

OUTSTANDING CHAPTER COMPETITION



Purpose:

To stimulate interest among the Chapters in all basic DeMolay activities and encourage each Chapter to develop and conduct a well-rounded, continuing program of activities.

Sponsors: There will be two divisions for large and small chapters. A chapter designated as a large chapter will have 21 members or more, and a small chapter will have 20 members or fewer. The top two winners in each division will be recognized.

The Small Chapter Division is sponsored by **Lodge No. 9, F&AM**

The Large Chapter Division is sponsored by **the 30th Masonic District of Pennsylvania**

Eligibility:

A Chapter must be a member, in good standing, of Pennsylvania DeMolay. Chapters working under Letters Temporary are eligible to compete.

Period:

The competition will run from June 1 of one year through May 31 of the following year.

Rules:

Points will be awarded as indicated for each area of activity.

All certifications and reports of activity required for points must be submitted to the Executive Secretary within 30 days of the activity in order to ensure credit being granted.

Points will be compiled by the Director of Competitions from materials submitted by the Executive Officer, Deputy Executive Officers, Staff Directors, and Chapter representatives. All materials must be submitted by June 5, following the end of the contest period, to be considered. The Chapter with the highest total points at the end of the competition will be declared the winner at the Annual Convention.

Points:

1. RITUAL

a) **Participation Points.** One point per DeMolay who competes in a statewide or regional ritual tournament with a maximum of 10 points to be awarded.

b) **Exemplification.** 1 point for each exemplification of a DeMolay ritualistic ceremony before a duly warranted or constituted Masonic Body, a concordant Masonic body or recognized Masonic club. Public ceremonies may be exemplified before other fraternal or public bodies. The presiding officer or secretary must certify that the exemplification was performed.

2. MEMBERSHIP

- a) 2 points for each new member who is initiated.
- b) 5 points for each Blue Honor Key and Founder's Membership Award awarded during the competition year.

3. HONORS AND AWARDS

- a) **Representative DeMolay**. 2 points for each DeMolay awarded the RD during the competition period.
- b) **PMC Meritorious Service Award**. 10 points for each PMC-MSA awarded during the competition period.

4. ADMINISTRATION

- a) **DeMolay International Online Annual Report**. 5 points for submitting Chapter's Annual Report by the established deadline.
- b) **Annual Financial Reports**. 5 points for submitting Chapter's Annual Financial Report by the established deadline.
- c) **Fees Payment**. 2 points for payment of Endowment Fund Fees by the established deadline.
- d) **Advisory Council Registration**. 5 points for submission of the Advisory Council Registration form by the established deadline.
- e) **FORM 11's**. 2 points for each Form 11 filed per term of officers by the established deadline.
- f) **Youth Protection Verification**. 5 points for each Youth Protection Verification per term of officers by the established deadline. (Total 10 possible points).

5. ATHLETICS

- a) **Pennsylvania DeMolay Tournaments**. 2 points for participation in each of the PA State Athletics Tournaments.
- b) **DeMolay International Athletics**. 3 points for participation in each DeMolay International Athletics Competition. Submit a copy of registration form, with scores, as evidence of participation.

6. EDUCATION

- a) **Leadership Correspondence Course**. 1 point for every 5 completed courses, up to a maximum of 10 points, by members, Senior DeMolays, Advisors, Mothers, Sweethearts, Parents, etc. during competition year. Credit for each of 5 lessons will be given once during each competition year.
- b) **Key Man Conference**. 2 points for each member in attendance at the Key Man Conference, not including Staff or State Officers.

7. ACTIVITIES

- a) **Visitations**. 5 points for participation in the State Visitations Competition.
- b) **DeMolay Month**. 5 points for participation in State DeMolay Month Competition.
- c) **Pennsylvania DeMolay Activities**. 2 points for being represented by active DeMolay members at each State Association event, as designated by the Executive Officer or Secretary, not including State Officers or Key Man participants.
- d) **Obligatory Days**. 5 points for each Obligatory Day observed as reported..
- e) **State Charity Contribution**. 5 points for contributing to the State Charity.

8. PUBLIC AWARENESS AND COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

a) **Community Service Event**. 2 Points per Community Service Activity that promotes the Order of DeMolay in general, and the participating Chapter in particular. (I.E. Highway Cleanup, or some other event that is non-Masonic\DeMolay).

b) **Scoring**. Points will be awarded for articles\pictures about the event. Or a brief summary of the event with a picture sent to the Executive Secretary or his designee within 10-days of the event. (Total 20 possible points).

9. BONUS POINTS

a) **Other Programs**. The Executive Officer is authorized to add areas in which up to 5 points may be awarded to permit flexibility in the promotion of State Association events and programs.

Judging:

The Director of Competitions or his designee will compile the points for this competition, determine winners, and make scoring rulings, as needed.

OUTSTANDING CHAPTER RECAP

FOR COMPETITION YEAR 20____ - 20____

Chapter Name _____ Location _____
Please complete this recap and submit by June 5th to the Executive Secretary, c/o Pennsylvania DeMolay, 1244 Bainbridge Road, Elizabethtown, PA 17022.

1. **RITUAL**
 - a) Participation in Ritual Tournament competitions (up to 10 points) _____
 - b) Exemplifications (1 point each) _____
 (List date, ceremony and body on appended page)

2. **MEMBERSHIP**
 - a) 2 points for each new member who is initiated _____
 - b) Blue Honor Key and Founder's Membership Award (5 points each) _____

3. **HONORS AND AWARDS**
 - a) Representative DeMolay Awards (2 points each) _____
 - b) PMC Meritorious Service Award (10 points each) _____

4. **ADMINISTRATION** (items submitted by deadline)
 - a) DeMolay International Online Annual Report (5 points) _____
 - b) Annual Financial Report (5 points) _____
 - c) Fees Payment (2 points) _____
 - d) Advisory Council Registration (5 points) _____
 - e) FORM 11's filed for each term (2 point each) _____
 - f) Youth Protection Verification (5 points each maximum of 10) _____

6. **EDUCATION**
 - a) Leadership Correspondence Course
 1 point for every 5, maximum of 10 points _____
 - b) Key Man Conference Attendance (2 points each) _____

7. **ACTIVITIES**
 - a) Visitation Participation (2 points) _____
 - b) DeMolay Month Competition Participation (2 points) _____
 - c) Pennsylvania DeMolay Activities (2 points each) _____
 - d) Obligatory Day Observances (5 points each) _____
 (List activities for each on appended page)
 - e) State Charity Contribution (5 points) _____

8. **PUBLIC AWARENESS AND COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT**
 - a) A report with summary\picture (2 points each maximum of 20) _____

9. **BONUS POINTS**
 1. Other programs established and promoted by
 the Executive Officer (up to 5 points) _____

TOTAL POINTS =====

MEMBERSHIP COMPETITIONS



Purpose:

To stimulate membership recruitment and growth, and to recognize achievement in membership programs.

Sponsor:

There will be two divisions for large and small chapters. A chapter designated as a large chapter will have 21 members or more, and a small chapter will have 20 members or fewer. The top two winners in each division will be recognized.

The Small Chapter Division **Sponsorship is Available**

The Large Chapter Division **Sponsorship is Available**

Eligibility:

A Chapter must be a member, in good standing, of Pennsylvania DeMolay. Chapters working under Letters Temporary are eligible to compete.

Period:

The competitions will run on the calendar year. Awards will be made at Convention for the period ending the previous December.

Rules:

The winners of the two divisions in this competition will be based on the most new members Initiated in the calendar year.

Judging:

The Director of Competitions will determine the winners of these competitions.

REPRESENTATIVE DeMOLAY COMPETITION



Purpose:

To encourage DeMolays to earn the DeMolay International Representative DeMolay Award and to encourage Chapters to develop programs that will assist them in this endeavor.

Sponsor:

There will be two divisions for large and small chapters. A chapter designated as a large chapter will have 21 members or more, and a small chapter will have 20 members or fewer. The top two winners in each division will be recognized.

The Small Chapter Division **Perseverance Lodge No. 21 F&AM.**

The Large Chapter Division **Perseverance Lodge No. 21 F&AM**

Eligibility:

A Chapter must be a member, in good standing, of Pennsylvania DeMolay. Chapters working under Letters Temporary are eligible to compete.

Period:

The competition will run from June 1 of one year through May 31 of the following year.

Rules:

Each RD granted to an Active DeMolay during the competition period shall earn one point. The Chapter accumulating the greatest number of points at the end of the competition shall be declared the winner. All Final Forms submitted during the competition period must be considered to ensure a fair competition.

Judging:

The Director of Competitions shall be responsible for tallying the points in this competition.

RD OF THE YEAR COMPETITION

Purpose:

To encourage DeMolays to successfully complete the Representative DeMolay Award with the highest quality submission they can develop.

Sponsor: Perseverance Lodge No. 21 F&AM.

Eligibility:

All Active DeMolays who are awarded the Representative DeMolay Award during the competition year. The competition shall be held in three divisions:

Junior Division – 12 to 14 years of age

Middle Division – 15 to 17 years of age

Senior Division – 18 years and older

Period:

The competition will run from April 1 of one year through March 31 of the following year.

Rules:

1. Each submission for the Representative DeMolay Award will be reviewed on the basis of its overall content, an assessment of the accuracy of the self-evaluation ratings, neatness, supplementary material, and well-rounded participation in the many disciplines reviewed by the RD program.
2. The Director of the Representative DeMolay Program will select no more than five DeMolays who earned the award, in each division, to be invited to participate in the RD of the Year Competition. These finalists will meet with the RD of the Year Review Committee at the Spring Leadership Weekend.
3. The RD of the Year Review Committee will interview each of the finalists who choose to participate in the program to evaluate each candidate's knowledge and understanding of the many subjects included in the RD program. They will also evaluate the way the finalists present themselves to the committee, and their qualifications to be truly representative of the best qualities of Pennsylvania DeMolay.
4. Each interview shall not be shorter than 15 minutes nor longer than 30 minutes, during which the committee members and the finalist shall engage in an unstructured conversation, during which any appropriate subject may be discussed.
5. An award will be presented to the winners of the competition. If warranted, additional awards will be presented.

Judging:

The Director of the Representative DeMolay Award program shall select 3 to 5 Advisors or Executive Officer Staff Members to sit on the RD of the Year Review Committee and shall provide scoring and review guidelines.

VISITATION COMPETITION



Section A - Most Miles Traveled

Purpose:

To encourage DeMolays to visit their brethren in other Chapters, sharing fellowship and learning new ideas to help their Chapter.

Sponsor:

There will be two divisions for large and small chapters. A chapter designated as a large chapter will have 21 members or more, and a small chapter will have 20 members or fewer. The top two winners in each division will be recognized.

The Small Chapter Division **Pennsylvania Council of Deliberation, A.A.S.R.**

The Large Chapter Division **Pennsylvania Council of Deliberation, A.A.S.R.**

Eligibility:

A Chapter must be a member, in good standing, of Pennsylvania DeMolay. Chapters working under Letters Temporary are eligible to compete.

Period:

The competition will run from June 1 of one year to May 31 of the following year.

Rules:

1. Only visitations by Active DeMolays who are not elected State Officers, will count in this competition.
2. Visitations to more than one Chapter during any one trip will count only as a single visitation to the most distant Chapter.
3. Visitation may be made to regular Stated Meetings of a Chapter, or to regular Installations of Officers - special Meetings of Chapters will not be counted except where distance inhibits a visitation to a regular stated meeting. Conclaves or Conventions of this or any other jurisdiction will not be counted.
4. Only three (3) visitations during the contest year to any one Chapter will be counted in the scoring.
5. Distances traveled must be calculated from established departure location to established meeting location and must not include additional miles traveled to the homes of Chapter members.
6. College students may earn credit for their home Chapter based on the distance traveled from college to the Chapter visited. Attendance at his home Chapter is not considered a visitation. Reports of visitations by students must be submitted through the home Chapter Advisor.

7. To receive credit in the Visitations Competition, the visiting brethren are required to secure, at the end of the meeting, a note from the Chapter Advisor (or representative) of the Chapter visited, attesting to the visit. The note must be in the form of, or include the same information as, the sample appended to these rules.
8. A visiting Chapter should make a courtesy call to the Chapter Advisor of the Chapter to be visited, apprising him of the intent to visit and the approximate number of members to expect. This call should be made at least 24 hours in advance of the visit.
9. The following procedure will govern out-of-state visitations:
 - a. Visitations may be made to any DeMolay Chapter in another Jurisdiction.
 - b. Pennsylvania DeMolay policy insists upon written permission for out-of-state visitations from the Executive Officer of Pennsylvania as well as from the Executive Officer of the jurisdiction you wish to visit. For any Chapter to receive credit for such visitations in the Visitation Competition there must be on file in the Pennsylvania DeMolay offices copies of the appropriate correspondences, prior to the date of visitation.
10. Points will be awarded as follows:
 - a. One point per participant per mile traveled, one way, to Chapters in PA.
 - b. Visits to other out-of-state Chapters will receive one point per participant per mile traveled, one way, with the following calculation:
 1. One point per participant per mile traveled, one way, up to the PA border.
 2. An additional one point per participant per mile traveled with a maximum of 100 miles past the PA border.
11. The Chapter accumulating the most points within the competition period will be declared the winner at the Annual Convention.
12. Visitation report forms must be mailed within six (6) weeks of the visitation, or by June 5th following the competition period, whichever comes first, to the Executive Secretary, *c/o Pennsylvania DeMolay, 1244 Bainbridge Road, Elizabethtown, PA 17022.*

Judging:

The Director of Competitions will be responsible for tallying the accumulated points.



Section B - Most Visitations Made

Purpose:

To encourage and reward DeMolay Chapters who visit their brethren in other Chapters, recognizing those Chapters which make the most visitations with a maximum of 3 to any one Chapter.

Sponsor:

There will be two divisions for large and small chapters. A chapter designated as a large chapter will have 21 members or more, and a small chapter will have 20 members or fewer. The top two winners in each division will be recognized.

The Small Chapter Division **Sponsorship Is Available**

The Large Chapter Division **Sponsorship Is Available**

Eligibility:

A Chapter must be a member, in good standing, of Pennsylvania DeMolay. Chapters working under Letters Temporary are eligible to compete.

Period:

The competition will run from June 1 of one year to May 31 of the following year.

Rules:

1. The rules for Section A are applicable to Section B.
2. Points are accumulated at 1 point per Chapter visited per trip.
3. The Standard Visitation Form must be filed with the Executive Secretary to accrue points.
4. The Chapter accumulating the most visitations within the competition period will be declared the winner at the Annual Convention.

Judging:

The Director of Competitions will be responsible for tallying the accumulated points.



VISITATION REPORT

We, the undersigned members of _____ Chapter,
 Order of DeMolay, located in _____, PA,
 hereby certify that we visited _____ Chapter located in
 _____, in the Jurisdiction of _____.
 This visitation required a trip of _____ miles from our home chapter location.
 This was our *(circle one)*
 1st 2nd 3rd 4th 5th visit to this Chapter during this competition year.

Visiting Members

We therefore claim _____ points in the Visitation Competition.

 Advisor of Visiting Chapter

 Advisor of Host Chapter

Date _____

DeMOLAY MONTH COMPETITION

Purpose:

To encourage all DeMolay Chapters in Pennsylvania to organize, execute, and detail successful DeMolay Month observances that will heighten public awareness and understanding of DeMolay. It will also serve as a membership incentive program.

Sponsor:

There will be two divisions for large and small chapters. A chapter designated as a large chapter will have 21 members or more, and a small chapter will have 20 members or fewer. The top two winners in each division will be recognized.

The Small Chapter Division **Sponsorship Is Available**

The Large Chapter Division **Sponsorship Is Available**

Eligibility:

A Chapter must be a member, in good standing, of Pennsylvania DeMolay. Chapters working under Letters Temporary are eligible to compete.

Period:

The competition will run from March 1 to March 31 of each year.

Rules:

1. Each Chapter that earns 100 points in the competition will be recognized with the Pennsylvania DeMolay "DeMolay Month Award of Excellence."

2. Point Assignments are as follows:

Mechanics

Outline submitted by March 1 10 pts

Recap submitted by April 15 10 pts

Membership

10 pts per each new initiate in month of March (Form 10's must be filed on time)

Activities

Masonic Sponsor Night 10 pts, max

Senior DeMolay Night 10 pts, max

Devotional Day Observance 10 pts, max

Community Service Project 10 pts, max

Masonic Service Project 10 pts, max

Social Activity 10 pts, max

Chapter Visitations 10 pts, each, up to 50pts

Presentation of *Hi, Dad!* to Library 10 pts each, up to 50 pts.

Publicity

Newspaper articles related to celebration 10 pts each, up to 50 pts.

Newspaper photographs 10 pts each, up to 50 pts.

Radio Announcements (proof from station required) 10 pts each, up to 50 pts.

Television Announcement (proof from station required) 10 pts each, up to 50 pts.

Proclamation by local government official 10 pts each, up to 50 pts.

Judging:

The Director of Competitions shall be responsible for scoring all entries.