

## Plan a Perfect DeMolay Month

Sean Reitze, State Junior Councilor



Every March is DeMolay Month, and it'll be here before you know it! DeMolay Month is a time to celebrate DeMolay and an important time to advertise your Chapter in your community. Within DeMolay Month is DeMolay Week: this occurs during the week that includes March 18, the anniversary of DeMolay's beginning. That means this year, DeMolay Week will occur Sunday, March 18 through Saturday, March 24. So... what will your Chapter do this March? The following are some suggestions to help get you started:

**Form a DeMolay Month Committee.** Planning DeMolay Month is not a one man show – this committee should have two or three DeMolays and an Advisor to plan and coordinate events throughout March. Put these events on a calendar to distribute to Chapter members. Form this committee at your next stated meeting so your Chapter can submit their DeMolay Month Award of Excellence Outline (due March 1<sup>st</sup>!) The DeMolay Month Award of Excellence is a Chapter-based competition throughout Pennsylvania. Your Chapter will have opportunities

to earn “points” through different tasks, including inducting new members, observing Devotional Day, visiting other DeMolay Chapters, using media publications (newspaper, radio, TV), and receiving government proclamations.

**Spread the word!** Let others know about what your Chapter has planned for DeMolay Month. Reach out to a VIP and host them at your Chapter's stated meeting, submit press releases to your local news media outlets, wear your DeMolay apparel to school and/or work, and most importantly, keep your own Chapter informed of its activities! Get as many people from your Chapter involved with the community so you can have a successful DeMolay Month.

**Use your resources.** Don't limit yourself or your Chapter to the above suggestions! The DeMolay Leader's Resource Guide and [DeMolay.org/DeMolayMonth](http://DeMolay.org/DeMolayMonth) are great places to start if you need some ideas.

Best of luck this DeMolay Month, Pennsylvania DeMolay!

# The Chase is On!

Jacob Reilly, State Scribe

As members of Pennsylvania DeMolay, we all value our Sports Weekends, which combine fun and competition into one weekend. On March 16th-18th at the Masonic Conference Center-Patton Campus, we will be holding our "PA DeMolay Chase Weekend and Volleyball Tournament." Members will be split into teams for the entire weekend. During the weekend, we'll be raising money for the state charity, so bring some coins to help your team raise the most funds. There will be opportunities to win various prizes during the weekend. The Volleyball



Tournament will take place throughout the weekend. The main event will be based off the famous game show titled "The Chase," as State Master Councilor, Jacob A.K. Beers will be "The Beast" and members will compete against him on basic DeMolay knowledge mixed in with some NASCAR trivia. Do you think you have what it takes? Then register early to reserve your spot.

# Rose Croix Class 2018

Dylan Kirk, State Senior Councilor



Every year, Pennsylvania DeMolay hosts an induction class on each side of the state. The induction class in the west is called Rose Croix Class. This class is sponsored by the Pittsburgh Chapter of the Rose Croix of the Scottish Rite, making this is a great way to show our appreciation for what they do for DeMolay. This year the class will be held on March 10th, 2018, at the Greater Pittsburgh Masonic Center. The induction class is an expanded version of the obligations that a member receives when he joins DeMolay. The degrees teach the lessons to which a DeMolay is bound, and the story that is the basis of our Order. The degrees will be conducted by an all-star cast of members from Western Pennsylvania, led by the Elected State Officers. Are you interested in attending Rose Croix class? Plenty of spots are still open for the induction

teams, so email me at [pademolayritual@gmail.com](mailto:pademolayritual@gmail.com) and I will find a spot for you on the team. This is a great opportunity for all members and you won't want to miss out! All DeMolays and Advisors are welcome to attend; as are Masons, Parents and interested adults who are 21 years of age or older.

# Support the State Charity

Jacob Beers, State Master Councilor



Service is a linchpin of DeMolay. Helping others is deeply woven into the history and the teachings of the Order. One great way to help others is to join Pennsylvania DeMolay in its efforts to raise money for the Children's Dyslexia Centers of Pennsylvania. Since 1999, Pennsylvania DeMolay has raised money to benefit the Children's Dyslexia Centers of Pennsylvania - a service backed by the Scottish Rite to help children with dyslexia learn to read, gain self-confidence in learning, and reach their full potential. All of the work done by the Children's Dyslexia Centers comes free of charge to the students and their families. Pennsylvania DeMolay raises money for the Centers every year to help achieve the goal of providing a

very much needed and beneficial service to students across the country. The only way for us to reach this goal is to have 100% participation from the Chapters of Pennsylvania DeMolay. As we're halfway through the term so far, half of our Chapters have donated. Has your Chapter donated towards this great cause yet this year? Any time is a great time to give to others and help a charity we have accepted as our own.

# Fundraising Through Ad Sales

Tyler Moyer, Deputy State Master Councilor

There are many ways for your Chapter to make money: spaghetti dinners, car washes, lodge donations and many more fundraisers. Though I bet you haven't thought of using the yearbook as a way to raise money. As crazy as that sounds, you actually can make money from selling sponsorships for our annual yearbook. For example, if your Chapter sells full-page support of \$125, not only will you get pictures of you and your Chapter in the yearbook, but you'll also receive 40% back (\$50) to be used for whatever you need. While that may not seem like a lot, the more you sell, the more you get back. If you sell more than \$500 worth of sponsorships, your Chapter will get 45% back. More than \$750 sold and you start to receive 50%. Last year Elizabethtown Chapter received a check for \$860 just for selling advertisements for our yearbook. Imagine how many prospect events you could put on with that kind of money.



This year, let's not only add more pictures and pages to our yearbook but also earn some money for your Chapters as well. For more information and yearbook sponsor forms go to [pademolay.org](http://pademolay.org).

Only 3 drivers have ever won consecutive Daytona 500 races: Richard Petty, Cale Yarborough, and Sterling Marlin.

## Dodgeball For Dyslexia

## Outstanding Chapter Standings

The fourth annual Dodgeball For Dyslexia Tournament is just around the corner. The event is scheduled for May 12th, 2018 at the Spooky Nook Sports Complex. Elizabethtown DeMolay is looking forward to another successful turnout with more teams registered to participate and more money donated to the State Charity. Last year's event raised over \$3,000 for the Children's Dyslexia Centers of various parts of Pennsylvania. The final deadline is April 15th at \$150 per team, with the earliest deadline being March 1st at \$75 per team.



### Small Chapter

1st Place: Northeast with 25 Points  
2nd Place: Chester Pike with 14 Points

### Medium Chapter

1st Place: FBC with 29 Points  
2nd Place: Pilgrim with 27 Points

### Large Chapter

1st Place: Allentown with 28 Points  
2nd Place: Westmoreland with 21 Points

## Do You Need An Installing Team?

Contact Bro. Dylan Kirk at  
[pademolayritual@gmail.com](mailto:pademolayritual@gmail.com)

If you need an Installing Team for your Chapter, contact Bro. Kirk at least 60 days before the Installation and he will assist you in every way he can.

## 2017 MEMBERSHIP FINALS

al-Aksa (LT)	3/4
Allentown	8/10
Carlisle	6/8
Chester Pike	2/4
Crusade	2/4
Elizabethtown	2/8
Erie	3/10
Friendship-Bray	4/8
George Washington	3/8
Joppa	0/7
Lincoln	1/8
Lorraine	7/10
Northeast	4/6
Pilgrim	5/8
Reading	6/8
Riverside	5/11
Steel City	0/12
Susquehanna	6/12
Templar	4/8
Westmoreland	4/10

**Total New: 75**

**Goal: 164**

**Percent of Goal:**

**46%**

Pennsylvania DeMolay enforces

### **a Zero Tolerance Policy**

with regard to the use of alcohol, illegal drugs, weapons, hazing, or any physical, verbal, sexual, or emotional abuse of any kind at any DeMolay function. This policy applies to both Active DeMolays and adult volunteers. Violations of risk management, youth protection, or prohibited substance policies will result in suspension or expulsion from DeMolay.

## Coming Attractions

*Events with no location listed are at the Masonic Conference Center in Elizabethtown.*

### **Patriots Class Dad Training**

February 10th, 2018  
Scottish Rite Cathedral, Reading

### **Rose Croix Class Dad Training**

March 10th, 2018  
Greater Pittsburgh Masonic Center

### **The Chase Weekend and Volleyball Tournament**

March 16th-18th, 2018

### **Legion of Honor Observance**

Find a Local Preceptory for details  
March 18th, 2018