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Brothers of Ohio DeMolay- I hope you Are all having a great first quarter of the school year. I want to extend my congratulations to all who received the Legion of Honor in Medina last month.

Just a reminder **paintball is October 12th at Battlegrounds in Canal Winchester.** You can register from the link on facebook and on our website. The cost is \$22.03 and you must register by October 6th. **You have to have your waiver to play. NO WAIVER AND YOU WILL NOT PLAY.**

Also, **Winterfest** is coming up soon and registration will open soon. The cost will be around \$175.

As we move closer to the end of 2019 also keep in mind the membership incentive. If you receive a Founder's Award or a blue honor key, you will qualify to go to an event with the state officers for free in March. I also hope that we can reach positive membership growth for the second straight year. We are only 35 members away and reaching that milestone. It would only help Ohio DeMolay's momentum as one of the leading jurisdictions in DeMolay International. I hope to see you all around, and I hope you all have a great school year.

~Ryan Cope, State Master Councilor

My Brothers,

I hope that you are all enjoying The Ohio DeMolay Star as much as I enjoy being a part of making it. This month I want to talk about the importance of communication in our order. Good communication can help at every level of our organization. For example, an event that is fully planned would be pointless without the proper communication to get all the members of your chapter there. This is something that I was very passionate about during my first term as Master Councilor of my chapter. Before every event I would make a phone call to every member of the chapter to get as many of my brothers there as possible. Good communication can also be applied at the member level. The better communication you have with your friends about DeMolay and the fun events we hold, the more likely that they will want to join our amazing brotherhood. No matter what kind of event or fundraiser your chapter or district is having, more brothers, friends, and customers will make the event or fundraiser so much more successful and fun. If you are interested in getting your chapter's events or fundraiser heard throughout the entire state, please send us a flyer to get the information in this newsletter. I know I would love to help out with a lot of fundraisers if I knew more about them.

~Trevor Cutts, State Scribe

Greetings Ohio DeMolay!

It's another amazing month with a ton of activities coming up all over the state and I can not wait to see everyone as I travel this month. Speaking of traveling around the state, I want to encourage all the members of Ohio DeMolay to travel around to other chapters in their district and the state. We all know how much fun state events are and that is because we are always with all our brothers from across the state. Imagine if you ran into these same brothers at a regular chapter meeting or event, it would make the experience exponentially more fun.

So make sure you check the calendar and be sure to be supporting your brothers from outside your chapter. With State paintball and Winterfest coming up you are going to have countless opportunities to meet brothers from all over the state and get to know them better whether it be through the competition of paintball or just hanging out in the pool at Kalahari. I look forward to seeing all of you soon.

~Evan Willeke, State Chaplain





Something that DeMolay has taught me is to always be confident. When I step into the chapter room, my mind clears and all I do is focus on DeMolay, because I know if I focus on anything else then whatever is right in front of me won't get done correctly. Even if I make a million and one mistakes I will always be supported by my brothers. Knowing that, I don't worry about mistakes or voice cracks. I worry about how I am going to impact the next generation of leaders. Every leader who has made a mark on history has done so with confidence. When I was 12 I saw the State Officers for the first time, I have always looked up to them. Fast forward four years later and I am one now. Every time I see a young DeMolay I think of myself when I was 12 and what could I do to make the same lasting impression that the State Officers made to me.

Respectfully Submitted,

~Conrad King, State 1st Preceptor

Membership -

The organization you are a member of wouldn't be possible unless Louis Lower had asked his high school friends to join him in this new club called DeMolay. In 1919 he and eight other friends met and helped create an organization that has been established in each of the 50 United States and several countries. As this is being written a chapter of DeMolay International has been chartered in the country of Greece, and with it the very first opportunity to bring the seven precepts to young men in another part of the world. DeMolay has chapters in Germany, Italy, Romania, Canada, Brazil, Venezuela, to name a few and as far away as Australia.

Each of you might have joined because you met a classmate or knew a friend who offered you a chance to see what it was like. You may have gone to a paintball activity, maybe you saw the fun others were having at a dance, and it might be possible that you joined because you learned from a family member. It's possible that you met friends while you're playing video games after a chapter meeting. The reason isn't so much important as to why you joined DeMolay, but that you joined.

Membership has helped brethren to learn to present ritual in a meaningful way. Many have gone on to become very good speakers because they have been able to organize their thoughts, make presentations at school, and have gained confidence in themselves. From working a food booth in raising funds for your chapter to sitting on a platform waiting for a ball to be thrown at you in a dunk tank, to helping clean the side of a road, or gathering stuffed animals to present to a local hospital, to traveling to another state to visit brothers from another chapter, you've been able to meet and do so much because of DeMolay.

There have been 94 young men from Ohio that chose to take their experiences, the leadership qualities they have acquired and have become State Master Councilor of Ohio. Watching these young men stand in front of 1500 to 2000 and speak about DeMolay causes those of us who have been there and now are called Senior DeMolays to stand a little taller and to be proud of our membership.

There have been movie actors, newsmen, writers, statesmen, entrepreneurs, sports figures, those who've served in the military, business owners and CEOs of corporations who have the distinction of once being a member, all because they joined the Order of DeMolay. Many of us have made lifelong friendships and have developed a brotherhood that spans from a small rural town here in Ohio to throughout the United States and beyond.

Maybe you have a friend who needs DeMolay in their life to share the fun and brotherhood. Show your pride and wear your DeMolay t-shirt, polo / golf shirt, hoodie, wrist band or jacket so when asked you can answer and maybe increase your chapter! Earn that Merit Bar, or strive for a Blue Honor Key. Help "Lay the Foundation" for the next generation.

~Dad Jeff Rannebarger Ohio DeMolay Executive Officer



Ohio DeMolay, the time is NOW!

I've looked at the membership numbers and we are 30 new members away from positive membership growth for the second year in a row. You have already proved that you can do it, so let's get those 30 members and show the World, that Ohio DeMolay is the best jurisdiction in the World!

Once we get those 30, let's not stop there. Did you know that not too long ago, Ohio DeMolay was the largest DeMolay jurisdiction in the World? I think it's time we take that title back and regain that title! Let us remove all doubt and prove to the world who is the best jurisdiction!

I have always been one to set goals then work hard to achieve them. We had the goal of having 2,000 DeMolays in Ohio before Conclave in 2000. We were less than one hundred away from that goal. Here is my goal for you all. Ohio DeMolay turns 100 years old in October of 2021. I know we can get 1000 DeMolays before our 100 Anniversary! So let's get to it! 100 Year, 1,000 DeMolays! It's easier than you think! If everyone brought in one new DeMolay, we would have over 1,000.

Stay tuned for more details on new membership incentives and ideas.

Let's go brothers we need 30 before December 31st! Time to lay the foundation for the next 100 years!

-Dad Dan Rannebarger

DEMOLAY STATEWIDE PAINTBALL

OHIO

This is an Ohio DeMolay event that is open for all DeMolays, Prospects, Advisors, as well as members of Jobs Daughters and Rainbow. All Rainbows and Job's attending must have a chaperone.

ALL PARTICIPANTS PLAYING PAINTBALL MUST BRING WITH THEM THE SIGNED BATTLE GROUNDS PAINTBALL WAIVER - NO EXCEPTIONS!

www.thebattlegroundspaintball.com/TheBattleGroundsPaintballWaiver.pdf

You do not need to register for the event if you are not playing paintball.

ALL PARTICIPANTS MUST BRING WITH THEM THEIR CONFIRMATION PAGE SIGNED BY A PARENT OR GUARDIAN - NO EXCEPTIONS!



WHERE: The Battleground Paintball - 3919 Brice Rd. Canal Winchester, OH 43110

WHEN: October 12, 2019 - 11:00am to 3:00pm

COST: \$22.03

INCLUDED: Safety Mask, Paintball Marker (gun), Hopper, Barrel Cover, Air Tank, & 500 rounds of paintballs.

You must register and pay for the event even if you are bringing your own equipment. Additional paintballs are available for purchase the day of the event: \$15/500 count - \$50/2000 count (case)

***Fair warning:** 500 paintballs can go very quickly depending on how you play the game!

Concessions are available to purchase on your own. There is no food provided as part of this ticket.

FOR TICKETS:
bit.ly/OH-DeMolay-paintball-tickets

Or follow the QR code on your phone:

OHIO DEMOLAY LICENSE PLATE

SHOW YOUR DEMOLAY PRIDE!

Ohio DeMolay will soon have its own license plate! We need 150 pledges to buy the plate in order for it to get made. Anyone who wants to show their support and pride for Ohio DeMolay may purchase the plates.

There are additional fees, including a \$15 donation to Ohio DeMolay. Payment is not due until the 150 threshold is met and the plates are ordered.

If you have multiple cars, you can get multiple plates! A DeMolay, Mom, and Dad would count as 3 plates purchased.



LINK: <https://s3.amazonaws.com/odx-odpscontent/links/bmv4820.pdf>

This link is to the Ohio BMV form you will need to fill out. Once that is done please send to:
AJ Thomas
 1210 Chambers Road, Apt. 322B
 Columbus, OH 43212

Dad Thomas, PSMC, will take care of the rest! Please share to anyone you may think is interested. There is no limit on the amount of forms that can be submitted so long as we get 150 pledges. We will let you know when we reach 150 pledges, and HB 262 clears the Ohio General Assembly.

If you have any questions please contact Dad Thomas at: **419-203-9813**

If you signed up at Conclave, please contact Dad Thomas to ensure all of your information is received.





The Growth in Ohio DeMolay never ceases to amaze me. In the going-on two years I've had the opportunity to serve as an officer on the 4th District Council, not only has the 4th district grown with both Tri-Rivers and Linden coming close to if not doubling membership, but the state as a whole. The continuation of new Chapter development in Ohio is one of the best things I have seen during my time in DeMolay. Several new chapters have opened within just the last few months, and more in the works around the state. The 4th District's next upcoming event is our Annual Retreat at the Lancaster campgrounds. The details for registration are on the 4th District's facebook page. I hope to see you all there!

~Hayden Hunt, 4th District President

Hello Ohio DeMolay!

Thank you for including Ohio Job's Daughters in The Ohio DeMolay Star! Ohio Job's Daughters has an exciting year ahead as well as many opportunities to give back to those in need. Job's, unlike Rainbow and DeMolay, has different adult leaders each year, as well as two or three daughters that fill various roles on the state level. These adults and daughters are known as the Grand Family, and work as a group to create an exciting and engaging year for every member of Job's Daughters. Each member of the Grand Family has their own service projects. Mrs. Kris Smith, Grand Guardian and Mr. Tony Charley, Associate Grand Guardian, share a goal of raising \$5,000 for bulletproof vests for police dogs. Desiree Taylor, Grand Bethel Honored Queen, is collecting stuffed animals and board games for the Shriner's Hospital, and I have a goal of raising \$3,000 for the Ohio Job's Daughters Scholarship fund. The theme of the Grand Bethel for the year is "Believe in your Dreams" and the Grand Family believes that we can make a difference through our service!



Visiting local police departments and fire stations to donate care baskets

In addition to these various service projects, the philanthropy of Job's Daughters International is the Hearing Improvement Kids Endowment Fund (HIKE Fund). Mrs. Amy Young is the HIKE director in Ohio, and her first event of the year is a tailgate party and cornhole tournament on October 5th. We would love to see members of all Masonic youth groups in attendance to support this life changing fund, as our goal is to raise \$23,000 to beat the \$22,500 we raised last year. Ohio Job's Daughters is excited for the year to come and we hope that DeMolay will join us as we believe in our dreams!

With Jobie love,

~Katherine Hart, Ohio Miss Job's Daughter 2019-2020 • Ohio Miss Congeniality 2019-2020

ATTENTION:

ALL ADVISORS / ISC MEMBERS

September 1st, opens the renewal Advisor Registration! This process will continue until November 30. Please make sure that you renew your registration and the regular fee before the November 30 deadline. This pertains to ALL advisors, whether your chapter is functioning or your chapter is in the process of getting started and is still in the "works". After the November 30 deadline passes, ANY Advisor that misses the deadline will need to start the process all over, from application, to background check and (\$48.00) fee. Please do not delay and take care of this re-registration in September so you can continue the important part of working with your Chapter! If there are questions, please check with your Governor.

Dad Ranneberger

Want to put an article, ad, comic or joke in the paper?

Email it to brother Cutts at OhioDeMolayStateScribe@gmail.com



LAY THE FOUNDATION
2019-2020



The Ohio State Council acknowledges the authority of and yields allegiance to DeMolay International, of which Frank S. Land was the Founder.