)
Ricky E. Smith (Virginia)
Danny Dwight Smothers (Missouri)
Gary M. Spicer (North Dakota)
Walter Frank Spiller (South Carolina)
Derek Glenn Sprague (Oregon)
John Dolan Stallings (Virginia)
Loren Chanen Stein (Iowa)
Timothy Brinton Strawn (Ohio)
Michael Walter Stuhr (Nebraska)
Wayne Thomas Szretter (Massachusetts)
Robert Graham Taylor (West Virginia)
Scott Edward Thompson (Utah)
Wesley Don Thornton (New Mexico)
Robert L. Tomlinson (Kansas)
James R. Truax (Minnesota)
Vernon C. Vanderhule (South Dakota)
Fred Veinfurt (Missouri)
William Gordon Wardell (Florida)
C. Michael Watson, PGM (Ohio)
Frederick W. Welch, PGM (New Hampshire)
John W. Whitaker (Tennessee)
Michael E. Williams (Virginia)
Joe A. Williams, PGM (Oklahoma)
Ward R. Williamson (Germany)
Bruce Dean Wood (Nebraska)
Martin Richard Woodworth (Ohio)
Allan Yeates (Australia)
Richard McCoy Young (Virginia)

DEPUTY MEMBERS

Samuel Eugene Ashcraft (Arkansas)
James Norman Barr (So. California)
Kenneth Dale Best (Missouri)
John Scott Brower (Arizona)
Jeffery Alan Brunson (Washington)
Alexander S. Dakak (New Jersey)
Raymond Edward Davies (So. California)
Marvin Dewayne Durden (Arkansas)
Roger David Epperly (Oklahoma)
Robert E. Erickson (Maine)
Gregory James Gabriel (So. California)
Kendall S. Garton (Kansas)
David Dixon Goodwin (New York)
Howard Lawrence Graff (Illinois)
Charles James Graham (Arkansas)
Allan James Graulich (Florida)
Brian Jonathan Gross (No. California)
James D. Gunderson (Nebraska)
Jon Roman Hahn (Arizona)

Robert J. Hanna, Sr. (Oklahoma)
John Paul Hay (Missouri)
Roger Lynn Ingersoll (Texas)
Arthur Charles Jackson (Mississippi)
Paul David Jacobson (Washington)
Gerald W. Jones (Missouri)
Michael C. McLaughlin (Indiana)
Gordon Sean Metroka (No. California)
Everett Stanley Nance (Arizona)
Brad James Northcutt (Oklahoma)
Troy Wesley Nutter (Washington)
Joseph D. Owen (Alabama)
Rodney Lynn Pense (Missouri)
Paul R. Perkins (Massachusetts)
Michael Dee Phillipus (Texas)
Leo Alexander Ponson (Aruba)
Charles William Powers (Indiana)
John W. Price (Massachusetts)
Jeff L. Rannebarger (Ohio)

Dennis Lee Reed (Kansas)
Walter Lee Raymond Reich (Maryland)
Charles William Ridgeway (Maryland)
Jay L. Roundy (Utah)
Dana Warren Ryder (Maine)
William Neil Sassman (Indiana)
Gregory Michael Schaeffer (New York)
Kurt Alan Schumacher (Missouri)
Mark Wilson Stephenson (Kansas)
Michael Jacob Stern (No. California)
Harry Albert Thomas (So. California)
Lawrence Eugene Tucker (Texas)
Claudio Vernale (Italy)
Randall Lyle Watson (Maryland)
Randall E. Williams (Tennessee)
Buddy M. Wilson (Alabama)
Randall Harold Wilson (Missouri)
Patrick C. Weisgerber (New Jersey)

EMERITUS MEMBERS

Walpert Phillip Harden (Maryland)
Jack H. Jones (Florida)
Merlyn E. Meredith (Ohio)

William R. Miller (Washington)
Karl F. Reed (Alabama)
Roger S. Seigel (Florida)

Frank Edwin Silber (North Carolina)
Howard K. Smith (Virginia)

HONORARY MEMBERS

Edward H. Fowler (Pennsylvania)
Ronald Eugene Heald (Virginia)

George A. Mitchell (Ontario)
William E. Pearson (Virginia)

Robert Bryce Pfuetze (Kansas)
Michael G. Severe (Colorado)

	Executive Officer of the Year	ISC Member of the Year	Builders Award Best Membership	Development Most Improved	Publication/Communication	Meeting Planner	Visionary	Lifetime Achievement	Benefactor	Ne Plus Ultra - The Highest Standard of Excellence - or achievement; the acme; the pinnacle; the ultimate	Ductus Exemplo - Leadership by Example	Nulli Secundus - Second to None	Primus Inter Omnes - First Among All - Best of the Best
1992	D. Huston Iowa	D. Compton Washington	R. George Connecticut	W. Patterson Wyoming	R. Zumult Missouri								
1993	R. George Connecticut	K. Klein Indiana	D. Huston Iowa	J. Elmore North Carolina	S. Williamson Pennsylvania								
1994	D. Huston Iowa	G. Woody So. California	D. Huston Iowa	G. Kimberling Idaho				C. Hodges Ohio and J. Lewis Oklahoma					
1995	W. Patterson Wyoming	T. Krall Minnesota	J. Know Maine	R. Bean South Carolina	C. Bennett Missouri								
1996	S. Williamson Pennsylvania	C. Bennett Missouri	R. Ogg, Jr. Rhode Island	M. Oxenreider New Jersey	P. Chisholm New York								
1997	G. Roten So. California	D. Glattly New Jersey	D. Poffenbarger Illinois	P. Chisholm New York	G. Fairley Alaska		B. Patterson Texas	E. Trefts Washington					
1998	M. Oxenreider New Jersey	R. Ogg, Jr. Rhode Island	S. Krekus Ohio	M. Stuhr Nebraska	E. Clarke No. California		F. Kell, Jr. Oklahoma	M. Beitz Iowa					
1999	F. Welch New Hampshire	R. England Maryland	M. Oxenreider New Jersey	R. Ogg, Jr. Rhode Island	D. Poffenbarger Illinois		G. Fairley Alaska	R. Tutt Kentucky					
2000	G. Kimberling Idaho	W. Paisley Nebraska	C. Phillips Nevada	D. Glattly									
2001	M. Bressler Maine	T. Krall Minnesota	K. Klein Indiana	W. Carver Georgia				W. Miller Nebraska					
2002	D. Glattly New Jersey	W. Mollere Louisiana	J. Wadley Utah	B. Hazard New York	T. Labagh Pennsylvania	L. Dillon Michigan	J. Chretien Utah	T. Krall Minnesota					
2003	J. Whitaker Tennessee	G. Kimberling Utah	K. Klein Indiana	G. Glattly New Jersey	G. Coffman Arkansas		C. Gimlin Oklahoma	E. Clarke No. California					
2004	R. Sayre Washington	D. Glattly New Jersey	J. Durbin Illinois	S. Crane Kansas	M. Salazar No. California	F. Kell, Jr. Oklahoma	T. Krall Minnesota	E. John Elmore North Carolina					

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Grand Master Eagle Awards, continued

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2005	J. Whitaker Tennessee	R. Frevel Maryland	J. Reid, Jr. Washington and R. Cockerham Missouri and J. Shaw Ohio	B. Wood Nebraska	L. Dillon Michigan		B. Patterson Texas	J. Jones Florida					
2006	G. Kimball Maine	P. Doelfs Utah			L. VanderHorn New Jersey		A. Jelalian Massachusetts	C. Ek Connecticut					
2007	H. Needham Connecticut and L. Critelli Itlay	T. Nelson, Sr. Indiana	R. Cockerham Missouri	G. Mueller Colorado	Pennsylvania- WEB and Missouri- WEB		T. Labagh Pennsylvania	R. Hannon Arizona; D. Poffenbarger Illinois; S. Williamson Pennsylvania	W. Baker California; P. Bohannon Texas; R. Cockerham Missouri; E. Hinds Texas; G. Klemm Illinois; A. Luchs; H. Stickney California; J. Samet D. C.;	L. Burruss Virginia; T. Moberly California	M. Williams Virginia	J. Samet D.C.	J. Jones Florida
2008	R. Cockerham Missouri	M. Salazar NorCal/HI; J. Barr SoCal	R. Cockerham Missouri	R. Lynn Florida	R. Lynn Florida; L. Beattys New Jersey	J. Whitaker Tennessee	R. Lynn Florida; C. M. Watson Ohio	M. Oxenreider New Jersey; R. Harrison Texas; D. Morgan Nevada	Southern California Youth Foundation				
2009	M. Salazar Northern California	A. Iding Wiconsin W. Koon Ohio	J. W. Clampitte Texas	L. Critelli Italy	M. Bohn Georgia		G. Mueller Colorado	W. Mollere, PGM Louisiana C. Lancaster Utah					

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	Executive Officer of the Year	ISC Member of the Year	Builders Award Best Membership	Development Most Improved	Publication/ Communication	Meeting Planner	Visionary	Lifetime Achievement	Benefactor	International Benefactor
2010	L. Critelli Italy	T. Krall, PGM Minnesota	R. Cockerham Missouri	V. Key, Jr. So. California	B. Cockerham Missouri	F. Kell, Jr., PGM Oklahoma	R. Hannon, PGM Arizona	J. Jones Florida R. Seale Louisiana	E. Walker Missouri	C. Lancaster Utah C. Farias Brazil

SECTION II

*90th DeMolay International
Supreme Council Annual Meeting*

90th Annual DeMolay
International Supreme Council Session
& 43rd Annual DeMolay
International Congress Session
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**DEMOLAY INTERNATIONAL
BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Dallas, Texas
June 17, 2010

Members Present:

Robert W. Cockerham, Grand Master
Wesley D. Thornton, Grand Senior Councilor
J. Weldon Clampitte, Grand Junior Councilor James C.
McGee, PGM, Grand Treasurer
Joe A. Williams, PGM, Grand Secretary
Benjamin Turconi, International Master Councilor Jaymie
Jordan, International Congress Secretary David A. Craft,
Region I Representative
Rick E. Smith, Region II Representative
John W. Whitaker, Region III Representative Theodore
B. Korn, Region IV Representative Michael Stuhr,
Region V Representative
Ronald J. Minshall, Region VI Representative Gary
Mueller, Region VII Representative Terry Peters,
Region VIII Representative
Harry E. Needham, Executive Officer Conference Chairman

Staff:

Jeffrey C. Kitsmiller, Sr., Executive Director Nancy A.
Shipps, Director of Administration

Others Attending:

Richard L. Sayre, Chairman of Jurisprudence and Legislation Committee
M. Boyd Patterson, Vice Chairman of Jurisprudence and Legislation Committee
David Dibrell, Active Member - Texas
Larry Burruss, Active Member – Virginia
William Paisley, Executive Officer — Iowa
Gregory A. Chiles, Chairman, Budget & Finance Committee
Franklin J. Kell, Jr., PGM, Chairman of Convention Planning Committee Thomas
R. Labagh, Chairman of Ritual Committee

Grand Master Cockerham called the meeting to order and after welcoming those attending to our Annual Meeting, led the Pledge of Allegiance. He called on Benjamin Turconi, International Master Councilor, for the invocation.

Minutes:

Motion was made and received a second to approve the Minutes of the November 21, 2009 Minutes. The motion was approved.

Congress Report:

Benjamin Turconi, International Master Councilor, presented the report of the Congress Officers including a list of action items. Following a discussion, a motion was made, seconded and approved to continue the action items next year.

Grand Master Report:

Grand Master Cockerham announced the following Executive Officer resignations and his appointments during his term:

Executive Officer Resignations:

Brian K. Golwitzer, Jr., Illinois
Dennis L. Reed, Kansas
Jarrod R. Adkisson, Arkansas
Steven D. Lancaster, Utah
Frank E. Silber, North Carolina

Executive Officer/Personal Representatives Appointments

Mark L. Rauschenberger (E.O. – Illinois 11/29/2009)
William R. “Buck” Fischer (P.R. – Kansas 02/15/2010)
William R. “Buck” Fischer (E.O. – Kansas 04/05/2010)
Michael S. Rushin, Jr. (P.R. – Arkansas 05/22/2010)
John D. Limb (E.O. – Utah 06/01/2010)
Tony R. Glidewell (E.O. – North Carolina 06/22/2010)
Michael S. Rushin, Jr. (E.O. – Arkansas 06/11/2010)

He gave a brief update of his report and recommendations.

Legislative Review:

Grand Master Cockerham asked Richard Sayre to give a review of the Call Items to be voted on by the Board.

Call Item #1 would establish due dates for adult enrollment. Motion was made and duly seconded to approve Call Item #1. Motion was approved.

Call Item #2 would exempt certain officers from mandatory retirement. Motion was made and duly seconded to approve Call Item #2. Motion was approved.

The remaining Call Items were reviewed by the Board of Directors and will be voted on by DeMolay International.

Treasurer's Report:

James C. McGee, PGM, Grand Treasurer, reported on the financials of DeMolay International and stated the recently completed audit review of Hogan and Taylor had no adverse items reported. Motion was made and carried to accept the report. Motion was then made to seek proposals of audit and tax services for DeMolay International. Motion was approved.

Convention Planning Committee:

Frank Kell, PGM, Chairman, outlined plans for a future session in Reno, Nevada. On motion made, seconded and carried, these plans were approved.

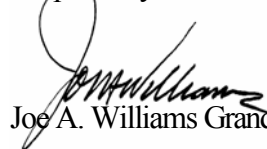
Service and Leadership Center:

Jeff Kitsmiller, Sr., Executive Director, gave an update for the Center and submitted a proposal from

GO Members to update the data entry system currently used. A motion was made to accept the proposal and received a second. A question was raised as to the cost and following discussion, it was moved to amend the motion to require payment for the update to come from our investment account. A second was received and the motion was approved. The main motion as amended was approved.

The Grand Master recessed the Board Meeting until Saturday, June 19, 2010.

Respectfully submitted,



Joe A. Williams Grand Secretary

**DEMOLAY INTERNATIONAL
BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Dallas, Texas
June 19, 2010

Members Present:

Robert W. Cockerham, Grand Master
Wesley D. Thornton, Grand Senior Councilor
J. Weldon Clampitte, Grand Junior Councilor
James C. McGee, PGM, Grand Treasurer
Joe A. Williams, PGM, Grand Secretary
Benjamin Turconi, International Master Councilor Jaymie
Jordan, International Congress Secretary
David A. Craft, Region I Representative
Rick E. Smith, Region II Representative
John W. Whitaker, Region III Representative Theodore
B. Korn, Region IV Representative Michael Stuhr,
Region V Representative
Ronald J. Minshall, Region VI Representative
Gary Mueller, Region VII Representative
Terry Peters, Region VIII Representative
Harry E. Needham, Executive Officer Conference Chairman

Staff:

Jeffrey C. Kitsmiller, Sr., Executive Director
Nancy A. Shipps, Director of Administration

Grand Master Cockerham called the meeting to order and asked Michael Benedetti, International Master Councilor elect to give the invocation.

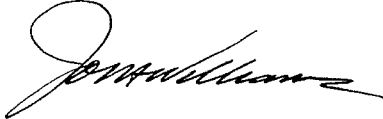
A motion was made to approve Call Item #2 as amended by DeMolay International. A second was received and the motion was approved.

A motion was made that all committee reports given orally or in writing during any portion of the annual meeting of the Corporation, DeMolay International, be deemed to have been received by the Board of Directors and that the Board of Directors be empowered to effectuate all directions given by the receipt of any report, the receipt of any recommendation for action, or any other matter as communicated by a member of the Corporation, and the Board empowered to take such actions as are necessary to receive and act upon all matters referred to it by the Corporation. The motion received a second and was approved.

Benjamin Turconi, International Master Councilor, commented on his year of service and encouraged continued support of the Congress action items this coming year.

Grand Master Cockerham spoke about the future of DeMolay and then declared the meeting closed.

Respectfully submitted,



Joe A. Williams Grand
Secretary

**DeMolay International
Supreme Council
Business Session #1
Dallas, Texas
Thursday, June 17, 2010**

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *Brethren, I declare the 91st Annual Session of the International Supreme Council, the Order of DeMolay, duly open.*

At this time, we immediately move into Executive Session. But before we do this, I'd just like to let you know, in case you're not going to be part of this here, we will do our Executive business pursuant to the statutes at this time that we need the do. We will then ask everyone to leave, other than those who are specifically engaged in the set-up here. We will then have the doors opened at 7:30 for everybody to come in.

(Brief recess.)

**Nominating Committee Report #1
Necrology Report
Thursday, June 17, 2010
Dallas, Texas**

David Morgan, PGM: *Brethren, Grand Master, this is the first report of the Nominating Committee for the 2010 Session.*

First, the Necrology report. A full Necrology report will not be given. We will have a ceremony under the direction of Past Grand Master David Morgan at tonight's opening. But I will read the names of our brethren who have passed during the previous year.

William B. Blassingame, Indiana; Samuel L. Cole, Jr., Past Grand Master, Michigan; Robert L. Goldsmith, Florida; Richard W. Jeanson, Southern California; Donald E. White, Arizona.

And as I said, we'll have a ceremony during tonight's opening.

(Brief recess.)

Report of the Grand Treasurer James C. McGee, PGM

For the fiscal year ending December 31, 2009 DeMolay International ended the year with revenues exceeding expenditures by \$378,016 as reported by our auditors. We ended the year with a total income of \$1,855,603 and total expenses of \$1,477,587. As the markets attempted to return to some sense of normalcy after the unprecedented financial crisis we witnesses last year I am please we were able to see our budget numbers return as well.

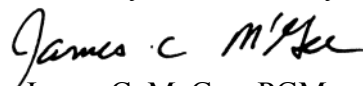
The past year (2009) DeMolay International retained the firm of HoganTaylor, LLP to conduct a review of the International Supreme Council and DeMolay International. This review is finished and I am pleased to announce that there were no adverse findings to report. HoganTaylor will prepare all tax filings at the appropriate time.

Davenport & Company was chosen last year to serve DeMolay International as our investment manager. There have been no changes to the investment policy statement since our last annual meeting.

I would like to thank Jeff Kitsmiller, Executive Director, for his continued service to DeMolay. This past year, the Service & Leadership Center has produced our financial records and distributed them out to the Board of Directors and the Elected Line in a timely and efficient manner.

In closing, I would like to express my thanks to the Elected Officers of DeMolay International, the Board of Directors, and our office staff for their splendid performance and cooperation throughout the year. Most of all, I thank you, for allowing me to continue to serve DeMolay in this capacity.

Sincerely and fraternally,


James C. McGee, PGM

Grand Treasurer James C. McGee, PGM: *Grand Master, I move the acceptance of this report.*

Grand Senior Councilor Wesley D. Thornton: *Second.*

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *All those in favor say aye?*

(Aye.)

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *Opposed?*

(No response.)

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *So ordered.*

(Applause.)

(Brief recess.)

Report of the Grand Secretary Joe A. Williams, PGM

It is a pleasure to again present my report as Grand Secretary of DeMolay International.

I appreciate the continuing efforts of the Board of Directors to work together to improve DeMolay for our young men. As always, it is a pleasure to work with such a group of committed people.

MANAGEMENT

The registration of all advisors in a timely manner is an important step in keeping our youth protection issues to a minimum. This is a direct responsibility of each of our Executive Officers and to their credit, the vast majority are on time. Perhaps all could beat the deadline next year.

The DeMolay and More Store adds new items each year to assist in the marketing of DeMolay, always alert to improve service, quality and the satisfaction of our members. New items will be available at Session this year and you are encouraged to visit the store while you are here in Dallas.

This year our staff conducted three (3) Jurisdictional Management training sessions, with twenty-one (21) attendees. This weekend of training gives current and future jurisdictional leaders a basic understanding of DeMolay and its policies and procedures. We encourage Executive Offices to send key members of their staffs to one of these sessions next year. Our staff members in Kansas City continue to put forth an excellent program for these sessions.

Each year, members of the staff, together with Elected Line members and Congress Officers attend National Masonic meetings to promote DeMolay. These meetings included the Imperial Shrine, the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite and the Conference of Grand Masters. Our Executive Director was a presenter at the Imperial Shrine Membership meeting. International Master Councilor, Benjamin Turconi, was the principal speaker at the Frank S. Land Memorial Breakfast sponsored by the Imperial Shrine during the Grand Masters Conference. Benjamin's presentation was outstanding.

HALL OF FAME

The DeMolay Hall of Fame will induct Senior DeMolays Thomas Leppert and Douglas Maxwell during this session of DeMolay International. Brother Leppert is a Chevalier and Legionnaire and currently the Mayor of Dallas. Brother Maxwell is a Legionnaire and is a Past Imperial Potentate of the Shrine. He is currently serving as the President and CEO of the Shriner's Hospital. Congratulations to each of these Senior

DeMolays! We express our appreciation to the Southern California Youth Foundation for their financial support in underwriting the costs of the Hall of Fame program.

FIELD OPERATIONS

Our Field Representatives were busy this year traveling to Jurisdictions, when invited, to give numerous presentations and leading discussions and panel groups. Their presentations are geared for advisors and active DeMolays. While in the office, they handle calls from Executive Officers, Jurisdictional staff members and advisors. When requested, they have visited Grand Lodges and hosted our display booth.

FOREIGN JURISDICTIONS

Due in no small measure to the outstanding efforts of our Executive Officer in Italy, Dad Luciano Critelli, DeMolay is now in Romania and Serbia. DeMolay is about to begin in Uruguay and we are very encouraged with the progress in that country.

RELAY FOR LIFE

Last year, Grand Master C. Michael Watson led DeMolay International into a partnership with the American Cancer Society through its Relay for Life program. It is a great program and allows DeMolay to gain a presence in any community. Many of our chapters participate and do not report to anyone. If all chapters reported, DeMolay would receive the name recognition it needs with this program. Wear the DeMolay red wrist band with pride in helping to find a cure.

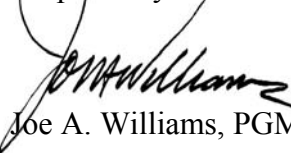
STAFF

Fortunately, we continue to have dedicated people in the Kansas City office. At the November 2009 Board of Directors' meeting, the 2010 budget for the Headquarters was reduced by 12% in the area of salaries. Betty Nelson, a long-time staff member retired at the end of last year and we wish her the very best. With Betty's retirement and the budget reduction, we made some changes. We did not hire a replacement for Betty and Nick Walker accepted a position in administration, leaving Phil Itzenhuiser to handle the Field Representative duties. Under the guidance of our Executive Director, Jeff Kitsmiller, all of our staff will continue to perform at the high standard we see from them every day.

Statistical information kept in the office of the Grand Secretary is appended to this report.

My thanks to each of you for allowing me to serve in this capacity.

Respectfully and Fraternally,



Joe A. Williams, PGM Grand Secretary

Membership Awards:

Gorman McBride Awards
(More initiates in 2009 than in 2008)

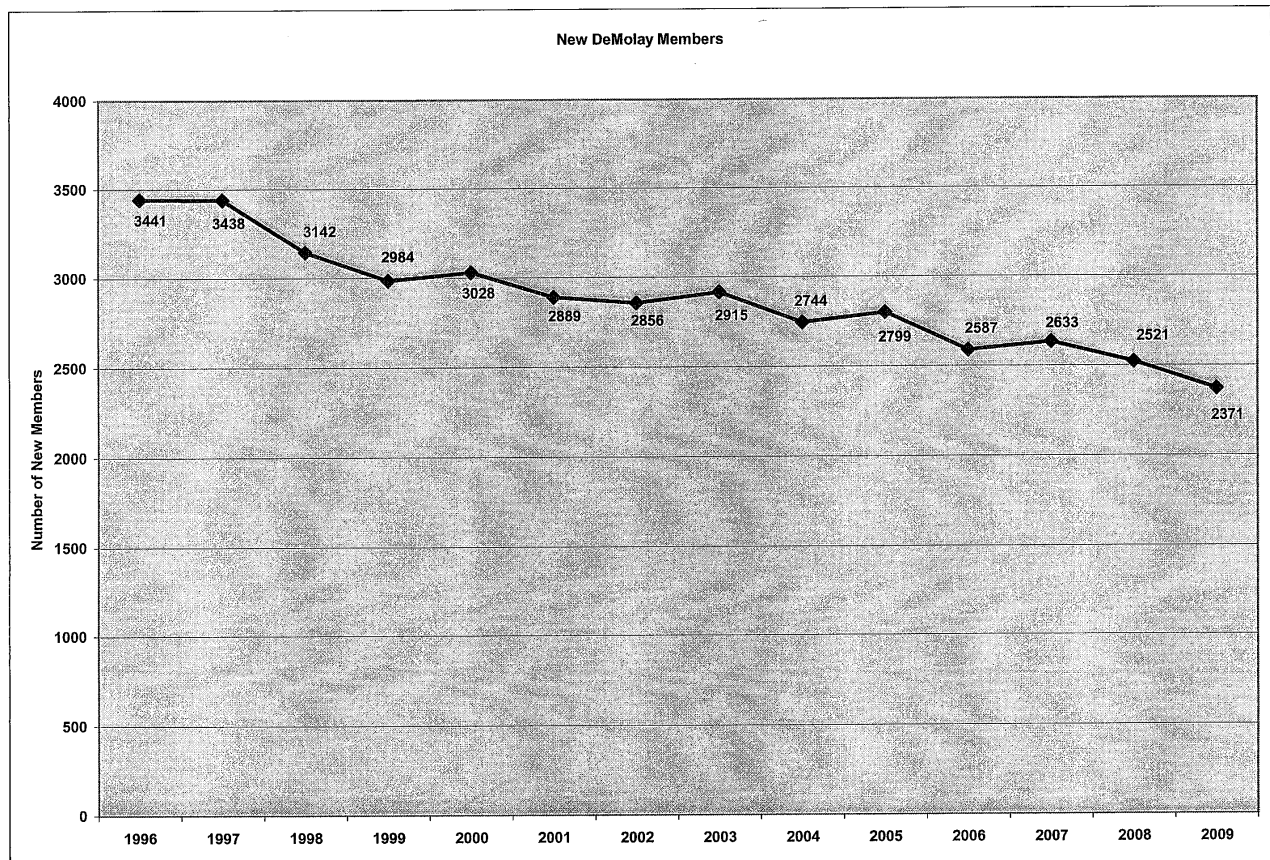
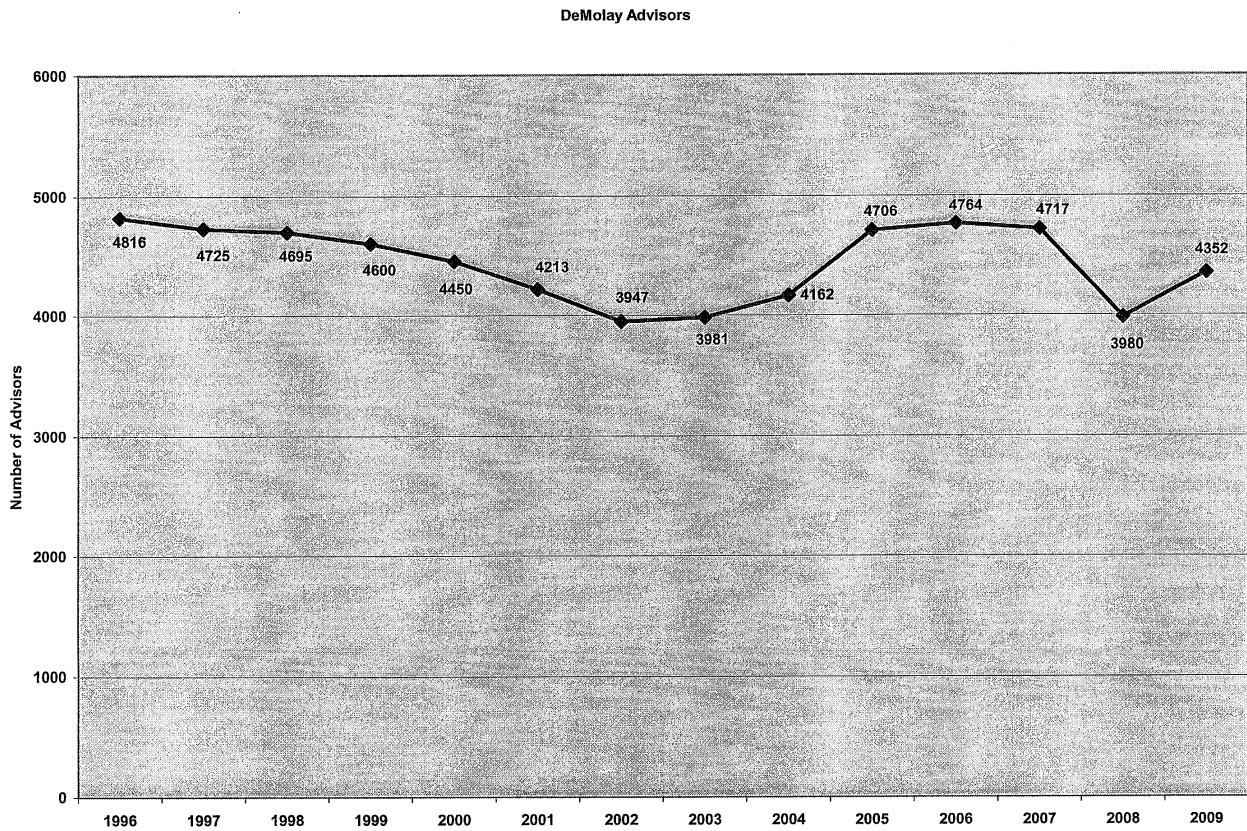
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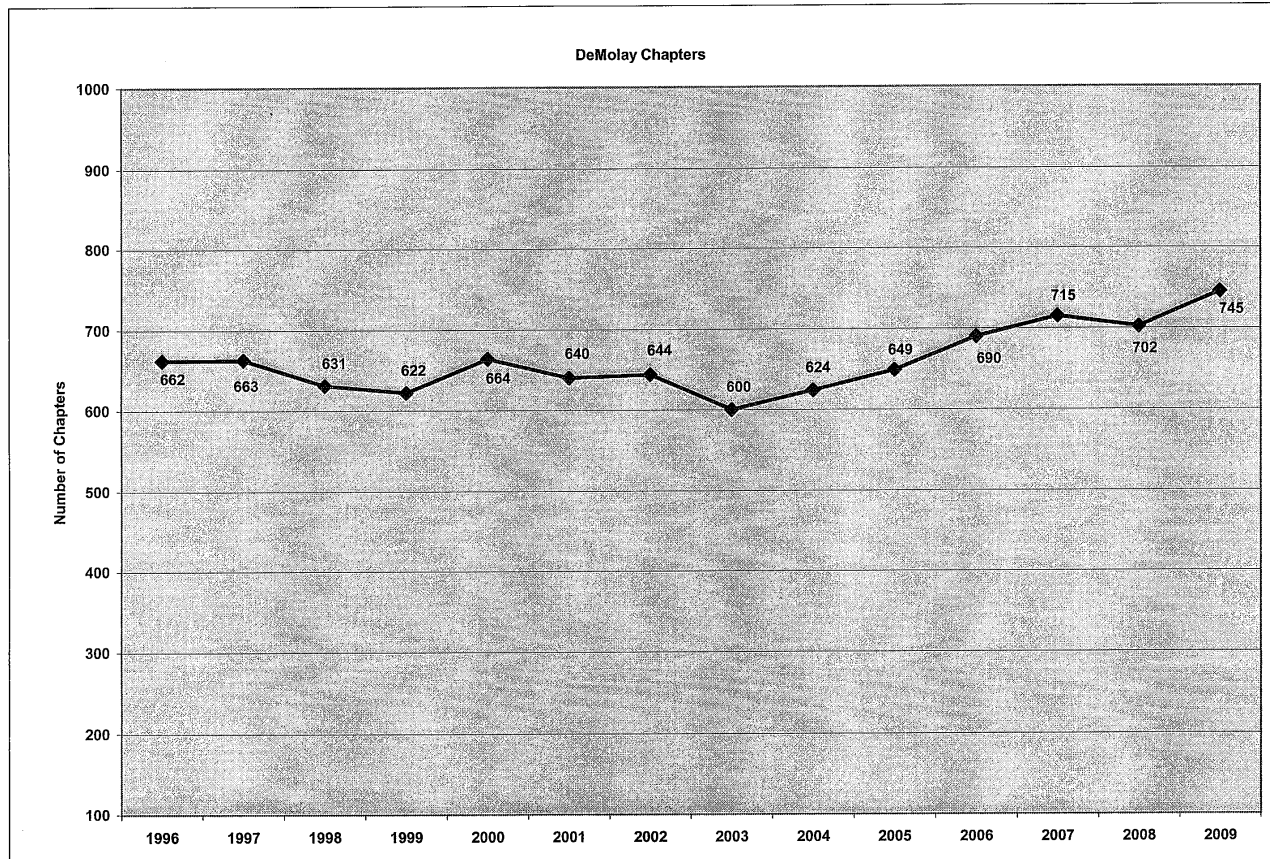
Frank S. Land Award
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First Line Signers

Christopher S. Pierson (Missouri) 12
Jomarx Gonzalo (British Columbia) 11
Braden D. Zimmerman (Oklahoma) 10
Kevin M. Hudon (Massachusetts) 10
Tarek Zawaideh (Washington) 9
James E. Bowling (Kentucky) 9
Samuel K. Martinez (Texas) 8
Danial D. Best (Missouri) 8





Grand Secretary Joe A. Williams, PGM: *Grand Master, I move the acceptance of this report.*

Grand Senior Councilor Wesley D. Thornton: *Second.*

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *All those in favor say aye?*

(Aye.)

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *Opposed?*

(No response.)

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *So ordered.*

(Applause.)

Report of the Grand Master
Robert W. Cockerham
Dallas, Texas
June 17, 2010

(See Appendix for full Report of the Grand Master)

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *Brethren, you have received the Grand Master's report in living color. I hope that you have looked beyond the photographs, and I'm not going to say anything more at this time on that. That's my report. I will say more at the Opening Session tonight. It will not be very long, but I'm going to save my remarks for then.*

Grand Junior Councilor J. Weldon Clampitt: *I move the acceptance of the Grand Master's report.*

Grand Senior Councilor Wesley D. Thornton: *Brethren, it has been regularly moved and seconded, and we accept the Grand Master's report. Is there any discussion?*

(No response.)

Grand Senior Councilor Wesley D. Thornton: *So many as are in favor of the motion will signify by the usual voting sign of the uplifted right hand.*

(Hands shown.)

Grand Senior Councilor Wesley D. Thornton: *So many as are of the contrary opinion will make the same sign.*

(No hands shown.)

Grand Senior Councilor Wesley D. Thornton: *Let the motion carry.*

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *Motion granted. See how quickly things change from an aye vote to an arm vote? Okay.*

(End of session.)

DeMolay International 2010 Annual Session
90th International Supreme Council
43rd International DeMolay Congress

Grand Opening

Thursday, June 17, 2010
Dallas, Texas

(Announcements given)

Tony R. Krall, PGM: *Ladies and gentlemen and friends, it is my pleasure to welcome you to this Opening Session of DeMolay International's yearly meeting. As I look out over the crowd, I'm reminded of a quote from Peter Drucker, a well-known management group. Peter said that management is doing things right, but leadership is doing the right thing.*

That is really what DeMolay is all about. We teach people to do things right. We practice, we give kids a safe harbor in which to operate; but really, we're teaching them to be leaders, we're teaching them to do things right. Hard work, dedication, doing the right things for the right reasons, those are all lessons that DeMolay teaches. But more, we teach DeMolays how to do the right things and how to work together.

As one of my heroes said, Vince Lombardi, he said, leaders aren't born, but they're made. And they're made just like anything else, through hard work.

So it's especially appropriate that we gather to open the DeMolay International Session for 2010 by getting those people who work in the trenches of DeMolay, along with the DeMolay leadership in order to kick off our Session.

So without further ado, I'd like to introduce the leaders of the DeMolay Congress and the DeMolay Supreme Council.

Ladies and Gentlemen, please welcome the 43rd International Congress Secretary, Jaymie B Jordan; and the 43rd International Master Councilor, Ben Turconi.

(Applause.)

Tony R. Krall, PGM: *It gives me a great deal of pleasure to introduce the Grand Secretary of the Supreme Council, Joe A. Williams, Past Grand Master; the Grand Treasurer of the Supreme Council, James Cleveland McGee, Past Grand Master.*

(Applause.)

Tony R. Krall, PGM: *And now, the Grand Junior Councilor, J. Weldon Clampitte of the great state of Texas, and the Grand Senior Councilor, Wes Thornton of New Mexico.*

(Applause.)

Tony R. Krall, PGM: *And now, please help me to welcome the 78th Grand Master of DeMolay International, Robert W. Cockerham of Missouri.*

(Applause.)

Tony R. Krall, PGM: *It's now time for us to recognize the delegates of the DeMolay Congress; those are the young men who do the work of DeMolay International.*

Grand Marshal David A. Glattly: *Ladies and gentlemen, please welcome the Congress delegates for the 43rd International Congress.*

Alabama, Alaska, Alberta, Arizona, Arkansas, Colorado, Connecticut, Delaware, District of Columbia, Florida, Georgia, Idaho, Illinois, Indiana, Italy, Romania, Kansas, Iowa, Kentucky, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Montana, Mississippi, Nebraska, New Hampshire, North Dakota, Nevada, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New Mexico, New York, North Carolina, Northern California and Hawaii, Ohio, Oklahoma, Ontario, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Southern California, Tennessee, Texas, Utah, Vermont, Virginia, Washington, West Virginia, Wisconsin.

Ladies and gentlemen, one more final applause for your delegates for the 43rd International DeMolay Conference.

(Applause.)

Tony R. Krall, PGM: *Patriotism is one of DeMolay's cardinal virtues. It's appropriate that all people give homage to the country of their origin. In order to pay respect to the country in which we meet, I'm going to ask that all rise, and that the citizens of the United States join me in the Pledge of Allegiance.*

(Pledge of Allegiance and Prayer)

Tony R. Krall, PGM: *Brother Grand Marshal, we have a change in the program. Would you please go with our Grand Master and present the Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Texas to the east for his introduction.*

(Brief pause.)

Tony R. Krall, PGM: *Ladies and gentlemen, I present to you the Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Texas, Orville Lee O'Neill, who because of prior commitments, needs to leave, but we wanted to make sure he brought comments on behalf of the state of Texas.*

(Applause.)

Orville O'Neill, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Texas: *Please be seated. Most Worshipful Grand Master of DeMolay, Supreme Council officers, distinguished guests, ladies, my brethren, all. It's a pleasure to be here with y'all tonight. I wish I could spend the whole Session with you, but due to prior commitments and a little health problem, I've -- I have to leave pretty quick or my wife will kill me and my driver both.*

But I welcome y'all to Texas. And I believe the last time y'all was here was back in 2000, 2001 or so in the little city of Houston, just south of here. Glad to have you in Dallas. And I know from looking around in this room that we've got a lot of young men that's going to take our old places here before long. And the way that y'all have been directing them and teaching them, they're going to do a wonderful job, sir.

Y'all keep up the good work you have been doing. And, J. Weldon "Boom Boom" Clampitte, appreciate you so very much, sir, for being the Executive Officer of the state of Texas.

Boom Boom has been very, very busy in all aspects of Masonry in our great state. And we appreciate him so very much. Be glad to see him doing what he's doing for DeMolay.

And if all of the rest of the Executive Offices of your jurisdiction does as good as he's been doing, from the things I've been reading from the papers, next time y'all will have to have a bigger room.

But like I say, it's with pleasure to welcome y'all to Texas. And I hope y'all have a very good Session. And I hope if you need help you can call us and we will try to do what we can for you. Because in Texas, we're very proud of our DeMolays and the things that our Executive Officers are doing for y'all.

And with that, Grand Master, again, thank you so very much. And like I say, I've been a little under the weather, but I wouldn't have missed this for the world. Appreciate you very much, sir.

Thank y'all very much for being here.

(Standing Ovation.)

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *Most Worshipful Grand Master, it is truly a pleasure to have you here with us tonight. It means so much, because the strength of DeMolay comes from the strength of Freemasonry supporting it. And we know that you and all the wonderful Master Masons and others from Texas support DeMolay 100 percent.*

I would like to present you with a Grand Master's Leadership Award for all the work that you do, the support of DeMolay in Texas. God bless you, my brother.

Thank you for being here with us.

Orville O'Neill, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Texas: *My pleasure, sir.*

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *It's an honor to escort you out.*

Orville O'Neill, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Texas: *Thank you very much.*

(Applause.)

Tony R. Krall, PGM: *Ladies and gentlemen, we now have a special presentation. If you could direct your attention to the monitors, we have a special video presentation from our friends from Brazil.*

(Video presentation.)

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *All of our Brazilian brothers, would you come up here for just a moment? Come up and join me. I'm not going to make you speak, because you speak better than us.*

All of you. Come on up here. I'd just like to take a moment. What a special time it was this year to be able to visit Brazil with some of my family. They treated us like kings and queens. It was unbelievable. Absolutely wonderful.

I'm not going to tell y'all a long story here. And I'm not going to let them talk right now. They'll have an opportunity the next couple of days to address you.

Their group continues to grow. I do have a feeling that in a few years down the road they may have more here than we have if we don't get on the ball. Come on up, guys.

Our good brothers here do so much for Brazil and for their fellow ladies, brothers, families and children. I won't tell you how much dues they charge, but it's a lot. And those moneys go to help charity. All the money that they bring in goes to charity. And the projects that Brazil DeMolay does is those charitable projects. That is the heart and soul of many of the programs which they do.

If we can help them a little bit, I know they've got a stand out there and they're selling some beautiful pens and whatnot. They're trying to develop other things. But because of their bylaws, all of the money that they bring in through their dues goes to charity.

So we'd like to reach out a little bit for them and help them out as they're here. And I know that you'll learn a lot from them if you take the opportunity.

Now, you'll have to figure out who speaks the best English. I can tell you who speaks the best Portuguese. All of them, okay? So you've got a leg up if you can speak Portuguese.

But thank you so much for being here. We welcome you to our Supreme Council. You are truly our brothers and we love you-all.

Thank you, my brothers.

(Applause.)

Tony R. Krall, PGM: *DeMolay is not only blessed with a brotherhood, people throughout the world, but we also have a great relationship with our sister organizations: Job's Daughters and Rainbow. And at this point I'm going to call upon the International Master Councilor to escort two guest speakers to address this group.*

International Master Benjamin Turconi: *Brethren and friends here assembled, it is my great honor to introduce, first, the Acting Supreme Worthy Advisor, Samantha Paige Forcum. If we could please hear from you now at this time.*

Acting Supreme Worthy Advisor Samantha Forcum: *International Master Councilor, Grand Master of DeMolay, distinguished and honored guests, and members of the wonderful world of DeMolay, good evening, and thank you for the warm welcome. I bring greetings on behalf of the Supreme Assembly of the International Order of the Rainbow for Girls.*

First things first, who's excited to be here tonight?

(Applause.)

Acting Supreme Worthy Advisor Samantha Forcum: *Really? That's it? My grandma gets more excited about bingo. I know, I know. Okay. Let's try it again. Who's excited to be here?*

(Applause.)

Acting Supreme Worthy Advisor Samantha Forcum: *All right. That's much better.*

I'm excited too. Especially to be joining you here for your 90th Sessions. Man, I'm impressed. Most of the time, people don't look this good when they're 90. In that case, it's time to celebrate.

Wow, 90 years. Let's break that down. 90 years means 1,080 months of dedication and leadership; 4,680 weeks of commitment and service. It means 33,000 days of perseverance and motivation. It's more than 788,000 hours of fun, friendship and activities, and more than 47 million minutes of brotherhood. Now that is something to celebrate.

Add it all together, and you get one phenomenal organization that is changing the lives of young men and the futures that they will create.

How many of you realize that you are building a future just by being a part of this organization? How many of you realize that?

(Applause)

Acting Supreme Worthy Advisor Samantha Forcum: *Oh, ta-dah. Seriously, you are paving the way to a brighter future, and the possibilities will be endless. Every single moment you spend in DeMolay is preparing you for your life.*

Now, we have all heard the saying that today is the first day of the rest of your life. But what I want to ask you is, how will you spend it? What will be your legacy? How will you put the virtues and the skills that you've learned into action?

In my opinion, the first place you should start is at home in your own jurisdictions at your own chapters. The best way to say thank you for the lessons that you've learned is to give the gift of DeMolay. If you know a guy who is eligible to receive the degrees, but has not yet become a member, there is work to be done.

You can give back by helping to expand the membership of all the youth Orders, because we can't do it alone. We are a family, and we should be growing together. Wherever there is one Order, the other two should be.

Now, I know that not every chapter is going to have an Assembly or a Bethel in their own Masonic center. But trust me, guys, the girls will be that much more impressed if you travel a distance to support them.

This past year -- oh, as a past Sweetheart from California, I traveled 25 minutes to support my nearest DeMolay chapter. And it was one of the most rewarding experiences of my Masonic career. Believe me, changing a life will be worth the drive.

This past year, Rainbow opened a new Assembly in California with the help, the encouragement and the influence of DeMolay. The local chapter decided they wanted to get involved. So they talked to their Advisory Council, they recruited members for the Assembly and they made it happen.

Now, why did they do it? Well, I was wondering the same thing. So I asked one of the members of the chapter, and he assured me that they were doing it for all the right reasons. He said, you know, Sammy, I really want to have more girls at our dances. Well, that --

(Applause.)

Acting Supreme Worthy Advisor Samantha Forcum: *-- well, as I'm sure you agree, that is true. But I know deep down these boys just wanted to make a big difference by building a bigger Masonic family.*

Now, if you take one thing from my message, one little piece of advice from this speech, remember this: Rainbow wants your help. We need your help. You can start supporting today by going online to register for our Supreme Assembly Sessions in Omaha, Nebraska on July 31st. I'm going to be there, so you know it's going to be fun. And if you haven't met me yet, please do not hesitate to come up and say hi. I would love to meet you.

And lastly, I would like to say thank you to Ben Turconi. Now, some of you may not know this, but Ben and I go way back from our roots in Northern California.

And I'm not sure about you, Ben, but I never thought we would be up here together on the stage at an international convention. But it has been a pleasure to know you and it has been an honor to serve with you.

So thank you-all for having me here. It is an honor to be here with you in Dallas. And make sure to enjoy the rest of your Sessions.

Last but not least, remember, together we will rebuild the Masonic family as a family. And that is to celebrate.

Thank you.

(Applause.)

International Master Councilor Benjamin Turconi: *Sammy, it is always such a pleasure to hear from you. As she mentioned, we go way back. And you are always such an impressive speaker.*

Next, I would actually like to introduce the Miss International -- Miss Job's Daughters – Miss International Job's Daughters, Anastasiya Kryzhanivka. Close enough.

If you would please speak at this time, we would be greatly honored.

(Applause.)

Miss International Job's Daughter Anastasiya Kryzhanivka: *Thank you. And thank you, Sammy, for that wonderful speech.*

On behalf of Job's Daughters International and all of your sisters around the world, I would like to bring greetings. To the distinguished east, all the delegates, and members of the Supreme Council, thank you so much for all the work you do in your jurisdictions and for what you do for our future and our youth.

Ben came to our Supreme Session last year, and he encouraged our youth to work together. And yes, Ben, somebody was listening. And I am proud to say that I share the same feelings. I think our youth have to work together, because only together we can succeed. Just as Sammy said, we support each other. We're all a Masonic family. And I believe we have the love and the enthusiasm to carry through our Masonic family for another 90 years to go. And I'm sure there will be many, many more celebrations to come.

I would like to be brief. I would like to thank Ben and Jaymie and all the members and the delegates for all the hard work you've done this year. And I would only hope that the next year will be just as successful; and that our organizations can continue to work together and that our Masonic family will grow and -- so that we can change the world.

I would like to wish you luck in your delegation this weekend. I would like to wish luck to all the boys who are aspiring for the position of the International Master Councilor. And I would like to wish everybody a very fun weekend. And I hope that you will come and talk to us afterwards.

Thank you so much.

International Master Councilor Benjamin Turconi: *Thank you so much for your words of encouragement. As she mentioned, I was there when you were vying for Miss International. And you were very impressive. And it was no surprise when they announced you as the winner of the pageant.*

Just to reiterate the words of both of them, I think every DeMolay here can agree that together, hand in hand, especially hand in hand with Job's Daughters and Rainbow Girls, we will build the Masonic family.

Thank you again, and I will now escort you back to your seats.

(Applause.)

Tony R. Krall, PGM: *No DeMolay chapter, no jurisdiction, no youth group anywhere could function without a group of dedicated adults. At this time, it gives me great pleasure to turn it over to, to my brother, who's going to introduce the Executive Officers of DeMolay. Brother Marshall, will you assemble them, please?*

Grand Marshal David A. Glattly: *Ladies and gentlemen, before we begin, just a disclaimer: Due to the average age of the clientele for this group, we're going to go a little slow here.*

(Laughter.)

Grand Marshal David A. Glattly: *Ladies and gentlemen, please welcome and give warm greetings to all your Executive Officers: Wisconsin, West Virginia, Washington, Virginia, Vermont, Utah, Texas, Tennessee, Southern California, South Carolina, Rhode Island, Pennsylvania, Oregon, Ontario, Canada, Oklahoma, Ohio, Northern California and Hawaii, North Dakota, North Carolina, New York, New Mexico, New Jersey, New Hampshire, Nevada, Nebraska, Montana, Mississippi, Missouri, Minnesota, Michigan, Massachusetts, Maryland, Maine, Louisiana, Kentucky, Kansas, Italy, Iowa, Indiana, Illinois, Idaho, Georgia, Germany, Florida, District of Columbia, Delaware, Connecticut, Colorado, Bolivia, Aruba, Arkansas, Arizona, Alberta, Alaska, Alabama.*

Ladies and gentlemen, one more round of applause for our Executive Officers.

(Applause.)

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *My brothers, I cannot thank you enough for all that you're doing in your jurisdictions and for DeMolay. As you can see, we're circled around this altar; we're among friends. And your emblem is just going round and round, because that's the way it goes. We just keep it going, just like a wheel.*

We have so much to do. We're all challenged to do more than we're doing now. I ask you, my brothers, to place your right hand over your heart and repeat after me in front of your brethren, loved ones and friends, I do hereby promise, and vow, to rededicate myself, to the principles of the Order of DeMolay, and to the purpose of God.

I stand before this altar, and pledge to those in this room and beyond, my faithful service to the Order of DeMolay, so help me God.

My brethren, again, turn around and be greeted by all your brethren, loved ones and friends.

(Applause.)

Tony R. Krall, PGM: *Every year when we're at DeMolay International, we pause in our deliberations to remember those who have passed to the other shore. At this time I'd call upon Past Grand Master Dave Morgan for the Necrology report.*

NECROLOGY REPORT
Dallas, Texas
June 17, 2010

During this past year we lost our 1998 – 1999 Grand Master Samuel L. Cole, Jr. from Michigan, Active Members Richard W. Jeanson and William D. Blasingame of California and Indiana, Emeritus Member Donald E. White of Arizona and Honorary Member Robert L. Goldsmith of Florida.

We must not forget the individuals we recognize here by name and service are representative of the hundred of thousands who serve or have served in our DeMolay ranks, past and present. At this moment, we pause to note the names and officers of five from our Supreme Council and to honor these outstanding Brethren, each of whom was an inspiration by his service of what can be achieved for our DeMolay and for our nation.

Samuel L. Cole, Jr., PGM

Passed August 25, 2009 (83)

Born: May 11, 1926

Brother Cole was elected a Deputy Member on September 1, 1989, appointed an Active Member and Michigan DeMolay Executive officer on March 24, 1990 and elected an Active Member on March 24, 1990. Brother Cole served as Grand Master from June 21, 1998 – June 26, 1999. He retired as Executive Officer on April 21, 2001.

Richard Whitney Jeanson

Passed February 21, 2010 (59)

Born: December 21, 1950

Brother Jeanson joined the Los Angeles County Sheriff Department on July 21, 1982 and retired as Sergeant on January 21, 2009.

As a youth, he was a member of George Washington DeMolay Chapter in Covina. While being deeply involved with many aspects of the Masonic Family, he truly enjoyed his work with DeMolay.

Brother Jeanson was raised to the sublime degree of Master Mason on February 20, 1979. He served as Master of Yorba Linda Lodge #469 in 2009 and Golden Trowel Lodge #273 in 1998 and Gateway Lodge #339 in 1993. He received the Hiram Award in 1991 from Golden Trowel Lodge #273 and Gateway Lodge #339 in 1991.

Active Member 2004; Executive Officer in Southern California 2004 – 2008; Grand Pursuivant of the Grand Lodge of California 1999 – 2000, and also served on the Grand Lodge Youth Orders Committee from 1999 – 2009 and the Masonic Homes Endowment Committee 1990 – 2002.

Donald E. White

Passed October 3, 2009 (75)

Born: April 11, 1934

Executive Officer in Arizona 1986 – 1992, Executive Director for DeMolay International 1983-84, Active Member in 1985, Emeritus Member 2009.

Brother White had been associated with DeMolay in Arizona for over 30 years and impacted the lives of many within the organization. He was a member of numerous Masonic organizations

Robert L. Goldsmith

Passed January 22, 2010 (79)

Born: January 19, 1931

Brother Goldsmith petitioned Harbor City Lodge #318 and was raised to the sublime Degree of Master Mason on December 10, 1969. He served as Worshipful Master in 1973 and was a life member of the Master and Wardens Association of that district and served as Chairman in 1973.

Brother Goldsmith was member of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite Bodies, Valley of Lake Worth, receiving the 32^o in May of 1970. He was invested with the rank and decoration of Knight Commander of the Court of Honour in 1977 and December 10, 1983, he was Coronated an Inspector General Honorary 33^o.

Grand Master of Masons in Florida 1983, Active 33rd and Grand Prior of AASR, SJ.

William Dale Blasingame

Passed February 22, 2010 (72)

Born: November 1, 1938

Brother Blasingame served as Worshipful Master of Porter Lodge #137 and Potentate of Orak Shrine, and Past Patron of Valparaiso Order of Eastern Star. He was very active with DeMolay and Job's Daughters.

Let us pray:

Almighty, wise and merciful Heavenly Father, again we come before Thee in prayer, thankful for the many blessings that Thou has bestowed on each of us, and ask if it be thy will, to continue these blessings upon us from Thy bountiful treasures.

Father, we pray that you have received those Brothers who have departed us into your loving and comforting arms, that You have comforted their families and friends and You have eased any burden that may have occurred in their loss.

Father, we ask you to lead, guide and bless us in all our deliberations, that everything that is said and done will be in accordance with your plan and for the greater good of mankind.

Amen.

David J. Morgan, PGM: *"And now in their memory, we lay these flowers fair, in token of our memories, and hope beyond compare.*

One for the faith they cherished, unfaltering and true, another for their gentle love, known well by all of you.

And this, the choicest symbol, we especially set apart, in memory of their life of hope, of ours, the deathless part.

Loosed is the cord of silver, broken the golden bowl, these flowers are faith's immortelles, at home with God, the soul."

May we each live as these illustrious brethren have lived and merit the loving care of the supreme architect of the universe. May they live for -- may they live forever in His sacred embrace, as they will live in our memory.

Grand Master.

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *Brother, will you assemble the dignitaries who honor us by their presence west of the altar?*

Tony R. Krall, PGM: *Ladies and gentlemen, DeMolay International is honored to have a number of outstanding Masonic leaders throughout the country. As I read their names, they're going to be assembling west of the altar and be greeted by our illustrious leadership.*

Joining us this evening is Imperial Sir Jack H. Jones, the Imperial Potentate for the Imperial Shrine of North America and a member of the Supreme Council.

(Applause.)

Tony R. Krall, PGM: *Illustrious Ronald A. Seale, Sovereign Grand Commander of the Ancient & Accepted Scottish Rite for the Southern Jurisdiction of the United States of America and a member of this Supreme Council.*

(Applause.)

Tony R. Krall, PGM: *Working tonight, but still here, is David A. Glattly, Deputy New Jersey, representing Illustrious John McNaughton Sovereign Grand Commander of the Ancient & Accepted Scottish Rite for the Northern Jurisdiction of the United States of America.*

(Applause.)

Tony R. Krall, PGM: *And we're out of order, so we're just going to go with this. We have William H. Koon, Most Eminent Grand Master of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of North America and a member of the Supreme Council.*

(Applause.)

Tony R. Krall, PGM: *Also working tonight and out of order, as usual, James C. McGee, Most Excellent Grand High Priest in Alabama representing Emery Ferguson, General Grand High Priest, General Grand Chapter, Royal Arch Masons International.*

(Applause.)

Tony R. Krall, PGM: *Edward H. Fowler, Jr., Provincial Grand Master of the United States of America, the Royal Order of Scotland.*

(Applause.)

Tony R. Krall, PGM: *Robert R. Smith, Acting International President for High 12 International.*

(Applause.)

Tony R. Krall, PGM: *We have Clarence Shawver, Grand Monarch of the Supreme Council of Grottoes of North America -- or not. Oh, here we go.*

(Applause.)

Tony R. Krall, PGM: *We have Linda Little, Supreme Worthy Advisor to the International Order of Rainbow for Girls.*

(Applause.)

Tony R. Krall, PGM: *Samantha Paige Forcum, Acting Supreme Worthy Advisor, International Order of Rainbow for Girls.*

(Applause.)

Tony R. Krall, PGM: *Arielle Gordon, Supreme Bethel Honored Queen for Job's Daughters International.*

(Applause.)

Tony R. Krall, PGM: *I'll apologize in advance, but Anastasiya Kryzhanivka, Miss International Job's Daughters for Job's Daughters International.*

(Applause.)

Tony R. Krall, PGM: *We have Elaine Gray, Supreme Guardian of Job's Daughters International.*

(Applause.)

Tony R. Krall, PGM: *In addition, we're honored tonight to have a number of the members of the Masonic Family of Texas who support Texas DeMolay so much.*

From the International Order of Rainbow for Girls, we have Mrs. Marlene Dibrell, Supreme Inspector in Texas and Mexico; and Mrs. Katy Castillo, Worthy Grand Advisor for the Grand Assembly of Texas.

(Applause.)

Tony R. Krall, PGM: *From the Grand Commander of Knights Templar of Texas, we have the Right Eminent Grand Commander, Sir Knight Walter David Melear; and the Eminent Grand Reporter, Loyd Chance; and the Eminent Grand Captain General, Sir Knight H. Bart Henderson.*

(Applause.)

Tony R. Krall, PGM: *From the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Texas, we have the Most Excellent Grand High Priest, Timothy M. La Vergne.*

(Applause.)

Tony R. Krall, PGM: *For the Supreme Council of the 33rd Degree of Southern Jurisdiction, Scottish Rite in Texas, we have the Sovereign Grand Inspector General for the Orient of Texas, M. Douglas Adkins.*

(Applause.)

Tony R. Krall, PGM: *Ladies and gentlemen, help me once again to greet our honored Masonic guests.*

(Applause.)

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *Ladies and my brethren, thank you-all for being here tonight. It means so much for us to have our family here. And that's what it is; it's our family.*

We're so blessed to have such support from our Freemasons and all the independent organizations, and especially the young ladies. What do you think guys?

(Applause.)

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *We're blessed especially tonight to have our contingency from Texas. You do things big down here, right? We're glad you're here. Thank you so much for being here. Let's let them hear it from all of you.*

(Applause.)

Tony R. Krall, PGM: *Brother Grand Marshall, another deviation from our script. Would you please escort to the east the Honorable Thomas C. Leppert for introduction.*

(Brief pause.)

Tony R. Krall, PGM: *Ladies and gentlemen, we're honored to be joined tonight by the Mayor of Dallas, the Honorable Thomas C. Leppert.*

Our brother is a Senior DeMolay and a Past State Master Councilor from the jurisdiction of Arizona. He is a member and Past Master Councilor of the Glendale Chapter in Glendale, Arizona; and has received the degree of Chevalier, Chevalier for you Texans, and the Legion of Honor.

He was elected Mayor of Dallas, which is the eighth largest city in the United States, in 2007, after serving the business and professional community with considerable success and distinction, such as being a White House Fellow in 1984, the recipient of an Honorary Doctorate from Claremont McKenna in 2008, where he currently serves on the Board of Trustees.

Ladies and gentlemen, brothers, please help me welcome the Mayor of Dallas, Texas, the Honorable Thomas C. Leppert.

(Applause.)

Mayor Thomas C. Leppert: *It really is a distinct honor for me to be here, really for two reasons. One, to be Mayor of Dallas and be able to welcome you here to truly a great city. And I will tell you, here in the City of Dallas, we think that there's some terrific things that are going on.*

And really, it's probably one of the strongest cities in terms of investment and looking into the future.

And I'll also tell you, as was indicated a little bit in that introduction, that I've been in this position for three years, but most of my life has been spent in the private sector, leading relatively large businesses literally throughout this nation.

And I can tell you while I've seen enormous success over the last three years here in Dallas: An economy that's probably the strongest in the nation; more investment, in terms of arts, building, development of our infrastructure than probably about any city in the nation, we also offer some special opportunities and I hope you'll take advantage of them while you're here. Probably more shopping per capita than anyplace in the nation, and more restaurants per capita than New York.

But with that said, when you're in the public sector, you understand that your feedback comes in unusual ways. With all the successes that we've had over the last couple of years, I was in City Hall a couple of weeks ago and I was on the elevator with one of the gentleman that's on my security detail. An older gentlemen walked onto the elevator.

And I love to have conversations and engage people, and so I did with him. I turned to him and said, how are you doing. And he kind of looked up at me and said, well, I'm not doing too well. And I probably should have stopped at that point, but I thought, no, I'm going to stick with this for a little bit.

So I said, well, what seems to be the problem. He said, well, I'm just getting old and I'm not doing too well. My legs don't move very well and I can't get around. And my eyesight's failing me; I just can't see, and I have a very difficult time hearing.

And I felt a little bit sorry for him and I wanted to empathize. And I said, well, is there anything that I can do for you. And he looked up at me and he said, no; and by the way, you gave me my driver's license this morning. So you see, feedback can come in a lot of different ways.

(Laughter.)

Mayor Thomas C. Leppert: *Now, I'll tell you, while it's a pleasure to introduce you here to Dallas as the Mayor, I will tell you it is much more of a pleasure to welcome you as a DeMolay.*

Because it was a couple of decades ago that I actually was sitting in the position that you are as a State Master Councilor. And I can tell you, even in walking up here, I can remember the excitement, the enthusiasm that I had at that time.

And with all of that excitement and enthusiasm, I will tell you that looking back on that experience of being here at ISC, but also my tenure as leading a chapter in a district and state, I can tell you looking back on it how much I got.

Because the sorts of things that I have been able to accomplish in my lifetime: leading businesses, being involved in a lot of different efforts of our community, and now leading a large city, I can trace it directly back to DeMolay. The experience as a leader, learning the values that have carried me long into the future, and that element of service; the idea of reaching out and touching a fellow man, making a difference in people's lives.

And so it's a special pleasure for me to be here. Because again, I can tell you that the sort of things that I've had a chance to do in my lifetime, I, one, would have never dreamed that I had the opportunity when I sat where you are; but I also know now that those were made all possible because I had a chance to sit where you are.

Welcome to Dallas. Thank you very much for being here. And thanks for what you've done for me.

(Applause.)

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *Can I call you Brother Mayor? Brother Mayor, that is an honor. The Honorable Brother Mayor, I'd like to present you with the Grand Master's Honor of Excellence and Leadership. You're truly a leader in every way. I know we're going to visit with you a little bit more as we go through this weekend, but it's a pleasure having you here tonight. Thank you for being here with us.*

Mayor Thomas C. Leppert: *Thank you.*

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *Thank you.*

(Applause.)

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *Ladies and brethren, we are so blessed to have greatness in all of our youth. Our future leaders, our leaders of the youth today and our leaders of the world tomorrow.*

We have a special occasion tonight, which has not occurred for probably too many years. Many of you may know, many of you may not know, that over the generations the Order of DeMolay has honored Master Masons who have positions of leadership in our country and outside of our country, and who are pillars in Freemasonry, leading us all.

Tonight is a most special occasion, because we honor two men who have dedicated their lives to DeMolay and also to Freemasonry in so many respects. We look back over the years and we look at honorary Grand Masters, starting with Franklin Delano Roosevelt, who served our country as President.

From there, not too much longer, Brother Harry S. Truman. And our neighboring friend from above in Canada, Prime Minister John G. Diefenbaker. All honorary Grand Masters. And most recently, our own President Gerald R. Ford.

We look to all of these who are brothers, brothers, our brothers in Freemasonry. And tonight we ask two of our pillars in our communities and our state and our nation and the world to come forward and receive their just due as honorary Grand Masters of the Order of DeMolay.

Brother Grand Marshall, would you be so kind.

(Brief pause.)

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *Joining the ranks of an elite few brother Master Masons, we welcome to our altar this evening, Jack H. Jones, a lifetime of service to all of us, Imperial Potentate of the Shrine of North America. I could go on and on, but I won't, Jack, because it's warm in here and we're going to get out of here real soon.*

And Brother Ronald A. Seale. What are you doing here, Brother? He's the greatest. He's our Sovereign Grand Commander of the Scottish Rite for the Southern Jurisdiction.

Both, from a very young age, hard workers in Freemasonry, dedicated beyond belief.

We're so honored to have you here with us at this celebration. I would like to call upon all of our past Grand Masters, if they would be so kind to join me at the altar at this time. Wherever you are, come on out. Circle around our brothers here, because we're going to collar them as Honorary Grand Masters of the Order of DeMolay.

They are one, they are Past Grand Masters. What a wonderful group.

My brothers, if you would help me in the honor of collaring our brothers here tonight, our wonderful and dear and loving brother, Jack H. Jones.

If you would, join me. Ronnie, squeeze in here. You're all right. You can help me out too, because you're going to be one right now.

Okay. Here we go. Come on in, come on. Little guys up front. Come on. You too.

We got it? All right.

Now, there's some brotherly love right there. Now, there's a picture you ought to get right now. Jack, congratulations, my brother. Welcome aboard.

Imperial Potentate Jack Jones: *Thank you so much.*

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *Ronnie -- okay, tall guys in front for this guy. Here we go. Ronnie, it's such an honor, such a privilege.*

Brethren, if you could squeeze around here. Get on in.

Jack, you can do this now, because now you're a member of the club. Here we go. Ronnie, thank you, my brother. Let them hear it.

(Applause.)

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *Thank you, my brother. And thank you-all for joining me here. Jack, stay here for just a second. Would you circle around here?*

Jack, if you'd be so kind. Oh, yeah, the floor is yours.

Imperial Potentate Jack Jones: *Grand Master, Officers and members of this Supreme Council, distinguished brethren, distinguished guests, you gorgeous young ladies, to all of you in the leadership of these various organizations, it's just so wonderful to be here this evening and to have this, this honor bestowed upon me.*

And my dear brother, Ronnie. For the two of us being given this award together, to be with the names of those that you mentioned who -- presidents and leaders of great countries have had this honor before. I mean, this is just really so tremendous.

And I've enjoyed so much. And, of course, as you mentioned, I've had quite a long tenure. I've gone past my 50-year pin in the lodge. But DeMolay has been, for so many years, as those of you who have been around quite a while, has been really something very dear to my heart and something that I think is so wonderful for our Masonic family and for these young leaders.

And it was mentioned here earlier this evening. It's just the leadership in the young men's organization, the young ladies' organization, and all the great leaders, and at the examples that were given. I thought the Mayor really hit it right on the head there when he gave an example of himself. And there's so many of those of you who are in this room in the Congress this evening that represent your various states and provinces. You know, that's -- it's just wonderful.

You're going to be the future leaders. You may be the future mayors in your area; you may be the future president; you may be the future Grand Master of your area. Because there's so many, as you can see, the leadership in Masonry that come from the ranks of DeMolay.

And the youth, whether it's the young men or the young ladies, you are so important to the future of our country, in moving our country -- and I'm speaking of all countries represented here from all over the world. Not just the United States, but the U.S., Canada and other countries that are represented here -- you are the youth, you are the ones that will be the leaders. You're the leaders now in your respective areas, and will be for our whole countries in the future.

I think it's so important for those of us adults, those that are in the committee that were introduced earlier to you that worked in the vineyards with DeMolay and the youth organizations, and all the time and effort that you've given to that is so very, very important.

It's important to -- not only to our country and our communities, but to Freemasonry, I think, in particular. It's so important to Free Masonry for you to be the future leaders in that area. And for those of us who are working in those respective areas of -- the adults or the -- you might say the senior -- those that are senior DeMolays and those that are members of the Supreme Council, it's so very important.

And I'd like to just close the comments by saying to -- to all of you here, I recall a -- a message that was given at a Supreme Council Session; I think it was back in the early '80s, by Dad and Past Grand Master Faulkner. He equated DeMolay as the tap root of a huge oak tree. A DeMolay was the tap root; it fed the oak tree. The oak tree would die without the tap root.

The trunk of the tree was Freemasonry: Our blue lodge, our craft lodge, our Masonic lodges. The branches were all the various branches of Freemasonry, our different families of Freemasonry, as was introduced earlier this evening. The leaves, the members of Freemasonry.

You have to have the tap root to feed the trunk, to feed the branches, to develop the leaves. And under, I would say, the umbrella and the grace and the sunshine of God, they all flourish. And we can do the same thing.

So to you young fellows in -- I congratulate you on your successes. And I know you're going to do great in the future.

And if I may, Grand Master, I would like to, just very briefly, I'm really pleased and honored to have two of the Imperial Officers of the Shrine with me this evening, or with me here this weekend. And if I could ask them if they would stand, please.

The Deputy Imperial Potentate, George Mitchell, from Toronto, Canada. And George is back over in the corner over there. George is going to take my job in about three weeks.

(Applause.)

Imperial Potentate Jack Jones: *And also the Imperial Chief Rabban, Mike Severe from the Denver, Colorado area.*

(Applause.)

Imperial Potentate Jack Jones: *Thank you for this wonderful honor and the tremendous hospitality. Thank you so much.*

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *Jack, you slipped away from me there. But that's okay; I'll come to you. You are in serious non-trouble.*

My brother, it is an honor to also present to you tonight, from DeMolay International, the Lifetime Achievement Award. My brother, this will get you home; just jump onboard.

(Applause.)

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *Dad Brother Seale, it's a pleasure to have you with us here tonight, joining our ranks in various ways. The floor is yours.*

Illustrious Sovereign Grand Commander Ronald Seale: *Thank you, Grand Master, for the International Master Councilor, members of the Congress, members of the Supreme Council.*

You know, Bob wrote to me a few weeks back and he said, we'd like for you to come and -- I hate this word, I hate this word -- want you to come be the keynote speaker. I don't like that.

Do you know how hard it is to do that? Y'all ever done that? You know, you come to a meeting and it -- and it goes and you're right about the end of it and -- we've got the Job's Daughters representative and the Rainbow Girls, and they did a fantastic job. And, you know, the evening wears on and everybody's ready to get out and wander about the hotel and do what you want to do. And it's a little bit hot. And some of you, the batteries are running down on those things that you're wearing.

(Laughter.)

Illustrious Sovereign Grand Commander Ronald Seale: *And it's just that you're ready to get out of here, you know. And then they get some poor old fella and bring him up there and he's supposed to make a -- it's hard to -- a fly on a wall, I -- you know, I'd just really like to...*

Did you hear what happened to Terry and to Cheryl?

No.

Well, you know, they had been together all through high school. Right about the time of the graduation, going to the same college, and they broke up.

They did?

Yeah, they did.

Well, why?

Well, she dumped him. Told him right after second period.

She did?

Yeah.

You mean right there?

That's right. Between second and third period.

What'd she tell him?

Don't know.

Man, I'd like to have been a fly on the wall. I'd like to have been there.

Dad Cockerham, did y'all hear what happened to him?

No, what happened to him?

Well, he packed in such a hurry (Inaudible).

When was that?

You know, he got there; they called on him and they presented him up, and he looked and he had one brown shoe and one black shoe.

This year, you remember? Boy, after he got home, I'd like to have been a fly on the wall.

Y'all ever heard that before?

Today in Washington, the President and the CEO person of BP met and talked about the oil spill. I'd like to have been a fly on the wall.

Y'all ever heard about that, the fly on the wall? I always hear people talking about the flies on the wall. What do you reckon that means?

Y'all ever seen what most flies on the wall do? They get killed. Somebody comes out with a shoe, and whacks them, and that's the end of it, that fly on the wall.

What does that expression mean, somebody?

This is easy. This is a softball. What does it mean?

Unidentified Speaker: *Listen in on a conversation.*

Illustrious Sovereign Grand Commander Ronald Seale: *Yeah. Someone'll listen in and sort of hear what they've got to say.*

How many of you -- fly on a wall. That's pretty good. We've got to remember that.

How many of y'all ever used, among many other search engines, how many of you have ever used Google Earth?

Come on, this side. Yep, Google Earth, guys.

You know? They'll tell you later on.

(Laughter.)

Illustrious Sovereign Grand Commander Ronald Seale: *But you know the deal where you can sit there and type in an address; isn't that cool? And that thing sort of -- it's sort of like the thing from Brazil in reverse, you know, that they showed us. And it goes all around, and them comes down and it gets to a particular address and it gets down to street level.*

Y'all know how to do that? That's a pretty cool deal. I've been to some of y'all's places by Google Earth.

(Laughter.)

Illustrious Sovereign Grand Commander Ronald Seale: *It's like a picture of what's going on at your place. And some of you need to quit acting the way you're acting, I can tell you. Google, y'all know what that is. And you know how it kind of sort of goes around, and it spins around; and then it gets bigger and then it gets smaller and smaller and smaller and smaller and smaller? And then it gets right up in the house, and you can almost look, you know, and see someone out there with the dog and all that kind of stuff. Google Earth.*

Wouldn't it be funny if you could like pick a place, and you could pick a place that you wanted to go in history with Google Earth? You could like type in an address and you could type in a date and it would take you there.

Boy, I know where I'd like -- no, I can't talk about that here.

(Laughter.)

Illustrious Sovereign Grand Commander Ronald Seale: *Okay. Wouldn't it be cool if just one time -- and I thought about this, because I'm really not going to make the keynote. I see some of you leaving; that's okay. Don't feel guilty about it. We're still friends.*

(Laughter.)

Illustrious Sovereign Grand Commander Ronald Seale: *But I just want to tell you that -- I just want to tell y'all this one thing and then I'm done. Wouldn't it be cool if you could go back through Google Earth, or something in your mind's eye, and go all the way back through time and be a fly on the wall when they had that first meeting to start DeMolay?*

Wouldn't that be cool if you could go back and you could see Dad Land and you could see Louis Lower and you could see all of those other eight guys that were there and they met? Does anybody know where that happened? We need the address, guys. Does anybody know what state?

Unidentified Speaker: *15th and Troost.*

Illustrious Sovereign Grand Commander Ronald Seale: *15th and Troost in the city of? Don't miss this. Y'all are going to need this; it's going to be on the test.*

Unidentified Speaker: *Kansas City.*

Illustrious Sovereign Grand Commander Ronald Seale: *Kansas City. We know about that. Can you imagine if you were a fly on the wall? What do you think you would have heard?*

Guys, now, this is the serious part. It ain't going to last long, so don't panic. But what do you think you would have heard? What do you think about -- what do you think they talked about?

Rainbow people, Job's Daughters people, do this in your mind's eye with your organization, is my thought. I don't know your history like I should, but it's the same thing.

What do you think they talked about, little fly person on the wall? Buzz, buzz, buzz. What do you think Dad Land said? What do you think those guys said when they started talking about what kind of organization they wanted to have, what it was going to say?

Buzz. There you are. Now, think about that, and suppose they ask you, what do you think we ought to do? What kind of a deal is this that we're trying to put together? What's this whole thing supposed to be about? What would you say?

Well, he told them the story of Jacques DeMolay, at least his version of it. And they all thought that was pretty cool. And they said, yeah, we can take that and we can do something with that. But what do you think the deals were?

Let me tell you three things real quick.

First of all, I think those guys there and that advisor and that early core of advisors, I think they believed in one another. Do you know that? I think that those young guys in DeMolay said, here is a man that is worthy of calling Dad. This is a marvelous honor. But the greater honor, guys, that any people in your world gives to somebody in my world is to call me Dad. Because, see, I've lived a while, and I know the mistakes that I've made. And I know the times that I haven't measured up, and I know that some of the obligations that I took there have not been kept. And I know that some of you will still come to me and say, hey, Dad.

And so on that night when it's time to go to the meeting when I've been working all day and I'm saying, I just want to go home and watch the game on TV; I don't want to go down to DeMolay; there's not going to be but three people there. And then I think, well, wait a minute; that guy needs me. And that is the reason that I go.

I think that motivated those men. And I think that those guys that were there said, I have something that I can give to them; and what that is, is that I believe in tomorrow. I believe that tomorrow holds a promise of things yet to be.

Have you ever wondered why in our ceremonies we talk about being in the east, representing the beginning of the day and the morning of life? It's because that's where optimism is.

To think that those guys started -- we can look back at history. They just finished one World War and were getting ready to have a sidwinder of another one. And we had Korea and we had Vietnam and we had a great depression; just got through trying to have another one. And we had scandals in government. And we had a time when people in this country said, what are we going to stand for? We spend most of our time standing for nothing.

And if those guys in that room had known that, what they were going to do, would they have said, well, just why bother? It's going to be too hard. But you know what? If they did that, not a one of us would have been here today.

I believe that they believed in one another; I believe they believed in the promise of DeMolay; and finally, I think they believed in what we teach and what we believe in and what we gather around that alter to do.

That's what I think happened at that time; that those men, that those young men came together and found a common bond. And from that, went forward to create what we love and what we know as DeMolay.

So here we go, we got to leave. It's time to go. You know that thing when you hit the escape key and it goes the other way and we're back?

Would it be cool if those guys could come with us? We know what they did, we know what their beginnings were, we know what their history was. And if they came today, what would their questions be if they were a fly on a wall? I think most importantly they would want to know, what are you going to do with it? We brought it this far. I love these guys. But here, folks, is where the promise is.

What are you going to do? It's not about being the Grand Master or the International Master Councilor or the Grand Commander or the Mayor or anybody else; it's about what we're going to do at our home in our chapter on the next meeting night.

There it is, a fly on the wall. Here's something good. Now, you take it back and put it to use so that others may come to know what we have found.

Thank you for having me.

(Applause.)

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *We don't have a fly for you; we've got something just a little bit bigger that we'd like to present to you.*

And, Jack, you're getting younger and this guy's getting older, but he's going to get the Lifetime Achievement award too.

Here you go.

(Applause.)

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *Dad Seale talked about going back in time. Sit back just for a few moments here, and let's go back to the beginning of time and see what's happened since then until now.*

(Video presentation.)

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *It just seems like we were here last year, doesn't it? So quickly time goes by, but the memories never fade away; they only get richer.*

My brothers, ladies and gentlemen, what an honor it is to be able to serve you. As our great Dad Seale said, it's not about this; it's about this, what's inside.

We all started here, didn't we? We all started right here to commit ourselves to God, to family, to country.

I'd like to close our formal Opening with a prayer, and ask that you join me by standing. We're all family here. If it's not too much to ask, join the person's hand next to you, or put your arm around his shoulder; however you want to be. I think it's nice to hold hands with family.

Don't get too close. That's okay.

(Laughter.)

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *Ladies, my brethren, all, please, let's bow our head in prayer.*

(Prayer had.)

(End of session.)

**DeMolay International
International Supreme Council**

Business Session #2

**Dallas, Texas
Friday, June 18, 2010**

(Announcements had.)

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *I'd like to start off, I'm going to call upon our good brother, Boyd Patterson.*

Boyd, if you'd come over at this time and relieve me of a duty here that you must do at this time.

M. Boyd Patterson, Jr.: *Grand Master, may I ask, first, that you call into session the annual meeting of the International Supreme Council of the Order of DeMolay?*

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *I did that the first night when we were here, but I will do it again, yes.*

So we are called back into, and we continue on the meeting of the DeMolay International.

M. Boyd Patterson, Jr.: *And the International Supreme Council.*

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *And the International Supreme Council, and all those others that are required by statute to be announced.*

(Laughter.)

M. Boyd Patterson, Jr.: *Thank you, Grand Master.*

Brethren, at this time, I would move that DeMolay International and the International Supreme Council of the Order of DeMolay ratify the actions of the officers and directors of both corporations from the date of their installation in the year 2009 through, and including, their actions taken during this Annual Session of both corporations; and that both indemnified said officers and directors, with respect to all actions taken by them on behalf of both the corporation, DeMolay International, and the fraternal organization, the International Supreme Council the Order of DeMolay.

That will be the motion, Grand Master.

Richard L. Sayre: *Second.*

Grand Senior Councilor Wesley D. Thornton: *It has been regularly moved and seconded that the ratification motion be adopted.*

Is there any discussion?

(No response.)

Grand Senior Councilor Wesley D. Thornton: *So many as are in favor of the motion will signify by saying aye.*

(Aye.)

Grand Senior Councilor Wesley D. Thornton: *So many as are of a contrary opinion will say nay.*

(No response.)

Grand Senior Councilor Wesley D. Thornton: *Motion carried.*

M. Boyd Patterson, Jr.: *Thank you.*

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *Thank you, Brother Patterson.*

All righty. We are going to jump right into just a few committee reports at this time. I am going to call upon Brother Kell.

Are you here, Brother Kell? If you're not here -- there you are. And I think, if you'd come up here -- come on up here all the way.

I think we have some exciting news for Convention Planning. If you'd give us the report and the exciting news that you have for all of us.

Franklin J. Kell, Jr., PGM: *Franklin J. Kell, Jr., Past Grand Master, Chairman of Convention Planning.*

We have no action items, but we do have a report on the table. And the Board of Directors -- as you know, we are under contract through 2015. We now have Board of Directors' approval that Session 2016 will be in Reno, Nevada at the Circus Circus Hotel.

Thank you, Grand Master.

Report of the Convention Planning Committee Chairman Franklin J. Kell, Jr., PGM

The Convention Planning Committee continues to work diligently to provide quality sites and facilities for the annual Sessions at as reasonable an expense as we can.

Session 2010 is underway and so far, all is in place for an enjoyable Session.

Currently, contracts are in place for future Sessions 2011 through 2015, as shown on the attached summary. Negotiations are in progress regarding the site for Session 2016.

The Convention Planning Committee has no action items requiring funding.

The Service & Leadership Center staff continues to work very well with this Committee in all facets and for their dedicated efforts, we are very grateful.

I thank you for the opportunity to serve our great Order in this role.

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *Thank you. That's okay. You can cheer for that. We're going to -- I would -- do we have a -- a motion to receive the report?*

Grand Senior Councilor Wesley D. Thornton: *Second.*

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *All those in favor of receiving the report say aye.*

(Aye.)

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *All opposed.*

(No response.)

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *It's ordered.*

Brother Harrison, if you'd be so kind as to approach and give us the report of the Appeals and Grievance Committee.

Report of the Appeals & Grievances Committee
Chairman Reese L. Harrison, Jr., PGM

Reese L. Harrison, Jr., PGM: *Grand Master, Grand Officers, distinguished guests and my colleagues on the Supreme Council, for the record, since I make a living doing it, my name is Reese Harrison, and I'm an active member of the International Supreme Council and DeMolay International, the two corporations now meeting.*

The members of the Grievances and Appeals Committee are Joe R. Manning, Jr., PGM, Howard Bart Henderson and myself as Chairman.

During this past year, we had a motion for an appeal. Not a notice of appeal. A motion for appeal was made by an advisor and a jurisdiction. This advisor had been removed by the Executive Officer as the chapter advisor; and had also been removed as a member of a DeMolay Advisory Council. He wanted to appeal that action, and filed a motion for appeal.

The bottom line was, and a decision by the Committee that was recommended to the Grand Master; the Grand Master adopted the Committee recommendation, the Grand Secretary communicated to that individual that there was no right of appeal. And let me explain why.

All advisors of the DeMolay entity are appointed by the Executive Officer. See Article Roman Numeral XIV, Section 314.2, and Article Roman Numeral IV, Section 204.3(d) of the Rules and Regulations of DeMolay International.

The Executive Officer may remove any Advisory Council member who does not or will not perform his duties in accordance with the Bylaws, Rules and Regulations, or as directed by the Executive Officer. See Article Roman Numeral XIV, Section 314.6, and Article Roman Numeral IV, Section 204.3(e) of the Rules and Regulations of DeMolay International.

The opinion letter further advised the individual of the following: That individual was not a Class I, which is an Active member; Class II, which is an Active Emeritus member; Class IV, Honorary member; or Class III, Deputy member of DeMolay International.

We further advised the individual that the provisions of Article Roman Numeral IV, Section 10 of the Bylaws of DeMolay International apply only to Class I, II, III or IV members of DeMolay International, and referred the person to Article Roman Numeral IV, Section 110 of the Bylaws of DeMolay International.

And what those provisions say is if you're a Class I, II, III or IV member, and the Supreme Council wants you to no longer be in any of those classifications, there's a procedure that you have to go through in order to give a due process to that individual.

We further advised the individual in question here that he was not an active DeMolay; and therefore, Article 314.12 of the Rules and Regulations did not apply to him, because they only apply to Class VI members who are active members of DeMolay. Accordingly, there can be no appeal, and the motion to file a formal appeal is denied.

Now, a Class V member, according to Article Roman Numeral IV, Section 1, which says, Classes of Members: The corporation will have eight classes of members. The designation of such classes, and the qualification and rights of the members of such classes are as follows. And then follows Section 1 and a bunch of other -- all the way through Section 10.

Class V is a person who is a registered adult leader. He's not I, II, III or IV, and he's not VI. He's not VII, the senior DeMolay, not VIII, somebody in the Alumni Association. He was terminated as an advisor under Class V. And so, therefore, this person did not have the right of an appeal, and the motion was denied.

On behalf of the Committee, I move that the report of the Appeals and Grievance Committee be approved, and that the decision of the Grand Master, communicated May 11th, 2010 by the Grand Secretary to the individual, be approved.

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *All those in favor say aye.*

(Aye.)

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *Opposed.*

(No response.)

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *So ordered.*

Reese L. Harrison, Jr., PGM: *The next part of the Committee's report is as follows.*

Now, I'm sure there's some people wanting to know what jurisdiction, what was the person's name. Fellas, you're in Texas. The defamation law in Texas, that's a business tort. I'm a business torts trial lawyer. You don't want to be talking about things that you really don't need to have to know the names of the individual and have it published and somebody claims that they were defamed.

All of our Grand Masonic bodies, when engaged in Masonic disciplinary proceedings in this state, only use, at the most, initials. We never use names. And we try to sterilize it as much as possible by not making any references to places, names of lodges or whatever the matter may be.

So understand that we have to live by the civil law. Everybody that's served as Master of a lodge has taken an obligation that says that you will cheerfully conform to the laws of the country in which you reside. That means you get to pay your income tax with a smile.

The -- now, I don't know about your state, but in this state we have what we call renegade counties. And some of these judges take your words and they say, well, it must mean that, because that's what it says.

We have a statute that I just read, Section 1, Classes of Members: Corporation will have eight classes of members. The designation of such classes and the qualifications and the rights of the members of such classes are as follows, and there follows 10 sections.

Okay. It is our opinion that the articles that I read: Article 14, Section 314.2, and Article 4, Section 204.3, and Article 14, Section 314.6, and Section 204.3(e) trumped whatever is said in Article 4, Section 1 regarding Class V members, and that they are specific statutes in regard to the employment or termination of an advisor -- the appointment or termination of an advisor; that it is the same as the common law at-will doctrine of employment. You can quit at anytime and they can terminate you at anytime. No reason has to be given.

And I move that the Supreme Council approve the Committee's opinion that the specific statutes regarding the termination of appointment of an advisor be approved as written in this May 11th, 2010 letter.

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *All in favor say aye.*

(Aye.)

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *Opposed.*

(No response.)

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *So ordered.*

Reese L. Harrison, Jr., PGM: *And finally, the Committee recommends that the Jurisprudence and Legislation Committee consider revisions, if necessary, to Section 1 of Article 4 regarding the wording concerning registered adult leaders, and whether or not they should be referred to as Class V members, and that perhaps they should be considered in some other part of our statutes.*

And I move the adoption of that recommendation that would include the Jurisprudence and Legislation Committee coming back next year and giving you a report on what they think after they meet with the next year's Appeals and Grievance Committee.

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *All those in favor say aye.*

(Aye.)

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *Opposed.*

(No response.)

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *So ordered. Recommendation taken.*

Reese L. Harrison, Jr., PGM: *Thank you, Grand Master. Otherwise, peace and harmony remains in the fraternity.*

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *Thank you. I think that's very important. I do appreciate the fullness of that report. And I hope that that was taken in by all who are directly involved in their jurisdictions. Very important point to be taken, in many respects. I hope you picked up every little point and every little nuance there. It's very important for us in our order of things in our own jurisdictions, especially for the Executive Officers who are running these jurisdictions.*

Okay. We are going to move on. I do not see another report at this time ready, and that's okay. Because I think I mentioned this before; I will repeat it now, that for many of the reports, if there is not some specific action item or specific input for the body as a whole here, those reports are going to be taken at the Board of Directors' meeting. That's just the way we are going to do it. So it's going to shorten things up just a little bit. But there are some, and we will get to those as we go.

At this time; unbelievably way ahead of time, but we're going to move right through it, I must ask for anyone who is not a Class I member to step out, hopefully very briefly here, while we take care of the Honors and Awards as well as the next Nomination report. If you'd step out, we'll get you back in here very shortly.

I'm sorry, Class I and II. Thank you. I forget about the young guys.

(Brief recess.)

**Report of the Honors & Awards Committee
Chairman Bruce A. Baily**

Committee Members Present:

Bruce Baily, Chairman
Roger Salyer, Vice Chairman
Eric Pogg
Merritt Read
A.J. Graulich
Gregory J. Gabriel
Raymond E. Davies
Fred Veinfurt
Kurt Schumacher
Brad Northcutt
Vincent A. D'Aguanno

Mark W. Stephenson
Charles W. Powers
Wayne T. Szretter
Tom Paul
Alex S. Dakak
David L. Chidester
Rick MacInnis

Visitors Present:

Ron Minshall
Roger Ingersoll
Robert G. Taylor
Gordon S. Metroka
Russell W. George
Charles M. Levan
Lee Beattys
Patrick W. Weisgerber
Ray Flynn

The meeting was opened at 9:00AM with an invocation by Bruce Baily.

Motion was made and seconded to approve all 2010 honors.

- 257 Chevaliers
- 140 Legion of Honor
- 176 Honorary Legion of Honor
- 119 Cross of Honor

The Chair commented on the need to pay attention to those deserving of honors, using Mayor Tom Leppert as an example. The Honorable Leppert had not yet received the Legion of Honor and was nominated in 2008 to receive the honor.

2010 Legislative items relative to this committee:

Discussed posthumous Chevalier, Legion of Honor and Honorary Legion of Honor. There were no actions resulting from the discussion.

Multiple Cross of Honor did not receive a consensus of support. There was a regalia recommendation referred to the Ritual and Regalia Committee to consider a Cordon or Ribbon from which the medal could hang. Discussed adding Stars to the Cross of Honors, should the legislation pass.

Reviewed the report from the Honors Review Task Force.

Approved the recommendation to add a request for a resume to be attached to the Honors Nomination form.

We approved the recommendation for a checklist to be added to the Representative DeMolay Form. There was a recommendation to make the R.D. Form a field editable PDF on the DI website.

We approved new Merit Bars:

- Technology
- Safe Driving
- Squires

The specifics for the Technology Merit Bar were deferred to next year's committee. Safe Driver specifics as proposed by Alex Dakak. The Squires Merit Bar to be awarded to a DeMolay who was a prior member of the Squires.

A motion was approved "The Squires program can utilize the same Merit Bar system that members of the Order of DeMolay use and that a Squires Merit Bar be created for participation as a Squire." Squires would use the single "Merit" head and there would be no drop, except at Jurisdiction's discretion should they wish to use a Squires drop.

No further business to be discussed, the meeting was closed at 10:38 AM following the benediction.

Brother Grand Master I move the receipt of this report.

Recommendations for Action:

- Approval of 2010 Honors
- New Merit Bars for Technology, Safe Driving and Squires
- Use of DeMolay Merit Bar program for Squires
- Change the "Merit" Merit Bar to "DeMolay Service" Merit Bar, when inventory permits.

Executive Session Nominating Committee Reports #3 & #4

(Brief pause.)

Report of Alumni Affairs Committee Chairman Russell B. Glendinning

Committee Members:

Russell B. Glendinning, Chairman
Michael E. Williams, Vice Chairman
Brad Northcutt
Dana Schwarz
David Dibrell
Vernon Vanderhule
Bill Fannin
Tom Denslow

Hall of Fame Videos — We continue having problems getting sufficient pictures of our Hall of Fame inductees from which Keith Klein is able to build a script of our inductee's life and to make the video presentation what we have come to expect. Even with our inductees being told that the more pictures they can provide the better, Keith struggles to obtain these very important pieces of the video.

There are several reasons, some that cannot be resolved, for this but perhaps one thing that may help beginning in 2011, is to provide our inductees with a DVD of one of our previous videos. This will enable them to see first hand what type of video is produced and give them a visual of "the more pictures we can receive, the better the video will be". Not only will the DVD allow them to see the visual impact that pictures provide, it will also afford them a better idea as to what type of background information on them that we use.

Certificates of Recognition — The Committee would like to thank the staff at the Service and Leadership Center for distributing several Certificates of Recognition during the last year. While not as many have been presented as we would have liked, we did present them to Masonic and community leaders either at the time of their installation as the presiding officer or shortly thereafter. The Committee recommends that these certificates be continued in the next year and that Executive Officers be encouraged to find those Senior DeMolays in their jurisdiction who are the presiding officer of Masonic and community organizations and request a certificate from the Service and Leadership Center.

Complimentary One Year Membership — The Committee reviewed the results of last year's program of offering a complimentary one-year membership in the Alumni Association to the outgoing Jurisdictional Master Councilors. Since our last meeting in 2009, only six outgoing Jurisdictional Master Councilors have been presented with a one- year membership in the Alumni Association by their Executive Officers. The jurisdictions who participated in this program were West Virginia, Texas, South Carolina, Massachusetts, Georgia and Florida. The committee wishes to encourage all Executive Officers to participate in this program and to honor your outgoing Jurisdictional Master Councilors with a one-year membership in their Alumni Association. Simply notify the DeMolay & More Store so that the certificate is received prior to your jurisdictional conclave.

Alumni Membership — Membership in the Alumni Association stood at 5,507 as of April 30, 2010. This number does include the total number of members, including those who have not renewed their annual membership fee. Since June 2009, we have had 71 Senior DeMolays join the Association, which is comparable to the number of new members last year.

2010 Hall of Fame Induction — We are looking forward to our Hall of Fame induction ceremony on Saturday night during the Grand Master's Banquet. We have two inductees this year, Brother Doug Maxwell and Brother Tom Leppert. Brother Maxwell is from St. Louis and is a Past Imperial Potentate of the Shrine. Brother Leppert is currently the Mayor of the City of Dallas. In addition, he is a Past State Master Councilor of Arizona and was a member of the 6th International DeMolay Congress, where he served as the Chairman of the Congress Activities Committee. Both of our inductees continue the tradition of honoring those Senior DeMolays who have led a life based on the principles of the Order of DeMolay.

Our thanks also go out to Brother Keith Klein, PGM for his work on the committee's behalf in producing our Hall of Fame induction videos and to the Youth Fund of Southern California for their continued financial support in underwriting this program. Without the help and dedication of Brother Klein and the Youth Fund, our Hall of Fame induction ceremony would not have the impact that it does for those in attendance at Session.

We will begin working on our 2011 Hall of Fame induction in the next several weeks.

Hall of Fame Nominations — Again, this year, the lack of information that is provided on the nomination forms has provided many obstacles that are not necessary. While the committee encourages nominations for the Hall of Fame, the need for complete nominations will be addressed going forward on those that are received. The information that is an absolute requirement is the name of the Chapter and its location, offices held in the Chapter or in the jurisdiction and personal and professional accomplishments of the nominee. Without this basic information, the Election Committee is challenged to make their decision and if elected and invited to attend a Session for induction and the production of the Hall of Fame video is made more difficult than it should be.

Nominations for the Hall of Fame are earnestly solicited from those who are aware of a Senior DeMolay who has been successful in a field of endeavor. Nomination forms are available from the Service & Leadership Center and from the Resources page of our web site. The deadline for consideration of the nomination is October 1 of each year.

Alumni Golf Tournament — The Committee was informed last month that the annual Alumni Golf Tournament had to be cancelled due to the fact that only 11 registrations had been received by the jurisdiction of Texas, who was sponsoring the event this year. The Committee Chairman has been in contact with Brother Sherman Parker, Executive Officer of Michigan, to see if there would be a possibility of holding a tournament next year in Grand Rapids. Brother Parker has informed the committee that he did not think that would be possible and therefore, the committee recommends that this event not be scheduled for 2011.

The committee would like to thank the jurisdiction of Texas for the work that they put forth on this event and we appreciate their decision to cancel the tournament based on the number of registrations that they had received.

Alumni Membership Fees — The committee feels that the current lifetime membership fee in the Alumni Association be retained at its current amount of \$50.00.

RECOMMENDATIONS FOR ACTION

The Committee recommends the following action items to the Board of Directors for their consideration:

- (1) That Life Memberships be made available for \$50.00 from June 20, 2010 through the close of the 2011 Session and that immediate PSMC's be provided with a 1- year complimentary membership.
- (2) That Certificates of Recognition be presented to the incoming presiding officer of any community/charitable based organization, not necessarily restricted to Masonic bodies who are a Senior DeMolay.
- (3) That a Hall of Fame Induction ceremony be held at the 2011 Session in conjunction with the Grand Master's Banquet.

SECTION #2 — 2011 BUDGET PRIORITIZATION REQUEST(S)

2010 PROGRAM/PROJECTS/ACTIVITIES (LISTED IN ORDER OF PRIORITY)

APPROX. BUDGET

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| (1) That Certificates of Recognition be developed for presentation to the incoming presiding officer of any community/charitable based organization, not necessarily restricted to Masonic bodies who is a Senior DeMolay | \$ 200 |
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Russell B. Glendinning: *Grand Master, I move for the adoption of those three items of recommendation.*

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *All those in favor say aye.*

(Aye.)

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *Opposed.*

(No response.)

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *Ordered.*

Russell B. Glendinning: *Grand Master, I move for the receipt of Alumni Committee report.*

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *All those in favor say aye.*

(Aye.)

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *Opposed.*

(No response.)

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *So ordered.*

I'm going to invite up for some remarks at this time our good brother, Billy Koon, who is the Grand Master of the Grand Encampment of the Knights Templars of the United States of America. Let's hear it for Billy.

(Applause.)

Grand Master William H. Koon, II: *Wow, I have (Inaudible) with people who have things that I should say.*

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *Thank you for a tremendous speech, Billy. And thank you for coming today.*

(Laughter.)

Grand Master William H. Koon, II: *Last time I was in Texas was about two months ago. I hosted -- or I was present for the Grand Commandery of Texas banquet, where Reese Harrison was the Master of Ceremonies. And the remarks went on and on and on and on.*

Towards the end, they called on me to speak, and I did something like this: How many of you heard me speak before, raise your hand. How many of you have never heard me speak, raise your hand. How many don't care?

(Laughter.)

Grand Master William H. Koon, II: *It's a joy to be with you. Just to digress a minute, I was really impressed with Brother Kimberling and your Grand Master, how well they handled a tough situation. It's a real judge of the character of men how well they can handle presiding when things are not easily done. And I would just commend those two gentlemen for an outstanding job.*

It's a joy to be with you. We're having fun. We'll see you-all privately; we'll talk outside. Thank you.

(Applause.)

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *We've got a court reporter on the clock on that one. So if you're ever at another event where Billy is going to talk, we can just take that and say, look, this is a limit.*

Thank you, Billy. We appreciate it. And we appreciate all the help from the Grand Encampment, as well as all the bodies. It's just tremendous.

My brothers, you know, I told you earlier, and I kind of guaranteed something and we're kind of going in that direction.

We checked next door with our delegates. They are in the middle of their caucus situation right now. They would like to come and be part of the -- when we do our voting here on the various Call Items. They have requested to be here; and, in fact, they requested even to put their DeMolay input into it. Which I know over the years we've taken with much gratitude, and it has perhaps even enlightened some of us as to where our youth stand on the various items.

We were told by them -- and again, we're way ahead of the schedule here where we're at. And what I promised, I'm going to keep my promise.

So this is what we are going to do: We are going to honor the young men over there with their work that they are doing. Then I would ask for you to be back here at 2:50, at ten minutes to 3:00, okay? Ten minutes to 3:00. We're going to go through the Call Items as soon as we get back.

(End of proceedings.)

**DeMolay International
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Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *Call us back to order. Brethren, we -- and ladies, we have some ladies here sitting in, and that's great. We are so pleased and honored to have with us, again, as one of our own that we can claim; and now, wow, really one of our own, our great brother, Jack H. Jones, our Imperial Potentate and Honorary Grand Master.*

Jack, if you would come up here. And, boy, this is the great thing about technology; you can just take it with you.

How many have iPads out there?

(Show of hands.)

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *Okay. One, two, three. The Grand Master would like one. Out of you three, choose which one to give one to me. Thank you.*

(Laughter.)

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *Jack, we have the whole crew here. The whole Supreme Council, the delegates and families and friends, we'd like for you to address at this time. And, Jack, I can't say enough.*

Let me just share, I have to take just a moment to share. When I joined this Council over a couple of decades ago, I had the honor and privilege to serve on the International Relations, and I think it may have been Fraternal Relations, both, together at that time on that committee.

And, of course, I'm just a wide-eyed little short fella joining the crew at that time. And Jack was the Chairman, and had been Chairman for years. And I had the honor to serve with him, and even at one point to serve as Vice Chairman.

Jack, I mean, you were an inspiration and a mentor to me personally. And I -- I thank you. I've cherished that friendship for -- for many moments now, and many years. And I just want to thank you for that. Please bring greetings here. Thank you.

Imperial Potentate Jack Jones: *Thank you, Grand Master, for that wonderful introduction. And that does kind of bring back memories of quite a few years ago. And that's back when I was walking. And I could run around, and probably just run as fast as any of you. But those times have gone by.*

But anyway, it's just so great to be here. And I know everyone here that -- today was at the meeting last evening and you heard my remarks. Maybe you heard more than you wanted to hear, I don't know. But sometimes you get to talking and talk too long.

But I just want to say how great it is to be here and how wonderful it is. This Session, both the -- well, part of the Congress I've been able to sit in on, particularly in your nominations, yesterday, committee, and when you were working on the nominations there; and, of course, what I've been in on the Supreme Council on this part.

Of course, it's been so great, such an honor to be a member of the Supreme Council all of these years. And it's just been a work of -- a labor of love.

And what a great honor last night, as all of you know, that I got this collar as an Honorary Grand Master of this great Supreme Council.

So to some of you, I'd like to say, you know, as Imperial Potentate, every year we have a new Imperial Potentate, and every year that Imperial Potentate selects a theme and a pen. And I think some of you have my pen that I have this year.

The -- the theme I selected last year was very -- two very, very simple words: Unity Wins. Two very simple words: Unity Wins. And by that, I meant, by working together as a unity, as unified, as a family. And this starts right within your own family and with your own brethren and with one another.

Because the love and affection that you have for one another, in helping one another, that's a part of what Masonry is all about; that's a part of what DeMolay is all about, and the whole Masonic family, helping one another.

And that's what the theme of Unity Wins means, by all of us working together and helping one another, we can succeed and we will succeed and we are succeeding. So that's the great part of being part of this great Masonic family.

Whether it's in the youth organizations of the young men and the young ladies, or whether it's in the lodges: Blue lodges, craft lodges, Scottish Rite or whatever organization in this family that you're a part of.

So it's just that's -- that's my theme, the message, and I've carried it. And I know so many of the Shrine temples throughout North America have carried that out this year.

So it's just so great to be here. And if the Grand Master, and also the International Master Councilor could come down, I would like to -- I would like to -- of course, as the Shrine usually does every year, we want to help in DeMolay. Not only through the various Shrine temples, but throughout -- we now say Shriners International, not just North America.

Because we are -- at this Imperial Council Session coming up in about three weeks, we are going to -- or will probably, and no doubt, charter two new temples; one in the Philippines and one in Puerto Rico, and receive a dispensation request for another temple in Germany. So we are truly an international -- Shriners internationally now, rather than, as it has been for so many years, Shriners of North America.

So on behalf of Shriners everywhere, we want to make our usual annual contribution to the Supreme Council and to the Congress of our \$25,000.

(Applause.)

Imperial Potentate Jack Jones: *Thank you so much. Thank you, Brethren. Thank you so much. I would like to mention, if I could, please, would the Deputy Imperial Potentate, George Mitchell, and the Imperial Chief Rabban, would you come forward?*

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *I would also ask that our Executive Officers from Ontario and from Colorado, please, join us up here too at this time.*

Imperial Potentate Jack Jones: *Be on your best behavior, Jim.*

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *I'm going to leave this for the Executive Officers to kind of handle here, because I believe that that's how it's taken care of in DeMolay.*

Gary, if you'd start off, please.

Gary E. Mueller: *Thank you, Dad Cockerham, Grand Master.*

You know, folks, DeMolay has always benefited by our Masonic family. And in Colorado, we have unbelievable support from our Grand Lodge through all of our Masonic bodies.

There is one gentleman that I've been chasing down for over a year to try to honor him in a manner that we saw fit. And I can think of no other place that I would prefer to do this, to invoke my privilege to invite Mike Severe into the Supreme Council of DeMolay as an Honorary member.

(Applause.)

Michael G. Severe: *We've been running across each other's paths for the last eight years, as he has put together a team to provide accommodations and festivities for this year's Imperial Sessions in Toronto. And George knows exactly where to come for assistance, and our DeMolay will be assisting the Imperial Shrine as recycling technicians for the mounted patrols during the parade.*

(Laughter.)

Michael G. Severe: *George, congratulations on being elected as an Honorary member of the Supreme Council.*

(Applause.)

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *Thank you, my brethren all. Thank you.*

Jack, once again, thank you for everything. And thank our International Shrine for all that they do. Let's give them all a wonderful applause. Thank you.

(Applause.)

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *Okay. Very good. We're going to jump into the legislative items at this time. I'd ask for the Chairman of the Jurisprudence and Legislative Committee, our great brother, Dick Sayre.*

Would you like me to put the microphone down to a place where you can use it?

(Laughter.)

Richard L. Sayre: *Thank you, Grand Master. It's now time for the J&L report, better known as another day in the pleasure dome. And I'm going to start with -- with my report itself.*

J&L meets during the year. First, I want to thank all of you -- I've got to slow down; I've got a court reporter up here.

First, I want to thank all of you who got legislation to Boyd and myself ahead of the filing deadline. Because of that, everything that was submitted is before you.

Now, there is nothing that was ruled improper because we were able to tinker with it to the satisfaction of proposers, and allow all the legislation that was proposed to come before you today.

The other thing we do is we answer questions, all year long. Some of which are insightful; some of which are amazing. And as we do this, we keep a record of the ones that have some impact.

And so to begin with, I'll read our report. And we generally do this by means of telling you what we've been doing so it gives you some guidance, and we keep records of these. (See Appendix for J&L written report)

Item Number 1: *So the first question we were asked is, what affect does the adoption of Call Item Number 1 of 2009 have on rooming senior DeMolays with active DeMolays. That, of course, was the very first question we were asked.*

Decision: *The answer is, the basic policy of rooming senior DeMolays with active DeMolays has not changed; they should be roomed separately. What has changed is the definition of who are senior DeMolays.*

For the adoption of Call Item Number 1 in 2009, the category of active DeMolays, or Class VI members, was expanded to include those International and Congress and Jurisdictional Officers who we elected to any of those offices before becoming 21 years of age, and who turned 21 while in office.

Not only are they permitted to complete the term of office, but they now remain as active DeMolays until they have done so. Therefore, the policy which prohibits rooming of senior and active DeMolays remains unchanged.

Those elected officers who are completing their term of office are not yet senior DeMolays; and, therefore, may be roomed with other active DeMolays.

I know that breaks every Executive Officer's heart.

Item Number 2: *What is the status of the young men who joined a foreign DeMolay organization which is not recognized by DeMolay International, and who now wish to affiliate with DeMolay International.*

Decision: *The answer no person may become a member in any class of DeMolay International except as provided in the Bylaws and Rules and Regulations of our corporation.*

Affiliation with the Chapter, or Priory Court of Chevaliers, or any other subordinate of DeMolay International is open only to those who meet the requisites of membership. And among them is that the individual is regularly initiated or made a member of this corporation, or an organization recognized by DeMolay International. A young man initiated in any organization not so recognized is ineligible to affiliate with a subordinate unit of DI.

In English, that means they have to join here. So they have to petition, be voted in, pay their dues and be elected into membership and go through the degrees.

Issue Number 3: *What if an Executive Officer ceases to serve in that capacity, but what circumstances require that he be reclassified to his previous class of membership.*

Decision: *Mandatory and automatic classification of a former Executive Officer occurs only if the individual has not, prior to ceasing to be an Executive Officer, attended at least three annual meetings in the corporation while a Class I, II, III or IV member.*

Attendance at three annual meetings is not limited to those occurring after becoming an Executive Officer. That last piece is sort of important.

Issue Number 4: *If a Class III Deputy Member relocates to a new jurisdiction, does his Class III membership transfer.*

Now, that is a question that we've been asked off and on over the years. There's a perception that Executive Officers own their members.

Decision: *Class I, II, III and IV members are elected to membership within the corporate entity of DeMolay International, but not with any specific jurisdiction established as a subdivision of it; although nomination of these classes or membership requires notification when residence is different, the member status does not attach to any specific jurisdiction. It's not transferred if the member relocates. You are a member of DI.*

Issue Number 5: *May an active DeMolay, by offering objection to his presence, exclude another active DeMolay from attending a chapter meeting.*

Yes, this happened.

Decision: *The power to exclude a DeMolay from a meeting may be exercised only by a member of an Advisory Council. Nice try.*

Issue Number 6: *What is the effect on a membership if a Class I or III member fails to pay the full amount of the annual fee by the first day of January.*

Everybody hear this?

Decision: *The entire amount of the annual membership fee must be paid prior to the delinquency date of January the 1st of each year. Unless prorated for one who becomes a Class I or III member during the middle of the year, as some of you have, or waived by the Grand Master prior to that date, the full amount must be paid and received. And failure to do so constitutes a resignation from DeMolay International.*

If you don't pay by the due date, you have effectively resigned.

Issue Number 7: *In order for a Class III member to be eligible for a Class I member, when must he have satisfied the requirements for attendance at prior annual meetings.*

Decision: *The requirement that a Class III member must be attending at least his third annual meeting since he was elected. A Class III or IV member may be satisfied by including all prior annual meetings, no matter how remote in time, provided that at least two periods of attendance were consecutive.*

Issue Number 8: *What affect does the failure to submit to the EO of a jurisdiction where he resides the name of a nominee for Class I, II, III or IV membership.*

Decision: *An Executive Officer must be informed of all nominations for these classes of membership of individuals residing in their jurisdictions, no matter by whom proposed. Failure to do so prior to consideration by the Nominating Committee so that his recommendation is included in the report of that committee to DeMolay International renders the nomination void, the nominee may not be elected.*

Issue Number 9: *May an Executive Officer who has not been elected a Class I member propose legislation to be presented at the Annual Meeting.*

Decision: *The answer is, no proposal to amend either Bylaws or the Rules and Regulations of DI may be made, except by a Class I member or by action of the Board of Directors.*

An individual who has not yet been elected a Class I member, even though serving as an Executive Officer, does not have standing to propose legislation for consideration by the corporate body.

Finally, Issue Number 10: *If an Executive Officer removes an advisor or declines to renew an advisor as a classified member, must such action be reported if the former advisor subsequently applies to serve as an adult volunteer in another jurisdiction.*

This never happens, right?

Decision: *All adults applying to serve in any capacity within DeMolay International must report any adverse action which has been previously taken against them by any youth organization, including by DI. Removal as an advisor, or being denied renewal as a classified member, is clearly an adverse action which must be reported when applying for a position in the corporation. Failure to do so constitutes falsification of the application. Which, of course, is grounds to ask them to go.*

Those are the decisions. We keep track of these annually. And so, oftentimes, when you will call us and say, how do we handle this, we go back and look at the decisions in the past. If we've already given an answer, we'll just tell you what it is; otherwise, we'll formulate a new one and create this history that we keep going.

So now, if you will turn to the Legislative Call.

This one is a Call Item that had to be approved as a Bylaw amendment, so it has to be approved both by the Board of Directors and by DI. This was approved by the Board of Directors.

And as you can see, the purpose of Call Item Number 1 is to tidy up our timing. If you look at the change, you can see that we had two dates operating. We had a due date for your fees and a due date for your Adult Worker Profiles. And those dates were different, which made the people of Kansas City crazy.

So this amendment is by nature of housekeeping. The purpose is to have the two days the same. And it has been approved by the Board of Directors.

Grand Master, I move the adoption of Call Item Number 1.

Grand Senior Councilor Wesley D. Thornton: *Second.*

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *Again, we vote only by the Active members. So Active members only vote.*

All in favor say aye.

(Aye.)

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *Opposed.*

(No response.)

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *So ordered. Thank you.*

Richard L. Sayre: *Thank you, Grand Master.*

Call Item Number 2 also requires approval by the Board of Directors and DI. The Board of Directors did approve call Item 2.

We are calling this the Weldon Amendment. As most of you are aware of this -- why we have the amendment; although there's certainly reasons other than just Weldon, the amendment affects Article 4, Section 5. It changes the language to except out the Grand Master, Grand Senior Councilor and Grand Junior Councilor, as well as Past Grand Masters who have attained, from the mandatory time, the age of 75.

This is -- as was Call Item Number 1, this is in proper legal form. Grand Master, I move the adoption of Call Item 2.

Grand Senior Councilor Wesley D. Thornton: *Second.*

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *Been first and seconded.*

I'll take in order. Keith Klein. State your name, serial number.

Keith K. Klein, PGM: *Keith Klein, Past Grand Master, 47401.*

(Laughter.)

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *Thank you. I didn't ask for your prison number, but go ahead. Just kidding. I'm just kidding.*

Keith K. Klein, PGM: *What I am getting at is, the one -- a problem that I see with this, which then would lead to what I would possibly propose for an amendment, if we pass this as written, we run the potential of putting a 74-year-old person in as Grand Junior and letting him serve out the term.*

I think that the intent of this is to -- and Richard has already referred to the Weldon Amendment. I would want to amend this to be just that; that forget all the finger pointing and how it happened and who's responsible and who should have known and all that, and get right down to the fact that we want to say, Weldon Clampitte gets to serve out his term all the way up through, if he gets elected, Grand Master. It is for him only, his term only, and no other changes to the rules for any future party of any of this.

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *That is -- you're offering that as an amendment?*

Keith K. Klein, PGM: *Yes, sir.*

David J. Morgan, PGM: *Second to the amendment.*

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *Second -- David, if you want to speak to that.*

David J. Morgan, PGM: *Grand Master, with your permission, David Morgan from Nevada. I was Grand Master sometime in the previous millennium.*

I have the language, if you-all allow me to, that I think will accomplish the purpose that Dad Klein had. I'm not a communications major, so I may be able to do it in fewer words.

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *Although they didn't have pens when you were Grand Master. So go ahead.*

(Laughter.)

David J. Morgan, PGM: *Grand Master, the intent of what I'm going to read is to limit it as was suggested so it applies to our present situation, but does not continue past this.*

So the language I would propose is to make the language say, except for, in certain words, those elected to the office of Grand Master and Grand Senior Councilor, inserting, in 2010 and 2011; deleting the words Junior Grand Councilor, and continuing the language from there.

So that it would read, as amended: Except for those elected to the office of Grand Master and Grand Senior Councilor in 2010 and 2011, and Past Grand Masters of the Order, upon obtaining the age of 75 years, a Class I member shall be classified as a Class II member.

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *Dad Klein, is that exactly what you intended to say at the microphone?*

Keith K. Klein, PGM: *Yeah, not as many -- not as few as words as Tom.*

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *Okay. Can we accept that as your amendment?*

Keith K. Klein, PGM: *Yes, sir.*

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *Okay. Well, I'm going to accept that as the wording for the amendment so we don't have an amendment on top of an amendment.*

Would you like to make another amendment?

Keith K. Klein, PGM: *No.*

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *Okay. All right. That's in proper form. And we're going to vote on that amendment first, okay?*

All those in favor of that amendment say aye.

(Aye.)

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *Opposed.*

(Minimal response.)

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *It carries. A vote on the actual motion as amended. Would you like to say something?*

Grand Junior Councilor J. Weldon Clampitte: *My brethren, a couple of years ago when I was asked to run for this office, I declined that first year because I had some other business in Texas that I needed to*

finish that year as a Grand Officer. This may not have come up. But it never got on my radar until a few months ago when Dad Kitsmiller ran the names on the computer and says, wow, I'm going to turn 75.

I don't feel 75. I feel that these kids made me young. I've been working with them for almost ten years. I have a good jurisdiction and I love it. I love all of my DeMolays.

And I apologize to this body for having to bring this before them in this manner. But I would appreciate your support, and I would like to continue in this Grand line to continue to support DeMolay; that that's the reason I'm working, is for the DeMolays. Thank you.

(Applause.)

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *All those in favor of the motion as amended say aye.*

(Aye.)

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *Opposed.*

(Minimal response.)

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *So ordered. Passes.*

Richard L. Sayre: *This one will be back before the Board of Directors when they meet again, I think, Saturday afternoon, because they have to approve it after this -- they approve the amendment.*

So now we're on Call Item Number 3. This is very similar to Call Item Number 4. The numbering -- if you look at the very top of it, the numbering is off. It is 2063. We'll take care of that. We do all the reconciliations later.

The language is designed to allow for the nomination of the degree of Chevalier posthumously, and for the presentation of the degree of Chevalier posthumously. It authorizes the presentation in a fashion other than in a ritual. If the person is deceased, it doesn't make sense to do that normal process.

So this was proposed to us by Ritual and Regalia. Boyd and I signed it, but that's because we generate the document. It is in proper form, and J&L will move the adoption of Call Item 3.

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *Is that a second by Grand Senior Councilor?*

Grand Senior Councilor Wesley D. Thornton: *Second.*

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *I thought I heard that.*

Okay. Our International Master Councilor would like to briefly touch on this. Ben.

International Master Councilor Benjamin Turconi: *So I just wanted to share the vote of the Congress. We did discuss this. And this Call Item 3 was approved by the DeMolay Congress. We would like to see this one passed by the DeMolay International body, and we greatly appreciate your consideration of our vote.*

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *Okay. We're ready for the vote. All in favor say aye.*

(Aye.)

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *Opposed.*

(No response.)

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *So ordered.*

Richard L. Sayre: *Call Item Number 4. We've got the number on that one correct. It is basically identical, except it's a Legion of Honor. Again, it came from Ritual and Regalia. It's in proper legal form.*

Grand Master, I move the adoption of Call Item 4.

International Master Councilor Benjamin Turconi: *So again, this was another item that we felt that the spirit of this one was identical to the Chevalier. And we did approve this item as well, as to someone that's deserving of the award -- or, sorry, the honor, then they should be able to receive it posthumously.*

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *All in favor of the motion say aye.*

(Aye.)

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *Opposed.*

(Minimal response.)

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *So ordered. Pass.*

Richard L. Sayre: *Call Item Number 5. This is Ritual and Regalia's pass, another pass of the super LOH. And the idea here is that we can award a Cross of Honor for successive service, successive three-year services. And Ritual and Regalia will work with the office to design some kind of a star or an emblem that would go on a Cross of Honor in successive years.*

So this one is designed to allow for a continuing Cross of Honor for long-term advisory service. It's in proper form.

Grand Master, I move the adoption of Call Item 5.

Grand Senior Councilor Wesley D. Thornton: *Second.*

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *All right. Ben, would like to speak to that as well.*

International Master Councilor Benjamin Turconi: *On Call Item 5, we determined that, based on the language, that the Cross of Honor is the highest honor that can be received for meritorious service as an advisor and everything.*

So we determined that it would be like getting two Chevaliers, and we rejected that item. And we would like to see that item rejected by the DeMolay International body.

Thank you very much for your consideration of our vote.

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *Are we ready for the vote? All in favor of the motion say aye.*

(No response.)

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *Those boys got power.*

All those opposed.

(Aye.)

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *That one fails.*

(Applause.)

Richard L. Sayre: *Call Item Number 6 is now before you. This Call Item is proposed by Tom Labagh, as well as Number 7. And if Tom comes to speak, I'll just have him hang around the microphone to vote.*

The purpose of Call Item -- of this Call Item was to deal with the Senior DeMolay Certificate. Our current regulations say that we'll collect a fee for a senior DeMolay. Those of you who are senior DeMolays know that you don't have one because we don't do them anymore. You can buy one.

And so as Tom is working his way through the Rules and Regulations, he decided that we ought to tidy that up. So it's more in the nature of housekeeping than anything else.

J&L finds it in proper form and moves the adoption of Call Item 6.

Grand Senior Councilor Wesley D. Thornton: *Second.*

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *I think we're ready for the vote on that. All in favor say aye.*

(Aye.)

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *Opposed.*

(No response.)

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *Passed.*

Richard L. Sayre: *Tom, we'll correct the spelling of your name when we get around to putting all this in there.*

And then Call Item Number 7. There are two issues that brought this to you. And they're -- Call Item 7 and 8 are from the same genesis.

And Tom, as an Executive Officer, is having difficulty dealing with banks. Because the banks want an adult signature on checks; somebody over, I assume, 18 or 21, probably 18, and not everybody in the chapter is. And so, I think, the solution was to require that an adult be one of the signers on the checks, which solves our problem with the banks.

In addition to that, the language about separating DI funds and chapter funds isn't as clear as it could be. And so he proposed an amendment to clarify that, and we worked through this.

It's in proper legal form, and I move the adoption of Call Item 7.

Grand Senior Councilor Wesley D. Thornton: *I second that.*

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *All those in favor of the motion say aye.*

(Aye.)

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *Opposed.*

(No response.)

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *So ordered.*

Richard L. Sayre: *Call Item 8. Same problem. This is more focused on the Patriot Act restriction of adult signatures. It's also proposed by Tom Labagh.*

Again, we worked through this with him. And as you can see, the Advisory Council appoints a person to serve as both Treasurer and scribe. And then it goes down to the bottom, the Treasurer must be a legal adult, which solves our problem with the checking.

And that's really the purpose of this, was to deal with banks, frankly. J&L finds it in proper legal form, and moves the adoption of Call Item 8.

Grand Senior Councilor Wesley D. Thornton: *Second.*

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *Did you say something about a chicken?*

Richard L. Sayre: *Checking.*

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *Oh, checking. Okay. Our IMC would like to address this one briefly.*

International Master Councilor Benjamin Turconi: *On Call Item Number 8, we completely understood the spirit of the change. And we actually would like to propose an amendment, if a Supreme Council member would be willing to, that, essentially, the Treasurer would still be elected by the chapter, but he would have to be of legal age. In their failure to do so, the Advisory Council would be able to appoint.*

And it's that -- we just felt as though if we could elect someone who's of legal age, we should be able to make that decision.

We greatly consider your -- appreciate your consideration of our proposed amendment, and then we would approve -- we approve the amended amendment. Thank you very much.

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *Tom, are you there? Would you like to take care of that chicken account?*

Thomas R. Labagh: *Grand Master, I'm not sure how to accept that as an amendment. Here's the --*

Richard L. Sayre: *You'd have to make an amendment.*

Thomas R. Labagh: *Yeah. I'm not sure I'm really in favor of that.*

Here's the reason why: The reason I wrote it this way was to make lawful what's happening in most of our chapters anyway. And I'm sure that you have chapters, fellow Executive Officers, where the advisors are doing all the accounting work. They don't have enough DeMolays in the chapter, so they've just let advisors take it over. It's just making legal what they're really doing.

And so that's the reason I wrote it that way. I understand what the International Master Councilor and the Congress delegates are suggesting. And believe me, I'm one who likes to give power back to the guys, and do that on a regular basis in my jurisdiction.

But I thought in this case, letting the Advisory Council make the appointment of the most responsible person was going to be the best way to perform the business of the chapter and make sure it gets done effectively and properly.

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *And they could appoint a young man, if in that jurisdiction it was legal, correct?*

Thomas R. Labagh: *Absolutely. Certainly, Grand Master, as an Executive Officer, I would encourage my chapters to appoint an active DeMolay who is of legal age so we can, you know, teach and use the proper -- use our ability to teach that process to them.*

So -- but because of the way it's being done, I'm just trying to make legal what the guys are already doing.

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *Plus, we have to keep in mind across the country that we're the same and not trying to pick from one jurisdiction or another. And there may be something that says, well, 21 here may be 18 there, and we have to be uniform with that.*

But I think the Congress can understand the intention is exactly how you have anticipated amendment to this, but I think with the way it's been presented and the way it's written, it's in proper form at that point. And I think we'll vote on it in that way, unless there's anybody who can suggest anything else.

All in favor of the motion say aye.

(Aye.)

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *Opposed.*

(Minimal response.)

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *All right. So it passes.*

Richard L. Sayre: *Nothing in here would prevent the Advisory Council from appointing an adult as the Treasurer, so that can be done.*

Call Item Number 9. This is proposed by the Grand Master, who may wish to speak to it. It requires Executive Officers to attend the Executive Officer Conference. And if they can't make it, they have to be excused by the conference.

It's in proper legal form. We move the adoption of Call Item 9.

Grand Senior Councilor Wesley D. Thornton: *Second the motion.*

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *Ready to vote?*

As you know, I have proposed this in light of my experiences and going to the Executive Officers' Conferences, and now having the opportunity of serving you and for the benefit of our Supreme Council. There's no penalty associated with this; this is rather another duty which is set forth of an Executive Officer, as we have other duties set forth in our statutes already.

If the duty is not adhered to, of course, that's something else we can look to. But it is a guide post which we now have and would have into place with your election of this.

So anyway, if anybody wants to say anything else, we'll go ahead and vote on the motion. All in favor of the motion say aye.

(Minimal response.)

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *All opposed.*

(Aye.)

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *I don't like getting turned down. Failed.*

Let's -- let me say in respect, though, if you don't attend, it's still up to the Grand Master to do what he wants to do. So for all those that said no, I'm still your Grand Master and you are the most wonderful people in the world. Thank you.

(Laughter.)

Richard L. Sayre: *And Executive Officers will remember that I said yesterday that they can -- they can accept or defeat any piece of legislation. That's an illustration.*

We're now on Call Item Number 10. Call Item Number 10 is our last Call Item. I know this breaks your heart. And this is intended to remove the fee-setting responsibility from this body to the Board of Directors. It is in proper legal form, and I move adoption of Call Item 10.

And it's proposed by the Grand Master; he may wish to speak to this.

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *Greg, would you like to address this?*

Gregory A. Chiles: *Yes, Grand Master. Greg Chiles, Executive Officer, Indiana; and also Chairman of Budget and Finance. We would like to propose an amendment to this Call Item. Which I believe most everyone has before you, so I won't bother to read every word for word. You'll thank me for that.*

The gist of it, though, is that we're putting the original language back into the section and only changing the fees on the first five items. The initiatory fee going from \$25 to \$35; Knighthood Order from \$10 to \$25; Letters Temporary fee from \$100 to \$250; new duplicate or corrected charters from \$50 to \$150. But we have discussed it, and that would include proper framing from the office to you so you would not have to worry with that.

And the last item would be for reinstatement of chapters with prior Letters Temporary for five years or less from \$20 to \$50. And I move for this amendment.

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *Okay. That is totally in harmony with my intention and with the intention of allowing this Supreme Council to make those decisions. I heartily approve that amendment. All those in favor of the amendment --*

Oh, I'm sorry. Would you like to address that?

International Master Councilor Benjamin Turconi: *We did take a vote on this item. And while we -- the Congress disagreed with it going to the Board of Directors, I consider that we would be in favor of this item, keeping with the -- you know, with the times and inflation.*

So on behalf of the Congress, I will say that we would have approved this item. And I think the Congress would agree.

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *Of course they do. Look at them; they're wonderful. Yes, John.*

John W. Whitaker: *John Whitaker, Executive Officer, Tennessee, and Region III Representative. First, I think now we are on the right path. And I commend the Budget and Finance Committee with this amendment. The one thing I do have concern about is maybe the amount that we are going up.*

Grand Master, you alluded that we were gaining membership. And I've looked back over the past 14 years and we've lost 20 percent membership. We've only had one year of positive growth during that 14-year period.

Through 2010, here to date, we've lost 596 members. Just to put the past five years into perspective, in '05 19,128 members; in '06, 18,983; '07, 18,667; '08, 18,412; and the year ending in 2009, 17,875.

I'm just concerned about a couple of things here that -- with this drop in membership and raising fees. I would like to see -- number one, we said we were going to do a study. And I'm just wondering, did we do an actual study of this or did we just say, this looks like where it needs to be? That's my first question.

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *The first question was, at all of the conferences I attended this year, I specifically brought this topic up. And across the board, they -- minimum was \$50, and it went to 75 and some said 100. I never heard any less than 50, other than maybe a here-and-there scattered amount.*

But I took -- you know, you had asked for a study, a study of the young men as well as the adults who attended those conferences, and were explained the pros and cons and allowed to talk there, that is what they came up with, \$50. We're here to propose it be \$35.

John W. Whitaker: *When we discussed this in the EO conference, the way I understood this was, if we -- we were going to look, if we had passed it, where the Board took control of the fees. Then we would do a*

study based on the impact and -- the financial impact to DeMolay International, is what it actually costs for those services.

I guess that, number one, when you look and you add \$250 to \$150 a charter, you're \$400 just as soon as you walk in the door to talk to a new chapter. And I will say this, I think \$100 is too cheap and I think that needs to be raised.

I have always said when I charter a chapter that the fee for the charter is \$100. It costs me about \$75 to get that frame and I pick up the rest of it. So -- because I don't want the charter to get rolled up and stuffed in the back of a closet and not be properly displayed.

So I would like to see us look at that, if we could -- you know, the mailing of it in a tube, but encourage the Executive Officers to have it framed. Because now we've increased -- some lodges have rules where it's got to be framed -- you know, charters have to be framed a certain way to adhere to the other charters that are hanging on the wall.

So maybe we can cut that cost a little bit. I don't know what it actually costs to have that hand lettered. I know there's obviously a fee there, and I'm okay with raising that. But I think just from a logistic standpoint, we save the postage. Because now you've got something that's fragile that's got glass in it. You're having to pay postage to ship it, which could be done on-site and you could save that.

I'm not sure what it actually costs, what the dead cost is for that new chapter kit. I would -- I just don't want to discourage us from starting a new chapter. I heard rumors, and I think people didn't want to start a chapter, because they said that it'd cost \$10,000 to start a DeMolay chapter. And I said, well, I can start a lot of chapters for \$10,000.

But I would like to say that we -- we make these increases gradual so that we can see where we are. Because according to the figures that I've got from DeMolay International, we are losing membership. And I would like to say that if we went \$30 for the initiatory fee, \$20 for Knighthood, \$175 for the letters temporary and Youth Protection kit. I'm not really sure there what it costs us for a charter, but I think we can drop that down. Maybe we could drop that to \$75. And I'm okay with the reinstatement of a chapter for \$50.

So those are my comments. I just don't want us to lose ground, Brother Grand Master. I'm not here, you know, to try to be a thorn in anybody's side about this, but I want to grow DeMolay. And I'm trying to grow it with new chapters, and money is an issue.

I sat at the lodge about a month ago. And the lodge only had \$800 to their name, and they were arguing about the \$2,000 they had made on the golf tournament as to what to do with it. So start hitting some of these lodges and coming in and saying, well, basically, guys, you know, we're talking seven, \$800 to get one going, by the time they have a dinner and do the other things.

So those are my suggestions to the amendment.

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *Thank you. You asked also, John, about a study. We studied it on an economic basis. And I could pull that -- I think I do have that up here, and I will find that.*

But on the initiation fee, if we stayed with -- where it was and where it should be, it was well over \$160. And then go down the row there. So this is a very minor incremental increase as opposed to where we should be on an economic basis for the way things have inflated over the years.

But anyway, John, that was done. And that was done by a CPA, and those numbers were provided.

Are you a Class I member?

Unidentified Speaker: *I am not.*

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *I'm sorry, you -- we're --*

Unidentified Speaker: *May I please express my opinion?*

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *Come talk to your leader here, and then I --*

(Brief pause.)

Robert G. Taylor: *Robert Taylor, Executive Officer, West Virginia. I'd like to speak highly in favor of this amendment, but I'd also like to request that the Finance Committee, or whatever you call it, take some very close looks at bringing another proposal in next year to keep us actually afloat.*

I mean, if we only take in about a 1,000 members a year, this isn't much money, if that. So I think that this is a fine amendment for the time, but let's not drop it for another 30 years. Thank you.

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *Just let me go through with you. \$140 initiatory fee; the Knighthood would be \$55. The letters temporary, including the Youth Protection kit, would be \$558; new duplicated charters, \$280; reinstatement, \$111. Those are the economic reality of it if you take it from the last time that they were increased to what the present day value is.*

So that puts that into perspective, talking about looking at it from an economic standpoint, talking about it from what DeMolays and advisors expressed at the conferences, those are the numbers. So you can compare those with what is being proposed in the amendment here.

Greg, did you want to respond in any way to what your group did to come up with these numbers or not? I don't know that it's necessary, but...

Gregory A. Chiles: *No.*

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *Okay. Okay. Ben.*

International Master Councilor Benjamin Turconi: *Okay. So I do rescind, actually, my decision, because, with consultation and everything, original intent was to get your voice vote. But without prior permission from the Grand Master, that wouldn't have been appropriate of me.*

We do have permission for the Congress to show their vote on the amendment to this item. So if the Congress would now please, all in favor of the amendment to Call Item Number 10, please say aye.

(Minimal response.)

International Master Councilor Benjamin Turconi: *All opposed to the amendment say nay.*

(Nay.)

International Master Councilor Benjamin Turconi: *I will make a decision by the Congress that they deny the amendment. Thank you.*

(Applause.)

Grand Senior Councilor Wesley D. Thornton: *Wesley Thornton, the Grand Senior Councilor from New Mexico.*

I'd like to speak against the amendment for one particular reason. And that is, we have a Board of Directors that could make this decision and not involve the minutiae that's going on around here. You have a Board of Directors. You have challenged them to do a job that -- hopefully through your Region Representatives, have elected a Board of Directors that will express your will.

I will say this: The Board of Directors is not arbitrary or capricious. We give a lot of thought to things. We can eliminate this kind of thing from going on in a Supreme Council Session by defeating this motion and by -- by defeating the amendment and by accepting the motion as presented.

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *Okay. On the amendment, we are going to vote on the amendment. The amendment was, as Brother Chiles has presented, with an alternate scheme relevant to the first four or five items, correct?*

Greg, if you'd just reiterate that since we've had the discussion. We -- I'm fine with discussing this until 7:00 or 8:00 tonight and coming up with amendments to amendments, if that's what we want to do as a whole group.

Gregory A. Chiles: *No, Grand Master. I just want to clarify the fact that what this amendment does, is to take that responsibility and put it back in the hands of the full body and not in the hands of the Board.*

And then the full body will decide what those fees for the body are, those fees that's still (inaudible) in this pertaining to the Board, and those sections would still pertain to the Grand Secretary, which would be fees for honors and awards. And then the Board would be for those Class I and Class III members, the ACRs and that sort of thing.

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *Right.*

Gregory A. Chiles: *We're not touching those parts at all.*

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *Okay. Very good.*

Okay. We're going to vote on the amendment. And that would be to amend and to enact, or put the amendment here with the numbers proposed for the initiatory degree, the Knighthood, letters temporary, the charter and the reinstatement. Those are the ones.

All those in favor of the amendment to the original motion, say aye.

(Aye.)

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *All those opposed.*

(Nay.)

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *Oh, you'd have to do that on the last one, wouldn't you.*

(Laughter.)

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *All those in favor, stand. Active members only. Count them.*

I am not standing. I am voting against the amendment. But please, don't sit down. I'd like to win at least part of the battle. No.

(Laughter.)

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *Okay. Please sit down.*

Again, we're voting on the amendment, okay? All those opposed to the amendment, please stand up.

(Brief pause.)

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *Okay. The amendment passed.*

Okay. Now, you may seem like you are doing the same thing here, but we're going to vote on the motion as amended, okay? So I'm going to call for a voice vote on that.

All in favor of the motion as amended say aye.

(Aye.)

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *Opposed.*

(Minimal response.)

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *It passed. Thank you. Thank you, my brethren, for showing progress, progress for the future. I commend you on that. I don't care how it gets done, just so we get it done. So I appreciate everybody's input on that. I appreciate the young men's input. I look forward to -- somebody is listening to me.*

Unidentified Speaker: *Yes, sir. We are.*

Gregory A. Chiles: *Grand Master?*

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *Yes, Greg.*

Gregory A. Chiles: *Can I get a point of clarification on something?*

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *Yes.*

Gregory A. Chiles: *If we're going to be in a joint Session with the delegates, why do they not have the opportunity to speak in this Session?*

(Applause.)

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *I've been asking that question for a long time.*

This is why, guys: Because that's what the Statutes say. Now, if somebody would like to -- and we cannot do it here; we are not going to do it here; it's not proper for here. But if somebody wants to make an amendment to our Statutes, Rules and Regulations, I certainly -- you know, I'm sure the group would welcome that for next year or whenever.

I firmly believe, and I know that you-all know this, I firmly believe that the young men are our future and should be a major voice in what we do. I think we listened to them very well today and I think we always do. But we would be hypocrites if we broke our own rules, and I think you can appreciate that. And that's why I had to do what I did. I hope you appreciate that.

But for the future, that can certainly be amended. And I'd like to hear more from the guys. Absolutely. It's the guys' organization; we ought to hear from them. However, under the Statutes and the way we run things, this is the way we do it today.

Richard L. Sayre: *Thank you, Grand Master.*

You've heard the report of the J&L Committee. And just to comment before I do it, that the members of DI consist of the DI members themselves for voting purposes.

Our Bylaws and Rules and Regulations list who can speak. And you can amend who can speak, if you'd like; you can't amend who can vote under Missouri law.

So if you'd like -- wish to propose an amendment, that's fine; we'll help you. Just call us or send us an e-mail.

Did you have a copy?

M. Boyd Patterson, Jr.: *Boyd Patterson, Vice Chair J&L.*

The question was asked, what about the new member who joins Monday, what fee does he pay. The answer is in Article 12, Section 8. The amendment to the fees language we have just adopted becomes effective at the close of Session.

So when you send in your Form 10, if you've got a chapter that initiated today or tomorrow, for instance, the old fee applies. But when we close tomorrow evening, the new fees go into effect at that time.

Unidentified Speaker: *All the new fees?*

M. Boyd Patterson, Jr.: *All the new fees, yes. All legislation -- the specific requirement is that unless otherwise specified in the legislative item, changes become effective at the close of Session. Therefore, the new fees become effective when we finish tomorrow night.*

So when you turn in a Form 10, if you've had a chapter that initiated today, old fee; if you – they initiate after tomorrow night, anytime after tomorrow night, the different fee applies.

Richard L. Sayre: *Grand Master, I move the acceptance of the J&L report.*

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *He's moving the approval of the report.*

Grand Senior Councilor Wesley D. Thornton: *Second.*

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *All those in favor of -- does this go to the approval of the report?*

William K. Paisley: *No.*

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *That's on the floor. Let me take care of that.*

All those in favor of the approval of the report say aye.

(Aye.)

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *Opposed.*

(No response.)

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *So ordered.*

William K. Paisley: *Grand Master, Bill Paisley, Iowa. I have a question for J&L. And I think this is something that slipped by us in the process of our discussion on this last item.*

And is there any way now that we can consider establishing an implementation date for that other than the close of Session?

Richard L. Sayre: *Do it next year.*

William K. Paisley: *What?*

Richard L. Sayre: *You can do it next year.*

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *You can propose it next year. It'll be \$50 next year when we all get together.*

William K. Paisley: *Grand Master, I would like to make a motion to reconsider the last item.*

Richard L. Sayre: *Bill, it's a different section, and it requires an amendment to Bylaws and Rules and Regulations that require notice. The body gets it ahead of time. Unless it's urgent and necessary, we can't*

do it this year. You could submit it, or ask us to submit it for next year if we have to do something. It's not in the same section.

William K. Paisley: *Okay. That defeats the whole purpose of what I'm trying to do, which is to – you know, I don't think any of us realized the effective date of this item as we went through the discussion. And yes, we all should have known it, but we all should have known a number of things that we've talked about in this Session today beforehand.*

And so -- I mean, I'm looking at an implementation date of January 1, or something like that, and would like to -- to consider that. And I'm asking, is there a way to do it; and you're telling me no?

Richard L. Sayre: *The answer may be yes if we amend this particular change. But give us a moment to chew on it, because there's a specific section that talks about when these things go into effect. So just give us a moment.*

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *We're in the huddle. We're quick. Hold on.*

(Brief recess.)

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *Brethren, we're trying to do what you want to do. Please listen. I'm going to call upon our parliamentarian, Past Grand Master Tony Krall, to explain exactly what the process is to accommodate what I believe you want to do.*

Because that's what we want to do, what we as a family want to accomplish here. On the same token, we want to do it in the proper way. So let's listen to Tony, okay?

Tony R. Krall, PGM: *Here's how you do it, somebody in the majority make a motion to reconsider; put it back on the table as an amendment with an effective date of, say, January 1. Two-step process. First the motion to reconsider.*

It's a super majority. So if Keith or Greg was voted the majority, make a motion to reconsider. If that passes, then we can make the amendment.

Keith K. Klein, PGM: *Keith Klein, Indiana --*

Richard L. Sayre: *And you're amending this particular section, not the other sections related to effective date.*

Keith K. Klein, PGM: *Understood. Keith Klein, Indiana. And just to comment, before I put the motion up to reconsider, the young men are very concerned about the fact that they have already voted into membership other young men who have not yet had a scheduled initiatory date, who paid a fee that was prior to what you just raised. And that's what they're trying to take care of.*

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *Absolutely.*

Keith K. Klein, PGM: *I, therefore, make a motion to reconsider.*

Unidentified Speaker: *Second.*

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *Okay. All in favor of the motion -- we have to do it in order. All in favor of the motion to reconsider say aye.*

(Aye.)

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *Opposed.*

(No response.)

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *So ordered. Okay. Now can we have --*

M. Boyd Patterson, Jr.: *I have a motion. Boyd Patterson, Texas.*

Grand Master, I move to amend the procedural language contained in Call Item 10 to include the specification that it become effective January 1st, 2011.

William K. Paisley: *Second.*

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *Is that what you-all want? All in favor say aye.*

(Aye.)

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *Opposed.*

(No response.)

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *Guys, is that what you want? Yeah, pass. Very good. Thank you, Brethren.*

(Applause.)

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *We are progressing; we are moving forward, my brothers and friends. One of the things to think about. We always want to do the right thing and make sure we're doing the right thing as we go along the way.*

We are at ten after 4:00. We have no further business today before -- wait, wait, wait. I'm sorry.

(Discussion.)

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *Okay. Let's make it all legal. One more vote.*

All those in favor of the motion as rescinded, amended, blah, blah, blah -- no, we're back -- as proper to be voted on at this time, on the original motion, as amended, including the fact that it goes into effect January 1st, 2011. All in favor say aye.

(Aye.)

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *Opposed.*

(Minimal response.)

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *So ordered. Thank you.*

Okay. Ben, did you -- Hold on just a minute, please.

(Brief pause.)

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *Okay. We are going to take this at this time from our International Master Councilor, since we are so far ahead of schedule. And that's perfectly fine. And I know Ben is not going to be real long.*

But I -- very important, because we want the young men to be heard before our Supreme Council.

Ben, please come on up.

International Master Councilor Benjamin Turconi: *Thank you, Grand Master. I sincerely appreciate the opportunity to express what the young men are accomplishing as a Congress.*

I wanted to let you know that last year there were 15 Action Items that were proposed by the 43rd Congress. And -- or actually -- yeah, the 43rd Congress proposed them and carried them out. And of those, 11 were completed; three are in progress. And it's something like, you know, creating an honor takes more than, you know, just one year so it can be done in proper form.

Only one item was not completed, and it's because we pursued -- it was a communication item, and we just simply pursued other forms of communication.

So the Congress is working on those items. The cabinet completed all of those items. And the Congress cabinet that was approved by the Board of Directors is working very well.

Now, currently what the Congress is doing is we are working on developing the bits of a three- to five-year strategic plan that will be developed by next year's Congress officers and Congress cabinet. We are voting in Action Items so that they know how to pursue that three- to five-year strategic plan.

Some things that will be included in that is that, you know, what are we here for as Congress officers, what's the Congress' purpose. And we want to define that clearly.

One item that will be charged to next year's officers is to have a public service event. For example, there is a VA hospital near the host hotel of next year's Session. And the men will be charged with looking into pursuing that or another public service event.

In addition, they are -- will also be charged with having at least one project, if not five or six projects; whatever they're able to work out. Like I said, at least one project that they will work on that will yield tangible results.

One brief example, just in passing, would be -- for example, would be like doing a video of an open house. And that could be placed online, and every chapter in the world would be able to see a video made by the Congress officers of the perfect open house.

And so I highly encourage that all of you bring the two delegates that each state is allowed, and any other Jurisdictional Officers that you are able to bring.

Because the Congress is moving forward, and it's moving forward progressively. And it is due to all the support that you have given to us.

In addition, we are looking into ways to better support Relay for Life, as that is our partnered organization and one of our best opportunities, not only for service, but also for public relations.

At this time, I actually would like to ask Aaron Ingersoll to very briefly describe what it is he went through. If you could please go to one of the mikes.

At the same time, all the Congress officers have luminary bags with them.

And, Dad Williams, I believe you wanted to make a plea, or did you want --

(Brief pause.)

International Master Councilor Benjamin Turconi: *All right. Basically, we held a mini relay today. And Aaron Ingersoll shared his story with us about his survival of cancer. And we made these special bags to represent those that we have lost to cancer.*

At this time, while Aaron Ingersoll is sharing his story, I would ask for any donations that you do have for Relay for Life.

Oh, Aaron, come all the way up here. Thank you, Grand Master.

Guys, please pass it around. Make sure that you hit everyone in the room, if possible. Like I said, we are committed. The Board of Directors voted in, and we are committed to \$50,000 a year. And, of course, every dollar earned is a dollar towards finding the cure to cancer.

Brother Ingersoll, if you could please briefly go through your story.

Aaron D. Ingersoll: *Good afternoon. My name is Aaron Ingersoll and I am a cancer survivor. I went in for surgery not too far from here to remove a cyst out of my left lung on January 4th of this year. I was told that I would be in the operating room for three to four hours, and in the hospital for up to four days.*

I woke up that Monday evening after surgery very sore, but I didn't really know what else. It wasn't until the next day, that Thursday afternoon, when my surgeon came in to check on me when I found out that they had found cancer in my left lung and that they had to remove the entire upper half of that lung.

I was then informed that I had been in the operating room for six hours instead of three, and that I would be in the hospital for five days.

After all that was over and I was released from the hospital, and after I had some tests run, I was informed that I was, and as far as we know, still am cancer free.

I have to go to the oncologist –

(Applause.)

Aaron D. Ingersoll: -- *I have to go to the oncologist every three months for about the next year, and then every six months for another two years after that. And after those three years, I will probably have to go once a year for the rest of my life. However, I feel that this is only a small price to pay for what I, along with four million other Americans, have gone through.*

This year Relay for Life took on a different meaning for me and my family. My chapter, which meets only about 45 minutes south of here, has another cancer survivor; my very close friend and brother, Brad Mulhollen.

Relay for Life for my chapter is very important. We're heavily involved in our community, and we play a huge role in the planning and execution of our local relay. I would like to strongly encourage everyone here to get involved in their local relay any way possible.

I am a huge supporter of the Relay for Life. And I believe that every DeMolay's goal should be to make a difference in the world, so let's get out and do what we can to make that difference.

Thank you, Grand Master and Brother International Master Councilor.

And thank you to everybody who supports DeMolay and the Relay for Life.

(Applause.)

International Master Councilor Benjamin Turconi: *Brethren all, I feel as though I do -- I feel as though I can say, Brethren All, is I am a Master Mason. Aaron Ingersoll is a great survivor. And he actually is going to be -- took a page out of the Tall Cedars of Lebanon and Shrine's Book of Success, and he will be our goodwill ambassador for the following year.*

He will be responsible -- he will work with Dad Mueller, and he will be responsible for -- also he'll work with Congress officers -- and he will be putting out various podcasts and audio e-mails. When we get the new numbers for a month, he'll send an e-mail out to everyone saying, hey, guys, this is your goodwill ambassador. I want to thank you-all. We've raised another \$5,000 this month alone. We're working towards a cure for cancer.

And at any opportunity that we need a goodwill ambassador -- like I said, taking the page out of Shrine and Tall Cedars of Lebanon Success, we think this is a positive step. And this is what the Congress of DeMolay is doing.

And as I said, I wholeheartedly urge each and every person in this room to support the Congress, because we are moving forward in the right direction. And with your support, there is no -- there is nothing that will stop us from doubling our membership in the next seven years.

Thank you very much for your respect of the Congress and your consideration of our report.

(Applause.)

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *Brethren, what a wonderful time. We have our regional meetings at 5:30, and then you have fun tonight, whatever you want to do. We'll see you here just before 8:00 a.m. in the morning.*

(End of proceedings.)

**International Supreme Council
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Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *Brethren, if you-all would rise, please.*

(Prayer had.)

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *Well, I hope everybody had a wonderful evening last night. I know that we did. It seems like I walked down here after all the activities, so. But we're going to carry on, we're going to carry on.*

Yesterday you-all took up a collection for the Relay for Life. I guess we got everybody's last penny here, because we ended up with \$1,124.37. Thank you, my brothers.

(Applause.)

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *Brethren, we have another guest here this morning with us. He was with us, and he's been with us the whole time since we've been here. We had the pleasure of introducing him and greeting him Thursday, but we'd like to recognize him and have him come forward for a few brief remarks this morning.*

We have with us Brother Robert R. Smith. He is the acting President of High 12 International. And I know that High 12 has been an instrumental part in DeMolay throughout many, many years. And in many jurisdictions, I know the High 12, one of their primary concerns is the Order of DeMolay. I recall years ago in Mississippi, High 12 sponsored the leadership conferences that so many of the young men in this room probably attended.

It is with great pleasure that I introduce again here Robert Smith. Bob, if you would offer a few remarks this morning, we'd appreciate it.

(Applause.)

First Vice President High Twelve Robert Smith: *Thank you. It is a pleasure for me to be here today representing High 12 International. I'm actually the First Vice President of High 12, but I've been acting as President since January when Dr. and Brother Ronnie McMinn went into the hospital with some very serious cancer problems.*

DeMolay has been a part of my life since I first became a DeMolay in 1955. And I've had the opportunity to serve on the local level for many years, and I have enjoyed it.

One of the things I'm going to tell you right now is something that I didn't think would ever happen. I'm moving to Florida later this year. And some of the brothers, especially from Florida, found out about it; and have asked me to start a DeMolay chapter in the area where I'm going to be moving, and I have agreed to do that.

(Applause.)

First Vice President High Twelve Robert Smith: *46 years as a Mason, it's hard to walk away from it. And DeMolay is something that has always been close to my heart.*

And, Grand Master, on behalf of High 12 International, I'd like to present you with this check. Do with it as you see best for the Order.

And let me tell you this: In years to come, a donation from High 12 International will be much greater. We've had some financial problems the last couple of years and they are now straightened out. In the future, our donations will be much larger.

And it is -- I thank you for all the courtesies you have extended to me this week. I have thoroughly enjoyed this. It's the first meeting of DeMolay like this that I've been to in over 20 years, and I have thoroughly, thoroughly enjoyed it. And the work you are doing for our youth of America and for DeMolay is absolutely great.

Thank you.

(Applause.)

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *I would like to ask at this time if Brother David Glattly would approach the east. That's this way, Dave. Don't get your GPS out.*

(Laughter.)

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *I'd like to introduce to you no stranger to us. Again, one of our own who has done so much for DeMolay and for all of Freemasonry, our brother David Glattly from New Jersey.*

And Dave is here, and I would ask him to bring some remarks on behalf of the Northern Jurisdiction Scottish Rite.

David.

David A. Glattly: *Thank you very much, Grand Master.*

Colleagues and members of the Supreme Council, good morning.

(Morning.)

David A. Glattly: *It's a pleasure to be here. I'm glad New Jersey was pronounced properly. If you listen to a radio or a news station in Northern New Jersey and they interview a cop from Jersey City, you normally hear, we apprehended the perpetrator at 3rd Avenue and 33rd Street. Then we put him down the precinct house.*

(Laughter.)

David A. Glattly: *I bring you the greetings of our Sovereign Grand Commander, Illustrious John William McNaughton, 33rd Degree, who was a good DeMolay boy from the great state of Indiana. He sends his greetings here. He's sorry he can't be with us here today. He hopes to make our next Session in Grand Rapids.*

The Scottish Rite, the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction, certainly appreciates everything that you do for DeMolay. It's -- they know that it's a difficult job, and many numbers of our Supreme Council are also Honorary members of this Supreme Council. And DeMolay is always in the forefront when we have our Executive Council meetings.

It is my pleasure to bring along a little envelope. And, Grand Master, if I could present this to you. There are two checks in here; \$10,000 for the International DeMolay Congress and \$10,000 for DeMolay International's budget to use as you see fit.

Thank you very much.

(Applause.)

David A. Glattly: *Thank you, Brethren. I would like to introduce a fellow member of -- an Active member of the Northern Jurisdiction Supreme Council. He's a Deputy member here. And that's Illustrious Bennie Grisham from the great state of Illinois.*

(Applause.)

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *Thank you, David. He is our Deputy up in New Jersey, and I think he's keeping the precinct quite in order up there. Thank you so much.*

I'd like to invite up here at this time – and as you come up, I will introduce you, since you're all over the place -- our Deputies and Sovereign Grand Inspectors General from the Southern Jurisdiction of the Ancient & Accepted Scottish Rite. If they would just meander this way.

We heard from our Sovereign Grand Commander the other night, but I'd like to recognize these brothers who are all Active members of our Supreme Council. And if they would come up and join me here. And I'm going to ask Curtis to address on behalf of the meanderers here.

Our first coming across the stage is Curtis Lancaster, our Sovereign Grand Inspector General in Utah.

Our speed devil here from Louisiana is Brother Bill Mollere, Sovereign Grand Inspector General in that jurisdiction.

Brother Karl Reed from the great state of Alabama, Sovereign Grand Inspector General.

Brother David Morgan, out there in the desert of Nevada, Sovereign Grand Inspector General.

Brother Bill Miller, from the great northwest, up in Washington. And they say, Washington (Pronouncing.)

And also helping out in Alaska right now, so he's keeping himself a little chilly up there. Bill, Sovereign Grand Inspector General.

Our great brother Bob Hannon from the wonderful state of Arizona, Sovereign Grand Inspector General there.

And you know who all the Past Grand Masters here are, almost all the way down the line.

And then, of course, our newest member of the Supreme Council, the Southern Jurisdiction. He is a Deputy and he is a Past Grand Master and just a wonderful guy from Oklahoma, Joe Manning.

My brothers, thank you so much for being here. Stay with us just a moment as Curtis offers a few remarks on behalf of the Scottish Rite Southern Jurisdiction.

Curtis N. Lancaster: *Thank you, Grand Master. It's our great pleasure to be of service to DeMolay. I think I mentioned last year that count 18 of our 33 Active members of our Supreme Council are members of this Supreme Council.*

DeMolay has been a very important part of what we do in Scottish Rite. As you know, our Grand Commander, Ronnie, is a Senior DeMolay. And I think Ronnie has already -- has already presented you with a check from our Supreme Council.

I just want to say that we're so very pleased to be able to be involved in this great cause, and assure you that DeMolay has the full and unequivocal support of the Southern Jurisdiction Supreme Council of Scottish Rite.

Thank you.

(Applause.)

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *Curtis, we are so proud to announce also that we now have two more members as of this Session from the Southern Jurisdiction, and that is wonderful. So the count is up to 20. There are not that many more, so the support is just all over the place from the Southern Jurisdiction.*

And the Northern Jurisdiction too, with regard to their Actives and Deputies. I will tell you that all Scottish Rite, the majority of all those members, are involved directly with DeMolay and support it 100 percent.

And we're so grateful for them.

We have Curtis up here. Curtis is our Chairman of the International Relations Committee. And I'm going to call upon him now, since he's here, to go ahead with the International Relations report.

Right after that, if there's anyone else that has a report for Action Items of a committee, please let me know. If there is no Action Items, that's perfectly fine. We'll take care of those at the Board of Directors' meeting.

But if there's any Action Items that need action from the Council here, please be ready to bring those up.

Thank you.

**Report of the International Relations Committee
Chairman Curtis N. Lancaster**

Committee Members Present:

Curtis N. Lancaster, Chairman	Allan Yeates	William R. Miller
Luciano Critelli	Howard Malin	Ward Williamson
Kevin Breitzmann	Craig Maddux	Simon Oduber

Visitors Present:

Bruce Hazard	Willy Rodriguez	Dean Heinemann
John Brower	Frederick Welsh, PGM	Leo Ponson
Lee Bradley	David Epperly	Steve Crane
Hal Dantas	Elaine Gray	Carlos Braga
Kurt Faulkner	Domenico Inzitari	William Sassman
Wayne Morrison	Viosianu Cornilieu	Peter Brusoe
Claudio Vernale	Davis Turconi	
John Stallings	Ron Heald	

Chairman Lancaster opened the meeting at 9:00 am with a prayer and welcomed everyone to this annual meeting of the Committee. He reported there has been a dramatic increase in expressions of interest in DeMolay in foreign jurisdictions since our last meeting, and DeMolay chapters have been sanctioned and established in two new jurisdictions. Reports of DeMolay activities in foreign jurisdictions were given and are summarized as follows:

AUTONOMOUS SUPREME COUNCILS:

BRAZIL

The new and recognized Supreme Council in Brazil in continuing to make progress in the four years they have been in operation. The headquarters of this Supreme Council is in Brazilia, with chapters in all twenty seven states. There are currently 390 functioning Chapters with 18,486 members. There are 88 Priories and 31 Courts of Chevaliers in operation. The issue concerning ownership and use of the DeMolay emblem is nearing a final and positive resolution in the Brazilian courts. You will recall the old Supreme Council had registered the DeMolay emblem as theirs in Brazil, and had refused to relinquish title to it. The new, legitimate Supreme Council had to prove to the court that the emblem is rightly the property of DeMolay International as the original and current owner. A favorable conclusion to this arduous and expensive, approximately \$160,000, is expected in the near future. This will effectively put an end to the old Supreme Council.

A system has been established to help determine legitimate DeMolay membership in Brazil. All members of the legitimate Supreme Council are being issued an official, stamped Passport which identifies them and verifies their membership. In addition, anyone receiving correspondence from a Chapter or Supreme Council in Brazil, should forward it to Kansas City for authentication. This will help stop the misinformation and misrepresentations being circulated.

AUSTRALIA

The status of DeMolay in Australia continues to be bleak. They currently have four chapters, none of which are functioning, and exist in name only. A total lack of interest and support from the Grand Lodges in Australia is the chief reason for the situation. There seems to be little hope that this condition will change.

PHILIPPINES

There was no official report on the status of DeMolay from this Supreme Council. Previous informal discussions with the Grand Master of DeMolay in the Philippines indicate they are continuing to grow. The Supreme Council has a website, which may be viewed at: www.demolayphilippines.org.

OTHER JURISDICTIONS:

ITALY

There are now seven chapters functioning in Italy, and they continue to receive strong support from the Grand Orient of Italy. The number and quality of the Master Masons that serve as advisors in extraordinary. Executive Officer Luciano Critelli, his executive staff, and advisors have been instrumental in establishing DeMolay in Serbia and Romania, at their own personal expense. They are to be applauded for their efforts.

GERMANY

There are no chapters now functioning in Germany. A Lodge in the southern part of the country, which is a member of the United Grand Lodges of Germany, has expressed an interest in sponsoring a new Chapter. If this is real, it could be accomplished before the end of the year.

SERBIA

Belgrade Chapter continues to grow, and they are looking forward to a second chapter in the near future. Princess Elizabeth, the last of Serbian royalty, is giving her full support to DeMolay activities in that country.

ROMANIA

The first chapter in Romania was constituted in January 22, 2010, with 29 members and 18 advisors. Three more chapters are expected to be established in November of this year. Bro. Corneliu Visoianu is the Bucurest Chapter Chairman, and is also the Pro Grand Master of the National Grand Lodge of Romania. He was instrumental in getting coverage of the constitution of the Bucurest Chapter on national TV.

BOLIVIA

The 21 chapters in that country continue to function successfully. A new Alumni Association is being established to further strengthen the support and continuity of DeMolay in that region.

PARAGUAY

There are four legitimate chapters operating in Paraguay, however they are sponsored by lodges that were considered irregular. A recent pact unifying Freemasonry in that country should solve that situation.

URUGUAY

The final papers, including Form 10's and Adult Worker Profiles, were filed with our DI office. The first chapter, Rivera 1 Uruguay, was constituted on April 18th by the Executive Officer and others from Bolivia. The Grand Lodge of Bolivia is very supportive of establishing DeMolay in that jurisdiction.

PERU

One chapter was instituted in Peru in 1997, but went dormant thereafter. The new Grand Master is receptive to reactivating DeMolay in that country, so there is a possibility of some renewed activity in the future.

NETHERLANDS

Bro. Simon Oduber, Executive Officer in Aruba, is continuing his quest to introduce DeMolay in the Netherlands. The Grand Secretary asked for additional information for review and consideration, but nothing positive has happened. The Grand East must approve the introduction of DeMolay in their jurisdiction, and thus far have been unwilling to consider it.

ARUBA

DeMolay Aruba will celebrate their tenth anniversary this year. There has been a decline in their membership due to young men leaving the island to pursue higher education elsewhere.

ITEMS OF INTEREST

There have been numerous requests, both directly and indirectly, from foreign jurisdictions seeking to establish DeMolay in their countries. These include Hungary, Russia, India, South Africa, Ivory Coast, Austria, the Czech Republic, and Moldova. It is exciting to see the interest in DeMolay becoming so prevalent.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. It is again the recommendation of this Committee that consideration be given to designating an individual on the staff to focus on and coordinate the development of DeMolay internationally. We must be more responsive to requests for information and to assisting in the processing of the paperwork necessary to properly establish DeMolay in foreign jurisdictions. Bro. Steven Crane, Active Member from Kansas, has volunteered his services and resources in translating correspondence in foreign languages. His company has the capability to translate almost any language we may encounter.
2. It is recommended that information on foreign jurisdictions be added to our website to assist our members to determine who is legitimate. This would include the person who could be contacted in each foreign jurisdiction to determine if visitation to one of our chapters is permissible, or if one of our members can visit a foreign chapter there.
3. It is recommended that DeMolay promotional materials in Spanish be made available for use by our chapters. In areas where young men from Spanish speaking families are interested in DeMolay, it would be helpful to have such materials available to give their parents. These materials have been produced by some of our foreign jurisdictions, and it would just be a matter of reproducing them.

It is gratifying to see the interest grow worldwide in our Order, but we must continue to be diligent in assuring that any expansion into foreign countries is done properly and within our parameters.

Brother Grand Master, I move the acceptance of this report.



Curtis N. Lancaster, Chairman

M. Boyd Patterson, Jr.: *Second.*

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *All those in favor.*

(Aye.)

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *Opposed.*

(No response.)

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *So ordered.*

Curtis, let me thank you for all of our Supreme Council for your extraordinary service, and the committee that has worked with Curtis to do this. I guess I know from personal experience this year, having traveled around and talking to the Grand Masters and representatives of I think just every one of those countries that you just spoke of, they are begging to start DeMolay.

They lack the knowledge, they lack the direction, but they do not lack the spirit, the will or the drive to get it done. That is upon this corporation to take immediate action if you want to see DeMolay go around the world. We do not have the staff or the resources or the abilities at this point in time to take on these challenges, in my humble opinion. It is something we need to directly look at and see.

In addition to the ones that were mentioned here, I had the opportunity to talk to some of the Grand Lodge officers in England, who as you know over the years has said, no, we just can't have such an organization. They are interested too in beginning DeMolay in England.

So there is a serious request; and this is coming from the leaders of these countries, what do we do? Spent many an hour on the phone and in person with these individuals. They want it. Are we going to let them have it? That's a choice this Council here is going to have to make.

But, Curtis, thank you so much for all of your work. We applaud you in all of your services. Thank you, my brother.

(Applause.)

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *I would like at this time, I have a special introduction here of one of our sister jurisdictions. I would ask our Past Grand Master, Brother Greg Kimberling, if he would be so kind as to escort our sister Grand Master from Brazil, and Past Grand Master, as well as Brother Hallrison Dantas to the east.*

I'm going to ask Carlos, the Grand Master of the nation of Brazil to come up here and to offer a few remarks to you. And I'm going to ask Hal if he'd be so kind as to perhaps let us in on what he's saying.

Please welcome them from Brazil.

(Applause.)

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *DeMolay is growing in leaps and bounds in Brazil. It is incredible. Probably has the flavor -- and I know it has the flavor of when I was going through DeMolay when we had, you know, five, ten times as many as we have today. It is an incredible feeling. If there's any way you can go down and experience and bring it home, you'll see why there inspiration to build DeMolay even more.*

Carlos, good luck, my brother. This is the finest young man. He is their National Grand Master. I had such a pleasure to be with him and his beautiful wife, who I think made the most eloquent speech I have ever heard, truly. It was incredible. She addressed their Supreme Council, which I hate to tell you, the room was about four times as deep as this with their people there. And there wasn't a dry eye in the house. But her

eloquence and her certitude with the message she sent was just absolutely amazing. Had she been here, I would have invited her up here.

(Translated.)

Hallrison Dantas: *Grand Master, all other authorities here, good morning.*

(Good morning.)

Hallrison Dantas: *Brazil has so much to thank. First of all, God; and then our American brothers here, for all that has been happening in our lives. We have been through a great deal there.*

We were only born five years ago. And when we were born, we had the necessity of solving so many problems.

When we first thought that we wouldn't have your care, your love, your fraternity anymore, our illustrious brothers from U.S. opened up their arms and showed the fraternity that the Order has. And for that, I thank you, thank you so much.

Thank you for everything you have done for us back in Brazil. And I give you my word of honor, Greg, Bob, Frank, everyone, we won't let you down ever.

(Applause.)

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *What an incredible thing down there that they do. \$200 to join, \$150 dues. The dues goes to charity. Average income is about \$200 to \$300 a month.*

We need to think about it. It's growing down there. And as I mentioned before, they have National DeMolay Day signed by their Congress and the President. If they can do it in Brazil, can we do it in America and other places around the world? I know we can, if we make the right choices and go in the right direction. But I applaud them for all their efforts and what they're doing. It's just magnificent.

Okay. I have some money to give you. We have from the program yearbook, those who were participating this year, if you would come up and get your nice checks here.

I'm not going to read the amounts because the envelopes are sealed and I'm not going to open your envelope.

Oklahoma DeMolay, Ron, if you'd come up.

And you can give them a hand, because they paid for a lot of this.

(Applause.)

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *Mike Salazar out of Northern California. Mike, are you here? Tom Labagh, Pennsylvania DeMolay.*

(Applause.)

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *As always, thank you, Tom. We appreciate it.*

New Mexico DeMolay, G. Wayne Morrison, would you come up and get your check? Let's give them all a big hand for their support. Thank you.

(Applause.)

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *I don't have any other reports before me.*

Nancy, I need to ask Jeff a point of clarification here, if he's around.

(Brief pause.)

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *Brethren, you-all know this man here. I know he wants to get out of here. He wants to get in the chair.*

You just think that he's got a job, but it's not just a job; it's an adventure. But it's an adventure beyond what anyone would ever expect from an individual working for a corporation.

Some people can work at a corporation; come in at 9:00 and clock out at 4:00 or 5:00. Take a lunch break. Take all those breaks in between. Go out and smoke a few cigars, whatever. Play around, play on the computer. Go home, take a paycheck and come back the next day.

Some people work an honest day from 9:00 to 5:00, and come in at 9:00 and leave at 5:00. Some people don't know how to leave their office. And sometimes they don't know where their home is, because their home is their office, because that job is in their heart and in their --all their being.

I can't give enough expression of thanks, gratitude and love to this man that I'm next to, our dear brother. I've heard some bizarre comments, being that little fly on the wall: Oh, he's a paid employee; why should we honor him. All I can see is I pray for anyone that would ever make such a comment. I pray deeply.

But I stand here today as a proud Grand Master with a true brother and friend who I know has given his life to us, and I know inside is reaching out and struggling, how can we get more involved and how can we get the resources to do it. This is the man that can man the ship, we just need more people that are on the ship.

We have the most wonderful people at DI that work positively and enthusiastically. Nancy and others that are just -- you can't ask for people any better.

But, Jeff, on behalf of the elected line, and I would have to enjoin anyone else of this Supreme Council that feels the same; I trust that you-all do, but if our elected line would stand, and for those who do respect and enjoy and love Jeff for all of his accomplishments, if you would please stand.

Jeff, we would like to present you here at this International Supreme Council with a just minute expression of our appreciation and love and gratitude for you. And we have one of these fun little Fellows for you.

This was quite a challenge to get something that he did not know about. And I hope there was no way he could find out, because there was no one that knew this other than two people.

Jeffrey C. Kitsmiller, Sr., we present you with the Frank S. Land Fellow Award for all of your service and outstanding and dutiful obedience to the precepts of our Order, to our corporation, to these men here, to the young men of the world and all humanity. We love you, Jeff. We appreciate what you do, and God bless you, my brother.

(Applause.)

Jeffrey C. Kitsmiller, Sr.: *All I can simply say is, thank you. I enjoy what I do. There are moments where it's very trying, but thank you for all that you do. Thank you.*

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *Jeff, it's all fun; what do you mean? It's all fun; it's all a good time, always. There are never any complications, never any complaints, never any dilemmas. No problems. Nothing, right? It's just rosy all the time. You know, to take all that in and then act like that back out, that's a champion to me. Thank you.*

All righty. I think we are ready.

Tony, did you want to make announcements? So everybody's here and they know before we do the election.

(Announcements had.)

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *Well, I think we're ready to find out where we're headed next year.*

We are going to do the elections, and we are going to go through these one by one.

I need -- Greg, if you would please come forward and give us the report of the Nominating Committee so we can proceed with this.

Greg L. Kimberling, PGM: *Thank you, Grand Master.*

**Nominating Committee
Reports #5 & #6**

**Dallas, Texas
Saturday, June 19, 2010**

Greg L. Kimberling, PGM: *This is the 5th and 6th report of the Nominating Committee.*

Grand Master, the Nominating Committee wishes to place the name of Wesley D. Thornton of New Mexico up for the office of Grand Master of DeMolay International.

Tony R. Krall, PGM: *Second.*

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *Are there any other nominations? Are there any other nominations? Are there any nominations?*

(No response.)

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *Brethren, all those in favor --Pardon?*

Greg L. Kimberling, PGM: *I need to make a motion.*

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *Well, why don't you do that.*

(Laughter.)

Greg L. Kimberling, PGM: *Thank you, Grand Master.*

Grand Master, I move that Wesley D. Thornton be elected Grand Master of DeMolay International by acclamation.

Steven E. Crane: *Second.*

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *All those in favor will say aye.*

(Aye.)

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *Opposed.*

(No response.)

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *You had a chance.*

(Laughter.)

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *By your vote, you have elected Brother Thornton as your next Grand Master of DeMolay International.*

(Applause.)

Grand Senior Councilor Wesley D. Thornton: *Thank you. Unaccustomed as I am to speaking in public, I will try to keep my remarks limited.*

This is truly a humbling experience. The emotions are overwhelming. I appreciate your confidence, and I will try not to let you down.

(Applause.)

Greg L. Kimberling, PGM: *Grand Master, the Nominating Committee wishes to place the name of J. Weldon Clampitte of Texas in for the office of Grand Senior Councilor.*

Tony R. Krall, PGM: *Second.*

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *All in favor say aye.*

(Aye.)

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *I'm sorry, are there any other nominations? Are there any other nominations? Are there any other nominations?*

(No response.)

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *All those in favor say aye.*

(Aye.)

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *Opposed.*

(No response.)

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *Okay.*

Greg L. Kimberling, PGM: *Grand Master, the Nominating Committee wishes to place the names of Gregory A. Chiles of Indiana --*

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *Wait, I think you've got to move to elect him.*

Greg L. Kimberling, PGM: *Oh, I thought you already -- okay.*

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *No, we just approved your nomination.*

Greg L. Kimberling, PGM: *Okay. Grand Master, I move that J. Weldon Clampitte of Texas be elected Grand Senior Council by acclamation.*

M. Boyd Patterson, Jr.: *Second.*

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *I'm just trying to keep everybody in line here, so. Okay. All those in favor of J. Weldon Clampitte as Grand Senior Councilor say aye.*

(Aye.)

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *Opposed.*

(No response.)

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *So ordered. Brother Clampitte, congratulations.*

Grand Junior Councilor J. Weldon Clampitte: *I want to thank all of you for electing me, and I promise to do my best to continue promoting this organization to the best of my ability. Thank you.*

Greg L. Kimberling, PGM: *Grand Master, the Nominating Committee wishes to place the names of Gregory A. Chiles of Indiana and Sherman C. Parker, Jr. of Michigan up for the office of Grand Junior Councilor.*

Tony R. Krall, PGM: *Second.*

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *Okay. All those in favor of the nominations, please say aye.*

(Aye.)

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *Opposed.*

(No response.)

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *Okay. So ordered. We are going to -- since we have two, we can't just kind of make the motion. What we are going to do is this, each of our good brothers have asked that a nominator come forward for them.*

The nominator will come up and make the nomination in three minutes. The candidate will have three, four, max, minutes to make his response. The next will be nominated and then the response will be made there.

We will thereafter have a paper ballot vote by all members who are eligible to vote. We have will have the tellers collect the votes and we will announce the winner.

So who is going first? I think they've got this all figured out here. And we're going to let them -- they've all -- all the parties have agreed to all the rules, so I think we're in complete harmony here in that.

John, are you up first?

John W. Whitaker: *I was just going to come up here and interrupt you.*

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *Oh, okay.*

(Laughter.)

John W. Whitaker: *It is with great confidence and pleasure that I recommend Brother Greg Chiles as the next Grand Junior Councilor.*

Greg's record of leadership and dedication to DeMolay are well known by the members of this Supreme Council. Greg has been extremely active and supportive of this Supreme Council for many years. For the most of you, I could sit down now, but I promised Greg you'd get your money's worth, so here we go.

Greg Chiles is a dedicated family man, who is active in his community, in his church. Greg has been married 28 years to his lovely wife Dawn. They have a daughter Allison, who is a sophomore in college.

Greg is a Certified Public Accountant and is employed as a business manager at St. Simon, The Apostle Catholic Church.

Greg is also an Eagle Scout. In his spare time, coaches youth basketball and softball. Greg officiates at high school basketball and softball games. These activities alone qualify Greg to be our Grand Junior Councilor.

Greg is also devoted to the Masonic fraternity. Raised in Beach Grove Lodge in 1979, Greg is a Past Master and a charter member of Frank S. Land Lodge. A member of Indianapolis Valley Scottish Rite, Greg served as Most Wise Master, Indianapolis Chapter of Rose Croix and received his 33rd degree in 2006.

Greg completes his Masonic credentials by being a member of Murat York Rite Bodies Murat Shrine, and as a Past Patron of the Order of the Eastern Star.

Greg exemplifies the cardinal virtues of DeMolay, and has been committed to the Order of DeMolay for over 38 years. He was initiated into Beach Grove Chapter in December 1972. Greg served as Master Councilor in 1976, and State Master Councilor of Indiana 1978 to 1979.

He has earned the degree of Chevalier, Legion of Honor and Cross of Honor. As an advisor, Greg served as Chapter Advisor and Conclave Director.

If this was not enough labor and punishment, Greg accepted the challenge of being Executive Officer in Indiana in 2003, and is still serving in that position.

Gentlemen, there is no greater training ground to become a Grand Officer than being Conclave Director and Executive Officer, unless it's serving as Chairman of the Budget and Finance Committee, International – DeMolay International for seven years.

Greg has served as Region IV Representative on the Board of Directors, and was Chairman of the 2009 Executive Officers' Conference.

At that Conference, Greg provided his ability to organize a successful event by keeping the Executive Officers focused on the task at hands, arranging quality presentations and providing a positive environment for sharing ideas.

In closing, Greg has the credentials, the fraternal honors, affiliations and the DeMolay leadership experience required for the office of Grand Junior Councilor.

Through the years, Greg has repeatedly demonstrated his organizational skills and his dedication to the Order of DeMolay. I have interacted with Greg for years as a Board member, Executive Officer and Supreme Council member. And I am confident in his ability to lead. I am not nominating Greg Chiles for what he has accomplished in the past, but for what I know he can do for DeMolay International in the future.

Greg will provide the leadership and ideas that are needed to guide our Order. He is capable of making hard decisions, tackling tough tasks and retaining a positive attitude in difficult times.

Greg will provide a moral example our young men should follow. I am confident Greg will serve our Order well. It is an honor to nominate Greg Chiles for the office of Grand Junior Councilor.

Thank you, Grand Master, for the interruption.

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *Interruption noted.*

Brother Korn, come on forward and give the nomination -- the second nomination.

Theodore B. Korn: *Sherm Parker began his career in 1955 as a DeMolay. He was the Past Master Councilor of his chapter. He was the Chairman of his district and a state officer. And his career as an active DeMolay was capped as a Chevalier.*

He went on to college to the University of Michigan State, where he gained a BA. Went on to become a CPA. Worked for a large international CPA firm, and then went on to the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, to be Director/Administrator of Social Research, retiring in 2005.

As a Chapter Advisor, he earned the – was elected as a Cross of Honor, Legion of Honor and he also received the Guild of the Leather Apron.

In 2003, he was elected a member of this Supreme Council; and in 2007 became an Active member.

He was in charge of the EO Conference up in Michigan about two or three years ago. And I would have likened his time as EO to someone who was given a sailboat that had been filled with very bad water, drifted from its course and sails were tattered.

And yet, reworking the sails, pumping the bad water, bringing this boat back on course, he has turned Michigan DeMolay around. They have a gain in membership. They have instituted two chapters.

I have watched him through the anguish. The anguish of making hard decisions, sticking with it, stepping up to take responsibility, not backing off.

It is for that reason that I am pleased and proud to put my friend in for election as well. Thank you.

(Applause.)

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *Response from our two candidates.*

Gregory A. Chiles: *Grand Master, distinguished guests, brothers and friends, good morning.*

(Morning.)

Gregory A. Chiles: *Oh, that's much better than 8 o'clock.*

My name is Greg Chiles, I am running for Grand Junior Councilor, and I approve this message.

First of all, thank you to Dad Whitaker for your kind words and for making me sound so good. I'm still trying to figure out who that guy is that you're actually talking about, but we'll get to know him hopefully later.

Brethren, you know, if you'd stop and think about it, Dad Land was an absolute genius. Looking at the organization that he created, organized and governed so many years ago, at least on the surface ran like a well-oiled machine.

Since his death, we have made several changes in our governing structure. For the most part, these changes have resulted in progress. But we face new issues daily, and there is still much work to be done.

We continue to talk that we need to change our governing structure; that we need to create a more corporate structure than what we have even today. Some have said that we need to return our governing structure to what was in place when Dad Land was managing the organization.

Personally, I think that the way we currently govern ourselves has been effective. However, I do believe that for any organization to prosper, it must continually strive to make improvements. Here are some ideas that I have:

First, we need to increase the level of importance in the Region representation on the Board of Directors. We need to better educate all our Board members on what their role is and what their duties truly are;

Two, I believe there needs to be more accountability in the EO position. We need to get back to holding annual meetings between the Executive Officers and a member of the elected line at a reasonable meeting or some other location to discuss the conditions in each jurisdiction. This would give each EO a sounding board for new ideas and issues that we face, as well as an opportunity for the current and future Grand Masters to become more informed about the current status of each jurisdiction;

Three, I believe we need to change attendance requirements at Session to retain ISC membership. If an Active member wants credit for attending a Session, then he should actually participate in the legislative process and not just stop by long enough to sign the book. We all took an obligation when we signed on for the good of the Order;

Four, we need to concentrate and focus on how the Congress functions. We bring our delegates here to exchange ideas with other Jurisdictional Officers. We give them the impression that they truly make an impact on this organization and that their voice matters. Now, let's be honest here; is that actually the case?

We need to make Congress more than just electing two Congress officers to serve on the Board of Directors. This is their organization, so we must listen to their voices and truly hear what they are telling us. They are, after all, what we consider the best of the best. We must utilize their talents.

Now, it won't matter at all how we are governed if we don't focus on the larger issue: the future of our Order itself. We need a better way to market ourselves to the public. We need to develop a marketing campaign that will get us the name recognition we need. I'm not the expert on this, but I know we have people who are. We need to tap into those resources and develop a campaign that will work.

We've also focused on our financial situation. Currently we have two annual fundraising letters that account for approximately \$100,000 of income. But if you aren't a Chevalier of a Legion of Honor, we're not contacting you. I believe that we should consider doing our own form of a capital campaign. With the membership databases we have at our disposal within the fraternity, this should be a relatively easy task. Most capital campaigns take three to five years to complete, so the financial burden on any one individual would be spread out over time. The campaign would be monitored by a staff member in the Kansas City office, but I believe it would be funded from the administrative cost of this program.

In conclusion, I attended college at a small university in central Indiana. Perhaps some of you may have heard of it. They've been in the news recently for their feats on the basketball floor, Butler University. And they almost pulled it off.

Their motto is to always do things the Butler way. Now, the Butler way demands commitment, denies selfishness; accepts the reality, yet seeks improvement everyday, while putting the team above self.

The DeMolay way should demand the same commitment: Deny selfishness, and accept reality while seeking improvement every day, yet putting the organization above any individual.

Brethren, if we work together doing it the DeMolay way, our Order will flourish and we will succeed in making those good young men better.

Thank you.

(Applause.)

Sherman C. Parker, Jr.: *Good morning, Grand Master, members of the Supreme Council, Brethren, distinguished guests, all. As you know, I am Sherm Parker, Executive Officer of Michigan DeMolay, and I seek the office of Grand Junior Councilor.*

I have 20 years' experience in a consultant and CPA international firm and 20 years' experience at the University of Michigan. I was Director of Audit, Manager and Administrator for Radiology. My final experience was herding some cats at the Institute of Social Research I'm referring to as faculty members.

I took over the EO Conference, together with Greg and Harry, who made it through the process.

Let me look at another story. I was named by Grand Master Hart, his Personal Rep. He gave me 20 minutes, by the way, and he cost me quite a bit of lunchtime.

I took over the Detroit EO Conference together with Greg and Harry midway thru the process.

But let me set the stage of our story, before I was appointed the PR I found a sail boat drifting with the bilge full of water. Not one State Officer could explain what DeMolay was, almost all the Degree work was being performed only at the state level, and all activities were controlled and planned by the state.

We interview the councilors, advisors and with the aid of a PGM determined that were we are adrift with no directions or knowledge what was DeMolay.

We named our mission "Taking it back to the Chapters" and charted a new course hosting the jib, then a main and final a Genoa we set out to redefine Michigan DeMolay. Halfway thru the initial cruise we made an abrupt jib and the young men of Michigan DeMolay, our State Officers took over renaming the mission "Bring DeMolay back to the Chapters" setting out the spinnaker for a run that has not stopped.

What may you ask is Bring DeMolay Back to the Chapters: it is simply teaching the chapter both members and advisors the basics of DeMolay.

The sail boat is no longer an old scow but a sleek club contender. The DeMolays now open and close most of their chapters without a ritual book. Each chapter either selects or is assigned by the SMC a different event to plan, host, budget, and most importantly they, the DeMolays are responsible for reporting to Conclave with a detail report – orally summarized by a chapter member with what went right and what can be done better.

Both Conclave and Winterfest, our two major events are from the opening meeting with hotel staff to the closing evaluation performed by State Officer except the legal contract.

Michigan DeMolays have brought back the Michigan Ritual Certification. This program has five levels - beginning at Junior Ritualist and ending at the Grand Master Level, the highest requires the total Ritual plus 10 public Ceremonies to be memorized by a DeMolay.

The DeMolays broke majority last year the first time in many years.

And the young men now have a monthly newsletter (our own MDN) in color mailed to each DeMolay.

Add sound business practices and principle to our organization, aid our youth in growing our Order by reprioritizing our strategic plan. It is upside down.

We must build a better base before we can attract members not just recruit them, determine why our members in the 70s & 80s are not returning to become mentors and rebuild build the Order and why we are not retaining our members.

What can I offer? Well, number one, I am youthful. And sorry, Weldon, you brought it up. I haven't been carded around here. I am eligible, and I thank you for that. I haven't been carded in 50 years. I work well with the youth and they have made me youthful.

We need to increase the use of modern technology. Our brother DeMolays know how to do it; we've got to get with them.

We need to facilitate their utilization of those tools so that they can feel comfortable where we were with paper and pencil.

We also need to find out why we have not retained our numbers. We need to maintain our strong Masonic relationship, develop a strong marketing plan to get DeMolay the name it belongs, the premier youth organization.

I thank you for your time and consideration. And I'm sure, if the Grand Master permits, either Greg or I could answer any questions you want.

Thank you.

(Applause.)

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *If I were to make things very simple here, or if we could have some of our Past Grand Masters help here, Dave, would you please – Dave Morgan and Bob, Joe Manning, one, two, three, pick wherever you are. If you're there and you can help, just pick up the -- we'll hand them out here too.*

And what we're going to do, my brothers, to make it easy, would our voting -- our Active voting members, just please stand up. And then they can be handed a ballot quickly and then we can move.

(Brief recess.)

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *My brothers, we are going to proceed as those ballots are being counted. We have the other elections to do at this point. Those ballots will be counted.*

And, Greg, will you please continue with the other elections.

Greg L. Kimberling, PGM: *Grand Master the Nominating Committee moves to place the name of James C. McGee of Alabama, Past Grand Master for the office of Grand Treasurer.*

Tony R. Krall, PGM: *Grand Master, I second.*

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *All in favor of the nomination say aye.*

(Aye.)

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *Opposed.*

(No response.)

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *So ordered.*

Greg L. Kimberling, PGM: *Grand Master, I move that James C. McGee of Alabama be elected Grand Treasurer of DeMolay International.*

Tony R. Krall, PGM: *Second.*

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *All in favor of Brother McGee being the Grand Treasurer say aye.*

(Aye.)

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *Opposed.*

(No response.)

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *So ordered.*

James C. McGee, PGM: *Thank you, Grand Master.*

Brethren, I thank you again for your confidence in allowing me to continue to serve in this capacity. And I give you my utmost support that I'll do the best job I can. Thank you.

(Applause.)

Greg L. Kimberling, PGM: *Grand Master, the Nominating Committee wishes to place the name of Joe A. Williams of Oklahoma, Past Grand Master in nomination for the office of Grand Secretary.*

Tony R. Krall, PGM: *Second.*

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *All those in favor say aye.*

(Aye.)

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *Opposed.*

(No response.)

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *So ordered. Greg, will you please move for election?*

Greg L. Kimberling, PGM: *Grand Master, I move that Joe A. Williams of Oklahoma be elected Grand Secretary by acclamation.*

Tony R. Krall, PGM: *Second.*

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *All in favor say aye.*

(Aye.)

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *Opposed.*

(No response.)

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *So ordered. Joe.*

Joe A. Williams, PGM: *Thank you, Grand Master.*

Brethren, again, I thank you for your confidence. And I assure you I'll do my very best to do the job you've elected me to do. Thank you.

(Applause.)

Greg L. Kimberling, PGM: *Grand Master, I move the following individuals be elected to serve as Regional Representatives on the Board of Directors: Harry Needham, Connecticut; Ricky Smith, Virginia; Marc Bohn, Georgia; Theodore Korn, Ohio; Mike Stuhr, Nebraska, Ronald Minshall, Oklahoma; Gary Mueller, Colorado; Terry Peters, Northern California.*

Tony R. Krall, PGM: *Grand Master, I second.*

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *All in favor of that nomination say aye.*

(Aye.)

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *Opposed.*

(No response.)

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *So ordered.*

Greg L. Kimberling, PGM: *Grand Master, I move the individuals be elected to serve on the Board of Directors: Harry Needham, Connecticut; Ricky Smith, Virginia; Marc Bohn, Georgia; Theodore Korn, Ohio; Mike Stuhr, Nebraska; Ronald Minshall, Oklahoma; Gary Mueller, Colorado; Terry Peters, Northern California by acclamation.*

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *All those in favor say aye.*

(Aye.)

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *Opposed.*

(No response.)

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *So ordered.*

Congratulations, my brothers.

(Applause.)

(Brief recess.)

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *My brothers, we are going to receive another one of our great Master Masons, who serves this Order so well, for his comments at this time. We have here our great brother Ed Fowler, Jr.*

If you would come up and join us here, Brother Ed, and offer some remarks to us this morning.

We are so delighted and pleased to have him here to address our DeMolay International Session.

Governor General Edward H. Fowler: *Grand Master, Officers, and members of the Supreme Council, delegates to the Conference, my DeMolay brethren. I am very pleased to be here representing the Royal Order of Scotland and the York Rite Sovereign College of North America as its Governor General.*

We will be holding our annual Assembly in Pittsburgh July 22nd through the 24th. And your Past Grand Master, Brother Joe Manning, will be elected as the Governor General to succeed me.

Also at that meeting, I'm pleased to advise, that we are going to present an unusual honor, which was just adopted by the York Rite Sovereign College recently. And it is the York Rite Medal of Honor. The highest honor that we can bestow upon a citizen of our country, be it male or female.

We have elected to present that honor to Brother Ernest Borgnine, who is 94 years of age; just became a 60-year Mason. He has been very, very, very cooperative and supportive to all Masonic charities, and we're delighted to have him come to Pittsburgh to receive the honor in person.

Over the years, I have been privileged to be associated with the Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of Pennsylvania. And I want you to know, that we in Pennsylvania hold the DeMolay, the Order of DeMolay, the Order of Rainbow for Girls and Job's Daughters in high esteem. We also give tremendous support to the Knights of Pythagoras.

All this is done through the Pennsylvania Youth Foundation, in which our Executive Officer, Thomas Labagh, he is also the Executive Director, and has done an outstanding job over the past several years.

And the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, fortunately, is in a financial position to be able to lend this support to those organizations. And we are very happy to do so. But I can tell you that the Order of DeMolay is on the move in Pennsylvania.

I had a memory come back to me very recently, and the memory indicated that I went into DeMolay in 1945. I can't believe that I'm 65 years a DeMolay, but I've always been very proud to be one. And I can tell you that the Order of DeMolay is the reason for me being a better citizen, a better son when my mother and father were living, and a better Mason and just a better person. And that applied then, and it applies today.

And if I could leave you and the delegates here with one remaining thought, I would say it this way: Did you

win today or lose it? Was it well or poorly spent? Did you leave a trail of kindness or a road of discontent? When you close your eyes in slumber, do you think that God will say, you have earned one more tomorrow for the good you have done today?

Thank you very much. And I leave the Grand Master with a check of contribution from the York Rite Sovereign College of North America. And I guarantee you one will be in the mail from the Provincial Grand Lodge of the United States of America for the Royal Order of Scotland.

Thank you.

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *This is good timing. Couldn't be better. We're going to announce our Grand Junior Councilor, and we also are going to announce our International Master Councilor and International Congress Secretary. It's nice how God lets all of this take care of itself in such a harmonious way.*

My brethren, by the vote you have taken, you have elected as your new Grand Junior Councilor, Gregory Chiles.

(Applause.)

Gregory A. Chiles: *John, it was your speech; it had to be.*

John W. Whitaker: *You're the man.*

Gregory A. Chiles: *Well, either that or the little flashing lights left a subliminal message. I'm not sure which.*

John W. Whitaker: *Hypnotized them.*

Gregory A. Chiles: *Brethren, I thank you for the opportunity that you've given to me to work with this group over here for the next year, and on. There are a lot of things that we need to be working on and we need to accomplish, not only on the international level, but on our jurisdictional levels.*

And I pledge to continue to work in my jurisdiction as well as on the international level. And hopefully by the time that -- in the next two years, Indiana will have again topped Mississippi.

So, thank you.

(Applause.)

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *Congratulations, Greg. Sherm.*

Sherman C. Parker, Jr.: *I move that we elect Greg Chiles by acclamation.*

Gregory A. Chiles: *Thank you very much.*

Tony R. Krall, PGM: *Second.*

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *Second. All those in favor say aye.*

(Aye.)

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *Opposed.*

(No response.)

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *So ordered.*

Thank you, Sherm. Thank you so much.

Okay. This is our young men's organization. I hope that everybody here in their hearts and minds truly believes that, and all their efforts are put in that respect. Not for us. We've been there; we've had it. It's been joyous. It's for them. Everything we should do should be focused towards them, and we should think of it in that respect.

And at this time, I'd like to introduce our current -- I thought I'd have the young men come up. Let's have Jaymie and Ben come up here, please. Jaymie and Ben, would you -- without the guys, without the guys for a moment. They'll have to find their own escorts here.

(Laughter.)

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *Because I want them to take over here for a moment, because the young men should be in charge. And I will let them make their own announcement of their new officers for the coming year.*

Your international Master Councilor, Mr. Benjamin Turconi; and your International Congress Secretary, Brother Jaymie Jordan. Let's let them hear it, my brothers.

(Applause.)

International Master Councilor Benjamin B. Turconi: *My brethren all, I would like to say it has been an honor to work with everyone in the grand line, Dad Cockerham, this last year. But at this time, it is the opportunity to pass the torch.*

So, without further ado, I will now let Jaymie Jordan introduce the new Congress Secretary.

International Congress Secretary Jaymie B. Jordan: *I would like to reiterate the statements from Ben. It's been a pleasure working with you guys.*

And I am proud to introduce the new International Congress Secretary for the 44th International DeMolay Congress, Brother Ryan Grazier of Nebraska.

(Applause.)

International Congress Secretary Jaymie B. Jordan: *Brother Grazier, do you have any remarks?*

Ryan T. Grazier: *I just wanted to say that I'm really looking forward to working with the cabinet this year, and just to take DeMolay where it needs to go in the future. Thank you.*

International Master Councilor Benjamin B. Turconi: *I now have the great privilege of introducing the young man who will lead the DeMolays for the ensuing year. The International Master Councilor of the 44th DeMolay International Congress, Michael Benedetti, from the great state of Georgia.*

(Applause.)

International Master Councilor Benjamin B. Turconi: *Brethren, I ask that you support this young man as greatly as you have supported us this last year.*

Brother Benedetti, would you like to give a few words at this time?

Michael Benedetti: *Thank you, Brethren, International Master Councilor. Members of the Supreme Council, I'm here to tell you that I wish to lead the Congress in the best way I know how and to hopefully a better tomorrow and a better future for our Order. And I hope that I can represent them well.*

And I look forward to working with Dad Thornton and the rest of the grand line in the betterment for the future of our Order. Thank you.

(Applause.)

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *Can we have these young men stay with us? Come on up here.*

I'd like for them to stay up in the east with us as we wrap things up here today. Because I think that they'll be standing up here not too many years from now in another capacity.

Greg L. Kimberling, PGM: *Thank you, Grand Master.*

The Nominating Committee wishes to place the nomination of the names of Michael Benedetti of Georgia and Ryan Grazier of Nebraska for Class VI members on the Board of Directors.

Tony R. Krall, PGM: *Grand Master, I second that.*

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *All those in favor say aye to the nomination.*

(Aye.)

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *Opposed.*

(No response.)

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *So ordered.*

Greg L. Kimberling, PGM: *Grand Master, I would move that Michael Benedetti of Georgia and Ryan Grazier of Nebraska be elected Class VI members of the Board of Directors by acclamation.*

Tony R. Krall, PGM: *Grand Master, I second that.*

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *All those in favor say aye.*

(Aye.)

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *Opposed.*

(No response.)

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *So ordered.*

(Applause.)

Greg L. Kimberling, PGM: *Grand Master, I move the entire Nominating Committee report be adopted.*

Tony R. Krall, PGM: *I second.*

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *All in favor say aye.*

(Aye.)

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *Opposed.*

(No response.)

Grand Master Robert W. Cockerham: *So ordered.*

Brethren, in a few moments we are going to depart the room here. I am happy to say we are a half hour ahead of schedule. So therefore, when we do leave here, the Board of Directors will go to the Conservatory to have their meeting, which I think we can do in quick order. I would crave your indulgence too, for just a moment.

As your Grand Master, I stand up here with your youth leaders; those who have lead us so honorably in the past year, and those that we look forward to serving with in the coming year.

I have a whole bunch of random thoughts and ideas that I thought I would impress upon you. And the more I thought about it, the more I thought, well, you've heard so many of these things again and again. We've looked to these things, and we look to what we do to make our DeMolay International better.

As many of you know, I could probably go on forever about these things and I choose not to. I choose, though, to be very candid with you. And to coin my good friend Ronnie, express some things from this fly on the wall.

It's interesting as you go through this process, and you have the honor, the true honor to serve as Grand Master, that you learn many things as you go along.

And you learn from those who come before you how honorable it is to continue to serve the Order of DeMolay as a Past Grand Master. I look forward to that opportunity to be with those brethren, who have and continue to give to the Order of DeMolay so much. I'm truly humbled by that, I am.

There are so many challenges before us. It is just fun to look out there and see what we need to do. The coolest thing about where we are today in DeMolay, is that we have those opportunities out there to be achieved.

If we were up here at the top pinnacle and everything was just so smooth, you know where we'd go? There's only one other way to go. But where are we now? We're here. We're here, and we have the ability to rise above and continue to grow.

Our DeMolay Congress, to me, is one of the most important things that we have aside from our home chapters. That's obviously the heart and soul of all of DeMolay. But our young men are so precious to us, and our leaders in those jurisdictions so precious to us. And we look back to our revered Dad Land and his vision, and those brethren who were with Dad Land and said, you know what, this is the boys' organization. DeMolay is for young men and their chums, remember that? If you're shaking your head, you are so old, why are you sitting in here. I'm kidding.

You've read it somewhere. Hopefully in the DeMolay Councilor this year. I hope some of you have read those articles to see how DeMolay grew and why it grew. Why did it grow? Why did people want it as opposed to it being pushed upon them? We need to shift that.

I appreciate Sherm and others' remarks here about, you know, we're out there and what's happening; and where do we need to go and how do we turn it around – and Greg said it too -- so people are knocking on our door.

If we're the premier youth organization in the world, why do we need to go beg? Why aren't people flocking to us? Why aren't we the iPad and the iPhone of the generation of today for youth organizations, where people are lining up and they can't get it quick enough? Why?

I suggest a few things here, my brothers. Number one, above all, unquestionably, in my mind and my heart, and from what I've learned from you and others that came before, is that absolute devotion to God; asking for his grace, his prayer and direction, and from that fulfilling the obligations that we took on the altar.

If you feel uneasy about that, you shouldn't be in this room. You're all in here because you have that same feeling I have. That love and devotion and commitment to our service.

If we say, and we commit to God and our fellow man to do those things in our seven precepts, and all the other things we pledge ourselves to, why are we where we are today?

Maybe we all do those things. I'm certainly guilty of falling down on those many times and asking for forgiveness, and being lifted back up to fulfill those. We all are. We're human; we err.

But more importantly is instilling those virtues in the young men and the Order of DeMolay. And one thing I see seriously in need of an utmost challenge is our ritual.

If you join the Order of DeMolay and somebody's reading something out of a ritual, or somebody's not getting through it and they're stumbling, you've lost them. Why do you think eight or nine out of ten don't come back? You've lost them.

If you bring them in, as Dad Land did, and others are doing -- I've seen it around; you're still doing it today. If some are doing it, everyone can do it. If you give them the greatest impression of all time of what it's all about, you're going to touch not only the mind, you're going to touch the heart of that individual.

But that is just the beginning point of their development as a youth. You have now told them what it is; you have to show them what it is in your actions and what you do every day. A cuss word out of your mouth defiles a youth immediately. An improper action from you as an adult defiles a youth immediately, because they think it's the right thing to do because you're doing it.

Many of you, and I learned from Tom Labagh when I took on the chore of Executive Officer, and the pleasurable chore, zero tolerance. Zero tolerance.

Are we instilling a zero tolerance? Why are we growing in Missouri? We have zero tolerance. And if somebody's not in that circle, they're out of it. If they think they want to be in it, we don't let them in it. Because nobody wants to be in that circle that is not practicing the virtues and doing the right thing.

It's that simple, and it's that difficult. It is very difficult to bring that into action.

That's where I see it. I think it's as simple as that. And the hardest thing is to rise above and to make yourself in such a way that you are following those precepts in every way, every day.

If you are not listening to me, if you do not believe these things, I pray for you, my brother. I wish you to consider very carefully your position in our organization.

We have to mentor those that come behind us as well. We have to mentor and nourish those who will take our place. We have to nourish and mentor our children to do the right thing.

And that's up to us. That's up to this corporation. That's up to the individuals working the chapter. Sometimes you need to clear the decks. Sometimes you just need to start over. We have found that the greatest success from my home state, close it down and start over. Start fresh. Do the right thing. The right people will come back and join you as they go.

So much more to say, I will not take your time to say it now. I will tell you this, however: That there are individuals out there that would like to help you. There are individuals that would love to donate millions of dollars to this organization. There are those, if the promise is made to them as to what we would do with it, would give it in a heartbeat.

I know money's not the answer to everything. But, my goodness, you've got to have some to run a corporation. Now, unless we all want to just pony up right here and come up with 50 or \$100 million, or whatever it is, maybe more than that, so we can have a functioning corporation on a worldwide basis that is functioning with a staff of 100 or so.

If we don't do that, we should not do things so that others won't help us in that regard. I won't get specific here, but unfortunately we lost a great opportunity this week. The only way in my mind to run a corporation is by a Board of Directors.

The shareholders have the absolute right to remove them immediately. They have the absolute right to ratify what they do. And the shareholders have an absolute right to take away any privileges or rights that Board has.

I trust that in the future more thought will be given to these things. I'm talking on a practical, honest and forthright basis. I have never seen a successful corporation in the administrative past run by the shareholders.

I do applaud you-all, though, in moving forward and making progress at this Session after 38 years of no progress, in certain respects. I compliment you in that respect. I hope that you will look carefully upon the opportunities that we have before us.

One opportunity, I'm sorry to say, was lost this week. A donor was ready, with poor direction, to do something. Cannot do it because the Board will not control this group. That's okay. We move on. We move forward.

My brothers, thank you for the opportunity to serve you. Thank you for the opportunity to share God's goodness with you.

My young men that stand on the stage with us at the east at our DeMolay International Session, I applaud you for your courage, for your desire, for your wisdom, for your knowledge and for your leadership in the Order of DeMolay. We have a group of men still working together over there to make this Order better.

All I say is, it's for our children; it's for the young men; it is for our future. That's what DeMolay is all about.

We're here to help. We're here to assist and advise. Let's listen to our youth and let them be our guide to the future.

God bless you-all, and thank you very much for all you do.

(Applause.)

(End of proceedings.)

Appendix

Supreme Council Miscellaneous Information

**DeMolay International
Jurisprudence and Legislation Committee
2009-2010 Decisions**

1. ISSUE:

What effect does the adoption of Call Item #1 in 2009 have on rooming Senior DeMolays with active DeMolays?

DECISION:

The basic policy of rooming Senior DeMolays with active DeMolays has not changed. They should be roomed separately. What has changed is the definition of who are Senior DeMolays. With the adoption of Call Item #1 in 2009 the category of active DeMolays (Class 6 members) was expanded to include those International, Congress and Jurisdictional officers who were elected to any of those offices before becoming 21 years of age and who turn 21 while in office. Not only are they permitted to complete the term of office, but they now remain as active DeMolays until they have done so. Therefore, the policy which prohibits rooming of Senior and active DeMolays remains unchanged. Those elected officers who are completing their term of office are not yet Senior DeMolays and may therefore be roomed with other active DeMolays.

2. ISSUE:

What is the status of a young man who joined a foreign DeMolay organization which is not recognized by DeMolay International and who now wishes to affiliate with a subordinate unit of DeMolay International?

DECISION:

No person may become a member in any Class of DeMolay International except as provided in the Bylaws and Rules and Regulations of the corporation. Affiliation with a Chapter, Priory, Court of Chevaliers, Preceptory or any other subordinate unit of DeMolay International is open only to those who meet the requisites of membership and among them is that the individual was regularly initiated or made a member of this corporation or an organization recognized by DeMolay International. A young man initiated in any organization not so recognized is ineligible to affiliate with any subordinate unit of DeMolay International.

3. ISSUE:

If an Executive Officer ceases to serve in that capacity, what circumstances require that he be reclassified to his previous class of membership?

DECISION:

Mandatory and automatic reclassification of a former Executive Officer occurs only if the individual has not, prior to ceasing to be an Executive Officer, attended at least three annual meetings of the corporation while a Class 1, 2, 3 or 4 member. Attendance at three annual meetings is not limited to those occurring after becoming an Executive Officer.

4. ISSUE:

If a Class 3 (Deputy) member relocates to a new Jurisdiction, does his Class 3 membership transfer?

DECISION:

Class 1, 2, 3 and 4 members are elected to membership within the corporate entity, DeMolay International and not within any specific Jurisdiction established as a subdivision of it. Although

nomination to these classes of membership requires notification when residency is different, the member's status does not attach to any specific Jurisdiction and is not transferred if the member relocates.

5. ISSUE:

May an active DeMolay, by offering objection to his presence, exclude another active DeMolay from attending a Chapter meeting?

DECISION:

The power to exclude a DeMolay from a meeting may be exercised only by a member of an Advisory Council.

6. ISSUE:

What is the effect on his membership if a Class 1 or Class 3 member fails to pay the full amount of the annual fee by the first day of January?

DECISION:

The entire amount of the annual membership fee must be paid prior to the delinquency date of January the first of each year. Unless pro-rated for one who became a Class 1 or Class 3 member during the middle of the year or waived by the Grand Master prior to that date, the full amount must be paid and received and failure to do so constitutes a resignation from DeMolay International.

7. ISSUE:

In order for a Class 3 member to be eligible for election as a Class 1 member, when must he have satisfied the requirements for attendance at prior annual meetings?

DECISION:

The requirement that a Class 3 member must be attending at least his third annual meeting since he was elected a Class 3 or 4 member may be satisfied by including all prior annual meetings, no matter how remote in time, provided that at least two periods of attendance were in consecutive years.

8. ISSUE:

What effect does the failure to submit to the Executive Officer of a Jurisdiction where he resides, the name of a nominee for Class 1, 2, 3 or 4 membership?

DECISION:

An Executive Officer must be informed of all nominations for these classes of membership of individuals residing in his Jurisdiction, no matter by whom proposed. Failure to do so prior to consideration by the Nominating Committee so that his recommendation is included in the report of that Committee to DeMolay International renders the nomination void and the nominee may not be elected.

9. ISSUE:

May an Executive Officer who has not yet been elected as a Class 1 member propose legislation to be presented at the Annual Meeting?

DECISION:

No proposal to amend either the Bylaws or the Rules and Regulations of DeMolay International may be made except by a Class 1 member or by action of the Board of Directors. An individual who has

not yet been elected as a Class 1 member, even though serving as an Executive Officer, does not have standing to propose legislation for consideration by the corporate body.

10. ISSUE:

If an Executive Officer removes an Advisor or declines to renew an Advisor as a Class 5 member, must such action be reported if the former Advisor subsequently applies to serve as an adult volunteer in another jurisdiction?

DECISION:

All adults applying to serve in any capacity within DeMolay International must report “any adverse action” which has been previously taken against them “by any youth organization” including by DeMolay International. Removal as an Advisor or being denied renewal as a Class 5 member is clearly an adverse action which must be reported when applying for a position within the corporation. Failure to do so constitutes a falsification of the application.

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Board of Directors:			
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**DeMolay International
2010 Legislative Call
Call Item #1**

Topic: To establish due dates for adult enrollment

Proposers: Richard Sayre, Class 1 Member
Boyd Paterson, Class 1 Member

Bylaws: Art. IV, Sec. 2

Rules and Regulations: Secs. 204.3 and 314.1

Action: delete and add language as shown

Section 2. Qualifications.

(a) Class 1, 2, 3 and 4 members.

(1) Must be at least thirty years of age unless serving as an Executive Officer. A Class 1 member serving as an Executive Officer must be at least twenty-five years of age.

(2) Must be at least twenty-five years of age is a Class 3 member.

(3) Must be a Mason in good standing.

(4) May not be a salaried official or employee of DeMolay International or any DeMolay Foundation, organization or extension movement.

(5) Shall hold membership during good behavior or until he is reclassified, resigns, or no longer meets these qualifications.

(6) Class 1 and Class 3 members must annually ~~on or before the second day of the annual meeting,~~ by December 31st of each year sign and file with the Grand Secretary a completed adult worker profile, a certificate of no change.

204.3 Duties. The Executive Officer:

(c) May appoint personal representatives who have successfully completed the DeMolay adult worker training program and have annually by December 31st of each year signed and filed with the Executive Officer a completed adult worker profile, a certificate of change or a certificate of no change, to assist him in the organization and supervision of the Order in his Jurisdiction.

(d) Shall appoint all Advisors from those who have successfully completed the DeMolay adult worker training program and have annually by December 31st of each year signed and filed with the Executive Officer a completed adult worker profile, a certificate of change or certificate of no change.

314.1 Advisory Council Required.

(f) Every Advisor must annually by December 31st of each year sign and file with the Executive Officer a completed adult worker profile, a certificate of change or a certificate of no change.

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Board of Directors:			
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**DeMolay International
2010 Legislative Call
Call Item #2**

Topic: To exempt certain officers from mandatory retirement

Proposers: Richard Sayre, Class 1 Member
Boyd Paterson, Class 1 Member

Bylaws: Art. IV, Sec. 5

Action: add and delete language as shown

Section 5. Class 1 Members.

- (a) [no change]
- (b) [no change]
- (c) [no change]
- (d) [no change]
- (e) Mandatory Retirement. Except for a the Grand Master, Grand Senior Councilor, Grand Junior Councilor and Past Grand ~~Master~~ Masters of the Order, upon attaining the age of seventy-five years, a Class 1 member shall be classified a Class 2 member.
- (f) [no change]

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DeMolay International:			
_____ Withdrawn	_____ Amended	_____ Defeated	_____ Adopted

**DeMolay International
2010 Legislative Call
Call Item #3**

Topic: To permit the posthumous awarding of the Degree of Chevalier

Proposers: Richard Sayre, Class 1 Member
Boyd Paterson, Class 1 Member

Rules and Regulations: Sec. 206.3

Action: add language as shown

206.2 Chevalier.

(a) Election. DeMolay International may confer the Degree of Chevalier upon a member of the Order or a Senior DeMolay who has performed unusual and meritorious service in behalf of the Order, who has attained the age of seventeen years as of the first day of the annual meeting of the year nominated and has been a member in good standing for at least two years on that date. An Executive Officer may lower the age eligibility requirement to sixteen.

(b) Posthumous Election. Notwithstanding any other provisions of this Article, DeMolay International may posthumously confer the Degree of Chevalier upon a former member of the Order who is otherwise qualified and who died during the twelve months immediately preceding the annual meeting at which the nomination is considered. The formalities of conferral may be waived or altered as necessary to effectuate the goal of recognizing his service in behalf of the Order.

(c) Nominations.

(1) Nominations must be made by the Executive Officer, who may nominate any number of persons who are qualified. If the nominee resides in another Jurisdiction, the nomination must be submitted through the Executive Officer of the Jurisdiction where the nominee resides.

(2) Each Class 1 member may make one personal nomination each year.

(d) Annually, on November 8th, each Chevalier must comply with the Traditional Observance in accordance with his vow. He shall report his observance on a form provided by the Grand Secretary.

(e) DeMolay International, through the Grand Secretary, may at any time require of any member a signed rededication to the vows and ethics of the Degree of Chevalier. Failure to comply forfeits membership.

Keeping Track DeMolay International: _____ Withdrawn _____ Amended _____ Defeated _____ Adopted

DeMolay International
2010 Legislative Call
Call Item #4

Topic: To permit the posthumous awarding of the Legion of Honor and Honorary Legion of Honor

Proposers: Richard Sayre, Class 1 Member
Boyd Paterson, Class 1 Member

Rules and Regulations: Sec. 206.1

Action: add language as shown

206.1 Legion of Honor.

(a) Active Legion of Honor. DeMolay International may confer the DeMolay Honorary Legion of Honor upon a Mason who is not a Senior DeMolay, who has attained the age of twenty-five years as of the first day of the annual meeting of the year nominated, for outstanding leadership in some field of endeavor, or for success in fraternal life, including adult service to the Order.

(b) Honorary Legion of Honor. DeMolay International may confer the DeMolay Honorary Legion of Honor upon a Mason who is not a Senior DeMolay, who has attained the age of thirty years as of the first day of the annual meeting of the year nominated, and who has performed unusual and meritorious service in behalf of the Order or who has evidenced a spirit of cooperation and appreciation for the Order. It shall not be given only for service on an Advisory Council.

(c) Posthumous Election. Notwithstanding any other provisions of this Article, DeMolay International may posthumously confer the Legion of Honor or Honorary Legion of Honor upon one who is otherwise qualified and who died during the twelve months immediately preceding the annual meeting at which the nomination is considered. The formalities of conferral may be waived or altered as necessary to effectuate the goal of recognizing his leadership, success in fraternal life or service to the Order.

- (d) [no change]
- (e) [no change]
- (f) [no change]
- (g) [no change]

Keeping Track DeMolay International: _____ Withdrawn _____ Amended _____ Defeated _____ Adopted

DeMolay International
2010 Legislative Call
Call Item #5

Topic: To permit multiple awards of the Cross of Honor

Proposers: Richard Sayre, Class 1 Member
Boyd Paterson, Class 1 Member

Rules and Regulations: Sec. 206.2

Action: add language as shown

206.3 Cross of Honor.

(a) Election. DeMolay International may confer the DeMolay Cross of Honor upon a present or past member of an Advisory Council or upon any personal representative of any Executive Officer who has served at least three years in either or both capacities and whose service has been conspicuously meritorious. Additional awards of the Cross of Honor may be made to the recipient for each subsequent three year period of service. Such awards shall be in the form of distinctive insignia to be added to the regalia.

(b) Nominations. Each Executive Officer may annually nominate persons qualified for this honor.

Keeping Track DeMolay International: _____ Withdrawn _____ Amended _____ Defeated _____ Adopted

DeMolay International
2010 Legislative Call
Call Item #6

Topic: To clarify “funds collected for DeMolay International”

Proposer: Thomas R. Labagh, Class 1 Member

Rules and Regulations: Sec. 322.1

Action: delete language as shown

Proposer’s Statement: This amendment clarifies “funds collected for DeMolay International” but it is essentially just a “housekeeping issue” since we have not charged fees for the mandatory issuance of Senior DeMolay Certificates in over 30 years. While the Senior DeMolay Certificates may still be available upon request, and for a fee, they are not mandatory, and therefore any Chapter expenditure for them should be approved by the Chapter.

322.1 DeMolay International Funds. Funds collected for DeMolay International, such as that portion of the initiation fee which belongs to DeMolay International, ~~and fees for Senior DeMolay Certificates,~~ must not be used for other purposes but must be retained in the Chapter treasury and paid to DeMolay International on dates required by Article 21.

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**DeMolay International
2010 Legislative Call
Call Item #7**

Topic: To amend the process of approving expenditures

Proposer: Thomas R. Labagh, Class 1 Member

Rules and Regulations: 317.14 (c)

Action: delete and add language as shown

Proposer's Statement: These amendments clarify the process of approving expenditures, removing the Master Councilor from signing checks to insure that only legal adults are performing that function in accordance with modern banking laws, but retaining our check and balance structure to preserve the integrity of the process. They further define more carefully the monies collected by a Chapter that "belong" to DeMolay International.

317.14 (c) Treasurer. The Treasurer shall:

(1) Keep an accurate account of all his receipts and disbursements, which must show showing separately the funds collected for and belonging to the Chapter and those initiation fees and other assessments collected for DeMolay International.

(2) Pay out disbursements only by checks signed by the Treasurer ~~or Master Councilor and countersigned by a member of the Advisory Council, or signed by the Treasurer and two members~~ one member of the Advisory Council after ~~authorization at a regular business meeting of the Chapter~~ approval by the Chapter and the Advisory Council. No authorization of the Chapter is required for payment of funds belonging to DeMolay International.

(3) At the last meeting of the DeMolay Year, render a report of his official acts during the year.

(4) At the expiration of his term of office, deliver all money and other property of the Chapter in his possession to his successor or to another person if the Advisory Council directs.

(5) Perform all duties appropriate to his office, and those assigned to him by the bylaws of DeMolay International, these rules and regulations, the Chapter bylaws, DeMolay International of the Executive Officer.

Keeping Track DeMolay International: _____ Withdrawn _____ Amended _____ Defeated _____ Adopted

DeMolay International
2010 Legislative Call
Call Item #8

Topic: To amend the procedure and qualifications for selection of the Chapter Treasurer

Proposer: Thomas R. Labagh, Class 1 Member

Rules and

Regulations: Secs. 317.2, 317.3 and 317.4

Action: delete and add language as shown

Proposer's

Statement: These amendments remove the selection of the Treasurer by election of the members. They further place the selection of the Treasurer into the hands of the Advisory Council to insure the appointment of a responsible adult who is either an active DeMolay of legal age, or an Advisor. The amendment also removes the provision that allows a Senior DeMolay who is not an Advisor to serve as Scribe.

317.2 Selection by Election.

(a) The Master Councilor, Senior Councilor and Junior Councilor are elected by written ballot for a term of three, four or six months, as set in the Chapter bylaws.

(b) ~~The Treasurer is elected at the last election of the DeMolay Year, and shall serve for the ensuing DeMolay Year.~~

~~**317.2 Scribe Serving as Treasurer.** The bylaws of a Chapter may provide for the election of the Scribe as Treasurer.~~

317.3 317.3 Selection by Appointment.

(a) ~~The Treasurer and Scribe is~~ are appointed by the Advisory Council and ~~serve~~ serve at ~~the its~~ their pleasure ~~of the Advisory Council, until his successor is~~ their successors are appointed and installed. The Advisory Council may appoint one advisor to serve as both Treasurer and Scribe.

(b) The remaining officers are appointed by the Master Councilor and occupy their stations at this pleasure.

~~**317.5 317.4 Qualifications, Generally.** Each officer must be an active member of the Chapter and, unless otherwise directed by the Executive Officer, hold an obligation card, except that a Senior DeMolay holding a Senior DeMolay certificate may be appointed as Scribe~~ the Treasurer must be a legal adult. Advisors may be appointed to serve as Scribe and Treasurer.

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DeMolay International:			
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**DeMolay International
Legislative Call
Call Item #9**

Topic: To require attendance at the Executive Officers' Conference

Proposer: Robert W. Cockerham, Class 1 Member

Rules and

Regulations: Secs. 204.2 and 204.6

Action: add language as shown

204.2 Qualification.

(a) An Executive Officer must live or work in his Jurisdiction or an adjacent jurisdiction.

(b) All Executive Officers must attend meetings of the Executive Officers' Conference unless excused for cause by the Conference. If excused, he shall designate another adult leader from his jurisdiction to attend.

204.6 Executive Officers' Conference.

(a) All Executive Officers, and all persons representing the Grand Master when exercising the powers of an Executive Officer in any Jurisdiction without one, are members of the Executive Officers' Conference.

(b) The Executive Officers' Conference shall meet at such times and places as may be directed by its presiding officer, and must meet at least every two years.

(c) The Executive Officers' Conference may adopt rules to provide for officers. All officers must be Executive Officers at the time of their selection.

(d) Unless his absence has been excused by the Conference, an Executive Officer who fails to attend meetings of the Executive Officers' Conference or to designate a substitute to attend may be removed by the Grand Master.

Keeping Track			
DeMolay International:			
_____ Withdrawn	_____ Amended	_____ Defeated	_____ Adopted

**DeMolay International
2010 Legislative Call
Call Item #10**

Topic: To amend the procedure for establishing fees payable to DeMolay International

Proposer: Robert W. Cockerham, Class 1 Member

Rules and

Regulations: Sec. 209.2 and 209.3

Action: delete and add language as shown

209.1 Sources. The revenues of DeMolay International shall be derived from fees, and charges provided for in these rules and regulations and from other sources as DeMolay International may approve.

209.2 Fees Payable.

(a) ~~The minimum fees are:~~

Initiatory Degree	_____	\$25.00
Knighthood Order	_____	\$10.00
Letters Temporary (including Youth Protection Kit)	_____	\$100.00
New, Duplicate or Corrected Charters	_____	\$50.00
Reinstatement of Chapter or Priory forfeited for five years or less	_____	\$20.00
New Executive Officer Staff Membership (if not serving on an Advisory Council or as a Class 1 or Class 3 member of DeMolay International)	_____	\$48.00
Annual renewal of Executive Officer Staff Membership (if not serving on an Advisory Council or as a Class 1 or Class 3 member of DeMolay International)	_____	\$20.00
New Advisor Membership (if not serving as a Class 1 or Class 3 member of DeMolay International)	_____	\$48.00
Annual Renewal of Advisor Membership (if not serving as a Class 1 or Class 3 member of DeMolay International)	_____	\$20.00

Annual Class 1 or Class 3 member of DeMolay International	125.00
Nomination for Class 1, 2, 3 or 4 member of DeMolay International	\$200.00
Alumni Association Life membership	\$100.00
Alumni Association Annual Membership	\$25.00

(b) The Board of Directors may increase the fees for Annual Executive Officer Staff Membership, Annual Advisor Membership, and the Annual Class 1 or Class 3 member of DeMolay International fee to include the cost to DeMolay International for completion of the DeMolay adult worker training program and annual certification by DeMolay adult workers.

(c) Regalia fee. The Grand Secretary shall annually establish the fee for regalia for the Active and Honorary Legion of Honor, Cross of Honor, and Degree of Chevalier. The regalia fee shall not include the cost of a ring. The fee must accompany all nominations. (2001) (2005)

(a) The Board of Directors shall establish all fees payable to DeMolay International. A schedule of the fees shall be posted on the DeMolay website and available to any member of the Order upon request.

(d) (b) There shall be an annual fee for ~~The annual~~ Class 1 and Class 3 members fee which is due on the first day of October each year and is delinquent on the first day of January immediately following. One who becomes a Class 1 or Class 3 member shall pay the pro rata share of the annual fee within 90 days of the date on which the membership status is attained and is thereafter delinquent.

(e) (c) There shall be a ~~The~~ New Advisor Membership fee which includes the remaining period of the calendar year in which the advisor is certified and approved to serve, and the first ~~Annual Renewal~~ annual renewal of the Advisor Membership fee.

209.3 Miscellaneous Fees. Fees and charges for items provided by DeMolay International shall be fixed by the Grand Secretary. A schedule of the fees shall be available to any member of the Order upon written request.

DeMolay International

Nominating Committee

The following recommendations were made for election to membership.

Elected Officers 2010 – 2011

Wesley D. Thornton – <i>Grand Master</i>	Joe A. William, PGM – <i>Grand Secretary</i>
J. Weldon Clampitte – <i>Grand Senior Councilor</i>	James C. McGee, PGM – <i>Grand Treasurer</i>
Gregory A. Chiles – <i>Grand Junior Councilor</i>	

Active/Class 1 Members Nominated as Regional Representatives

<i>Region 1</i> – Harry E. Needham, III (CT)	<i>Region 5</i> – Michael W. Stuhr (NE)
<i>Region 3</i> – Marc B. Bohn (GA)	<i>Region 7</i> – Gary Mueller (CO)

Nominated to the Board of Directors

<i>Executive Officers Conference Chair:</i> Gordon L. Kimball (ME)	<i>Class 6 Member:</i> Michael Benedetti (GA)	<i>Class 6 Member:</i> Ryan T. Grazier (NE)
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Active/Class 2 Memberships (6 nominations recommended for membership)

Anthony N. Auck (LA)	Walter Gigerich (AR)	Charles M. Levan (FL)
Kurt H. Faulkner (IN)	Kevin D. Grazier (NE)	Thomas A. Paul (AL)

Appointed by Grand Master

Stephen M. Berry (FL)	John D. Limb (UT)	Martin Woodworth (OH)
William Fischer (KS)	Mark Rauschenberger (IL)	
Tony Glidewell (NC)	Michael S. Rushin, Jr. (AR)	

Emeritus/Class Membership (By-laws mandated & Member requested)

Orrin G. Hakey (NH)	Karl F. Reed (AL)	Frank E. Silber (NC)
William Miller (WA)	Jeffrey Saunders (IN)	

(Committee Recommended)

None

Deputy/Class 3 Memberships*(14 Nominations recommended for election)*

Dennis G. Feldman (NY)
Vinson D. Goodpaster (IL)
Steven S. Heller (OR)
Christopher S. Johnson (SC)
Don R. Jones (SoCal)

Jeffrey C. Kitsmiller, Jr. (MO)
Robert J. Meguiar (FL)
Brian E. Messenger (SoCal)
Jeffrey A. Northrup (MA)
Donald Peterson, Jr. (SoCal)

Ralph L. Scott, Jr. (TN)
Charles V. Sederstrom, Jr.
(NE)
Michael D. Smith (SC)
Walter F. Wheeler (MI)

Honorary/Class 4 Memberships*(16 Nominations recommended for election)*

Larry L. Adamson (SoCal)
Guilherme Aguiar (BRA)
James L. Cain, Sr. (TN)
Dr. Robert C. Evans (AZ)
Carlos Farias (BRA)
Ronald H. Hartoebben (MO)

William L. Holiday (VA)
Gary W. Kuney (OR)
C. Wayne Libby, Jr. (NH)
George A. Mitchell (ONT)
Stephen M. Munsinger (CO)
Roger W. Pageau (MA)

Sandro Pedrosa (BRA)
Peter J. Samiec (NY)
Michael L. Sanders (WA)
John K. Takian (RI)

Committee Recommendations due to Membership Endangerment

None

**2010 Annual Meeting Letters of Excuse
Active/Class 1 Members***(Committee Accepted)*

James L. Acord (WA)
Frank Allen, Jr. (RI)
Scott A. Bishel (CT)
Edward Callaghan (NY)
David Compton (WA)
Gary Denklaue (IL)
Billy J. Fannin (OH)
Richard Fitzsimmons (PA)
Howard Graff (IL)
Bruce C. Golway (NJ)
Raymond Gottschall (PA)

Orin G. Hakey (NH)
Kurt J. Hamrock (DC)
Victor A. Key (SoCal)
Fred Larson (ND)
Robert E. Lijewski (WI)
Maurice Linkletter (ONT)
Rodney C. Lippert (OR)
Donald A. Muller (SoCal)
Thomas S. Nelson, Sr. (IN)
Jerry B. Oliver (MN)
James A. Pankas (MI)

Arthur L. Pendleton (VA)
Craig Phillips (NV)
Charles V. Rouse (NC)
H. Jeffery Shaw (OH)
Ralph Sturdevant (MO)
James G. Taylor (DE)
George E. Tilden (OH)
Leonard Vander Horn (NJ)
Samuel H. Whitehead (MT)

(Committee Not Accepted)

Gary L. Burke (NY)
Paul R. Chisholm (NY)

**Committee Recommendations due to Membership Endangerment
Active/Class 1 Members Non Attendance**

None

**2010 Annual Meeting Letters of Excuse
Deputy/Class 3 Members**

James W. Bard (GA)
Rodney E. Boyce (PA)
Gordon Candee (CT)
Thomas L. Denslow (CO)
Michael R. Fowler (IL)

Walter Gigerich (AR)
Luke A. Giannini (VA)
Matthew S. Golway (NJ)
Matthew D. Hunt (NC)
John A. Jackson (MI)

Paul E. Lacroix (SoCal)
Kenneth Martensen (NorCal)
John G. Saitta (CT)
Armando Stavole (ITA)
Jason B. Wood (NE)

**Committee Recommendations due to Membership Endangerment
Deputy/Class 3 Members Non Attendance**

None

Members Resigned from DeMolay International

Active/Class 1

None

Deputy/Class 3

Robert S. Walenta (NY)
Joseph C. Thompson (SC)

HONORS & AWARDS COMMITTEE

ACTIVE LEGION OF HONOR

Alaska

Charles William Squires

Southern California

Robert Mike Stevenson

Colorado

Keith David Chandler
Bernie Christof Lehman
Grover L. Sardeson

District of Columbia

Peter William Brusoe
Joshua Reyers Brusoe

Florida

Michael Kenneth Blankinship
Wayne Allen Hansen
John Jasper Hillyer, IV
Woodrow John Latvala, Jr.
Thomas Charles Newton
Roger Clemence Renn

Idaho

Chad R. Smith

Illinois

Robert Baker Fisher
John Wendell Haney
Jared William Kitterman
James Frederick Watts

Indiana

James Richard Ross

Kansas

Ray Edward Lester, Jr.

Louisiana

Thomas M. Bergstedt

Massachusetts

Marshall W. Bates, Jr.
Thomas Michael Connors
Matthew Christopher DeFronzo
Joseph Carl DeNicola
Ronald George Elz
Richard Patrick Lavoie
John Arthur Moore
Henry Bigelow Rand
Brian Carl Rushlow
Robert Francis Smith

Michigan

David Edward Bodine
Brian K. Himes

Minnesota

Kenneth R. Babcock
Odean F. Goss
John Hultquist
Bruce Allen Johnson
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1983-84	Terry D. Koubele	James W. Price, Jr.
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		Mike Young, Jr.**
1985-86	Steven J. Sichterman	Johnny D. Onkst
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2008-09	Richard W. Eells, II	Ryan J. Rudebock
2009-10	Benjamin B. Turconi	Jaymie B. Jordan

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2003	XXXVI	Jeff A. Chretien
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2006	XXXIX	Michael W. Stuhr
2007	XL	Thomas S. Nelson, Sr.
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2009	XLII	Bengamin W. Johnson, II
2010	XLIII	Bret A. Akers

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2009 – 2010
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Loving God and loving each other is really what life is all about. We are grateful for God's grace that He brought to us, through Dad Frank Sherman Land and others, the greatest youth organization in the world: The Order of DeMolay. Dad Land was known as the "Boy Preacher" sharing the Word of God and The Bible as a child with his friends and with adults. Those fundamental principles of faith, goodness, devotion, duty and honor have been manifested from the Word of God to the principles of The Order of DeMolay through our indelible Cardinal Virtues of: Love of Parents, Reverence for God, Courtesy, Comradeship, Fidelity, Cleanness and Patriotism.

We are always at the threshold of a new beginning and generation of innovative thoughts, ideas and challenges. Today is no exception. It is an honor, therefore, to share with you a little history of the past year and some humble opinions and recommendations for the future of our great Order.

What an incredible honor and pleasure it has been to serve as your Grand Master, especially during the 90th Anniversary of The Order of DeMolay.

My wife, Stacy, and our children, Erika, Alicia, Ryan, Brandon, Quentin, Sabrina and Abigail, have enjoyed an exciting and enthusiastic journey throughout the country and in foreign lands. So many smiling, fervent and dedicated DeMolays, Advisors, their families and friends have greeted us with open arms. Family is so important and it is the family of DeMolay and the love that has been poured out through so many individuals that has made this past year fly by in a blink of an eye, yet enriched our lives with memories that will endure for eternity.

There is no question that The Order of DeMolay provides the most vibrant and sustaining principles relevant, instilling a destiny for good in young men. To be able to work with and see the development and maturity in such a short period of time which then manifests itself into good for humanity is truly priceless.

All who have taken the obligations of our Order know full well the commitment necessary to sustain our families and society, even in times of turmoil, economic distress, and apparent delusion, incompetence, or outright deception by leaders throughout our world. In this respect, it is not only important, but also imperative that we embrace as many young men as we can, not only to remind them, but also to infuse into their daily lives and thinking the goodness of God and the principles of our Order, which guarantee, if practiced before the world, and in secret, a better tomorrow. Can we have fun while taking on these heavy obligations? Absolutely! But we must remember and demonstrate our obligations first and then extend them into our lives in everything we do.

We are blessed that our guiding Light is embraced in the principles of Freemasonry. This year has been a dynamic and exciting time by sharing DeMolay around the world and expressing heartfelt gratitude to our Freemasons who are true to their obligations and exude their noble and honest living through the principles of Freemasonry. Our motto this year has been "Building Freemasonry Through DeMolay." Believe me, it has been fun to share and hopefully instill in the hearts and minds of Freemasons everywhere that The Order of DeMolay is alive and well, yet earnestly yearns for more guidance, wisdom and support from Master Masons everywhere.

We certainly welcome all of our dedicated Brothers and Sisters from our Grand Lodges, our Sister youth organizations, and our various Concordant and Appendant bodies of our Masonic family who have gathered

here to share in our 91st Annual Session of the International Supreme Council of The Order of DeMolay and the 43rd Annual Session of the International DeMolay Congress. We unite with you to fulfill our obligations to God and to our fraternity and especially to the young manhood who make up The Order of DeMolay. We hope that you will take the opportunity to visit with the great young men who are here as leaders of our Order and to learn from them directly how they may assist you and our Masonic family while gaining wisdom and knowledge from you so that they may become the leaders of the future in our Masonic fraternity.

Honorary Grand Masters

It is a rare privilege to have the opportunity to honor Master Masons who have done so much for The Order of DeMolay, while at the same time serving our fraternity or our country in a pivotal leadership position. Our 90th Anniversary brought to our attention two individuals whom we are pleased to have invested as Honorary Grand Masters of DeMolay International.

Illustrious Brother and Imperial Sir Jack H. Jones was made an Honorary Grand Master at the 135th Imperial Council Session, A.A.O.N.M.S. in San Antonio, Texas on July 8, 2009. Dad Jones has served The Order of DeMolay and this Supreme Council for decades. Upon presentation of his Honorary Grand Master Collar, he was requested to sign the Shrine Petitions of both our International Master Councilor Benjamin B. Turconi and International Congress Secretary Jaymie B. Jordan. What a delight it was for Dad Jones on that occasion. Dad Jones also became the Imperial Potentate of the Shrine of North America at that Imperial Session.

Illustrious Brother Ronald A. Seale, Sovereign Grand Commander of the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite Southern Jurisdiction of The United States of America, has also served our DeMolay fraternity for more decades than he would like to concede. He is one of our foremost DeMolay International Hall of Fame Members and now Honorary Grand Master of The Order of DeMolay. He was presented with his Collar at the 2009 Biennial Session of the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite Southern Jurisdiction of The United States of America on October 5, 2009. Again, Brothers Turconi and Jordan were on hand to share in this celebration.

We are blessed to have these two great Brothers as Honorary Grand Masters. They follow in the footsteps of President Franklin D. Roosevelt, President Harry S. Truman, President Gerald R. Ford, and Prime Minister of Canada, John G. Diefenbaker. We are truly honored to have Brothers Jones and Seale as eminent leaders in our Masonic family.

The Scottish Rite and Shrine have been pillars of support and encouragement to The Order of DeMolay since its inception. They have opened the doors of their facilities to all DeMolays with hospitality and generosity. Moreover, they outwardly extol the virtues of our Order and provide financial assistance where needed. For all of this we are grateful. In recognition of their faithful and continuous service to DeMolay, I have named the Grand Master's Banquet in their honor.

DeMolay International

Think about rowing a boat across the ocean. Perhaps a few have made it on their own, however, what a lonely journey, with a limited purpose. Fortunately, DeMolay International through its elected officers and various members, sail together for more noble and glorious purposes. Accept my heartfelt thanks and

gratitude to each member of our Supreme Council who truly immerses himself into the work of our Order to help young men in their quest for a better tomorrow. Just to wear a collar is meaningless, and should be

embarrassing, if it is not coupled with service in a DeMolay Chapter or Jurisdiction in a meaningful and purposeful way. I salute the Past Grand Masters of DeMolay who served our Order faithfully and continued to work diligently for our youth today.

We have some of the most outstanding men in our International Supreme Council who work daily to insure the continued growth and prosperity of our Order. It has been a privilege to serve with your elected line, with whom I have been blessed to work for many years well before beginning the journey to Grand Master. Thank you my brothers: Wes Thornton, Grand Senior Councilor; Weldon Clampitte, Grand Junior Councilor; Jim McGee, Grand Treasurer; and Joe Williams, Grand Secretary, for your unfailing support, guidance and wisdom.

It is difficult not to express gratitude and appreciation to so many others who have helped along the way. The list would be endless. I would be remiss, however, if I did not convey my sincerest appreciation to a handful of our brothers who are always there with scholarly advice, fatherly wisdom and brotherly love, namely Ronald A. Seale and Tony R. Krall. And, thank you Frank Kell, for your enduring “pestering” years ago to enlist me as an Executive Officer, then onto the Board of Directors of the DeMolay Foundation, and thereafter, on the journey here. I truly love each one of you my brothers and words cannot express my humble admiration for you.

As to those who assumed Grand Offices as well as Chairmen and Vice Chairmen of committees, your dedication, work, and vision for the future are commendable.

A commitment by the advancing line was made a few years ago to bring more continuity to the committees by keeping the leaders of each intact to foster stability and completion of ongoing projects over a period of several years rather than shifting from year to year. This has brought some success, and I encourage the continuation of this for years to come. New members on the committees and fresh ideas are welcome always, however, there must be continuity of leadership for a reasonable period of time.

One of the biggest challenges facing our organization is the continuity of leadership on the DeMolay International Board of Directors. Although we are certainly grateful for those who are elected to serve on the Board of Directors, and it has certainly been fun and an honor to serve with you, it seems that there could be greater consistency if at least the Chairman of the Board were to continue in that position for more than just one year. You just get the engine going and all of a sudden the train may switch to a different track and perhaps begins heading in a different direction. That direction is purely discretionary from year to year.

I challenge this Supreme Council to consider and implement a DeMolay International Board of Directors with a continued Chairmanship for at least three years and no more than five years. This would relieve the Grand Master of serving as the Chairman of the Board and Grand Master at the same time – yet for such a limited time. Although it continues to be done, the effectiveness of such leadership pales in comparison to the stability of a Board that has the opportunity to build upon itself each year under the same leadership, vision and direction. With that said, it has been a pleasure serving on the Board of Directors, yet at this time, as every Grand Master must feel, there is so much more that can be given back in terms of understanding, leadership and direction. Hindsight truly is 20/20 and this is a situation where we should take that to heart.

Just a few short years ago we embarked upon a journey to put into place a strategic plan for DeMolay International, which was accomplished and accepted by the Supreme Council. In addition, each Executive Officer was directed to submit a strategic plan for their Jurisdiction. This is a fairly simple task in that it involves only completing a short pre-printed form. That form is also made a part of this report. Although many Executive Officers jumped to the task and in short order returned their completed strategic plan, there were a few dozen who for whatever reason did not immediately do so. Unfortunately, there were also those who did not embrace this task with deep conviction. Ultimately, all Executive Officers did submit a plan. To say the least, this was an eye-opening experience not only for your Grand Master, but for all who read the reports. These are all on file at DeMolay International and are available for anybody to read who cares to do so.

The strategic plans from each Jurisdiction revealed insight for the Board of Directors and more particularly for the Regional Representatives to be able to have in writing a road map to help them see where assistance would be needed in the various Jurisdictions. In essence, this was a reality check to confront where we stand in each one of our Jurisdictions so that we can better understand what programs are more relevant today and what ideas are working to foster a better tomorrow for our youth in DeMolay.

As a bonus, through this exercise, which I trust will be repeated and expanded annually, we learned that there were no written guidelines for our Regional Representatives. Although some have done a tremendous job over the years, those just joining the Board of Directors certainly have had questions as to their duties and responsibilities as a Regional Representative.

We are grateful to Gary Mueller, Executive Officer of Colorado, who embraced the various aspects of a Regional Representative and has put them in writing. Those are shared with you here. The hope is that this will be a guideline for the future which can be refined over time as need be.

What is a Regional Representative?

Regional Representatives help to ensure that the perspectives from different areas of the world are presented at the stated Board of Directors meetings of DeMolay International, and that the proceedings of the stated Board of Directors meetings are conveyed back to the members in the various regions. They are full members of the Board of Directors of DeMolay International; they have both voice and vote in all proceedings of the Board of Directors. Regional Representatives hold office for two years. Half of the Representatives are elected every two years on a rotation basis. They may serve no more than two consecutive terms, but may subsequently be re-elected.

What are the Duties of the Regional Representatives?

The Regional Representatives shall be responsible for promoting the work of DeMolay International in their Respective Regions; shall act as liaison between the Board of Directors and the Jurisdictions in their Region; shall serve on the Programming Committee for all conferences held in their Region; and, present reports to the Board of Directors on activities in their Region.

There are several other expectations of Regional Representatives:

1. Regional Representatives are expected to attend all Board of Directors meetings held during their office, as well as any Regional Conferences that may be held in their Region during their office.
2. Regional Representatives will provide a budget to the Jurisdictions in their Region detailing the expected expenses for that Region.
3. Regional Representatives are expected to garner information from the Jurisdictions within their prescribed Regions prior to each Board of Directors meetings. At that time they will submit to the Board of Directors a report on Regional activities and programming for the future. Five minutes will be allotted to each Regional Representative to present his report at the Board of Directors meetings.
4. Regional Representatives will serve to facilitate the efforts of the Region Cabinet Member up to and including the management and acquisition of funding in support of the Region Cabinet Member assigned to his Region.
5. In the event of a change in personnel at the Region Cabinet Member level, the Regional Representative will serve as a counsel to the International Master Councilor for his selection of the succeeding Region Cabinet Member.

On an applied level, it is not always evident how the duties of the Regional Representatives can be carried out. The following ideas may be helpful to you in this regard. They are meant only as suggestions, and we encourage your creative efforts in promoting the works of DeMolay International.

1. Regional websites can provide information about local activities, and of the national organization.
2. Regional conferences, workshops and other types of meetings can be arranged. Such meetings might be organized jointly with regional, national or specific interest organizations or associations that have similar aims. It should be noted that these kinds of events must be approved by the Grand Master of DeMolay before it takes place.

Executive Officers

There was a time when Executive Officers would serve for 10, 20 or even 30 years. Although there is a “time” for all good people to have an opportunity to lead, we are now faced with a situation where good leadership is hard to come by and when you find it, it does not seem to last very long. Again, we have some of the most outstanding and dedicated individuals who serve as Executive Officers throughout DeMolay International. It has been a genuine pleasure to be able to serve with them and to share the experiences, the new dynamic ideas and the wealth of knowledge which so many have.

A special tribute to each one of our Executive Officers who have committed themselves and taken on a yeoman’s pursuit and daily devotion to our youth. Leadership is an essential, vital key to our success. Each one of the individuals I have had the pleasure to appoint this year came highly recommended, not only from the retiring Executive Officer, but also from each one of the Worshipful Grand Masters in their Jurisdictions, as well as other credible individuals. The best of success is hoped for each one of them in all their endeavors on behalf of our great fraternity. The appointments this year are as follows:

Martin R. Woodworth	Ohio	Executive Officer	August 9, 2009
Stephen M. Berry	Florida	Executive Officer	September 12, 2009
Mark L. Rauschenberger	Illinois	Executive Officer	November 29, 2009

Appendix

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June 17 – 19, 2010, Dallas, Texas*

William R. "Buck" Fischer	Kansas	Executive Officer	April 5, 2010
John D. Limb	Utah	Executive Officer	June 1, 2010
Tony R. Glidewell	No. Carolina	Executive Officer	June 11, 2010
Michael S. Rushin, Jr.	Arkansas	Executive Officer	June 11, 2010

Honors

Pursuant to the provisions of our By-Laws, Rules and Regulations and the authority extended to the Grand Master, it is indeed a genuine pleasure to grant the following DeMolay honor this year:

Hoyt O. Samples Tennessee Legion of Honor

Foreign Jurisdictions

The interest in The Order of DeMolay in our Foreign Jurisdictions is at an all time high. The request for information as to how to develop DeMolay in foreign countries has been abundant and presents further challenges to accomplish these welcomed and necessary goals. We are delighted to advise that the International Supreme Council in Brazil is performing a tremendous job since they were issued a new Charter from DeMolay International and officially recognized by our Supreme Council about five years ago. Our visit to Brazil was an experience of remarkable proportion and a highlight of my DeMolay career. In addition to Stacy and our son, Ryan, and daughter, Alicia, we were accompanied by Past Grand Master Greg Kimberling. What an experience! We were greeted and treated as royalty by the Brazilian Brothers. We experienced an incredible DeMolay Chapter meeting, which was not only eloquent but also ritualistically impeccable. We had a colossal amount of fun and learned that in Brazil they simply turn the clocks off to accomplish their purposes for DeMolay and their ceremonies. I am not sure if we slept but a few moments, however, the experience will be engrained in our minds forever. There is much to be learned from the true respect and honor of one another exhibited among the brothers in Brazil.

Of particular importance is the fact that their membership fees are nearly ten times what we charge in The United States of America. In addition, they have dues each year not only to their Supreme Council, but also to their Jurisdictions and to their Chapters. A majority of that money in turn is used for their charities in which they are engrossed in helping - the public school system and the public health system – which we were advised need serious help. Keep in mind that their level of income is but a fraction of that in the U.S.A. We cannot thank our Brothers in Brazil enough for their genuine hospitality, vibrant smiles and dutiful obedience to the principles of The Order of DeMolay.

How would you like to have a National DeMolay Day??? Well, they now have it in Brazil. AWESOME!!! Just think about this - DeMolay would become a household name. The Order of DeMolay would be known throughout your country. Here is how it happened in Brazil.

The Supreme Council in Brazil managed, through a group of Senators and National Deputies, to establish the National DeMolay Day on March 18th of every year. You may find the link to the federal law that established the day at:

http://www.planalto.gov.br/ccivil_03/_Ato2007-2010/2010/Lei/L12208.htm

Here is the translated text:

Presidency of the Republic, Civil House, Deputy Head of Legal Affairs - Law No. 12,208, of 19

Establishing the Day of DeMolay.

THE PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC: I know that the Congress decrees and I sanction the following Law: Article 1 is hereby established the Day of DeMolay, to be celebrated annually on March 18.

Article 2 This Law shall enter into force on the date of its publication.

Brasília, January 19, 2010, 189 and 122 of the Independence of the Republic.

Luiz Inácio Lula da Silva
Presidente of Brazil.

Likewise, the Brothers in Italy and surrounding Jurisdictions displayed an outpouring of love, brotherhood and true honor to our Order. What a joy it was to share with Executive Officer, Luciano Critelli, Claudio Vernale, and many others who made the stay for my entire family (yes - all nine of us) a trip to be remembered forever.

We had the opportunity not only to share in the Annual Convention of Italy DeMolay but also the The Grand Orient of Italy. We also visited with the newest members from Romania DeMolay as well as Serbia DeMolay, two of the newest Jurisdictions in DeMolay International.

In fact, the request to build DeMolay throughout Europe is coming on strong and may even spread to England where it once appeared to be improbable for DeMolay to exist. A special thanks to Brother Luciano Critelli, in particular, and to Brother Howard Graff for their continued work and support in the European continent to build DeMolay.

Our International Relations Committee has been quite busy and will continue to be eventful as it is apparent that DeMolay is growing around the world and is looking to our Supreme Council for guidance, direction and support. We applaud our great Brother Curtis Lancaster who has been the Chairman of our International Relations Committee for many years and thank him for his guidance and incredible insight into our International relations around the world.

International DeMolay Congress

Two of the finest young men I have had the pleasure to associate with are Brother Benjamin B. Turconi and Brother Jaymie B. Jordan. What a tremendous year we have had traveling around, having fun, and sharing the greatness of DeMolay with so many others. Their commitment to The Order of DeMolay is second to none and their ability to engage others in the most appropriate manner to fulfill the purposes of our Order has been awesome.

They have taken the challenge to embrace new ideas and to revise to some degree the International Congress Session to make a more meaningful and fulfilling experience for the leaders who attend. They have incorporated into the program this year guest speakers who are inspired leaders and accomplished professionals throughout the country and the world. The Congress Officers also continue to foster the Relay for Life Program and to spread our good cheer and charity to the American Cancer Society.

These two outstanding young men also developed the “Amazing Race” which has been one of the more successful membership campaigns we have experienced in DeMolay International. This has instilled true competition among the Jurisdictions, the Chapters and the Individual DeMolays. Little by little we are seeing some progress, especially with regard to net growth over the past several years. In fact, in some of our Jurisdictions, there has been a greater net growth over the past several years than for decades before that. Somewhat ironically, the two Jurisdictions competing for the Championship in the “Amazing Race” are Northern California and Missouri. Good luck Ben! This report will be updated after the results are announced at the DeMolay International Session.

Appreciation is extended to Brother Bret Akers who has served diligently as the Congress Advisor this year. Needless to say there have been absolutely no “issues” whatsoever with our Congress Officers and, in fact, the compliments have been overwhelming from all corners of our travels.

Grand Master’s DeMolay International Leadership Conferences

We hosted four Grand Master’s DeMolay International Leadership Conferences this year. Each conference was unique in its own way and special guests were invited to make presentations. The response to these Conferences this year was overwhelming.

September 19, 2009	Kansas City, Missouri	Membership
November 21, 2009	Washington, D.C.	Communications
January 16, 2010	Nashville, Tennessee	Ritual
March 27, 2010	Reno, Nevada	Activities

What a thrill it was at the Nashville Leadership Conference to have as our guest: Tommy Emmanuel, known as the “Australian Guitar Wizard.” Without question, Tommy is one of the greatest guitar players in the world.

Two-time Grammy nominee Tommy Emmanuel is one of Australia's most respected musicians. The legendary guitarist has a professional career that spans almost five decades and continues to intersect with some of the finest musicians throughout the world. A household name in his native Australia, Tommy has garnered hundreds of thousands of loyal fans worldwide. Tommy's unique style - he calls it simply "finger style" - is akin to playing guitar the way a pianist plays piano, using all ten fingers. Rather than using a whole band for melody, rhythm, bass, and drum parts, Tommy plays all that - and more - on one guitar. Guitar legend Chet Atkins was one of the first to inspire Emmanuel to try this "fingerpicker" style as a child. Decades later, Atkins himself became one of Emmanuel's biggest fans.

In harmony with his incredible talent, Tommy motivated and inspired the DeMolays and others in attendance at the Conference with his humor, humility and humanity. As Grand Master, I had the privilege of making Tommy an Honorary Member of Mother Chapter, Order of DeMolay, and also presented him with the DeMolay International Service, Leadership and Integrity Award. Even in light of his extensive International touring schedule, Tommy modified his tour and accepted my invitation to be with us at our 2010 DeMolay International Session where he will entertain and inspire all who attend.

Each Conference included a delicious dinner, exciting entertainment and opportunities for fun and fellowship thereafter. Numerous Executive Officers, Jurisdictional Staff Members, Jurisdictional Officers, Advisors, DeMolays, Moms and Dads and visitors attended. We garnered the highest attendance at these Leadership Conferences since they began. We hope that they will continue to build and be even more dynamic and fulfilling in the years to come.

Leadership Training Conferences

One of the greatest programs we can offer young men is the DeMolay Leadership Training Conferences. At this time, there are several that are hosted by Jurisdictions around the country. Each is unique in its own way, however all embrace the “magic” of the Brotherhood of our Order. I challenge our Supreme Council to work toward the rejuvenation of the DeMolay International sponsored Leadership Training Conferences. Until then, I encourage all Executive Officers to promote LTC and to guide the DeMolays of their Jurisdiction to attend LTC where they are presented. It can be an experience of a lifetime. As has been offered for the past several years, Missouri DeMolay welcomes all DeMolays to attend LTC at the beautiful YMCA Trout Lodge in Potosi, Missouri, during the last week of July, and will provide scholarships to any DeMolay who has been recommended and approved by their Executive Officer.

DeMolayland

Brandon Robert Cockerham designed and worked diligently on a daily basis to provide one of the greatest websites for you and all of DeMolay. Every DeMolay, Advisor, Sweetheart, Parent and others associated with DeMolay were invited to share their experiences and great times in DeMolay with everyone in a most positive, enthusiastic and visual manner. At www.demolayland.org you will witness and have the opportunity to read and view articles, photographs and videos of up to date and current activities.

Every month one of Dad Land’s “DeMolay Councilors” were included as part of the articles. Volume 1, Number 1, January 1922, featured Louis Gordon Lower, the first DeMolay, and an array of articles and features, which showed the development of our Order in its early years. Thereafter, another monthly “DeMolay Councilor” was published on DeMolayland for you.

There are photographs from around the world as well as videos of activities over the past year. This site will remain active for some time and we hope that this will continue into the future. This has been an incredible labor of love. Brother Brandon gets the credit together with each one of you who supplied information and media for all our entertainment and enjoyment. His website has been viewed more than the DeMolay International website by individuals from around the world. Thanks to everyone who made this a huge success this year.

Building Freemasonry Through DeMolay Contest

One of the coolest projects this year was assisting my son, Brandon, as he created the incredible, beautiful and majestic “Building Freemasonry Through DeMolay” emblem. You have all received one of the pins at this Session and more than 10,000 of these pins have been given to individuals around the world. Brandon took this concept a step further to create the “Building Freemasonry Through DeMolay” Contest. The response was simply overwhelming. There were so many entries, that it literally took over 100 hours by three individuals to comb through all of the entries to find the winner. We are pleased to announce that Brother Gervin De Guzman (age 17) of Old West Chapter, Southern California, is the winner of the \$1,000 award. He was the person to list the most items accurately. The list and guide to almost all of the items in the emblem are included for your review. We decided not to reveal some of items, just in case we want to have some more fun with this in the future.

As an additional note, Missouri DeMolay held a “Building Freemasonry Through DeMolay” Treasure Hunt at its Annual State Conclave over the Memorial Day Weekend. The 56 items were each individually hidden throughout the hotel, the sports facilities and in other places around town for the DeMolays to find. Unbelievably, each one of the individual items was found. As they were found, they were illuminated on a

large video monitor in the lobby of the hotel. Great prizes including a laptop computer, a large HD TV, iPod Touch, and other great awards were given at the Missouri DeMolay State Conclave not only for this Treasure Hunt but also for membership awards as well. Both were tied together for purposes of inspiring the young men to learn more about Freemasonry while building Freemasonry by bringing their friends into our fraternity.

DeMolay International Grand Master's Excellence in Leadership Awards

Recognition for excellence in leadership is awarded to the Jurisdictions, Chapters and Individuals who prove to be leaders and most active in the various DeMolay programs that are sponsored or promoted by DeMolay International. These DeMolay programs are Membership, New Chapters and Reinstatements, DeMolay Week, PMC-MSA, Representative DeMolay Award, Blue Honor Key, Founder's Membership Award, Advisor's Honor Key, Leadership Correspondence Course, and DeMolay Alumni.

The accomplishments are based on a numeric point system as well as on a percentage basis to provide the smaller as well as the larger Jurisdictions and Chapters an equal opportunity for achievement. Jurisdictions are assessed based on current membership and divided into three divisions based on total membership of the Jurisdictions. The competition ran from June 21, 2009 through June 1, 2010. The handsome awards given have been obtained from R. S. Owens, which has been the producer of the world's most elegant awards for more than 70 years. R. S. Owens is the manufacturer of the prestigious Oscar© Award, which is internationally recognized as the symbol of movie-making excellence. These awards for Leadership Excellence by our Jurisdictions, Chapters and Individuals should be treasured.

DeMolay International T-Shirt Contest

Matthew David Blaisdell is the winner of the DeMolay International T-shirt Design Contest. Brother Matt received both the degrees of DeMolay on August 8, 2003. He is a member of Riverside Chapter, located in Columbia, PA. (About 10 miles south of Elizabethtown, on the banks of the Susquehanna River.) He is a several term Past Master Councilor, and has served in various Appointed State Offices. Currently, he is the State Junior Councilor, and is running for re-election as the Deputy State Master Councilor. He is a member of Riverside Lodge No. 503, F & AM, located in Wrightsville, PA. He will be attending Edinboro State University of Pennsylvania in the fall, majoring in Graphic Design. Matt is a Chevalier as of 2009, and was awarded the State Master Councilor's Service Award in 2009 for his dedication to the State Elected Line. Congratulations Matt for an amazing DeMolay International T-Shirt design!

Membership

On a most positive note, over the past seven years there has been a net growth of DeMolays of over 3,600 new members. Two Jurisdictions alone account for nearly one-third of that amount and the top ten jurisdictions account for over 90% of the total. Nevertheless, it is a positive number and the majority of the Jurisdictions over that period of time have shown a positive net growth.

Much can be said about membership, however, one thing is clear, we have not stayed up with the times in terms of our membership initiation fee. And, we have not reconsidered the effect of the life membership program since it came into effect over 50 years ago. I specifically charged the Membership Committee with looking into these particular aspects of membership and look forward to their final report at the Session.

We face the same dilemma in Freemasonry where our initiation fees and dues have not changed in some instances for over 100 years. Does this make any sense? Everything else has gone up in price over the years. What about Freemasonry and what about DeMolay? We have always been able to take care of those in need and this is not an issue about money, in particular. However, it is imperative that we take an honest look at our situation when it comes to membership and whether we are simply giving DeMolay away for nothing and therefore in return leaving an impression, at least to many, that DeMolay is not a worthwhile organization.

DeMolay is one of the only groups in our Masonic fraternity that does not charge dues. Scholarly studies show that non-paying dues organizations will ultimately fail or suffer at an incredible pace. This is whether they are a not-for-profit or a for profit entity. As a not-for-profit organization, this does not mean that we cannot have standards that are commensurate with the greatness of our fraternity. As a parent, a commitment is made for our children to engage in different activities. Even the Brownies of the Girl Scout organization require several hundred dollars of commitment a year. I can guarantee you that those meetings and activities are not missed, in part because of that commitment. There are many other examples, and I encourage each one of you to think long and hard about where we are with regard to our initiation fee, life membership structure, and the potential for a dues paying organization in the future. If we want to be the premier youth organization, we should probably put our money where our mouths are.

My sincerest congratulations to all of the Jurisdictions that are bringing in more members than they are losing each year to majority. We only have a brief time to capture the interest of a young man. This is a continuous cycle which requires diligent effort, genuine commitment and an ability to make necessary changes in our programs and activities in which we engage. We should not, however, ever lose sight of the most important part of DeMolay and that is the Seven Cardinal Virtues, especially our devotion and service to God. We must also pay more attention to our Ritual and make sure that each individual who joins The Order of DeMolay becomes thoroughly engaged with the ritualistic work of our Order. It is through our Ritual that we shine and that we set ourselves apart from other ordinary organizations, which a young man can join. The impression we make upon our new members is vital to our continued success in keeping them active and making sure that we are always worthy of the principles we profess.

The DeMolay Guitars

Ever since I was a young boy, I enjoyed guitars and even though I could not afford one I had the fortuity of being able to trade a trumpet for a guitar as a young teenager. One day I thought that maybe I could own a Gibson Les Paul or Fender Stratocaster and perhaps a cool acoustic guitar. Never did I imagine that I would subsequently be collecting various guitars. It became natural after joining DeMolay then to think “hey what about a DeMolay guitar?” Believe me that thought had been in my mind for many, many years. Only because of the good graces of several Brother Master Masons did the reality of the DeMolay Electric Guitar come into existence. This was a long, yet most enjoyable process.

It started with going to Dad Earl E. Walker, a man who has supported Freemasonry and DeMolay more than any other person I know. Dad Walker has a casting company and was able to form the DeMolay emblem for the body of the guitar as well as the Scottish Rite emblem for the head of the guitar. The casting actually comes from a pre-1940 DeMolay emblem, which I found on eBay. Dad Walker was able to take that old emblem and have it reformed and recasted to be used on the DeMolay guitar. In searching for a Scottish Rite emblem I turned to the House of the Temple. Dear Brother Dean Alban, Director of Membership Services, knew of a singular piece that existed at the House of the Temple, which was designed and cast into brass by the famed architect, John Russell Pope. Although this emblem is seen throughout the House of the

Temple, the six inch bronze casting apparently is a one of a kind which I was allowed to borrow for purposes of having it recast for the guitar. Then the fun part came. How do I get these pieces onto a guitar and make the guitar work? I turned to our good Brother Howie Damron, Grand Ambassador of Music for DeMolay International, and he said: “Send me the pieces, I think I know a man that can help.” Brother Howie in turn took the pieces to a Brother Master Mason, Brother Alden E. McDaniel, who is a master craftsman and artisan luthier of world famous guitars, including high-end custom Martin Guitars. It just so happens he is a close neighbor of Brother Howie Damron.

Brother McDaniel toiled zealously to create the DeMolay Grand Master Electric Guitar. You can see through the various photographs the stages of its development and the final product which we are delighted to share with you at this DeMolay Session.

This goes to show that if you have the vision and want something bad enough you can make it happen. This is true with everything and that is why we must take to heart our vision to expand Dad Land’s dream to make it even greater today and better for the future.

The DeMolay Acoustic Guitar is a completely different story, and one I will be glad to share with you on another occasion. You will notice however that the guitar encompasses not only the four DeMolay emblems throughout the years, Jacques DeMolay, and the DeMolay Coat of Arms, but also many of the Masonic emblems plus the House of the Temple, all of which are hand carved into the guitar. This was also a labor of love from an individual from Bali, India, who I worked with for nearly a year to create this magnificent guitar. Again, you have the opportunity to behold this guitar at this DeMolay International Session.

Building Freemasonry Through DeMolay The Music

Music expresses what cannot be spoken alone, touches the heart and eases the mind, and soothes the soul from Heaven above. It has been quite the experience to have the privilege to be the co-producer and co-writer of several Masonic songs with Brother Howie Damron on Howie’s music CDs: “*Building Freemasonry Through DeMolay*” and “*The Masonic Touch*.” Proceeds from these music CDs benefit the RiteCare Childhood Language Program of the Scottish Rite, Southern Jurisdiction, U.S.A. Thanks again to Brandon Cockerham for his design work on the “*Building Freemasonry Through DeMolay*” CD.

Grand Master’s Collar

Being humbled by the recognition and opportunity to serve as Grand Master comes with it the honor of wearing the Grand Master’s Collar. Although I am not a fan of jewelry or hats, I have certainly learned to respect these and wear with honor the emblem of the Office. This Collar has been around for some time and has been on many journeys in the past. It appeared to be time to get the “Old Boy” cleaned and repaired. This has been done and all new rings have been replaced, the entire Collar polished and the jewels replaced as needed. In addition, a new carrying case has been provided to keep the jewels in good condition for many years to come.

Processus contra Templarios

Timing is everything. Barbara Frale, a Vatican Secret Archives Historian, discovered the long lost Chinon Parchment in the Vatican Secret Archives, which proves that the Knights Templars were not heretics. After 700 years this discovery came to light and absolved the Templars of the false accusations against them. In

2007, the Official Work entitled, “*Processus contra Templarios*” was published and only a few hundred copies were issued. This is a magnificent collector’s item, which contains the trials of Jacques DeMolay and insightful materials about the Knights Templar.

The ancient parchments, and among them the Chinon paper which includes the papal acquittal upon the accusations against the Knights Templar, the private agenda with notes likely written by pope Clement V. The surviving acts of the pontiff inquiry, kept at the Vatican Secret Archive, show to what extent the pope himself aimed to save and preserve the existence of the Temple Order, assigning it a new role upon restoration of its habits and rules.

A thorough scientific investigation, which harbors the historic truth, and sheds light across seven centuries of inaccuracies and conjectures upon the fate of the “poor Christ Knight Order.”

I was most fortunate to obtain one of these Original Works, which as you will see in the photograph is quite incredible. Unfortunately, the actual trials were not transcribed into English, which made it impracticable to read. Fortunately, the Vatican decided to transcribe the Work into English, which is encompassed in the Official Work, “*Processus contra Templarios – Unabridged Translation.*” You can see part of these Works in the photograph accordingly. All I can say is “Wow!” To be able to read the testimony of Jacques DeMolay, Hugues de Pairaud, and other Knights Templars is magnificently astounding.

Senior DeMolay and Illustrious Brother Hoyt O. Samples, Sovereign Grand Inspector General in Tennessee, and his wife, Mitzi, donated the Work “*Processus contra Templarios*” to the House of the Temple, which houses one of the largest Masonic Libraries in the world. It is on display there for the world to see. Stacy and I were privileged to donate the Work “*Processus contra Templarios - Unabridged Translation*” to the House of the Temple to make the collection complete. When you are in Washington, D.C., I encourage you to visit the House of the Temple, which is a magnificent edifice, and to witness and enjoy these two great Works. You can there read the actual testimony of Jacques DeMolay, which unequivocally proves that he and the other Brothers of the Knights Templars were good, true and honorable Brothers.

Visitations

All I can say is: “What a ride!” Starting at the birthplace of The Order of DeMolay in Kansas City, Missouri and being surrounded by my three sons and family and friends upon becoming Grand Master of DeMolay International, each day has been an absolute treasure for me and my family to visit with and to share the greatness of DeMolay around our country and throughout Foreign Jurisdictions.

The following list highlights various events attended throughout the year. I have not included individual Chapter meetings, and the numerous other activities attended, including numerous regular Lodge meetings and special Board meetings of various Masonic organizations. Wherever I appeared, DeMolay was not only in my heart, but also was voiced in a most genuine and tender manner to all in attendance. This has been a virtual daily blessing for me and if not traveling, I have been on the telephone or on the computer working DeMolay for you and to the service of God. Thank you for allowing me to share some of those visuals here in this report. You may also see the thousands of photographs and videos which are displayed at www.demolayland.org as well as on the Missouri DeMolay website at www.modemolay.org. Several of the special events are listed on the following page.

Date	Place	Event
June 16-21, 2009	Kansas City, MO	DeMolay International Supreme Council Session
June 22, 2009	Overland, MO	Home Chapter #313 – Order of Eastern Star – Grand Master’s Reception and Masonic Youth Night

June 23, 2009	Shrewsbury, MO	Special Presentation and Conference with Illustrious Earl E. Walker, 33° Grand Cross and Grand Organist of the International Supreme Council of DeMolay – presentation made of Grand Master's Officer's Jewel and appreciation and recognition for Dad Walker's contributions to DeMolay as well as his casting of the two essential parts of the DeMolay electric guitar
June 26-July 3, 2009	Alaska	Sovereign Grand Commander's Cruise
July 5-9, 2009	San Antonio, TX	135 th Imperial Council Session
July 15-20, 2009	Salvador, Brazil	DeMolay National Congress of Brazil
July 25-30, 2009	Potosi, MO	Missouri DeMolay Leadership Training Conference
August 8, 2009	Park Hills, MO	Mineral Area Outdoor DeMolay Initiation
August 9, 2009	Creve Coeur, MO	DeMolay Leaders' Celebration
August 15, 2009	Kansas City, MO	DeMolay Board of Directors' Meeting
August 16-19, 2009	Roanoke, VA	Grand Encampment 64 th Triennial Conclave
August 22-23, 2009	Boston, MA	197 th Annual Meeting of the Supreme Council AASR NMJ
September 4-7, 2009	Riverside, CA	Southern California DeMolay Convention 81st Annual Conclave and Congress Session
September 18-19, 2009	Kansas City, MO	Grand Master's DeMolay International Leadership Conference
September 20-22, 2009	Columbia, MO	Grand Lodge of Missouri
October 1-6, 2009	Washington, D.C.	The Biennial Session of the AASR SJ
October 16-17, 2009	St. Louis, MO	Scottish Rite Reunion Valley of St. Louis-KCCH
October 23-24, 2009	Joplin, MO	Scottish Rite Reunion Valley of Joplin
November 6, 2009	St. Louis, MO	DeMolay Legion of Honor—Presided as Commander In the East
November 7, 2009	St. Joseph, MO	Scottish Rite 33° Conferral
November 14, 2009	St. Louis, MO	Walker Scottish Rite Clinic Auction
November 20-21, 2009	Washington, D.C.	Grand Master's DeMolay International Leadership Conference
November 27-29, 2009	Sacramento, CA	Northern California DeMolay Convention

December 5, 2009	St. Louis, MO	Missouri DeMolay State Installation
January 15-16, 2010	Nashville, TN	Grand Master's DeMolay International Leadership Conference
February 21-23, 2010	Arlington, VA	Conference of Grand Masters
March 6, 2010	Kansas City, MO	Missouri DeMolay State Officer's Reception
March 11-14, 2010	Hartford, CT	Executive Officers' Conference
March 25-April 9, 2010	Rimini, Italy	Grand Orient of Italy Annual Italy DeMolay Convention
April 15-16, 2010	New Orleans, LA	Rite Care Conference
April 16-17, 2010	New Orleans, LA	National Scottish Rite Leadership Conference
April 18, 2010	St. Louis, MO	Grand Master's Breakfast
April 29-May 1, 2010	Branson, MO	Scottish Rite Symposium
May 28-31, 2010	Jefferson City, MO	Missouri DeMolay State Conclave
June 15-20, 2010	Dallas, TX	DeMolay International Supreme Council Session

Powerful Books for Consideration

Although perhaps not part of a traditional Grand Master's Report, due to the extensive traveling and opportunity to read several books, I simply offer up the following books for your consideration. They have been a world of help, wisdom and knowledge to me. The first one, of course, is obvious and without fail it is read every single day and is the guide and Light in my life. I encourage it to be the same for you. The other books have been inspiring as well and I point out in particular, Barbara Frale's book, *The Templars - The Secret History Revealed*, as the only book about the Knights Templars which includes the entire accurate story. There are hundreds of books on the Knights Templars, but this is one, which focuses particularly on an honest history, together with the incredible revelation made as a result of her finding the Chinon Parchment. The other books, I can guarantee you, will enrich your lives in many ways. These are books read since becoming Grand Master.

The One Year Bible, New Living Translation, Tyndale
Holy Bible, Today's New International Version, TNIV, Zondervan
The Templars - The Secret History Revealed, Barbara Frale
5000 Year Leap, 30 Year Anniversary Edition, W. Cleon Skousen
The Reason For God: Belief In An Age Of Skeptism, Timothy Keller
The Lost Symbol, Dan Brown
Good To Great, Jim Collins
Wisdom Of Our Fathers, Tim Russert
Mere Christianity, C.S. Lewis
Why The Universe Is The Way It Is, Hugh Ross
Epicenter, Joel C. Rosenberg

Heaven, Randy Alcorn

Service And Leadership Center

Where would we be without them? The individuals that work at our headquarters are to be complimented for the positive things they do. We have an Executive Director, Brother Jeffrey C. Kitsmiller, Sr., who goes beyond the call of duty on a daily basis. While we all may have our jobs, we do work after hours for DeMolay. There is no exception when it comes to Brother Kitsmiller. His tireless work for The Order of DeMolay is almost incomprehensible.

At one point in time, Dad Land had over 55 individuals working at the DeMolay International Headquarters. It would be great to return to that level of professionals and staff. We need to look seriously at the needs and resources required to build up the staff to assist in DeMolay International. I specifically requested a comprehensive analysis of the computer systems at DeMolay International Headquarters. Through the generosity of Brothers Dean Alban and Tom Thomason, who traveled to DeMolay International and made an assessment of the situation, we were provided with a detailed analysis of the computer systems and what would be required to update them. This has been provided to the Board of Directors for further consideration. This is not something to be tackled overnight, however, I certainly encourage the Board of Directors to continue in this direction to make sure that we have the proper equipment in place to take care of these needs for the future.

Family

Our families are so important to us. I could not be blessed with a better family myself. I have the most wonderful, beautiful and loving wife and children a husband and father could ever have. I am also surrounded by an extended family who cares so deeply about us and what we do for others. That family extends further into DeMolay and Freemasonry. There is no question that God is our guide and blesses our actions as we do our best to serve Him. I am also blessed to have many wonderful individuals at my place of work who have supported me and allowed me to dedicate much time and effort to The Order of DeMolay. I have the greatest secretary in the world for without her I would not know what direction I am going most of the time. She is Mrs. Sally Hughes, whom I truly appreciate and rely upon at work and in scheduling my travels. One could not have a better assistant in every respect. Thank you, Sally!

Missouri DeMolay is and has been a most special place for me, where I grew up as a DeMolay, and worked with my home Chapter and on the state level for several decades. There are so many wonderful people that I could not begin to name them, but they know who they are. I thank all of you for all that you have done for me, my family and for DeMolay. We will continue together to build The Order of DeMolay and Freemasonry and make this world a better place for many, many, many . . . years to come.

Finale

Words do not exist to express the greatness of The Order of DeMolay and what a profound effect it has had on my life and the lives of so many others. I can only wish for the greatest success in the future and hope that I can continue to be a part of our ongoing mission to serve God through our great principles.

It has been an absolute joy to be with my family and friends through this incredible journey. I know my parents are looking down from Heaven and guiding my course with God. Dad: thanks for being our Fourth Preceptor from above. Mom: thanks for always watching over me. I thank my sons, Ryan, Brandon and

Quentin, for serving with me on our Supreme Council Officer line-up this year, and I especially thank my daughters, Erika, Alicia, Sabrina and Abigail, for always being with me to share in life's wonders and to continue to shower me with their love and affection in every way.

Thank you Stacy for being one with me in every way every day – A.F.E.M.

Thank you Lord for being my guide and my shepherd and my Light forever.

God bless each and every one of you in all of your endeavors,



Robert William Cockerham
Grand Master
DeMolay International
2009 – 2010

The Officers of DeMolay International 2009 – 2010

Elected Officers

Grand Master	Robert W. Cockerham	Missouri
Grand Senior Councilor	Wesley D. Thornton	New Mexico
Grand Junior Councilor	J. Weldon Clampitte	Texas
Grand Treasurer	James C. McGee, PGM	Alabama
Grand Secretary	Joe A. Williams, PGM	Oklahoma
International Master Councilor	Benjamin B. Turconi	Northern California
International Congress Secretary	Jaymie B. Jordan	Oklahoma

Appointed Officers

Grand Senior Deacon	Howard G. Malin	West Virginia
Grand Junior Deacon	John W. Whitaker	Tennessee
Grand Senior Steward	J. Eldon Masters	Kansas
Grand Junior Steward	Russell B. Glendinning	Florida
Grand Chaplain	Ryan M. Cockerham	Missouri
Grand Almoner	Johhny D. Onkst	Oklahoma
Grand Marshal	David A. Glattly	New Jersey
Grand Standard Bearer	Bret A. Akers	Missouri
Grand Orator	Roger D. Salyer	Missouri
Grand 1st Preceptor	Thomas R. Labagh	Pennsylvania
Grand 2nd Preceptor	George O. Braatz	Ohio
Grand 3rd Preceptor	Larry C. Burruss	Virginia
Grand 4th Preceptor	James H. Cockerham (posthumously)	Missouri
Grand 5th Preceptor	Steven D. Lancaster	Utah
Grand 6th Preceptor	Bruce A. Baily	Texas
Grand 7th Preceptor	William H. Koon	Ohio
Grand Ambassador of Music	Harold F. "Howie" Damron	Ohio

Appendix

*90th Supreme Council Annual Meeting
June 17 – 19, 2010, Dallas, Texas*

Grand Organist	Earl E. Walker	Missouri
Grand Sword Bearer	Quentin J. Cockerham	Missouri
Grand Sentinel	Brandon R. Cockerham	Missouri

Appointed Honorary Officers

Honorary Grand Squire	Ronald A. Seale	
Honorary Grand Squire	William G. Sizemore	
Honorary Grand Squire	Karl F. Reed, II	Alabama
Honorary Grand Squire	Dwane F. Treat	Arkansas
Honorary Grand Squire	Robert F. Hannon, PGM	Arizona
Honorary Grand Squire	Stephen M. Munsinger	Colorado
Honorary Grand Squire	Leonard Proden	District of Columbia
Honorary Grand Squire	Robert L. Goldsmith	Florida
Honorary Grand Squire	Leonard E. Buffington	Georgia
Honorary Grand Squire	Gary L. Sissel	Iowa
Honorary Grand Squire	Joseph E. Alexander	Idaho
Honorary Grand Squire	A. James Wriston, Jr.	Hawaii
Honorary Grand Squire	Hugh W. Gill, III	Kansas
Honorary Grand Squire	John E. Moyers	Kentucky
Honorary Grand Squire	William J. Mollere, PGM	Louisiana
Honorary Grand Squire	Hans R. Wilhelmsen	Maryland
Honorary Grand Squire	Jerry B. Oliver	Minnesota
Honorary Grand Squire	Howard E. Kerce	Mississippi
Honorary Grand Squire	David L. Nielsen	Montana
Honorary Grand Squire	William B. Brunk	North Carolina
Honorary Grand Squire	Charles I. Ottem	North Dakota
Honorary Grand Squire	Charles V. Sederstrom, Jr.	Nebraska
Honorary Grand Squire	Thomas E. Payne, III	New Mexico
Honorary Grand Squire	David J. Morgan, PGM	Nevada
Honorary Grand Squire	Joseph C. Jennings, Jr.	Oklahoma
Honorary Grand Squire	Gary W. Kuney	Oregon
Honorary Grand Squire	Michael D. Smith	South Carolina
Honorary Grand Squire	Charles N. Kaufman	South Dakota
Honorary Grand Squire	Hoyt O. Samples	Tennessee
Honorary Grand Squire	M. Douglas Adkins	Texas
Honorary Grand Squire	Curtis N. Lancaster	Utah
Honorary Grand Squire	James D. Cole	Virginia
Honorary Grand Squire	William R. Miller	Washington
Honorary Grand Squire	C.B. Hall	West Virginia
Honorary Grand Squire	Robert W. Schrader	Wyoming

DeMolay Strategic Plan – Report Form

Jurisdiction:

Executive Officer/Personal Rep.:

Date:

of Chapters:

of Operating Chapters:

Membership Growth & Retention:

What are you doing to ascertain membership growth and member retention within your Jurisdiction?

Please describe your long term membership goal.

Leadership & Education:

What training courses have you implemented within your Jurisdiction to educate potential Members, Members, Advisors, and Parents?

Communications:

Describe your method of communicating with all in your Jurisdiction?

How can you improve this method of communication?

Governance:

How have you secured the fact that governance of all Chapters is uniform and the bylaws, rules and regulations are being followed?

Financial Management & Development:

Are the finances of the Jurisdiction in good condition?

Are Chapter finances in order?

Family Involvement & Participation:

Are all Jurisdictional events geared toward family involvement?

If so, please provide some examples of successful events.

Fraternal & Community Relations:

What is the state of the Fraternal and community relations within your Jurisdiction?

How can these relations be improved?

Charities & Community Service:

How many Chapters participated in the American Cancer Society Relay For Life?

How are the Jurisdiction and your individual Chapters involved in Charities and Community Service?

Please explain how you are working to enhance the image of DeMolay as a Premier Fraternal Organization.

Robert William Cockerham
Grand Master
DeMolay International
2009 – 2010

God certainly set the path for Brother Bob to become a member of the Masonic Fraternity, his father Ill. Bro. James H. Cockerham, 33° having been one of the most active and beloved members of the Craft for

nearly 60 years, with his loving wife Virginia at his side and generously serving Freemasonry the entire time. Bob's grandfather, great grandfather, and other members of the family have also been active members of their Lodges and other branches of the fraternity.

Bob and his loving wife Stacy are the blessed and proud parents of seven beautiful children: Erika, 25, Alicia, 23, Ryan, 21, Brandon, 18, Quentin, 15, Sabrina 13, and Abigail, 10. They live in Creve Coeur, Missouri, where, as it may be readily observed and understood, there are always in progress many and varied activities reflecting numerous interests and aspirations, and where a spirit of love and happiness for one another, fostered and exemplified by devoted and adoring parents, will always be seen. To this love is added, by regular devotion to and a genuine instilling of, a love of God and their faith and trust in Him.

Stacy is a Leader for Bible Study Fellowship International. Bob, Stacy and their children also regularly attend Bible Study Fellowship classes. The Cockerham Family has been most active at the Windsor Crossing Community Church, where they continue to grow in their faith and relationship with God. Their family enjoys wakeskating, wakeboarding, water and snow skiing, on and off road motorcycle riding and numerous other sports and wholesome activities.

Their three sons are all Active DeMolays. Ryan, also a Scottish Rite Mason and Shriner, is a Past State Master Councilor of Missouri DeMolay and Past DeMolay International Congress Cabinet Member. He is also the State Illustrious Knight Commander of Missouri DeMolay, and the Grand Chaplain for DeMolay International. Brandon serves as the State Scribe for Missouri DeMolay, and is the Grand Sentinel for DeMolay International. Quentin is the Grand Sword Bearer for DeMolay International. Erika, a Magna Cum Laude graduate of Millikin University, is pursuing a career on Broadway; Alicia earned her degree in Communications at Maryville University, Cum Laude; and Sabrina and Abigail are talented gymnasts and dancers.

At a very early age, Bob began attending countless Masonic activities with his mother and father and remembers most vividly the Shrine Circuses at the old Sportsman's Park, as well as the various Installations at York Rite and Scottish Rite bodies, where his father normally presided. Growing up in Normandy, he first attended the St. Louis Public Schools; he was then granted the opportunity and attended St. Louis Country Day School, where he graduated with Honors. He received a B.F.A. Degree from Webster College, a M.A. Degree from the University of Missouri, and J.D. Degree from Saint Louis University, School of Law.

At the age of 15, Bob's father gently, but firmly "encouraged" him to join The Order of DeMolay. He did not want to join, but was presented with a Petition for Membership to the George L. Walters Chapter. Bob's brothers, Jim and Dave, who were already members of the DeMolay Chapter, signed his Petition. The rest is history.

On June 2, 1973, Bob and 109 other young men joined the Order of DeMolay in the beautiful auditorium of the Scottish Rite Cathedral in St. Louis, during the Scottish Rite Reunion, between the Council of Kadosh Degrees and the Consistory Degrees. That was the period in history when the Scottish Rite in Missouri broke all records for membership, activities, and support of DeMolay. From there, Bob fell in love with The Order of DeMolay, and in particular, the Ritual.

Bob went on to learn all of the DeMolay Ritual and became the State Champion in the Flower Talk and numerous other competitions. He served as Master Councilor in 1975, received the honor of Chevalier in 1976, presided as State Master Councilor of Missouri DeMolay in 1978, and was honored with the Cross of Honor in 1985 and the Legion of Honor in 1986.

During his active years as a DeMolay he earned the Founder's Membership Award, multiple Blue Honor Keys, the Leadership Correspondence Course, the Representative DeMolay Award, the Past Master Councilor's Meritorious Service Award, Hats off Award, and the Scribe's Certificate of Efficiency. He was also honored to be the recipient of the Distinguished Service Award (DeMolay of the Year).

As an Active DeMolay and Master Mason, he also served on the Advisory Council of George L. Walters Chapter, where he has now served for 33 years, currently as Chairman. He is also the Chairman of the James H. Cockerham Priory, Order of Knighthood. He also was honored with the Guild of the Leathern Apron (Advisor of the Year) several years ago.

Bob is a Charter and Life member of the DeMolay International Alumni Association. In addition to his service as an active DeMolay advisor, Bob has served Missouri DeMolay as State Ritual Director, State Athletics Director, Deputy Executive Officer, and has been the Executive Officer of Missouri DeMolay since 2003. Bob was inducted into the Missouri DeMolay Hall of Fame in 2006. Under his leadership Missouri DeMolay has nearly tripled in active members, and has been the net growth leader in membership internationally for the past six years. In 2009, Missouri DeMolay became the top Jurisdiction in the world in overall membership, and is the only Jurisdiction with more than 1,000 active DeMolay members. Over the past few years, Missouri DeMolay has raised over \$250,000 for Masonic Charities.

In addition to serving as Executive Officer for Missouri DeMolay, he has been a member of the International Supreme Council of the Order of DeMolay for over 20 years. Since serving as an International DeMolay Congress Delegate in both 1977 and 1978, Bob has served on numerous DeMolay International Committees, including, Fraternal Relations, International Relations, Ritual and Regalia, Alumni, Education, and Insurance. He is an Honorary Member of Mother Chapter, and a Frank S. Land Fellow I and Fellow II. He has been honored with six separate Grand Master's Eagles, and has served on over 30 DeMolay Leadership Conferences, many as the Director. He also served on the DeMolay International Foundation Board of Trustees in 2005 and 2006. He serves on the Masonic Youth Committees of both the Scottish Rite Supreme Council for the Southern Jurisdiction of America, U.S.A., and The Imperial Shrine of North America. He served as Grand Junior Councilor and Grand Senior Councilor, and now serves as Grand Master of DeMolay International during its 90th Anniversary.

In 1976, Bob joined Beacon Lodge No. 3 and subsequently joined Clayton Lodge No. 601 (now Overland-Occidental Lodge No. 623) where he is a Life Member. He served as Worshipful Master in 1987-1988 and in 1995-1996, and was awarded the Missouri Grand Lodge Achievement Award for each of his terms as Worshipful Master. He is also a Life Member of Rose Hill-Polar Star Lodge No. 79, and has served on the Jurisprudence, and Appeals & Grievances Committees of the Grand Lodge of Missouri. He was appointed and served as District Deputy Grand Master of the Missouri Grand Lodge in 1991.

He is a member of St. Louis-Missouri Chapter No. 1, Royal Arch Masons; Hiram Council No. 1, Cryptic Masons; and Ivanhoe Commandery No. 8, Knights Templar. He also belongs to the St. Louis Conclave, Red Cross of Constantine, Bruce Harmon Hunt York Rite College No. 162, Royal Order of Scotland, High Twelve, Missouri Lodge of Research, Tall Cedars of Lebanon, Order of Rosicrucian, Alhambra Grotto, and other Masonic organizations. As a member of Moolah Shrine he founded the DeMolay Committee, where he served for seven years as Chairman. He is also the honored recipient of the General Grand Council Cryptic Masons Adult Leadership Medal.

With his many Masonic activities, Bob found time to be active in the Scottish Rite. He became a 32° Master of the Royal Secret in 1977 in the Valley of St. Louis and served as Master of Kadosh in 1987. He received the rank and decoration of a Knight Commander of the Court of Honor in 1989 and the 33°, Inspector

General Honorary, in 2005. Bob was elected an Active Member of The Supreme Council, 33° of the Scottish Rite, Southern Jurisdiction, U.S.A. and Sovereign Grand Inspector General for the Orient of Missouri on August 26, 2007, in Washington, D.C. In addition to the Masonic Youth Committee, he also serves on the Strategic Planning Committee for the Supreme Council.

Bob is only the third Grand Master of DeMolay International to hail from Missouri. The other two: Alexander G. Cochran (the first Grand Master - 1919) and Walter C. Ploeser (1952) also served as Sovereign Grand Inspector Generals for the Orient of Missouri.

Brother Bob is the Co-Producer, and the Co-Writer of several Masonic songs with Brother Howie Damron on Howie's music CDs: "*Building Freemasonry Through DeMolay*" and "*The Masonic Touch*." Proceeds from these music CDs benefit the RiteCare Childhood Language Program of the Scottish Rite, Southern Jurisdiction, U.S.A.

After working as a Staff Attorney for the Missouri Court of Appeals, he engaged in the private practice of law and soon distinguished himself in civil trial litigation and appellate advocacy. He is a Senior Principal and Shareholder of Brown and James, P.C., has tried more than 140 civil trials and is listed in the *Top 20 Defense Verdicts in Missouri*. He also has over 80 appeals to his credit. He has authored and co-authored numerous articles and publications, together with a Treatise on Insurance Law.

Bob frequently lectures on various legal topics throughout the country and is a contributing author and lecturer for the Property Loss Research Bureau Claims Conference, the National Association of Subrogation Professionals, the National Society of Professional Insurance Investigators, and the International Association of Arson Investigators. He has also been designated as a *Super Lawyer* in Missouri and Kansas for the past several years.

He is the recipient of the National Society of Professional Insurance Investigators' President's Award in 2000 and Outstanding Achievement Award in 2002. He chartered the Missouri Chapter and served as Vice-Chairman and Chairman of several National Conventions. In addition to his State Court law licenses, Bob is also licensed to practice before the United States Supreme Court, as well as several United States Courts of Appeal and District Courts.

The Cockerham family enjoys traveling together and just having fun and a great time with their family and friends. Bob is an avid photographer, guitar and sword collector, and amateur magician. Through the teachings in DeMolay: Love of Parents, Reverence to God, Courtesy, Comradeship, Fidelity, Cleanliness, and Patriotism, Bob and his family look forward to and cherish their continuous service to God through DeMolay and Freemasonry.