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December 2007 Update



The Past few Months

- Flag Football and Lincoln Halloween Dance
Enough members attended to have two teams, following pizza and set up of the main lodge, Job's and DeMolay's all in costume enjoyed the atmosphere of the night. The entire family of our SST Cody Beck went all out in costume for the evening.
- Honors Day
PSMC Joe Krall and Dad John Torrance of Hiawatha to name a few of the recipients of Honors. The Ceremony of Lights completed the ceremonies performed by SJC Albert Butler. 50 Members and their guests attended the dinner following.
- Crusader Chapter (St. Paul) operating under Letters Temporary initiated 4 new members with assistance of the State Officers and Hiawatha members. Their first meeting was on December 7th with future activities to be planned.
- Rochester Chapter installed James Early as MC on November 17th followed by a Video game prospect event.
- Hiawatha and Lincoln Chapters conducted a joint bowling activity the night before Thanksgiving.
- All Chartered chapters have conducted annual meetings with the EO and are in the process of completing Advisor registering for the new year
- Duluth Chapter completed DAD Training for new Advisors to revitalize that Chapter with new members to be initiated at the Grand Masters Class in March to be conducted in Duluth. In the mean time they are having activities for their prospects.
- PGM of DeMolay International and past EO of MN DeMolay Tony Krall was installed Master of Minnehaha Lodge on December 2nd with him setting aside a reserved VIP section for youth group members

WHAT'S NEXT

The State Officers and Staff Wish all of you a happy Holiday Season and have been planning events for the new year

- December 29 Lincoln Chapter Installation and Mistle-Toe Mingle at Tussler Summit. Installation at 6:00pm and dance to follow at 7:00pm
- January 12 Winter Carnival at the Camp on Lake Minnetonka. Sledding, Ice Hockey, Snow Angels, Food, Hot beverages 11:am –4pm, \$ 5



- Hiawatha Installation and Sweetheart Coronation Saturday January 26th
- T Winterfest Giants Ridge Biwabik February 8-10. Registration begins 8:00pm with all the fun activities that accompany WinterFest Cost is \$ 55 ski rentals and lift tickets additional. Space is limited and preregistration is required the forms to be distributed to Chapters shortly.
- February 16 Job's Daughters Sno-Ball at Zuhrah Shrine Center in Minneapolis.
- March 1st. MN Jurisdiction Speech Tournament Grand Masters Class and Lock-In in Duluth at the Scottish Rite Temple. Speech Tournament under the Direction of Brett Glenn to begin at 11am Degrees at 1pm with Dinner and fun event at the lock in overnight
- T JAM April 4-5-6 Site and Cost to be determined
- May 17th Sweetheart Formal once again returning to the boat but this time in St. Paul along the Mississippi
- May 18 Masonic Youth Day at Valley Fair
- May 31. Paint Ball and DeMolay Congress
- T July 31-August 3 Conclave in St. Peter

More activities are in the planning stages along with individual Chapter events

With the cost of admission at our premier activities **T-Shirts** will be designed to reflect the theme of the activity. **DeMolay Hoodies** are being designed and orders will be taken at Winter Carnival with hopeful delivery at WinterFest cost in the \$30-35 range.

The **mndemolay.org** website should be your most current source of information for activities and events. KP has worked hard to update pages and information, if you haven't been on line in a while check it out and encourage your chapter members to do the same. The Future mailing list has also been updated and should be delivered monthly by the State Officers check with your chapter members to see if they have been receiving it in their email

08 for '08 Make it Great

8 for 8, make it Great, is the membership program for 2008, every chapter is to initiate atleast 8 new members in '08, that will double our membership growth for MN DeMolay

Look for the DeMolay First Liner program for individual members to be announced soon

To accomplish our goal we will be continuing our membership incentive program of gift cards, please remind your members that a Target, BestBuy or Wal-Mart Gift card can be earned in amounts up to \$25. .

Wear a T-shirt to School Days. Please have your members wear a DeMolay T Shirt to school on the days of your Chapter meetings. This will remind your members that they have a meeting that night and to have other students become aware of DeMolay.



Obligatory Days

Plan for Patriots Day in February. On a day convenient to the Chapter during February , each Chapter should arrange a special Patriot's Day meeting the national great patriotic events and the great patriots who participated in them. Suggestions include:

1. Having a local historian or someone from the public library speak on the topic at the Patriot's Day meeting
2. Having Chapter members present short talks on famous patriots who were Masons at a sponsoring body event
3. Sending "care packages" to Chapter members serving as today's patriots in the armed services.
4. Having the seventh preceptor get a film or video documentary on patriotism to show at the meeting

Scholarships \$\$\$\$

Kach Essay Deadline February 1st. Topic "Comradeship the ULTIMATE precept". Two categories 11th grade and above and 10th grade and below. 1000-15000 words typed and double spaced. \$300- 1500 available monies.

Minnesota Grand Lodge Scholarship to graduating seniors \$1000- 1500, question will be announced at the first of the year. Deadline March 1st

Frank S. Land Scholarship. \$ 1000 deadline April 1

General Chapter Royal Arch Masons Scholarship \$1000 Deadline April 1

Grottoes of North America \$ 1000 in the field of Dentistry or Social Service

New Minnesota Masonic Charities, Signature Scholarships, 5 Scholarships each for \$ 5000 renewable for up to a total of \$ 20,000, available to high school graduates and upper graduate students—with or without fraternal affiliation. Application deadline February 15, 2008