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-Proverbs 15:22*

CONCLAVE 2010: The most exciting program of the DeMolay year will be held on the weekend of August 6-8, on the same campus as last year, that's right -Nichols College in Dudley, Massachusetts. The cost of attending is only \$80.00 per person (*register before July 9*) and includes SIX meals, two night lodging and all the fun a DeMolay can handle. As you will recall, the facilities are first rate and the school



boasts about its great athletic facilities. Dad Jon Caliri (jon.caliri@mademolay.org) and his team have already held several meetings in anticipation of making this year's Conclave program the best yet! If you have specific comments or even things you would like to see or do at Conclave, be sure to send an email to either Dad Caliri or State Master Councilor [Christopher D. Rooney](#).

The registration information is now posted on line at: <http://www.mademolay.org/downloads.html>. Please download all the information including the Medical Release Form which will be required for all attendees including Advisors. There is a sheet which includes directions, what to bring, and other frequently asked questions. There is also a promotional flyer to be used in Chapter notices and on websites.

Ritual Competitions at Conclave will include the Flower Talk, Preceptors, and the Ceremony of Light. There is a registration form on-line in the Conclave download section as well.

Don't forget to support the Conclave Program by signing up friends and boosters. Forms

for that purpose may also be downloaded at: <http://mademolay.org/downloads.html>. For each \$100 in booster sales, you or your Chapter will be entered into a drawing for Netbook, a value of \$250-\$300. There will be two opportunities to win and the drawing will be done at Conclave.

STATE OFFICER ELECTIONS: The election of the four top Massachusetts DeMolay State Officers (State Master Councilor, Deputy State Master Councilor, State Senior Councilor and State Junior Councilor) will also occur at Conclave. Active DeMolays interested in seeking election as a State Officer should contact Dad Brian Rushlow (brian.rushlow@mademolay.org), Director of State Officers to obtain a "Declaration of Intent" form and to make an appointment for the Saturday, May 22nd State Officer Qualifications & Interview meeting. The declaration of intent is due at noon on May 15, 2010.

DeMOLAY BALL: The Massachusetts DeMolay Ball is being held at the Lowell Masonic Building on Saturday, May 15. The address is 79 Dutton Street, Lowell, MA 01850. The Ball will be held from 6:00pm to 11:00pm. There will be a dinner served between 6:00pm and 7:00pm. The dinner menu for the evening includes a Garden Salad, Garlic Bread-sticks, Chicken-Broccoli-Alfredo and Vegetable Lasagna. The State Officers are promoting a pre-sale ticket opportunity for all guests. Single tickets cost \$10.00, while couples may purchase a ticket for \$15.00. The \$15.00 discount for couples is available **pre-sale only**. Advisors need only to contribute \$5.00 to cover the cost of their dinner.

CAPE COD CHAPTER INSTALLATION: The first installation of the new Cape Cod Chapter will be held on Friday evening, May 14th at 7:30 p.m. The State Officers will be installing Brother Tristan Cameron as Master Councilor. Several Chapters are planning visitations that evening to support Cape Cod in their first installation. The Executive Officer and the Grand Master are expected to be in attendance as well.

PMC'S AND MC'S LOOKING FOR A WAY TO DO MORE: Executive Officer Brian S. Noble has appointed Dad David Farmer to be the Director of the State Representative Program. What is that? The State Representative Program is a new position for members of Massachusetts DeMolay. It is a program for Past or Current Master Councilors to participate on the State level. The State Reps will assist the State Suite with the execution of the state program at specific events and even be in charge of planning an event. They may also be asked to fill in at a State Suite Installation or to participate in the state degrees. They will meet with the State Suite every other month and strengthen the communications between the state and the chapter and the from the chapter to the state. Does this guarantee that the State Rep becomes a member of the appointed or elected state suite? No, but it does give some exposure and an opportunity to observe what it takes to be a member of the state suite. There is an information sheet, application, and a letter to parents on the Massachusetts DeMolay website (www.mademolay.org). Advisory Council and parental approval is required.

COMING SOON! Dad Shawn Holter, Director of Athletics (shawn.holter@mademolay.org) is putting the finishing touches on the Softball Tournament to be held on July 17 & 18. Information shortly.

GRAND MASTERS FAIR: Sunday, June 13th, Rain or Shine! The Grand Master's Fair,

is always a good time on the grounds of the Masonic Home in Charlton. DeMolays, Rainbows, Masons, families, friends are all welcome. It is a grand day of food and fun. Massachusetts DeMolay is staffing the soda booths again this year and we could use some chapter support. Contact [SMC Christopher Rooney](#) to volunteer. Admission is FREE and everyone is welcome.



WEBSITE GETS A NEW FEATURE: Assistant Director of Website Development Dad Timothy Blanchard has launched a new feature on the Massachusetts DeMolay Website. (<http://mademolay.org/calendar.html>) The Events Calendar is now powered by Google Calendar. It can be viewed as a list, a week or a month calendar. The calendar will be updated more frequently (it's easier) and we would like to encourage every chapter to contribute liberally to the calendar of events. The calendar is great but the information on it has to be relevant and it should include your chapter. E-Mail Dad Blanchard at webmaster@mademolay.org or [SMC Chris Rooney](#) or [EO Brian Noble](#) any updates you would like to have included in the calendar.

FORM 10 REMINDER: We are still missing a few of the Form 10's from the Regional Degree program. Please check to be sure that your Chapter has reported all new members since January. It is important that our jurisdictional membership statistics stay up to date.

REGION 1 LTC AND CHAPTER FINANCIAL SUPPORT: Leadership Training Conference is being held once again this summer at Lions Camp Pride in New Durham, NH. It will span the week of **Sunday, August 15 to Saturday, August 21**. The cost for the program is \$325.00 per attendee. There will be three courses of curriculum being offered throughout the week. The first revolves around Basic DeMolay training and is recommended for those 14 and older. The second option will focus on Chapter Leadership Skills and is recommended for those who are at least 16 and planning on becoming Master Councilor's. The final option is a Jurisdictional Officer program also offered for those 16 and older. This year's Region 1 LTC Coordinator is "Dad" Richard Lavoie. Contact him at rick.lavoie@mademolay.org. Massachusetts DeMolay will provide each Chapter the sum of \$325.00 to support their members who wish to attend. The Advisory Council in each Chapter may decide how to spend or divide the money. If only one member wants to attend, then the Advisory Council can spend it all on that one person, if two, it may be divided, three would each get \$108, and so on. This decision and who and how much to subsidize is completely a Chapter Advisory Council decision.

JURISDICTIONAL MANAGEMENT MEETING: The next meeting of the Jurisdictional management Team will be held on **Tuesday evening, June 1 at 7:15 p.m.** in the DeMolay Office on Boston. All Advisors, State officers and members of the Management Team are welcome and encouraged to attend.

MASSACHUSETTS DeMOLAY NIGHT AT THE RED SOX: Massachusetts DeMolay has been invited by the Red Sox to attend their game at Fenway on Tuesday, August 24th.



The Red Sox will play the Seattle Mariners. The game starts at 7:10 p.m. We have now **SOLD OUT** the tickets the seats are in the Grand Stand behind third base. DeMolay will be on the "Jumbo-tron," -the works! This is a great event for DeMolays just before school resumes. Thanks to all the Chapters that jumped on

this opportunity!_

GARDNER DeMOLAY PARADE: The city of Gardner is celebrating the 225th anniversary of its founding this year! Members of Gardner DeMolay will be marching in the parade being held on Saturday, September 26 at 1:00pm. DeMolay Chapters who are interested in participating in the parade with Gardner Chapter are welcome! Please contact the Chapter Chairman, "Dad" Wilfred E. "Bud" Ducharme at evelyne.ducharme@comcast.net .

TWO BROTHERS PASS AWAY:

Past State Junior Councilor **Richard (Rick) Noble**, 52. of Hingham Chapter. Rick served as SJC in 1975-1976. Rick developed COPD/Emphysema and fought a hard battle with it until being transplanted on December 9th. 2007. He was doing very well for the next 6 months but out of nowhere went into multi-organ failure. He spent the next 3 months in the hospital working hard to stay alive and to learn how walk and feed himself again, which he mastered very eloquently. From that point on, however, he was in and out of the hospital with one thing or another until his new lung went into Chronic Rejection and could not be re-transplanted. Rick passed on February 7th. A memorial service will be held at St. John's Episcopal Church, Main Street, Hingham on Saturday, June 12th at 11 a.m.

Steven M. Brown, age 54, of Stuart Florida, formerly of Scituate, died May 1. A 1973 graduate of South Shore Vocational High School, Steve served as Master Councilor of Mattakeeset (Scituate) Chapter. Steve served in the US Army, stationed in Germany. A Florida resident since 1980, Steve worked on a commercial fishing ship out of Cape Canaveral. He was also a Little League Umpire. He leaves his wife Jenny (Alfee) Brown of Stuart, FL and sons Christian Brown of Rhode Island and Ian Brown of Merritt Island, FL. He was preceded in death by his son Cory. A private service will be held at a later date.

**Thanks to the Reverend Jeffrey A. Collins, PSMC'82 for the quote. He provided it properly as, "Plans fail for lack of counsel, but with many advisers they succeed." It has been re-worked to 'Advisors' for our purposes here.*

CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

<i>May 7, Friday - May 15, Saturday</i>	Chapter Membership Parties
<i>May 14, Friday evening</i>	Cape Cod Chapter Installation, 7:30 p.m.
<i>May 15, Saturday</i>	DeMolay Ball, Lowell
<i>May 22, Saturday</i>	State Officer Qualifications & Interviews
<i>June 5, Saturday</i>	SAT
<i>June 12, Saturday</i>	Regional Degrees
<i>June 13, Sunday</i>	Grand Master's Fair, Charlton
<i>June 16-20, Wednesday-Sunday</i>	DeMolay International Session, Dallas, TX
<i>June 25-27, Friday, Saturday, Sunday</i>	Maine DeMolay Conclave

<i>July 9-11, Friday, Saturday, Sunday</i>	Connecticut DeMolay Conclave
<i>July 17 & 18, Saturday & Sunday</i>	Massachusetts Softball Tournament
<i>August 6-8, Friday, Saturday & Sunday</i>	MASSACHUSETTS CONCLAVE Nichols College, Dudley
<i>August 24, Tuesday evening</i>	DeMolay at THE RED SOX
September 26, Saturday	Gardner DeMolay Parade



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