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The 64<sup>th</sup> Annual  
Summer Conclave  
of the  
Florida DeMolay  
Association



Mark D. Griffis  
State Master Councilor

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## State Scribe / Treasurer's Preface

My Brothers,

These past months, I have had the extreme pleasure of serving you as the State Scribe / Treasurer of your Association. I would like to take this opportunity to let you know how much I appreciate the chance to excel, and also to help make DeMolay better in the great Jurisdiction of Florida.

There are a few people who I would like to thank for their support and assistance in my endeavors. First and foremost, I would like to thank my State Scribe Advisor, Dad J. G. Kicklighter, Jr. for believing in me, and for helping me work out the flaws in this book. I would also like to thank the rest of the members of the Board of Administration, who gave me the opportunity to work on the State Line once again.

Some other people who immediately come to mind when I consider my DeMolay career include Dad Dale Dietzman, who took me under his wing as a young DeMolay and saw that I was heading in the right direction, and Dad John Shirley, this year's State Chapter Dad, who has always been there as a friend and confidante, and who also provided a safe haven and an easy escape from the many pressures of a State position. Dad Shirley, here's to New Orleans!!!

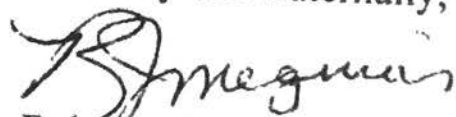
I would also like to thank my home Chapter, my family, and my extended DeMolay family (yes, Sam, that includes you). Mom and Dad, without you, I would never have attempted State Office, and have been able to only with your love and support. People like Chris Richards, Chris Cook, Travis Evans, and Bobby Smith, as well as John Hillyer, Mike Waterman, Joe Earnhardt, and Mark Griffis; Mom Sarner, Mom Bev, LB, to all of you, I express my deepest and lasting gratitude, for without all y'all, I would never have had the support needed to carry this off.

To you, my Brothers, I extend a warm invitation to set your sights high in your DeMolay career, and to excel in every possible corner of this great Order. Keep in mind the thoughts and hopes of our founder, Dad Frank Land, and try to make the most of your DeMolay life!

It has been a pleasure compiling these proceedings, and it has given me a new look on our Association, and the Order of DeMolay in general. I apologize for anything that may be absent from these proceedings, as I was not able to get the cooperation from all parties involved. I would like to take this opportunity to dedicate this particular book to Mom Jean Kicklighter, who spent many years working alongside of her husband to make this Order a better place for you!

Again, my Brothers, I express my gratitude for your support, and I thank you for the opportunity to serve you as your State Scribe / Treasurer.

Sincerely and fraternally,



Robert J. "Jody" Meguiar  
State Scribe/Treasurer 1997

## State of the Order Address

Brother DeMolays, Dad Marti, Distinguished Guests,

Welcome to the 64th Annual conclave of the Florida DeMolay Association. This event is when we gather as brothers to renew old friendships and make new ones. We gather to elect new officers and to decide the fate of our organization.

We, as DeMolays, must choose to stand for clean, moral, upright living if our order is to survive. Underhanded politics, rumors of inuendo, dissembling, thievery, and bad attitudes MUST STOP, if our order is to continue to grow, as opposed to its recent slow, draconian decline. Brotherhood and fun must return, or DeMolay itself will perish.

What is brotherhood?... we hear so much about it, DeMolay is brotherhood... Bring back the brotherhood, practice more brotherhood, and the like. But, what is this thing, this brotherhood? Brotherhood is you. We are the brotherhood because without us there is no brotherhood. How are brothers supposed to behave?

Do we look out for each other? YES

Do we advise each other not to do things which are not in our best interests?

YES

Is brotherhood giving your brother an extra dollar so he can afford to go out with the rest of his chapter? YES

Brotherhood is all of these things, but brotherhood, more importantly, is who we are, good or bad. Brotherhood is helping your brother, who is too shy and self conscious to ask a girl to dance. Brotherhood is spending time with your brother even if he isn't very popular at school, church, or not on the sports team at school. Brotherhood is also standing up for that same unpopular guy when other people taunt him and make fun of him. The ultimate responsibility of making brotherhood, and in turn DeMolay as a whole, work rests on your shoulders. DeMolay will be a better place to be or not quite as good because of you.

DeMolay is supposed to be fun, and its not going to be fun if everytime a brother shows up at your chapter he is taunted and poked fun at. How many of you would continue to come to DeMolay if everywhere you showed up your brothers, the same people who have taken an oath to protect and defend you and each other in time of trouble and need, told you that you were a loser, you were stupid, and that they hated you. You'd find somewhere else to go, wouldn't you? So why would you in turn do that to one of your brothers.

We, as individuals, must decide to make DeMolay work, or to let the advisors take over and let the order die. DeMolay by design must be run by us. The advisors are an invaluable resource, but we have to do the work or it won't get done and DeMolay will die. On that note, we have come here, to our Conclave to set into motion our plan for our future, and if we don't spend the time necessary to make that plan its best it can be then we fail ourselves. "If you always do what you've always done, then you'll always get what you've always gotten." this quote of Mary Kay Ashe is just as true to DeMolay today as to her business those many years ago. If we continue the same failing programs that haven't worked for us in the past, then

DeMolay will maintain its downward trend. If we continue an agenda that has historically produced good results then we will grow again.

We, Florida DeMolay as a whole, must take enough pride in what we do to do it right, that means learning our ritual, dressing properly for meeting; especially in public, and more importantly acting like gentlemen so that the general public will see DeMolay for what its true substance really is. However, most importantly, we must carry our teachings into service in our daily lives, and then we will succeed as citizens, leaders, men, and friends. DeMolay is not just a club, not just a social fraternity, but a way of thinking, a way of acting, and a way of living.

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*Minutes of the Business Sessions at the  
64th Annual Summer Conclave*

*The Florida DeMolay Association was officially opened at 8:10 PM on Monday July 28, 1997 with Mark D. Griffis, State Master Councilor, presiding in the East.*

The Chair called for comments from the representatives of the appendant Masonic bodies, including:

- Al Light, President- Florida State Grotto Association
- Fred Young, Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons
- Dan Dale, Most Imperial Grand Master- Royal and Select Masters
- Carl E. Gilmore, Knights Templar of Florida
- D. Hayward Stuckey, President- Masonic Youth Association
- Zack Enos, Illustrious Knight Commander- Col. James "Nick" Rowe Priory, Order of Knighthood
- Kelly Ann Brooks, Florida DeMolay State Sweetheart
- Russell B. Glendinning, Florida DeMolay Conclave Director
- Leanne Miller, International Order of Job's Daughters
- Beth Edmiston, Grand Worthy Advisor International Order of the Rainbow for Girls

The State Orator, Bro. Matthew Jefferson, gave his inspiring Grand Oration, entitled "What is a Brother?"

Dad William A. Marti, Executive Officer of the Jurisdiction of Florida, gave an inspiring lecture of the renewal of interest throughout the State regarding the Masonic Youth Groups.

Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Florida, Sam Cowan, presented Dad Marti with a beautiful Grand Lodge medallion. His following speech was truly an inspiration, and even included excerpts from the renowned "salt of the earth" speech.

Bro. Mark Griffis, State Master Councilor, gave the State of the Order address. (For text, see Page 3 of these proceedings)

*Bro. Griffis declared the Association in a state of recess at 8:53 PM.*

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*The Florida DeMolay Association was opened ritualistically at 9:20 PM on Monday July 28, 1997 with Bro. Mark Griffis, State Master Councilor, presiding.*

The roll call of State Officers was called.

The State Chapter Dad, Dad Oscar Griffis, was introduced and escorted to the east.

The State Master Councilor called for any announcements, which included the report of a lost wallet.

*Bro. Griffis placed the Association into a state of recess at 9:25 PM.*

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*The Florida DeMolay Association was brought out of a state of recess at 8:14 PM on Tuesday July 29, 1997, with Bro. Mark Griffis presiding.*

The Chair recognized Bro. Chris McKenney, State Credentials Committee Chairman, who delivered the following report.

### **CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE REPORT**

This is the report of the Credentials Committee as set forth in Section 5.05 of the Florida DeMolay Association Statutes. The Chairman of this committee was Christopher McKenney, appointed at Mini-Conclave in 1997. There were no recommendations in the report of the past year.

As the duties of this committee were fairly straightforward, the Chairman served as its only member.

This year, the committee created a delegate certification card, containing the delegate's name, advisor's signature, and signature of the committee chair or his representative. This enables the Credentials Committee Chairman to quickly determine the validity of each delegate, and to prevent extra ballots being distributed during elections.

The following information regarding the number of delegates at the time of this report is as follows. There are fourteen (14) chapters registered with this committee, for a total of thirty four (34) delegates forty two (42) delegate votes. In addition, the State Senior Councilor, State Junior Councilor, and State Scribe / Treasurer are present for one vote each, raising the total to forty five (45) delegate votes. Assuming no changes in the number of registered delegates, a quorum to conduct business will be twenty three (23) votes, a simple majority will be twenty three (23) votes, and a two thirds majority will be thirty (30) votes. A list of delegates exists in the records of the State Credentials Committee Chairman.

The committee recommends that next year's committee continue the delegate registration cards in order to ensure proper order in delegate sessions.

Pursuant to Section 5.01 of the statutes of this Association, the recommendations of this report are physically and fiscally feasible.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Brother Christopher McKenney  
Credentials Committee Chairman

/s/ Jerry L. Tillman, Jr.  
Jurisprudence Committee Chairman

/s/ Dad J. G. Kicklighter, Jr.  
Chairman, Board of Administration

The Chair entertained a motion to pass the report as read. Bro. Chris Cook, St. Petersburg Chapter, made the motion. Bro. Richard Salazar, Paul Revere Chapter, seconded. The motion passed.

The Chair recognized Bro. Jody Meguiar, State Nominations Committee Chairman, who presented the following report:

## NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT

To the Delegates of the 64th Annual Conclave:

This is the report of the State Nominations Committee, as set forth in Section 5.03 of the Florida DeMolay State Statutes.

The members of this Committee are as follows:

- Brother Jody Meguiar, Chairman
- Brother Joseph C. Earnhardt, Jr., State Senior Councilor
- Brother Chris Richards, State Master Councilor's Representative - Area V
- Brother Michael Sullivan, State Junior Deacon

The State Nominations Committee met three times this past year. The first time was on January 19, 1997 at Mini-Conclave in Gainesville, Florida, and Brothers Meguiar, Earnhardt, and Richards were present. The second meeting was on June 28, 1997, in Tampa, Florida, and Brothers Meguiar, Earnhardt, and Sullivan were in attendance. The final meeting was before the Grand Opening of Conclave in Gainesville, Florida, and all members of the Committee were present.

At Mini-Conclave, we discussed possible candidates, and looked over the requirements for elected state office, as stated in Chapter 3 of the State Statutes. We also reviewed the due-dates for letters of intent, and concluded that the letters for State Master Councilor must be postmarked by, or on, June 25, 1997.

At our meeting on June 28th, we reviewed the letter received by Brother Joseph Earnhardt, regarding his candidacy for the office of State Master Councilor. At that time, since the deadline for such letters had already past, Brother Earnhardt was declared to be the sole candidate for the Office of State Master Councilor.

On July 28, we discussed the remainder of the letters which were received regarding other state line offices. Said letters included one from Christopher Cook and one from Cleve Fowler, declaring their intent to run for the office of State Senior Councilor. We also received a letter from Brother Jerry L. Tillman, Jr. for consideration for candidacy for the office of State Junior Councilor.

After our meeting, we received one additional letter of intent for the office of State Junior Councilor. This letter was from Brother Robert Ware, Jr. The letter was received before the said deadline, reviewed, and Brother Ware's credentials were approved by this Committee.

In summary, the following Brethren have submitted letters of intent, which were reviewed and approved by this Committee for candidacy:

### Candidate for State Master Councilor

1. Brother Joseph C. Earnhardt, Jr.

### Candidate for State Senior Councilor

1. Brother Christopher J. Cook
2. Brother Cleve Fowler

### Candidate for State Junior Councilor

1. Brother Jerry L. Tillman, Jr.
2. Brother Robert "B.J." Ware, Jr.

The State Nominations Committee would like to express its deep and lasting gratitude to each individual candidate, and to wish him well in his endeavors.



Pursuant to Section 5.01 of the Statutes of this Association, this report is both physically and fiscally feasible.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Robert J. "Jody" Meguiar  
Nominations Committee Chairman

/s/ Mark D. Griffis  
State Master Councilor

/s/ Jerry L. Tillman, Jr.  
Jurisprudence Committee Chairman

/s/ Dad J. G. Kicklighter, Jr.  
Chairman, Board of Administration

The Chair entertained a motion to accept the report as read. Bro. Luke Melendez, Ralph Buck Chapter, made the motion. Bro. Jerry Tillman, Sem-I-No Chapter seconded. The motion passed.

*Bro. Griffis declared the Association to be in a state of recess at 8:21 PM.*

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*The Florida DeMolay Association was brought out of recess at 8:30 PM on Tuesday, July 29, 1997 for the purpose of Nominations.*

The State Master Councilor opened the floor for nominations for the office of State Master Councilor.

The Chair recognized Bro. Jody Meguiar, State Nominations Committee Chairman, who read the letter of intent of Bro. Joseph C. Earnhardt, Jr. Bro. Christopher McKenney of Jupiter-Tequesta Chapter, gave Bro. Earnhardt's nomination speech, and Bro. Earnhardt accepted the nomination.

The State Master Councilor, with no further nominations, closed nominations for the office of State Master Councilor.

The State Master Councilor opened the floor for nominations for the office of State Senior Councilor.

The Chair again recognized Bro. Jody Meguiar, who read the letter of intent of Bro. Christopher Cook. Bro. Luke Melendez of Ralph Buck Chapter, gave Bro. Cook's nomination speech, and Bro. Cook accepted the nomination.

Bro. Jody Meguiar was then called to read the letter of intent from Bro. Cleve Fowler. Bro. Chuck Giallombardo of Sarasota Chapter, gave Bro. Fowler's nomination speech, and Bro. Fowler accepted the nomination.

The State Master Councilor, with no further nominations, closed nominations for the office of State Senior Councilor.

The State Master Councilor opened the floor for nominations for the office of State Junior Councilor.

The Chair then recognized Bro. Jody Meguiar, who read the letter of intent of Bro. Jerry L. Tillman, Jr. Bro. Larry Bernard of Sarasota Chapter, gave Bro. Tillman's nomination speech, and Bro. Tillman accepted the nomination.

Bro. Jody Meguiar was then called to read the letter of intent of Bro. Robert "BJ" Ware, Jr. Bro. Josh Marti of Sarasota Chapter, gave Bro. Ware's nomination speech, and Bro. Ware accepted the nomination.

The State Master Councilor, with no further nominations, closed nominations for the office of State Junior Councilor.

The State Master Councilor declared nominations closed, and then opened the floor for general caucuses, in which each candidate would answer a total of five (5) questions.

*This session was officially placed in a state of recess at 9:30 PM.*

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*The Florida DeMolay Association was brought out of a state of recess at 1:48 PM on Wednesday July 30, 1997 with Bro. Mark Griffis, State Master Councilor, presiding.*

The Credentials Committee reported a total of 26 delegate votes present, which constituted a quorum, with fourteen (14) being simple majority, and eighteen (18) to be a 2/3 majority.

The State Master Councilor introduced an esteemed panel of guests, which included:

- Dad Bill Marti, Executive Officer of the Jurisdiction of Florida
- Dad J. G. Kiglighter, Jr., Chairman of the Board of Administration
- Dad Don Crowley, Member of the Board of Administration
- Dad Tom Jenkins, Member of the Board of Administration
- Dad Jerry Meguiar, Member of the Board of Administration
- Dad Ed Walker, Member of the Board of Administration

Bro. Mark Griffis, State Master Councilor, brought up the "Zero Tolerance" concept for discussion and debate. He explained that an ongoing problem is occurring with DeMolays and Advisors bringing alcohol to Conclave and other State functions, and open drinking / intoxication is becoming more widespread.

Merek Jones, Mid-Pinellas Chapter, suggested that if a DeMolay is caught with alcohol, he should be immediately sent home. Also if Advisors are to be our role models, they should not bring alcohol either, and should be disciplined as well.

Chris Cook, St. Petersburg Chapter, requested statistics for this matter. No one was able to present said statistics, so Bro. Cook inquired as to how this could be considered a problem without statistics.

Luke Melendez, Ralph Buck Chapter, stated that he was in agreement with Bro. Jones regarding the discipline of Advisors with alcohol.

Jimmy Braddam, George Ulee Lord Chapter, stated that if the Advisors are of legal age, Florida DeMolay has no authority to go against their rights as per the Constitution of the United States. Bro. Braddam used himself as an example, as he smokes cigarettes, being above the said legal age.

Larry Bernard, Sarasota Chapter, clarified that according to the Statutes of the International Supreme Council, DeMolays are not permitted to drink or smoke at DeMolay functions.

The State Master Councilor explained the said I.S.C. Statutes, and explained that if a change is requested, DeMolays should speak their mind.

Merek Jones, Mid-Pinellas Chapter, stated that, in his opinion, the I.S.C. Statute should be amended to include Advisors and Adult Workers.

Pat Patterson, Jupiter-Tequesta Chapter, stated that the careful selection process of Advisors should cut out heavy-drinkers, but that an occasional drink would not be out of line.

Joe Earnhardt, State Senior Councilor, requested a round number, or "guesstimate" in place of the statistics, requested by Bro. Cook.

Dad Marti, Executive Officer, summed up that since the problem has occurred in the past, no statistics or general numbers would be necessary for our discussion. He explained that such problems occur at almost every state DeMolay function, and that he and the Advisors had already discussed the problem.

Kurt Saltzgaver, Brandon Chapter, stated that he didn't think that Advisors should be excluded where the rules are concerned.

Chris Cook, St. Petersburg Chapter, said that we should determine a form of deterrence, rather than a punishment, since a punishment has already been implemented.

Merek Jones, Mid-Pinellas Chapter, said that a zero tolerance policy would serve as a deterrent.

Chris Cook, St. Petersburg Chapter, explained that a zero tolerance policy would be stressing punishment, instead of deterrence.

Merek Jones, Mid-Pinellas Chapter, disagreed.

Dad Griffis, State Chapter Dad, stated that open drinking on the Advisor's part should be stopped, but a question of privacy could arise when discussing what they do in their own rooms.

Matt Glymph, Winter Park Chapter, stated a point of inquiry: who would enforce the ban on drinking?

Dad Kicklighter, Chairman of the Board of Administration, answered that the State Conduct Committee would be in charge of it.

Chris Cook, St. Petersburg Chapter, moved to limit discussion to DeMolays and non-Masonic adults.

Jimmy Braddam, George Ulee Lord Chapter, seconded the motion.

The State Master Councilor called for discussion on the motion.

Merek Jones, Mid-Pinellas Chapter, asked for a clarification of the meaning of the motion.

Chris Cook, St. Petersburg Chapter, clarified that the discussion should be directed toward DeMolays only.

Joe Earnhardt, State Senior Councilor, asked what constitutes a "Masonic" adult, as stated in the original motion.

Dad Kicklighter, Chairman of the Board of Administration, recommended a restatement of the motion, limiting discussion to DeMolays only.

Joe Earnhardt, State Senior Councilor, objected because of the fact that we also have female guests and their chaperones at Conclave.

Chris Cook, St. Petersburg Chapter, re-stated the motion to limit the debate to anybody who is not an Adult Worker (i.e.: DeMolays, guests, and others, who are not Advisors).

Luke Melendez, Ralph Buck Chapter, felt that we should not accept the motion because our Advisors are part of the problem.

Matt Glymph, Winter Park Chapter, questioned whether we were discussing punishment or the problem itself.

The State Master Councilor summed up that we were still discussing both.

Glen Rager, Jupiter-Tequesta Chapter, asked why Senior DeMolays, who are over the age of 21, cannot have alcohol in their room, since the rules only apply to those under 21.

The State Master Councilor stated that the question was somewhat irrelevant to the motion on the floor.

Matt Glymph, Winter Park Chapter, moved the previous question.

Pat Patterson, Jupiter-Tequesta Chapter, seconded the motion.

The motion to limit debate to active DeMolays and guests who are not Advisors passed.

Merek Jones, Mid-Pinellas Chapter, put the zero tolerance policy up for discussion.

Jimmy Braddam, George Ulee Lord Chapter, stated that if Advisors are not responsible enough to drink in public, they should not be allowed to attend state functions.

Pat Patterson, Jupiter-Tequesta Chapter, stated that there already is a zero tolerance policy in existence.

The State Master Councilor said that the question under debate was how the rule was being interpreted, and that we may wish to change its interpretation.

Larry Bernard, Sarasota Chapter, asked how many knew about the zero tolerance rule, and what it stated. (All in delegation responded affirmatively).

Merek Jones, Mid-Pinellas Chapter, asked if we should use the zero tolerance rule, or should we just kick the guilty party out of the Order.

The State Master Councilor replied that it was currently under debate.

Jimmy Braddam, George Ulee Lord Chapter, called for a point of clarification on Bro. Jones' part.

Merek Jones, Mid-Pinellas Chapter, re-stated his question.

Jimmy Braddam, George Ulee Lord Chapter, explained to Bro. Jones that it is up to the State Conduct Committee to decide the punishment of guilty parties.

Pat Patterson, Jupiter-Tequesta Chapter, asked who had the authority to kick someone out of the Order, and argued that it is too harsh of a punishment for someone who may have made a mistake. (The State Master Councilor responded to Bro. Patterson's question by pointing to Dad Marti).

Chris Cook, St. Petersburg Chapter, offered an idea that other influential Advisors should explain the rules regarding alcohol at Conclave.

The State Master Councilor dictated the rules regarding the use and possession of controlled substances, including alcohol.

Kurt Saltzgaver, Brandon Chapter, offered his personal feeling, that people with alcohol should be kicked out of the Order, or at least suspended.

Luke Melendez, Ralph Buck Chapter, argued that people are human and are known to make mistakes.

Matt Glymph, Winter Park Chapter, called for a point of inquiry: what is the common procedure for someone who is caught with alcohol?

Dad Kicklighter, Chairman of the Board of Administration, explained that in the event of a DeMolay in possession of alcohol, the Conduct Committee would tell you to go home quietly, or could refer you to the Board of Administration, who would send you home, sending the matter to be handled at the DeMolay's home Chapter, who could then bring you up on DeMolay charges.

Chris Cook, St. Petersburg Chapter, made a motion to limit the discussion to methods of deterrence only.

Robert Gill, Albert J. Russell Chapter, seconded the motion.

The State Master Councilor called for discussion.

Joe Earnhardt, State Senior Councilor, declared that we need to discuss punishment, as a way of deterring the problem.

Luke Melendez, Ralph Buck Chapter, stated that we need to also discuss how the rules will be enforced.

Matt Glymph, Winter Park Chapter, called the previous question.

Chris Anderson, Paul Revere Chapter, seconded the motion.

The motion to call the previous question passed.

When the motion to limit this discussion to methods of deterrence only was voted upon, a division was called by the chair. The division reported a total of 15 yea's, 16 nay's, and 2 abstentions. The motion to limit debate failed.

Pat Patterson, Jupiter-Tequesta Chapter, provided examples of acceptable discussion topics and questioned our options as far as disciplining our Advisors.

Dad Meguiar, Member of the Board of Administration, asked if the DeMolays perceived a problem of open drinking on the part of the Advisors.

Since the majority of the responses to Dad Meguiar's question were negative, Joe Earnhardt, State Senior Councilor, asked if there was a current problem.

The State Master Councilor elaborated Bro. Earnhardt's question, and added the question: "What is the problem?"

Merek Jones, Mid-Pinellas Chapter, responded that there is a major problem with Advisors drinking in their own room while DeMolays are present.

Larry Bernard, Sarasota Chapter, stated that DeMolays perceive their Advisors as being drunkards, and that could take away from their level of respect.

Merek Jones, Mid-Pinellas Chapter, stated that a big problem is that it seems that the Advisors are condoning the use of alcohol at DeMolay functions.

Chris McKenney, Jupiter-Tequesta Chapter, argued that if an Advisor is drinking moderately, he is setting a good example to the younger DeMolays, because they are being responsible.

Dad Marti stated that he would be open to a statement of position of the use of alcohol by adults at State functions.

The State Master Councilor clarified Dad Marti's statement.

Dad Marti reminded the delegation that it was not a request; that he was only open for a statement of position.

Dad Kicklighter, Chairman of the Board of Administration, stated that the statement of position could be in the form of a resolution.

Matt Glymph, Winter Park Chapter, offered comments regarding such a statement.

Merek Jones, Mid-Pinellas Chapter, as a possible statement of position, moved to extend the interpretation of the rules, so that the Advisors were not allowed to consume alcohol in the presence of DeMolays.

Luke Melendez, Ralph Buck Chapter, seconded.

The State Master Councilor called for discussion.

Pat Patterson, Jupiter-Tequesta Chapter, stated that nobody has the right to say that an Advisor can't have a drink with his lunch, for example.

Matt Glymph, Winter Park Chapter, made a motion to amend the current motion on the floor to include the use of tobacco products.

Merek Jones, Mid-Pinellas Chapter, seconded the motion.

The State Master Councilor called for discussion regarding the motion to amend.

Jimmy Braddam, George Ulee Lord Chapter, offered his comments against the motion at hand.

Glen Rager, Jupiter-Tequesta Chapter, stated that Advisors should be able to do anything they want in the presence of DeMolays.

Larry Bernard, Sarasota Chapter, clarified that the statement being considered only states how we feel and does not necessarily mean that it will be made into a rule.

Dan Gorman, Jupiter-Tequesta Chapter, argued against the matter at hand, asking what the Advisors are supposed to do, "run and hide?"

John Reeder, Sem-I-No Chapter, stated that the Advisors should be allowed to smoke, but they should be have courtesy for those with breathing problems (i.e.: asthma).

Pat Patterson, Jupiter-Tequesta Chapter, agreed with Bro. Reeder, and added that there are a lot of good people who could have a lot to offer as Advisors, yet they smoke.

Chris Cook, St. Petersburg Chapter, moved to table the motion indefinitely.

Jimmy Braddam, George Ulee Lord Chapter, seconded the motion.

When voted upon, a division was called by Bro. Matt Glymph of Winter Park Chapter. The results of said division yielded 16 yea's and 16 nays, with 1 abstention. The State Master Councilor cast the deciding "nay" vote, which defeated the tabling of the motion.

Joe Earnhardt, State Senior Councilor, declared that the use of tobacco is bad, but it is not up to us to tell Advisors what they can or cannot do, as it should be a matter of respect.

Chris McKenney, Jupiter-Tequesta Chapter, called the previous question (to include / exclude the use of tobacco).

Pat Patterson, Jupiter-Tequesta Chapter, seconded the motion.

The motion to call the question passed.

The delegation voted on the question as to include the use of tobacco by the Advisors, and the motion failed.

Chris Cook, St. Petersburg Chapter, proposed an idea that we could designate a "smoking section" of the hotel for the Advisors.

The State Master Councilor stated that the resolution states that the Advisors can do whatever they want, as long as they don't do it in the presence of DeMolays, so the idea presented by Bro. Cook wouldn't be needed.

Larry Bernard, Sarasota Chapter, said that a "smoking section" would not be necessary, and that out of respect for Advisors, we shouldn't need one to begin with.

Chris McKenney, Jupiter-Tequesta Chapter, called the previous question.

Matt Glymph, Winter Park Chapter, seconded.

The motion to call the previous question passed.

The motion to include the Advisors in the interpretation of the standing Florida State DeMolay Association Conclave Rules, regarding the use of alcohol failed unanimously.

Chris Cook, St. Petersburg Chapter, moved to adjourn.

The State Master Councilor declared Bro. Cook's motion illegal.

Matt Glymph, Winter Park Chapter, moved to recess.

Glen Rager, Jupiter-Tequesta Chapter, seconded the motion.

When voted upon, a division was called by Bro. Jerry Tillman, State Parliamentarian. The results of said division yielded 29 yea's, 4 nay's, and 1 abstention.

*The Florida DeMolay Association was placed into a state of recess at 3:10 PM.*

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*The Florida DeMolay Association was brought out of recess at 8:15 PM on Wednesday July 30, 1997, with Mark Griffis, State Master Councilor, presiding.*

The Credentials Committee reported a total of 60 delegate votes present, constituting 31 to be the simple majority, and 40 to be 2/3 majority.

Dad Bill Marti, Executive Officer, was given the gavel and the chair, and since there was no competition, he appointed Bro. Joseph C. Earnhardt, Jr. as the State Master Councilor of the Florida DeMolay Association for the 1997-1998 year. Bro. Earnhardt accepted the appointment.

The floor was opened for the election of the State Senior Councilor. The Candidates were Bros. Christopher John Cook Cleveland Mitchell Fowler.

The results of the election were as follows:

Chris Cook	43
Cleve Fowler	15
Abstentions	0
Spoiled Ballots	0

The Chair declared Bro. Chris Cook to be the winner of the election. Bro. Cook accepted the results of the election.

Bro. Josh Marti, Sarasota Chapter, nominated Bro. Cleve Fowler for the office of State Junior Councilor, and Bro. Fowler accepted the nomination.

The Chair opened the floor for the election of the State Junior Councilor. The candidates were Bros. Robert "BJ" Ware, Jr., Jerry L. Tillman, Jr., and Cleveland Fowler.

The results of the first ballot were as follows:

BJ Ware	14
Jerry Tillman	20
Cleve Fowler	25
Abstentions	2

**Spoiled Ballots 0**

Since no candidate received a majority of the votes present, the candidate with the fewest votes, Bro. BJ Ware, was forced to drop from the next ballot, and the floor was again opened for the election of the State Junior Councilor. The candidates were Bros. Jerry Tillman, and Cleve Fowler.

The results were as follows:

Jerry Tillman	30
Cleve Fowler	30
Abstentions	1
Spoiled Ballots	0

As per the vote of the delegation, the abstention, which read "Clev Fouer," counted as a vote for Bro. Fowler, raising his total to 31, achieving majority. Bro. Fowler was declared the winner of the election, and he accepted the position.

The elected State Line for the 1997-1997 term is:

State Master Councilor→ Bro. Joseph Cecil Earnhardt, Jr.

State Senior Councilor→ Bro. Christopher John Cook

State Junior Councilor→ Bro. Cleveland Mitchell Fowler

Joe Earnhardt, State Master Councilor-elect, moved to recess for 10 minutes.

Allan Warkentine, American Crusaders Chapter, seconded.

The motion passed.

*Mark Griffis, State Master Councilor, declared the Association in a state of recess at 8:57 PM.*

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*The Florida DeMolay Association was brought out of a state of recess at 9:16 PM on Wednesday July 30, 1997 with Mark Griffis, State Master Councilor, presiding.*

The Credentials Committee reported a total of 45 delegate votes present, leaving 23 votes to be the simple majority, and 30 to be 2/3 majority.

The Chair recognized Bro. Merek Jones to read the State Budget and Finance Committee report. Bro. Jones could not present his report, since it had not already received the approval of the Board of Administration.

The Chair recognized Bro. Joe Earnhardt to read the State Public Relations and Publications Committee report. The report read as follows:

## **PUBLIC RELATIONS AND PUBLICATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT**

To the delegates of the 64th Annual Conclave:

This is the report of the State Publications and Public Relations Committee as set forth in section 5.13 of the Florida DeMolay Statutes.

The members of the committee are as follows:

- Joseph C. Earnhardt Jr., State Senior Councilor, Chairman
- Robert J. Meguiar, State Scribe/Treasurer
- Chris Cook
- Cleve Fowler

Due to the fact that the last State Public Relations and Publications Committee Chairman resigned due to circumstances beyond his control, the current committee



## ATHLETICS COMMITTEE REPORT

This is the report of the Athletics Committee as set forth in Section 5.08 of the Florida DeMolay Association Statutes. The committee is composed of Brother Mark D. Griffis and was chaired by Brother Matthew I. Glymph.

The committee met in August at the 63rd Annual Florida DeMolay Summer Conclave, November at the State Camp-out in Apollo Beach, December at Orlando, January at Orlando, and April at Orlando. All members listed above were in attendance at all meetings.

As no report was given last year, there are no recommendations to implement.

Recommendation #1: Make Soccer an event for competition at the Mini-Conclave meeting of the Florida DeMolay Association.

Recommendation #2: Schedule Athletic Competitions at the Annual Summer Conclave so that they do not interfere with Ritual competitions or the Delegate Sessions.

Pursuant to section 5.01 of the statutes of this Association this report is physically and fiscally feasible.

Respectfully and fraternally submitted,

/s/ Matthew Glymph  
Athletics Committee Chairman

/s/ Mark D. Griffis  
State Master Councilor

/s/ Larry A. Bernard  
Acting Jurisprudence Committee Chairman

/s/ Dad J. G. Kicklighter, Jr.  
Chairman, Board of Administration

Chris McKenney, Jupiter-Tequesta Chapter, offered a friendly amendment to Recommendation #2 to reword the recommendation to read: "schedule delegate sessions as to not interfere with ritual competitions or sports events."

Bro. Glymph denied the friendly amendment.

Chris McKenney, Jupiter-Tequesta Chapter, moved to amend the recommendation to read the same as before.

Allen Warkentine, American Crusaders Chapter, seconded.

Jerry Tillman, State Parliamentarian, called a point of order: that the Athletics Committee didn't have the authority to discuss delegate sessions and ritual competitions at Conclave.

The Chair declared the motion out of order.

Chris McKenney, Jupiter-Tequesta Chapter, withdrew his motion.

Chris McKenney, Jupiter-Tequesta Chapter, moved to amend Recommendation #2 to read: "The Athletics Committee should work in conjunction with the director of Conclave to insure that they do not schedule delegate sessions with athletics competitions."

Bob Ward, Mid-Pinellas Chapter, seconded the motion.

The motion passed.

Joe Earnhardt, State Senior Councilor, moved to accept the report as amended.  
Jody Meguiar, State Scribe / Treasurer, seconded.

The motion passed.

The Chair recognized Bro. Chris Cook to read the State Membership Committee report, which read as follows:

## **MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE REPORT**

To the delegates of the 64th Annual Conclave:

We the members of the State Membership Committee have met and present the following report for your approval:

In accordance with Section 5.01 of the Statutes, this report is both physically and fiscally feasible.

The committee is composed of the following officers and members:

- Chairman-- Brother Christopher Cook, St. Petersburg Chapter
- Vice-Chairman-- Brother Joseph Guglietti, St. Petersburg Chapter
- Co-Secretaries-- Brother Joseph Fernandez, St. Petersburg Chapter  
Brother James Bartlett, George Ulee Lord Chapter
- Members-- Brothers Christopher McKenney, Joseph Earnhardt, Mike Sullivan, Jimmy Braddam, Jody Meguiar, and Zack Enos
- Advisor Present-- Dad Jerome Meguiar

The State Membership Committee had one meeting on 26 July 1997 in Tampa, Florida. All officers, members, and advisors were present.

In reviewing the proceedings of the State Membership Committee for last Conclave we found no recommendations and thus we were unable to act upon them.

This year's membership committee submits the following recommendation for your approval:

Recommendation #1- This committee recommends that, in association with the public relations and publication committee, we look into the possibility of airing commercials for the Order of DeMolay as public service announcements. We feel that this recommendation will aid in attracting new members to our order via televised publicity.

Recommendation #2- This committee recommends that the next year's State Membership Committee look into the feasibility of holding a D.A.D. Course at the Annual Grand Lodge of Florida. We feel that the Grand Lodge of Florida would be an excellent opportunity to train a large number of D.A.D.'s and also to spur more Masonic participation and support, thus leading to a greater potential for attracting members.

Recommendation #3- This committee recommends that the State Membership Committee chairman receive a copy of the monthly International Supreme Council membership report and a copy of the state directory.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Christopher Cook  
State Membership Committee Chairman  
/s/ Jerry L. Tillman, Jr.

Jurisprudence Committee Chairman  
Dad J. G. Kicklighter, Jr.  
Chairman, Board of Administration

Jody Meguiar, State Scribe / Treasurer, moved to accept the report as read.  
John Reeder, Sem-I-No Chapter, seconded.

The motion passed and the report was accepted.

The State Master Councilor called for legislation.

Pat Patterson, Jupiter-Tequesta Chapter, in reference to the prior delegate session, moved that the standing rules regarding the use of alcohol should pertain to members of the Order of DeMolay and other Masonic youth groups. As for the Advisors, they should be refrained from "disorderly conduct," as per the Conduct Committee.

Jody Meguiar, State Scribe / Treasurer, seconded.

The motion passed.

Chris McKenney, Jupiter-Tequesta Chapter, moved to amend State Statute 3.09(a) to include: "up to" and "No member may carry more than 1 vote without the approval of the delegation."

The motion died due to a lack of a second.

Chris McKenney, Jupiter-Tequesta Chapter, re-stated his motion, to make Section 3.09(a) of the State Statutes to read:

"Each member Chapter shall be entitled to be represented by **up to three delegates** at the Annual Conclave. **No member may carry more than 1 vote without the approval of the delegation.** Each delegate shall have one vote in all matters brought on the floor of the Conclave, providing he has been certified by his Chapter Advisor and has been registered with the Credentials Committee prior to the Opening Session of Conclave. In the event that less than three (3) delegates from a Chapter are in attendance at Conclave, any or all of the absent delegate votes may be given to a remaining Delegate from that Chapter. In order to accomplish this, the Chapter Advisor must submit written authorization to the Credentials Committee before the opening business section of Conclave."

Bob Ward, Mid-Pinellas Chapter, seconded.

Since it had not been reviewed by the Executive Officer or the Board of Administration, the State Master Councilor referred the motion to the State Jurisprudence Committee, to report at the next delegate session.

*Mark Griffis, State Master Councilor, placed the Florida DeMolay Association onto a state of recess at 8:46 PM.*

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*The Florida DeMolay Association was brought out of a state of recess at 9:34 am on Friday August 1, 1997 with Mark Griffis, SMC, presiding.*

The Credentials Committee reported a total of 34 delegate voted present, leaving 18 to be simple majority and 23 to be 2/3 majority vote.

Chris McKenney, Jupiter-Tequesta Chapter, withdrew his motion made at the previous delegate session regarding Statute 3.09(a).

Since Bro. Chris Anderson of Paul Revere Chapter had lost his nametag, Chris McKenney of Jupiter-Tequesta Chapter made a motion that Bro. Anderson sing "La Macarena" at the Grand Banquet.

Chris Anderson, Paul Revere Chapter, seconded.

When the motion was voted upon, a division was called.

Chris McKenney, Jupiter-Tequesta Chapter, withdrew his motion.

The Chair recognized Charles Hale who was to read the State Ritual Committee report.

Jimmy Braddam, George Ulee Lord, moved to suspend current standing rules, and pass the report as presented, before it has been read to the delegation.

Kurt Saltzgaver, Brandon Chapter, seconded.

Under discussion, Chris McKenney, Jupiter-Tequesta Chapter, offered a friendly amendment to Bro. Braddam's motion, which stated that Bro. Hale was to only read the recommendations of his report.

Jimmy Braddam, George Ulee Lord Chapter, accepted the friendly amendment, and the report passed as presented. The original report read as follows:

## **RITUAL COMMITTEE REPORT**

To the delegates of the 64th Annual Conclave,

This is the report of the Ritual Committee as set forth in Section 5.07 of the Florida State DeMolay Statutes.

The members of this committee are as follows:

- Bro. Charles N. Hale, State Sentinel, Chairman
- Bro. William M. Jefferson, State Orator
- Bro. Mark D. Griffis, State Master Councilor
- Dad Walter M. Hammond, Director of Ritual
- Dad John W. Shirley, Committee Advisor

Due to the fact that the first ritual committee chairman resigned, this committee was only able to have one meeting on July 30, 1997 with all committee members present.

At this meeting, we discussed the recommendations of last year's report and discussed recommendations for this year.

The recommendations for last year are as follows:

Last Year's Recommendation #1: This recommendation went into effect upon passage of last year's report and was not fully implemented due to lack of communication.

Last Year's Recommendation #2: This recommendation was to be implemented at Mini-Conclave but was not done until this conclave.

This committee submits the following recommendation for your approval:

Recommendation #1: This committee recommends that the Area Directors and Chapter Advisory Council request that the Director of ritual hold more Basic Evaluators Courses to benefit DeMolays who compete in ritual as this will tell them how they should be evaluated.

pursuant to section 5.01 of the Statutes of this association, the recommendations of this report are both physically and fiscally feasible.

Respectfully submitted,

s' Charles N. Hale  
Ritual Committee Chairman  
s Mark D. Griffis  
State Master Councilor  
s' Dad Walter M. Hammond  
Director of Ritual  
s' Jerry L. Tillman, Jr.  
Jurisprudence Committee Chairman  
s' Dad J. G. Kicklighter, Jr.  
Chairman, Board of Administration

The Chair recognized Bro. Zack Enos, who was to read the Knighthood Committee report.

Chris McKenney, Jupiter-Tequesta Chapter, moved to hear only the recommendations of the report, and pass the report as presented.

Joe Earnhardt, State Senior Councilor, seconded.

The motion passed. The original report read as follows:

## **KNIGHTHOOD COMMITTEE REPORT**

To the delegates of the 64th annual Conclave,

We the members of the State Knighthood Committee:

- Sir Knight Zack Enos, I.K.C., Chairman
- Sir Knight Jerry Tillman, State Squire Commander
- Sir Knight Charles Braddam, State Page Commander
- Sir Squire James Bartlett
- Dad Allan Graulich, Advisor

have met and submit the following report for your approval.

Two members of the State Knighthood Committee, Zack Enos and Jerry Tillman, met at both the Grand Master's Class in February and the Festival of Spring in April and discussed ideas for the upcoming events. At the annual Convocation in June, Sir Knight Braddam was also in attendance along with Sir Knight Enos and Tillman for discussion of ideas. Sir Squire Bartlett was also in attendance with the above listed at this year's annual Conclave.

Col. James "Nick" Rowe Priory has gone through many positive changes in the past 12 months. At last year's annual Knighthood Cotillion in October, the Sir Knights, Advisors, and guests assembled were treated to an exciting night of food, medieval dancing courtesy of the SCA, and awards presentations. For the first time in its existence, all three trophies presented went to the same individual, Sir Knight Joe Earnhardt. The trophies presented are the Jean Kicklighter Memorial Trophy for outstanding performance of the Knight of Rose Degree, the George Chipouras

Trophy for outstanding ritual work, and the Joseph Aspley Trophy for the Outstanding Sir Knight of the year. Dad Jack Peterson was also presented with the Knighthood Grand Cross of Honor for his outstanding help with Florida Knighthood. The Knighthood Cotillion is truly the highlight of all Knighthood functions that occur every year.

At the annual Grand Master's Class in Jacksonville this past spring, it was both a joyous and exciting weekend with DeMolays and Knights from other states able to experience brotherhood at its best. While everyone who attended enjoyed the athletic and ritual events, once again the Grand Master's Cup was taken away from the State of Florida courtesy of South Carolina DeMolay. The Grand Master's Class is always an enjoyable time and full of both DeMolay and Knighthood activities.

A new event was added to the Knighthood calendar this year. The first annual Knighthood Festival of Spring was a great success and was enjoyed by all in attendance. The festival included outdoor medieval games, a camp-out, and a joyous, utensil-free feast. With the exception of a few scorpions and a raging bonfire, the camp-out and 1st Lady Coronation were a real twist to the already exciting weekend. Mom Diana "Rambo" Reeder was also crowned First Lady of the State Priory in front of a campfire ceremony. Changes are already being made in preparation for next year's Festival which guarantees to be even more exciting than the first one. Of the changes being made, some are different athletic events based on either physical strength or balance and skill and possibly a dance following the Coronation ceremony. Whether a Sir Knight, Squire, or DeMolay, if attended, the Festival of Spring will add new meaning to the term brotherhood.

Convocation this year proved to be just as important to Knighthood as in years past with the business meeting proving once again useful. We made a lot of changes this past year including changing the date of the Priory Princess and Illustrious Knight Commander elections to the Festival of Spring in order for a better turn out and more state wide voting. We also inducted 6 DeMolays into Knighthood who then became Sir Squires eager to help out in their local encampments. Miss Shanna Bunch was elected the new Priory Princess as well as myself, Zack H. Enos, being elected the new Illustrious Knight Commander of Col. James "Nick" Rowe Priory. Once all the business meetings and official business were taken care of, the Knights and guests assembled enjoyed a fun night of comradeship. We are considering possibly inviting DeMolays to Convocation next year in order to introduce them to Knighthood and how it works.

As for the future of the Priory, we are already implementing new ideas for next year's Festival of Spring as mentioned above. We are considering having individual Fall Festivals, one for each encampment, each weekend in November. They will be small in size, but we will be inviting chapters from across the state. The purpose of these Fall Festivals are to introduce Knighthood and gain attendance in the local Knighthood encampments. We are also hoping to revitalize the St. John's Encampment in Jacksonville during the next year.

The purpose of Knighthood is to help the Order of DeMolay and that is what we try to do on a daily basis. Since Knighthood only has four state wide functions each year, it becomes difficult to publicly show how Knighthood helps DeMolay with

most of the help coming from the local encampments or groups of Sir Knights. These are some of the events that the State Priory is doing in order to help the Order of DeMolay:

1. Knighthood is still in charge of the John Bates University, but we do not run the actual classes.
2. Rose Croix Encampment played a major role in the Installation and building of the newly formed Crawfordville DeMolay Chapter located south of Tallahassee by participating in the Installation service and offering help whenever requested.
3. Jean Kicklighter Encampment help get a D.A.D.'s course up to Floral City, when no one seemed interested in doing so, in order to better prepare to form a chapter in that area in the near future.

These are just a few recent examples of how Knighthood had helped the Order of DeMolay in the past few months. The Order of Knighthood demands the highest respect of a DeMolay and must show an active participation in at least 75% of their chapter's DeMolay meetings, be at least 16 years of age, and be a member in good standing in your home chapter. If any DeMolay or Advisor should ever need any help whether at the chapter or State level, the Knights of Col. James "Nick" Rowe Priory will be more than willing to help.

Pursuant to section 5.01 of the Constitution and Statutes of this Association, this report is both physically and fiscally feasible.

Fraternally,

- /s/ Zack H. Enos  
Knighthood Committee Chairman
- /s/ Allan Graulich  
Director of Knighthood
- /s/ Jerry L. Tillman, Jr.  
Jurisprudence Committee Chairman
- /s/ Dad J. G. Kicklighter, Jr.  
Chairman, Board of Administration

Mark Griffis, State Master Councilor, presented the following Executive Committee report:

## **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT**

This is the report of the State Executive Committee as set forth in Section 5.13 of the Florida DeMolay State Statutes.

The current members of this committee are:

- Mark D. Griffis, State Master Councilor
- Joseph C. Earnhardt, Jr., State Senior Councilor
- Jason S. Webb, State Junior Councilor
- "Jody" Meguiar, State Scribe / Treasurer
- Clarke L. Jeffris, Past State Master Councilor
- Jason S. Turner, Past State Master Councilor

The former members of the committee were:

- Andrew G. Jones, Former State Senior Councilor
- Jonathan B. James, Past State Junior Councilor
- Christopher M. McKenney, Past State Scribe / Treasurer

The Executive Committee met many times this year. First, we met four times at the 63rd Annual Conclave in August of 1996, with Bros. Griffis, Jones, James, McKenney, Turner, Jeffris, and Meguiar present. Secondly, we met twice at the State Camp-out in November of 1996, with Bros. Griffis, James, and McKenney present. We met again at the Winter Cotillion of Area VII on December 7, 1996, with Bros. Griffis, James, and McKenney present. The committee convened on Jan. 13, 1997, in Brandon, Florida, with Bros. Griffis, Jones, and Earnhardt present. The committee again convened several times at Mini-Conclave, with Bros. Griffis, Jones, Earnhardt, McKenney, and Meguiar present. We next met at Northside Lodge during the Masonic Youth Weekend in Feb. 1997, with Bros. Griffis, Earnhardt, and Meguiar present. The committee then met at the Region III Grand Master's Class in Jacksonville on March 1, 1997, with Bros. Griffis, Earnhardt, Webb, Meguiar, and Jeffris present. The members of the committee then maintained regular communication until it formally met for the last time at the 64th Annual Conclave with Bros. Griffis, Earnhardt, Webb, and Meguiar present.

At the 63rd Annual Conclave, we discussed the following:

1. State Officer Appointments
2. Plan of Term
3. Membership Goals
4. Travel Plans
5. State Service Project
6. State Camp-Out
7. Area Obligatory Observances

At the State Camp-Out, we discussed the following:

1. Promotion of the State Service Project
2. Failure of Area Obligatory Observances

At the Winter Cotillion, we discussed the following:

1. Brother James leaving for the Army
2. Travel Plans

In Brandon, Florida, we discussed preparation for Mini-Conclave.

At Mini-Conclave, we discussed the following:

1. Chapter Operations
2. Chapter Planning
3. Membership
4. New Chapter Development

At Northside Lodge, we discussed the following:

1. Andrew Jones' resignation
2. The amount of Grand Lodge support that we were receiving

At Grand Master's Class, we discussed the following:

1. Lack of Florida attendance at Grand Master's Class due to lack of communication with the Chapters
2. Travel Plans



### 3. Conclave Preparation

At Conclave, we discussed the following:

1. Term Impressions
2. Triumphs and faults in operation during the year
3. New Chapter start-ups
4. Conclave carry-out
5. Final Committee Report
6. What to do differently next year

Last Year's Report carried the following recommendations:

Recommendation 1: Due to the success of this year's state camp-outs, more activities on a state level should be carried out.

This recommendation was partially implemented, in that we had a fall camp-out and the Annual State Master Councilor's Banquet both of which were very successful. However, planning and implementing Area Obligatory Observances proved difficult as the Chapters seemed uninterested in attending, as indicated by on 3 people showing up at the 2 events that were planned.

Recommendation 2: The creation of a State Master Almoner's Fund and State Charity.

This recommendation was implemented through cooperation of the State Master Councilor and the Executive Officer.

We make the following recommendations:

1. The next State Master Councilor make immediate contact with the Conclave Director to better assist in planning Conclave.
2. The State Athletics and Ritual Committees work closely with their respective State Directors and the Conclave Director in avoiding scheduling conflicts between the various events.
3. The State Service Project be continued with a more publicly known charity to increase the public recognition.
4. Institute a Court of Honor, composed exclusively of DeMolays, to handle DeMolay discipline.
5. The next State Master Councilor have his State Parliamentarian make regular contact with the State Committee Chairmen to facilitate the completion of their reports.
6. The next State Master Councilor develop and distribute a state membership guide.
7. The "Big Brother Program" continue to be endorsed and supported by the State Line Officers.
8. The State Line and Appointed State Officers continue their regular attendance at monthly Masonic Home Board Meetings.
9. The next State Master Councilor develop an incentive program for the chapter that donates the most money to the State Service Project.

Pursuant to section 5.01 of this Association the recommendations of this report are physically and fiscally feasible.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Mark D. Griffis  
State Master Councilor

/s/ Jerry L. Tillman, Jr.  
Jurisprudence Committee Chairman

/s/ Dad J. G. Kicklighter, Jr.  
Chairman, Board of Administration

Chris McKenney, Jupiter-Tequesta Chapter, objected to Recommendation #9. James Bartlett, George Ulee Lord Chapter, moved to pass all un-objected-to portions of the report.

Chris McKenney, Jupiter-Tequesta Chapter, seconded.

The motion passed.

The Chair recognized Chris McKenney to state his objection. His objection was that the monetary aspect of a service project was not feasible, and moved to strike Recommendation #9 from the report.

Pat Patterson, Jupiter-Tequesta Chapter, seconded.

The motion passed.

Michael Cobb, Escambia Chapter, moved to amend State Statute 2.02 to include that DeMolay ceremonies may only be performed by DeMolays, Senior DeMolays, and Master Masons.

BJ Ware, Manatee County Chapter, seconded.

The Chair referred the motion to the Jurisprudence Committee for a report at next Conclave.

Chris McKenney, Jupiter-Tequesta Chapter, called for delegate feedback on his previous motion regarding State Statute 3.09(a). This led to a lengthy discussion between Bro. Chuck Giallombardo of Sarasota Chapter and Bro. Luke Melendez of Ralph Buck Chapter. The recommendation was then referred to the Jurisprudence Committee for review and consideration for next year's Constitutional Revisions Committee.

The Chair recognized Bro. Zack Enos of George Ulee Lord Chapter, who recommended that State Statute 5.10 be amended to include "... and how the Order of Knighthood has assisted the Order of DeMolay on both the State and Chapter levels in the past 12 months" to finally read as follows:

"The Knighthood Committee shall report to the Delegates on the activities of the State Priory and how the Order of Knighthood has assisted the Order of DeMolay on both the State and Chapter levels in the past 12 months."

The recommendation was referred to the Jurisprudence Committee.

The Chair recognized Bro. Merek Jones who was to read the Budget and Finance Committee report.

Jimmy Braddam, George Ulee Lord Chapter, moved to pass the report as presented without it being read to the delegation.

BJ Ware, Manatee County Chapter, seconded.

Bob Ward, Mid-Pinellas Chapter, objected to the motion, as did Chris Giallombardo of Sarasota Chapter.

Jimmy Braddam, George Ulee Lord Chapter, withdrew his motion. Merck Jones read the report, which read as follows:

## **BUDGET & FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT**

To the Delegates of the sixty-fourth Annual Conclave:

This is the report of the Budget and Finance Committee as set forth by Section 5.11 of the Florida DeMolay Statutes.

The members of this committee were as follows:

- Merck Jones, Chairman
- Dan Braley
- Robert Ward
- Jason Miller
- Devin Jones
- Alan L. Jones, Advisor

This committee met a total of seven times. On August 14, 1996 we met and discussed what this committee and its members will be required to do until next Conclave.

On August 25, 1996 we met and discussed the possibility of writing a Fundraising Book which will enable the individual Chapters to have a list of potential fundraising ideas that worked for other Chapters and ways of implementing these ideas in their own Chapter and Area.

On September 22, 1996, all suggested fundraising projects made by the members of this committee were collected, discussed and asked to be put in rough draft form by the next meeting.

On October 27, 1996 the rough draft was revised into a final copy. However, the committee felt that the current Fundraising Book was not up to the committee's expectations as to the current size and amount of ideas in the Book. The committee then sent out a letter across the state asking for Fundraising ideas that were implemented in the individual Chapters and Areas. No written response was given to the 63 letters sent out across the State.

On December 15, 1996 the committee decided to send out additional letters across the State once again in an effort to have the Fundraising Book completed for presentation and publication at the upcoming Conclave subject to the approval of the Board of Administration at Mini-Conclave. There was no response to the second set of letters either.

On January 15, 1997 the committee concluded that due to the lack of participation given to this committee from the Chapters, Areas, and other State individuals both advisory and DeMolay alike the Fundraising Book will not be able to be implemented this year.

On July 26, 1997 this committee met to discuss the Florida State Budget. As of July 26, 1997 no committees have reported to this committee any fiscal impact they might have pursuant to Section 5.01 of the Florida DeMolay State Statutes.

No recommendations were made last year to be carried out by this committee.

Budget:

This year 145 were initiated into the Order. Pursuant to Section 1.01 of the Florida DeMolay Statutes, \$2,175 was received. The money was distributed as follows as set forth by Section 1.02 of the Florida DeMolay Statutes.

Income:

# of Candidates:		145
\$ per Candidate	x	\$15.00
Total		\$2,175

Expenditures:

\$725 to the General Account of the Florida State DeMolay Association, Inc.

\$725 to the Savings Account

\$725 to the State Master Councilor's fund as set forth in Section 4.04 of the Florida DeMolay Statutes

- \$200 to Mark D. Griffis, State Master Councilor
- \$150 to Joseph C. Earnhardt, Jr., State Senior Councilor
- \$50 to Jason S. Webb, State Junior Councilor
- \$75 to Robert J. Meguiar, State Scribe / Treasurer
- \$75 to Christopher m. McKenney, Past State Scribe / Treasurer
- \$50 to Jon B. James, Past State Junior Councilor
- \$25 to Matthew I. Glymph, State Chaplain
- \$25 to L. Austin Bernard, State 2nd Preceptor
- \$25 to Gail M. Homer, State Nanny
- \$50 to the State Service Project in memory of Jordan Glymph

This committee offers the following recommendation for next year:

1. That the Budget and Finance Committee finish the Fundraising Book and see that each individual Chapter have a copy of it. This year's Chairman will provide next year's Chairman with a copy of the current Fundraising Book.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Merek Jones  
Budget and Finance Committee Chairman

/s/ Jerry L. Tillman, Jr.  
Jurisprudence Committee Chairman

/s/ Mark D. Griffis  
State Master Councilor

/s/ Dad J. G. Kicklighter, Jr.  
Chairman, Board of Administration

Jimmy Braddam, George Ulee Lord Chapter, moved to pass the report as read.

Zack Enos, George Ulee Lord, seconded.

The motion passed.

The Chair recognized Bro. Ralph Dietzman, who was to read the Constitutional Revisions Committee report.

James Bartlett moved to pass the report as presented.

The State Master Councilor overruled the motion.

Bro. Dietzman read the report, which read as follows:

## CONSTITUTIONAL REVISIONS COMMITTEE REPORT

To the Delegates of the 64th Annual State Conclave:

After meeting on November 9, 1996 at the State DeMolay Camp-out and on July 28, 1997 at the Annual DeMolay Conclave the Constitutional Revisions Committee consisting of Ralph Dietzman, chairman, Joseph C. Earnhardt, Merek Jones, Zack Enos, Jerry Tillman, Jr., and Chris McKenney, with Dad Dale Dietzman advising submit this recommendation to the delegates for consideration:

With respect to the Florida DeMolay Association Statutes:

**3.10(a) Every Past State Master Councilor who has not reached the age of twenty one (21) years and is properly registered shall be entitled to one (1) delegate vote on all matters at the Annual Conclave.**

The Committee recommends the deletion of the word "State" and the additions of "except for the election of state officers" and "unless they already hold a delegate vote/votes" so that

The section will read as follows:

**3.10(a) Every Past Master Councilor who has not reached the age of twenty one (21) years and is properly registered shall be entitled to one (1) delegate vote on all matters except for the election of state officers at the Annual Conclave, unless they already hold a delegate vote/votes.**

Pursuant to section 5.01 of the Statutes of this Association this report is physically and fiscally feasible.

Respectfully and Fraternally submitted,

/s/ Ralph Dietzman  
Constitutional Committee Chairman  
/s/ Jerry L. Tillman, Jr.  
Jurisprudence Committee Chairman  
/s/ Dad J. G. Kicklighter, Jr.  
Chairman, Board of Administration

Chris McKenney, Jupiter-Tequesta Chapter, objected to the recommendation presented in the report. This led to a discussion.

Chris Cook, St. Petersburg Chapter, moved to strike the recommendation from the report.

Michael Cobb, Escambia Chapter, seconded.

The motion passed.

Chris Cook, St. Petersburg Chapter, moved to pass the report as amended.

Jody Meguiar, State Scribe / Treasurer seconded.

The motion passed.

The Chair recognized Travis Evans who was to read the Guidance Committee report.

Jimmy Braddam, George Ulee Lord Chapter, moved to hear the recommendations of the report only.

Richard Salazar, Paul Revere Chapter, seconded.

The motion passed. The original report read as follows:

## GUIDANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

To the Delegates of the 64th Annual Conclave:

Members of the 1996-1997 State Guidance Committee are:

- Travis K. Evans, Chairman
- Scott R. Chicco
- Sam Strom
- Mark Griffis, State Master Councilor
- Dad John Shirley, Advisor

We the members of the State Guidance Committee having met at the Scottish Rite Temple, Valley of Tampa, in Tampa, Florida on April 13, 1997, at Northside Masonic Lodge, in St. Petersburg, Florida on May 21, 1997 and again on June 30, 1997, submit the following report for your approval.

Whereas the purpose of the Guidance Committee for the Florida DeMolay Association is to monitor the performance of State Officers and make proposals for the improvement of the Order of DeMolay.

Whereas, the Elected State Junior Councilor, Brother Jon James, resigned from the office to enter the United States Service. He was replaced by appointment of the State Master Councilor, with the approval of the Executive Officer of the Florida State DeMolay Association with Brother Joseph C. Earnhardt, on the 25th day of December, 1996.

Whereas the elected State Senior Councilor, Brother Andrew Jones, resigned from office to move out of the State with his family. He was replaced by the State Junior Councilor, Brother Joseph Earnhardt. Thereby creating a vacancy in the position of State Junior Councilor. This position was filled by appointment of the State Master Councilor by Brother Jason S. Webb, with the approval of the Executive Officer of the Florida State DeMolay Association, on March 1, 1997.

Whereas the following appointed officers were unable or unwilling to perform their offices to the satisfaction of the State Master Councilor, or through promotion or election to a different office, they are hereby listed along with their replacements. The reasons for these replacements has not been made known to this committee

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|------------------------------|----------------------------|------------------|
| • State Almoner              | Merek Jones →              | Christopher Cook |
| • State Junior Deacon        | Joseph Earnhardt →         | Mike Sullivan    |
| • State 4th Preceptor        | Trevor Chateau →           | J. B. Cartmill   |
| • State 5th Preceptor        | Jody Meguiar →             | Chris Richards   |
| • State 5th Preceptor (west) | Merek Jones was appointed  |                  |
| • State 6th Preceptor (west) | Cleve Fowler was appointed |                  |
| • State 7th Preceptor        | Matt Mauldin →             | Robert Barnes    |
| • Credentials Committee      | Matt Mauldin →             | Chris McKenney   |
| • Ritual Committee           | Zack Enos →                | Jason Webb       |
| • Guidance Committee         | Chris McKenney →           | Travis Evans     |
| • Public Relations Committee | Allan Warkentine →         | Jacob Loggins    |

Whereas the State Guidance Committee, as part of it's duty, is to make suggestions for possible improvements to aid in the growth of DeMolay in the State of Florida. The following proposals are submitted for the consideration of the Board of Administration and Delegation.

As there was no State Guidance Committee last year, there are no suggestions from last year to report on.

In order for the Order to grow it requires public recognition; it is the understanding of this committee that a special fund organized through the DeMolay Alumni Association was set up strictly for the purpose of promoting the Order. Films which could be made available to local educational and public access channels promoting the Order of DeMolay should be made available to all Chapters for local distribution. The costs for these films, as is the understanding of this Committee should be covered by the Alumni Association. If the Alumni Association cannot be encouraged to produce these films, the International Supreme Council's Education Committee should be encouraged to pursue this project.

The individual Chapters should be encouraged to create their own Chapter Brochures, including the activities that are unique to their own areas. When prospective members can actually meet the DeMolays included in the brochure it becomes more accessible to them personally. Prospects in Utah cannot relate to a Beach Party in Florida. Funding for the individual Chapter brochures could be procured through Lodges, the Scottish Rite, the York Rite, the Shrines, fundraisers or advertisements in the brochures.

High profile events should be encouraged, along the lines of floats in local parades, teen dances that could include local Church groups and other Youth organizations that encourage high morals should be invited. Every local or State event with press coverage should have DeMolays in identifiable apparel, as long as the event has a positive connotation. For financing the dances, there should be a charge for admission large enough to cover all expenses and possibly make a profit for the Chapter.

DeMolay Week activities definitely need to be fully organized and all local news organizations should be provided with a copy in advance and followed up with additional letters and phone calls.

Obligatory Day observances should be moved from the Chapter level into a more highly visible forum. Again stressing press coverage.

To be a good DeMolay, you do not have to be born into an affluent family. Sponsor's Clubs can easily be set up for each Chapter. These Sponsor's Clubs provide a means for Master Masons which do not have the time to serve on an Advisory Council to sponsor a deserving young man into our Order who's family cannot afford our fees. This program not only helps in membership but provides these Master Masons with a DeMolay career they can follow with pride.

The DeNews should have a section on new ideas to be shared with all Chapters in the State. This section could include ideas on Fundraising, membership, Masonic Service, Civic service, and any other ideas helpful to all Chapters. We also suggest the sale of advertisements on a yearly basis to cover the costs of printing and distributing.

A Pledge program, such as the old Knights of Chivalry or the current program, "The Squires of the Round Table," currently being tested in Washington, should be pursued for the Florida DeMolay Association. The younger our precepts are taught the stronger the DeMolays of the future will be. Any pledge program to be

set up in the State of Florida should be organized in the same manner as a new DeMolay Chapter with the initial costs incurred by the sponsoring Masonic Body. A Past Master Councilor's forum for each area should be considered. The knowledge of our Past Master Councilors is remaining in the individual Chapter unless they choose to serve at the State level. Knowledge not shared is knowledge lost.

An area Masonic Youth Council to be headed by the Masonic Youth Committeeman in each Area or Areas for the purpose for the exchange of ideas and promoting the growth of DeMolay, Rainbow, and Job's Daughters, and the exchange of important dates for upcoming events.

We also suggest the designing of a Masonic supported Youth Brochure, to include DeMolay, Rainbow, and Job's Daughters. This to be handed out with all Masonic petitions. Funding for this project should be sought through the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Florida.

These are the suggestions of the State Guidance Committee.

Pursuant to Section 5.01 of the State Statutes, the recommendations of the committee are both physically and fiscally feasible.

Thank you for your time and consideration, respectfully submitted,

/s/ Travis K. Evans  
Guidance Committee Chairman  
/s/ Jerry L. Tillman, Jr.  
Jurisprudence Committee Chairman  
/s/ Mark D. Griffis  
State Master Councilor  
/s/ Dad J. G. Kicklighter, Jr.  
Chairman, Board of Administration

Jody Meguiar, State Scribe / Treasurer, moved to accept the recommendations as read.

Richard Salazar, Paul Revere Chapter, seconded.

The motion passed.

Jimmy Braddam, George Ulee Lord Chapter, questioned when the non-DeMolay ritual rule would be brought up again. The Chair responded that it will be dealt with at next year's summer Conclave.

Joe Earnhardt, State Senior Councilor, moved to re-convene after the State Installation.

Chuck Giallombardo, Sarasota Chapter, offered a friendly amendment that we should have no dress code at said session.

Joe Earnhardt, State Senior Councilor, accepted the friendly amendment.

Richard Salazar, Paul Revere Chapter, seconded the motion.

The motion passed.

Mark Griffis, State Master Councilor, entertained a motion to make John R. Gailford Jr. an Honorary Past State Master Councilor.

Chuck Giallombardo, Sarasota Chapter, made the motion.

Chris Cook, St. Petersburg Chapter, seconded.



The motion passed.

James Bartlett, George Ulee Lord Chapter, moved to recess.

Scott Hendricks, Brandon Chapter, seconded.

The motion passed.

*The Florida DeMolay Association was placed in a state of recess at 10:51 am*

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*Bro. Mark Griffis, State Master Councilor, declared the Florida DeMolay Association closed at 1:42 PM on Friday August 1, 1997.*

## Appendix A- State Officers & Staff

### 1996 - 1997 State Officers

#### *State Master Councilor*

Mark David Griffis

#### *State Junior Councilor*

Jason Scott Webb

#### *State Chapter Dad:*

Dad Oscar Griffis

#### *State Senior Councilor*

Joseph Cecil Earnhardt, Jr.

#### *State Scribe / Treasurer*

Robert J. "Jody" Meguiar

### 1996 - 1997 State Appointed Line

#### *State Parliamentarian:*

Jerry L. Tillman, Jr.

#### *State Senior Deacon:*

Ralph Dietzman

#### *State Junior Deacon:*

Michael Sullivan

#### *State Senior Steward: Zack Enos*

#### *State Junior Steward:*

Timothy Ferenchik

#### *State Orator: Matthew Jefferson*

#### *State Sentinel: Charles Hale*

#### *State Chaplain: Matthew Glymph*

#### *State Marshal: Travis Evans*

#### *State Standard Bearer:*

Christopher Anderson

#### *State Almoner: Merek Jones*

#### *State Organist:*

Dad Gordon Wardell

#### *State Nanny: Gail M. Homer*

#### *SMC Chief of Staff*

Robert J. "Jody" Meguiar

### State Committee Chairmen:

*Athletics Committee: Matthew Glymph*

*Budget and Finance Committee: Merek Jones*

*Constitutional Revisions Committee: Ralph Dietzman*

*Credentials Committee: Christopher McKenney*

*Executive Committee: Mark D. Griffis*

*Guidance Committee: Travis Evans*

*Jurisprudence Committee: Jerry L. Tillman, Jr.*

*Knighthood Committee: Zack Enos*

*Membership Committee: Christopher Cook*

*Nominations Committee: Robert J. "Jody" Meguiar*

*Public Relations and Publications Committee: Joseph C. Earnhardt, Jr.*

*Ritual Committee: Charles Hale*

### State Master Councilor's Representatives:

#### *Area 1 / 1st Preceptor:*

Kevin Gorman

#### *Area 2 / 2nd Preceptor:*

L. Austin Bernard

#### *Area 3 / 3rd Preceptor:*

Clarke L. Jeffris (pro-tempre)

#### *Area 4 / 4th Preceptor:*

J. B. Cartmill

#### *Area 5 / 5th Preceptor*

Chris Richards / Merek Jones

#### *Area 6 / 6th Preceptor*

Allen Warkentine / Cleve Fowler

#### *Area 7 / 7th Preceptor*

Robert Barnes

1997 - 1998 State Officers

*State Master Councilor*

Joseph C. Earnhardt, Jr.

*State Junior Councilor*

Cleve Fowler

*State Chapter Dad*

Dad John W. Shirley

*State Senior Councilor*

Christopher Cook

*State Scribe / Treasurer*

Robert J. "Jody" Meguiar

1997 - 1998 State Appointed Line

*State Parliamentarian:*

Larry A. Bernard

*State Senior Deacon:*

Kevin Gorman

*State Junior Deacon:*

Dwayne White

*State Senior Steward:*

Jason Edwards

*State Junior Steward:*

James Edwards

*State Orator:* Phil Richter

*State Sentinel:* Michael Carlson

*State Chaplain:* Samuel Strom

*State Marshal:* Ryan White

*State Organist:* Jason Miller

*State Almoner:*

Christopher McKenney

*State Standard Bearer:*

James Spear

*State First Preceptor:*

Timothy Ferenchik

*State Second Preceptor:*

Christopher Anderson

*State Third Preceptor:*

John Sullivan

*State Fourth Preceptor:*

Bobby Smith

*State Fifth Preceptor:*

John Reeder

*State Sixth Preceptor:*

Ralph Dietzman

*State Seventh Preceptor:*

Richard Salazar

*State Editor:* Travis Evans

State Committee Chairmen:

*Athletics Committee:* Cleve Fowler

*Budget and Finance Committee:* Robert J. "Jody" Meguiar

*Constitutional Revisions Committee:* Jerry Tillman, Jr.

*Delegate Rules and Credentials Committee:* Brandon Dunnick

*Executive Committee:* Joseph C. Earnhardt, Jr.

*Guidance Committee:* Chuck Giallombardo

*Jurisprudence Committee:* Larry A. Bernard

*Knighthood Committee:* Mike Sullivan

*Membership Committee:* Mark Griffis

*Nominations Committee:* Pat Patterson

*Public Relations and Publications Committee:* Travis Evans

*Ritual Committee:* Christopher Cook

State Master Councilor's Representatives:

*Area 1:* Kevin Gorman

*Area 2:* Robert "BJ" Ware

*Area 4:* Trevor Chateau

*Area 5:* Barrie Critzer

*Area 6:* Jeremy Gill

*Area 7:* Christopher Gatewood

## State Staff

*Executive Officer:* William A. Marti

*General Counsel:* Steven B. Dolchin

*Board Of Administration:* J. G. Kicklighter, Jr. LOH ❖, Chairman  
Edward K. Walker LOH ❖  
Thomas B. Jenkins LOH  
Warren B. Peck LOH  
Donald Crowley HLOH  
David Colson LOH  
Jacque A. Couture LOH  
Jerome Meguiar LOH

<i>Florida Educational Foundation Inc.:</i>	G. Lawrence Hunt ❖
<i>Director of Conclave:</i>	Russell B. Glendenning
<i>Asst. Director of Conclave:</i>	R. Jack Peterson
<i>Director of Insurance:</i>	William Reed
<i>Director of Alumni:</i>	Russell B. Glendinning
<i>Director of I.S.C. Awards:</i>	W. Dale Dietzman
<i>Director of O.S.T.:</i>	Charles B. Losey
<i>Director of Conduct:</i>	Terry L. Winkle
<i>Director of D.A.D.:</i>	Brett Gordon
<i>Director of Ladies Activities:</i>	Betty Stonitsch
<i>Director of New Chapter Development:</i>	Gordon A. Wardell
<i>Director of Ritual:</i>	Walter Hammond
<i>Director of Knighthood:</i>	Allan J. Graulich
<i>Curator / Archivist:</i>	Harry A. Rosenthal❖

**Appendix B**  
*Reference Material*

**Charter of The Florida DeMolay Association**

The several Chapters of the Order of DeMolay in Florida are hereby granted authority to form an organization to be styled "The Florida DeMolay Association". This Association shall exist to further the programs and ideals of the Order of DeMolay, to promote the progress and well-being of the Chapters and their Members, and to provide a medium for education and communication throughout the Order in Florida provided , that this Association shall have no authority over the particular chapters within this jurisdiction; provided further, that this Association shall have the authority to exercise jurisdiction over the State Master Councilor's Representatives and other such officers as now exist, or may in the future be created, by the Executive Officer.

To accomplish these goals , the Florida DeMolay Association shall be authorized to exact such Constitution , Statutes, and resolutions as shall not be in conflict with the policies or orders of the Executive Officer, and shall have been approved in advance by the Board of Administration.

The "Board of Administration" is hereby created to serve the Florida DeMolay Association, its officers and members, in a general advisory capacity. It shall review and approve all legislation to come before the Association, shall have original jurisdiction over any proposition or grievance arising out of the activities of the Florida DeMolay Association. It shall have the authority to construe or dispense with any provision of the Constitution, Statutes, or rules of competition, when it deems such action to be in the best interest of the Order of DeMolay or this Association, and shall perform other such duties as may be enjoined upon it by the Executive Officer, and it shall serve at his Pleasure.

William Marti  
Executive Officer in Florida

## **Article I**

### *Name, Purpose , Colors*

**Section 1:** This organization shall be known as the Florida DeMolay Association, Order of DeMolay (hereinafter , Association).

**Section 2:** The purposes for which this organization are formed are exclusively educational, religious, and charitable. Not by way of limitation, such purposes shall encompass guidance of DeMolays in their physical, mental, and religious development through specific programs in the fields of physical education, sportsmanship, citizenship, public speaking and the arts, all designed to promote a keen sense of the principles of good citizenship, sportsmanship, of respect for parents and fellowman, and to establish and instill a philosophy of life that will sustain the members of each chapter in the future.

**Section 3:** The official colors of this Association shall be the royal colors of Purple and Gold.

## **Article II**

### *Allegiance and Authority*

**Section 1:** The Association, it's officers, advisors, and the individuals of member chapters of this Association pledge their allegiance to the International Supreme Council of the Order of DeMolay, its Grand Master, Grand Secretary and the Executive Officer in the State of Florida.

**Section 2:** This body is constituted with the power and authority to set forth standards in the inter-chapter relations; and to levy fees and dues, provided that these measures are in harmony with the International Supreme Council of the Order of DeMolay, its Grand Master, Grand Secretary and the Executive Officer in the State of Florida.

## **Article III**

### *Members*

**Section 1:** The members of this Association shall be all the Chartered Chapters, and those holding Letters Temporary of the Order of DeMolay located in the State of Florida.

**Section 2:** The members of this Association shall meet annually for the purposes of conducting business, electing officers, holding sports and ritual competition and other activities provided for in the statutes of this Association.

**Section 3:** In order for the delegation of a member chapter to attend and register, the said delegation must be accompanied by a certified member of the Advisory Council or a Master Mason, approved by the Zone Director for each ten DeMolays or fraction thereof in attendance. No Chapter shall be allowed to register its delegation if said chapter has not paid in full all assessments due this Association.

**Section 4:** Each member Chapter shall be entitled to be represented by three (3) delegates at the Annual Conclave. This Association shall provide by Statute the manner of voting at delegate sessions.

## **Article IV**

### *Officers*

**Section 1:** The officers of this Association shall consist of the State Master Councilor, State Senior Councilor, State Junior Councilor, State Parliamentarian, State Scribe/ Treasurer , State Senior Deacon, State Junior Deacon, State Senior Steward, State Junior Steward, State Chaplain, State Marshall, State Orator, State Standard Bearer, Seven State Preceptors, State Committee Chairman, and all others selected by the State Master Councilor and/or Executive Officer of the State of Florida.

**Section 2:** The State Master Councilor, State Senior Councilor, and State Junior Councilor shall be elected during the general business session of this Association at Conclave assembled each year, and these officers shall serve until their successors are installed.

**Section 3(a):** The State Scribe/Treasurer shall be appointed by the Board of Administration from a list of two or more nominations submitted to it by the State Master Councilor. The State Scribe/Treasurer shall be appointed at the Annual Mini-Conclave of this Association, or as provided by Article IV Section 5 (c). He shall not be eligible to run for elected office for a period of one year after his appointment. All nominees for the Office of State Scribe/Treasurer must be a Past Master Councilor, have completed the Leadership Correspondence Course, and be a Representative DeMolay. All candidates for State Scribe/Treasurer must have a personal savings and/or checking account.

**Section 3(b):** The State Scribe/Treasurer shall work with an Advisor who is satisfactory to the Board of Administration. The State Scribe/Treasurer shall obtain three (3) or more bids for the cost of printing the Conclave proceedings before the registration of said Conclave.

**Section 4:** All other State Officers shall be filled by appointment of the State Master Councilor. These officers shall serve until the close of the following Conclave.

**Section 5(a):** No candidate shall be elected to a State Office who would reach the age of 21 years prior to June 1 of the year following his election. No State Officer

may attend an out-of- state school or reside outside the State of Florida during his term of office. Any violation of these provisions shall automatically create a vacancy in the office.

**Section 5(b):** A vacancy in an appointed State Office may be declared by the State Master Councilor after evaluation of that State Officer's performance.

**Section 5(c):** A vacancy in an elective State Office may be declared by the State Master Councilor after evaluation of the of the State Officer's performance and with the approval of the Executive Officer. A vacancy will also occur in the State Scribe/ Treasurer upon the recommendation and approval of the State Master Councilor to the Board of the Administration.

**Section 6(a):** In the event of death, resignation or removal of a State Councilor, each lower State Councilor shall advance to the next highest office and a State Junior Councilor shall be appointed by the State Master Councilor, subject to the approval of the Executive Officer.

**Section 6(b):** In the event of death , resignation or removal of the State Scribe/ Treasurer , a new State Scribe/ Treasurer shall be appointed by the State Master Councilor, subject to the approval of the Executive Officer.

**Section 6(c):** Vacancies in all other State Offices shall be filled by appointment of the State Master Councilor.

**Section 7(a):** A Candidate's Letter of Intent to run for elective State Office must include the following statement: " I have read and am familiar with the Charter, Constitution, and Statutes of this Association."

**Section 7(b):** All candidates for the office of State Parliamentarian must include the following statement: " I have read and am familiar with ROBERT'S RULES OF ORDER".

## **Article V**

### *Committees*

**Section 1:** The following committees shall be considered as standing committees of this Association:

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|-----------------------|--------------------------------------|
| 1. Executive          | 7. Athletics                         |
| 2. Nominations        | 8. Ritual                            |
| 3. Guidance           | 9. Public Relations and Publications |
| 4. Jurisprudence      | 10. Membership                       |
| 5. Credentials        | 11. Knighthood                       |
| 6. Budget and Finance | 12. Constitutional Revisions         |



## **Article VI**

### *Amendments*

**Section 1:** The procedure for amending this Constitution is as follows:

(a) It shall be the responsibility of any Florida DeMolay proposing an amendment to this Constitution to provide for the distribution of said proposal to the Constitutional Revisions Committee, Jurisprudence Committee, Elective State Officers, Executive Officer, Board of Administration, and member Chapters of this Association not less than sixty days prior to the opening session of Conclave.

(b) The proposed amendment, after the approval of the Jurisprudence Committee and the Board of Administration, shall be presented for consideration on the floor of Conclave. Upon the approval of two-thirds (2/3) of the delegates present and voting, it shall take effect upon the close of the Annual Conclave.

# Statutes of the Florida DeMolay Association

## Chapter 1

### Section 1.01:

Each chapter shall pay as dues the sum of fifteen (\$15.00) dollars for each initiate to the Florida State DeMolay Association, Inc., and shall be payable with the Form reporting the initiation.

### Section 1.02:

The revenue derived from the initiation fee in Section 1.01 shall be distributed as follows; 33 1/3 % to the General Account, 33 1/3 % Savings Account, 33 1/3 % as provided in Chapter 4 , Section 4.04.

## Chapter 2

### *State Conclave*

### Section 2.01:

There shall be Ritual Competition, Athletic Competition, State Sweetheart Competition, Election Of State Officers and any other business for the Good of the Order of this Association.

### Section 2.02:

There shall be Ritual Competition conducted under the direction of the Executive Officer's Personal Representative for Ritual, assisted by the Chairman of the State Ritual Committee. This competition shall be governed by the rules and regulations of the Old South Tournament.

### Section 2.03:

There shall be Athletic Competition conducted under the direction of the State Director of Athletics assisted by the State Athletics Committee. The State Director of Athletics appointed by the Executive Officer, shall appoint for each competition referees for each event who shall use the playing rules established by the Florida State High School Athletics Association.

### Section 2.04:

There shall be State Sweetheart Competition. The rules and regulations as determined by the Executive Officer shall be published in the proceedings of the year's Conclave.

### Section 2.05:

For the purpose of participation in the activities and/or competitions sanctioned by this Association, any person who has not yet reached the age of 21 years before the opening of Conclave shall be entitled to participate as an active DeMolay, and at any

subsequent level of competition; provided that they have not been certified as an Advisor.

### **Section 2.06:**

There shall a Mini-Conclave, to be held annually in or about the month of January at a specific time and place to be determined by the Executive Officer and State Master Councilor.

The Mini- Conclave shall consist of:

- Such meetings of the State Officers as are deemed necessary by the State Master Councilor.
- All State Committees shall be required to meet and report to the State Master Councilor.
- Any other Ritual and/or Athletic Competitions social activities which are deemed necessary and appropriate.
- The Installation of the State Scribe/Treasurer.

### **Section 2.07**

Any Active DeMolay, Senior DeMolay, Advisor, or Master Mason, may attend any business session of this Association, unless their presence is prohibited as provided for in the Statutes of the International Supreme Council. (1995)

## **Chapter 3**

### *Elections*

#### **Section 3.01:**

Any qualified DeMolay who desires to run for an Elective Office of this Association shall send a Letter of Intent to the Executive Officer, the State Master Councilor and the Chairman of the Nominating Committee prior to midnight of the first day of Conclave, with the exception of candidates for the office of State Master Councilor, who shall submit their letters by the deadline for Conclave registration. The Letter Of Intent will be read aloud before the DeMolay Delegation by the Nominations Chairman prior to elections. (1995)

#### **Section 3.02(a):**

All candidates must be residents of the State of Florida for at least six months prior to the election and shall be members in good standing of a member Chapter of this Association. All candidates for elective State Office must possess at the time of filing for their Letter of Intent, proof being a Representative DeMolay, Past Master Councilor and having completed three of the five parts of the Leadership Correspondence Course, copies of such proof shall accompany said letter. (1995)

#### **Section 3.02(b)**

The candidates for an elected State Office shall show, to the approval of a Ritual Evaluator, or a panel of Evaluators, designated by the Director of Ritual, his proficiency in the Opening and Closing Ceremonies in the Ritual of Secret Work for

his sought Office. The criteria for the approval of said evaluation shall be determined by the Director of Ritual for the State of Florida. The approval shall be granted no earlier than the Mini-Conclave prior to his candidacy. (1996)

**Section 3.03:**

All candidates for the Office of State Master Councilor must be a high school graduate or its equivalent and have been a member of this organization for at least two (2) years. (1995)

**Section 3.04:**

A candidate shall not cause any distribution of materials written or oral pertaining to his candidacy before he has submitted his Letter of Intent to the proper persons (as stated in Chapter 3, Section 3.01). The date of submission shall be determined by the Letter of Intent's postmark. He will be authorized to distribute calling cards only. This card will be no larger than the standard Life Membership Card in overall size, and will contain no information other than the name, address, phone number, emblem of the Order of DeMolay, title and / or honors, and the title of the office being sought by the candidate. This card will be the only authorized material which may be distributed in his behalf at Conclave or at anytime.

**Section 3.05:**

The election of Officers of this Association shall take place at the discretion of the State Master Councilor during a regular business session at each Annual State Conclave.

**Section 3.06:**

The election of Officers shall be in order of rank, the highest being first, the order as provided by this Constitution, by secret ballot of those entitled to vote, as otherwise provided in the Constitution, at each Annual Conclave of this Association. A majority of the ballots cast shall be necessary for a candidate to be elected.

**Section 3.07:**

Any qualified candidate who is not elected to the office for which he has submitted a Letter of Intent, may be nominated for a lower office from the floor during elections. (1995)

**Section 3.08:**

The ballots for the election of Officers shall be prepared by the State Scribe/Treasurer for each Annual Conclave. Prior to the opening of elections, the ballots shall be distributed to each delegate entitled to vote. Ballots shall be cast with the full name of the candidate for the particular office legibly written thereon and shall be folded only once. Blank ballots, ineligible ballots, and those otherwise deviating from the proper form provided herein shall be tabulated as abstentions.

**Section 3.09(a):**

Each member Chapter shall be entitled to be represented by three delegates at the Annual Conclave. Each delegate shall have one vote in all matters brought on the floor of the Conclave, providing he has been certified by his Chapter Advisor and has been registered with the Credentials Committee prior to the Opening Session of Conclave. In the event that less than three (3) delegates from a Chapter are in attendance at Conclave, any or all of the absent delegate votes may be given to a remaining Delegate from that Chapter. In order to accomplish this, the Chapter Advisor must submit written authorization to the Credentials Committee before the opening business section of Conclave.

**Section 3.09(b):**

All of a Chapter's delegates must be members of said Chapter.

**Section 3.10(a):**

Every Past State Master Councilor who has not reached the age of twenty-one (21) years and is properly registered will be entitled to one (1) delegate vote on all matters at the Annual Conclave.

**Section 3.10(b):**

The State Senior Councilor, the State Junior Councilor, and the State Scribe/Treasurer will be entitled to one (1) delegate vote on all matters at the Annual Conclave.

**Section 3.11:**

Each Chapter Delegation shall elect a Delegation Chairman during the business sessions, the vote of the delegation shall be announced by the Chairman of the delegation with the exception of secret ballot for State Officer Elections.

## **Chapter 4**

### *Duties of State Officers*

**Section 4.01:**

The State Master Councilor shall be the duly elected head of this Association, and it shall be his duty to perform all duties which naturally pertain to such an office or which may devolve upon him from time to time.

**Section 4.02:**

The State Master Councilor shall preside at the Annual Conclave.

**Section 4.03(a):**

The State Master Councilor shall appoint all committee chairmen of this association, and in consultation with each chairman, appoint the committee members.

**Section 4.03(b):**

When a vacancy in any committee chairmanship occurs, an interim chairman shall be elected by the remaining members of the committee to serve until such a time as a new chairman is appointed by the State Master Councilor.

**Section 4.04:**

The State Master Councilor shall have an expense account equal to 33 1/3 % of the amount collected for each initiate reported to the Florida State DeMolay Association Inc, on Form 10's which shall be used for reasonable expenses incurred in the performance of his and other State Officers's duties, with the State Master Councilor's approval.

**Section 4.05:**

An Elected State Officer shall in person, visit each Chapter in this state, at least once during his term of office. (1996)

**Section 4.06:**

The State Master Councilor shall report in writing to the Association at each Annual Conclave, all of his official acts, whether performed in person or by Personal Representative.

**Section 4.07:**

The State Senior Councilor, State Junior Councilor, and the State Scribe/Treasurer shall represent the State Master Councilor when so ordered, assist the State Master Councilor in every way possible in the discharge of his duties, and shall report to this association at each Annual Conclave, all of their official acts.

**Section 4.08:**

The State Scribe/Treasurer's records shall be subject to an audit conducted by the Executive Officer.

**Section 4.09(a):**

The State Scribe/Treasurer shall record the minutes of the Annual Conclave of this Association and any official State meeting. He shall then within sixty (60) days have the aforesaid minutes, together with the Constitution and Statutes of their latest revision, published with the rules of the Sweepstakes Competition, and distributed as follows:

- One copy to each member Chapter of this Association.
- Copies to the Executive Officer, one copy to each member of the Supreme Council residing in the state, and one copy to any advisor appointed by the Executive Officer in a supervisory capacity, including the Board of Administration.
- One copy to the State Master Councilor, State Senior Councilor, State Junior Councilor, and the State Parliamentarian.
- One copy to the International Supreme Council.

- One copy to of the State Committee Chairmen.
- One copy to each Jurisdiction in Region 3 of the International Supreme Council, sent to the Executive Officer.

**Section 4.09(b):**

The State Scribe/Treasurer with the approval of the State Scribe/Treasurer Advisor, shall have the authority to correct any grammatical and typographical errors as he deems necessary and appropriate.

**Section 4.09(c):**

The State Scribe/Treasurer shall work with an Advisor who is satisfactory to the Board of Administration. The State Scribe/Treasurer shall obtain three (3) or more bids for the cost of printing the Conclave Proceedings before the Registration of said Conclave.

**Section 4.10:**

The State Scribe/Treasurer shall, under the direction of the State Master Councilor, and/or the Association conduct all correspondence of this Association.

**Section 4.11**

The State Scribe/Treasurer shall keep and maintain a true copy of the Constitution and Statutes of the Florida DeMolay Association. He shall also supply a copy for the Board of Administration, and one for the Executive Officer of Florida.

**Section 4.12:**

The State Scribe/Treasurer shall make disbursement for this Association with the approval of the Executive Officer. The State Scribe/Treasurer shall make an itemized report of all transactions in connection with this office at the Annual Conclave.

## **Chapter 5**

### *Committees*

**Section 5.01:**

All committees shall be responsible for reporting on the fiscal and physical feasibility of their proposals.

**Section 5.02:**

The duties of the Jurisprudence Committee shall be to determine the constitutionality of all motions, resolutions, and proposals presented by the standing committees or from the floor of Conclave. The State Parliamentarian shall act as Chairman of the Jurisprudence Committee.

**Section 5.03:**

The duties of the Nominations Committee shall be to receive and review letters of intent filed by person(s) seeking qualification as (a) candidate(s) for Elective State

Office; upon completion of the review the Chairman shall notify the prospective candidate of approval or shall notify him of deficiencies therein; such review and notification shall be completed within twenty (20) days after receipt of the letter by the Chairman; a candidate may submit an amended Letter of Intent which shall also be reviewed as specified herein above.

**Section 5.04:**

The Membership Committee shall study and promote an active program for the acquisition of eligible youth in this Jurisdiction.

**Section 5.05:**

The duties of the Credentials Committee shall be to validate the credentials of all Delegates to Conclave in accordance with Chapter 3, Sections 3.11 and 3.12 of the Statutes. This committee shall be responsible for arranging the seating of said delegates.

**Section 5.06:**

The duty of the Public Relations and Publications Committee shall be to promote the image of DeMolay before the general public. It shall also be the duty of this committee to inform and assist member Chapters in the Annual DeMolay Week program. This committee shall oversee any publication of this Association and any related programs.

**Section 5.07:**

The State Ritual Committee shall promote uniformity in the ritual of the Order of DeMolay throughout this Association, and shall recommend to the Association for approval procedures for the performance of ritualistic matters not set forth specifically in the Ritual of Secret Work of the Order of DeMolay and methods of receiving introducing and accommodating those who are entitled to recognition in all Conclaves, meetings, and public ceremonies of the Association. It shall also develop, review, and revise any State ceremonies which may be used by this Association.

**Section 5.08:**

The Athletics Committee shall work with the State Sports Director in acquiring qualified, unbiased judging officials for all State Athletics Competitions. They are also to make certain that no Advisors shall judge their own Chapters. They shall also review and submit any proposals to the State Master Councilor.

**Section 5.09:**

The duty of the Constitutional Revisions Committee shall be to recommend pertinent and necessary revisions to the Constitution and Statutes.

**Section 5.10:**

The Knighthood Committee shall report to the Delegates on the activities of the State Priory.



**Section 5.11:**

The Budget and Finance Committee shall review the financial status of this Association and report the same to the Delegates of the Annual Conclave. Any proposals, including committee recommendations, containing fiscal impact shall be submitted to this committee for its review and recommendation. It shall also be the committee's responsibility to put together the Conclave Program and such advertisements necessary for its production. This committee shall also present a proposed comprehensive budget for this Association to the delegates and, upon approval, present the proposed budget for this Association to the Executive Officer. The expenditures of this Association shall not exceed its income from Conclave to Conclave.

**Section 5.12:**

The Guidance Committee shall be the duly appointed State Master Councilor's Representatives of the of the several Areas and the State Appointed Line Officers and Committee Chairman. This Committee will function at the will of the State Master Councilor. It shall act in an advisory capacity to relay to the State Master Councilor the suggested needs of the individual zones and the State as a whole.

**Section 5.13:**

The Executive Committee shall be composed of the Elected State Officers, State Scribe / Treasurer, and all Past State Master Councilors who have not reached their majority. It shall be chaired by the State Master Councilor, and shall meet at his discretion. In addition to other duties deemed appropriate by the State Master Councilor, it shall be this committee's duty to work with the Conclave Director in planning and executing all miscellaneous activities at Conclave. (1995)

**Section 5.14:**

The State Master Councilor shall announce the names of the appointed Committee Chairman, Appointed State Officers, and State Master Councilor's Representatives at the last business session of the State Conclave. The names of the Chairmen shall be published, with the exception of the State Credentials Committee Chairman, in the current proceedings of this Association.

**Section 5.15:**

The State Master Councilor shall have the authority to appoint one advisor to each committee with the consultation of the Committee Chairman and the Director, if one has been appointed.

**Section 5.16:**

It shall be the duty of each committee to submit to the State Master Councilor a report upon request. It shall also be the duty of each State Committee Chairman to gather suggestions and recommendations from the member Chapters and combine them with his own ideas and submit them to the State Master Councilor as a tentative agenda thirty (30) days prior to Conclave.

**Section 5.17:**

The final committee reports shall be typewritten and submitted to the State Scribe/Treasurer no later than the beginning of the last business session at each Conclave.

**Section 5.18:**

The final report from each state committee must be read and passed by a simple majority vote of the Delegates prior to the close of Conclave.

**Section 5.19:**

The State Master Councilor shall have the power to establish and abolish additional committees (with the exception of standing committees) as deemed necessary.

**Section 5.20:**

Each individual state committee shall be responsible for implementing the recommendations made by that committee and approved by the delegates, at the most recently conducted Conclave. The Executive Committee shall oversee and coordinate this implementation.

**Section 5.21:**

All committees shall physically meet at least three (3) times a year prior to the opening session of Conclave and submit minutes of these meetings to the State Master Councilor at the Annual Conclave, (with the exception of the Executive Committee).

## **Chapter 6**

### *State Master Councilor's Representatives*

**Section 6.01:**

It will be the duty of each State Master Councilor's Representative to promote Florida DeMolay and its communications to the members of this Association.

**Section 6.02:**

It will be the duty of each State Master Councilor's Representative to provide monthly reports to the State Master Councilor, Guidance Committee Chairman, and State Officer in charge of his area, concerning the progress, activities, and the needs of his chapter and area.

**Section 6.03:**

State Master Councilor's Representatives will be required to attend all meetings of the Guidance Committee of this Association.

**Section 6.04:**

State Master Councilor's Representatives shall act as personal representatives of the State Master Councilor, to serve on his behalf when no other ranking State Officer is present.

**Section 6.05:**

Each Area will have one (1) State Master Councilor's Representative for every three Chapters or fraction thereof. State Master Councilor's Representatives shall be appointed by the State Master Councilor to serve at his will.

**Section 6.06:**

State Master Councilor's Representatives shall be obligated to attend both Mini-Conclave and Conclave.

**Section 6.07:**

All State Master Councilor's Representative shall be required to begin working on their L.C.C. and R.D. within 30 days of their appointment, if they have not previously been completed. Proof of completion must be furnished by his Chapter Advisor.

## **Chapter 7**

### *State Appointed Officers*

**Section 7.01:**

State Appointed Officers shall include; the State Parliamentarian, State Senior Deacon, State Junior Deacon, State Senior Steward, State Junior Steward, State Orator, State Sentinel, State Chaplain, State Marshall, State Standard Bearer, State Almoner, and the State Seven Preceptors.

**Section 7.02:**

It shall the duty of each State Appointed Officer to promote the Florida DeMolay Association and its communications to the members of this Association.

**Section 7.03:**

It shall be said Officers duty to provide monthly reports to the State Master Councilor concerning the progress , activities and needs of their Chapter and Zone.

**Section 7.04:**

State Officers will be required to attend all meetings of the Public Relations and Publications Committee.

**Section 7.05:**

State Officers shall act as a Personal Representative of the State Master Councilor when no other ranking officer is present.

**Section 7.06:**

Said Officers will be required to memorize their portions of the Ritual Ceremonies.

**Section 7.07:**

Said officers shall be required to begin working on their L.C.C. and R.D. within thirty (30) after their appointment, if they have not previously completed them.

**Section 7.08:**

Said Officers shall be obligated to attend both Conclave and Mini-Conclave.

**Section 7.09:**

The State Parliamentarian shall decide the constitutionality of all motions, resolutions, and proposals presented by the standing committees or from the floor at Conclave, when so requested by the State Master Councilor.

## **Chapter 8**

### *Amendments*

**Section 8.01:**

These Statutes can be amended by a simple majority vote of the delegation, and such amendments may be substituted any time prior to the first Business Session of Conclave, and need only be submitted to the delegates of the Chapters in attendance at the Conclave.

**Section 8.02:**

These amendments, shall upon the approval of the Board of Administration and the delegation, take effect immediately.

*Charter of the Past State Officers' Association of the Order of  
DeMolay in Florida*

The Past State Officers' Association of the Order of DeMolay in Florida, is hereby established subject to the following guidelines.

**Purpose**

The purpose of this Association shall be solely to aid and support the Order of DeMolay in Florida in any way (s) deemed appropriate by it's membership.

**Membership**

The membership of this Association shall consist of all Past Elected State Officers, Past State Scribes and Past State Scribe Treasurers of the Florida DeMolay Association who have reached the age of 21.

**Meetings**

This Association shall meet at least once each year at the Annual Conclave of the Florida DeMolay Association.

**Officers**

This Association shall have a Chairman, elected by a majority vote of the members present at the annual meeting, who shall serve for a term of one year. The Chairman shall preside at all meetings of this Association.

William A. Marti  
Executive Officer  
Jurisdiction of Florida

## Sweepstakes Competition Rules

J. Edwin Larson Sweepstakes Trophy: Awarded to the "Chapter of the Year."

Awarded to the Chapter earning the greatest total points in seven areas:

- Administration (Annual Report and Advisory Council Registrations submitted on time.)
- DeMolay Week Award of Excellence earned
- RDs Earned
- PMC-MSAs earned (percentage of possible : based on terms per year)
- FMAs / BHKs earned
- LCCs completed (Active DeMolays only)
- New Members Initiated

Each areas can earn a maximum of two hundred points. Areas 1 and 2 are "all or nothing", areas 3-7 are a sliding scale based on the sweepstakes formula, with 50% based on raw numbers and 50% based on Chapter Membership.

### *Hypothetical RD Contest*

# RDs	# Members	Rank	Percent	Rank	Final	Points
				(%)	Rank	
Chapter A: 5 RD	100 members	1	5.00	2	3	200
Chapter B: 4 RD	65 members	2	6.15	1	3	200
Chapter C: 2 RD	47 members	3	4.25	3	6	180
Chapter D: 1 RD	37 members	4	2.70	5	9	140
Chapter E: 1 RD	29 members	4	3.44	4	8	160

The weighted system of judging is used for any competition where total numbers is involved, which involves all competition except DeMolay Week and I.S.C. reports.

The International Supreme Council publishes several pamphlets that may be of assistance in helping your Chapter win the Sweepstakes Award.

Each Chapter taking an active part in all I.S.C. programs is the key to success in contributing toward it's Chapter winning the Sweepstakes Award.

**Rules and Regulations**  
**General Conclave Rules**

One of the best, most pleasant of the DeMolay year is our Annual State Conclave. Everyone will have a much more enjoyable time if we all obey a few ground rules. Our Statutes prohibit behavior likely to bring disrespect upon the Order of DeMolay and conduct unbecoming that expected a member of our Order. Additionally, the Laws of the host city, the State of Florida and the United States, are to be obeyed at all times by everyone attending Conclave.

The following General Rules are for the protection of everyone at Conclave:

1. Our Statutes prohibit possession, use or consumption by DeMolays at Conclave of beer, liquor or controlled substances, including but not limited to cannabis, hallucinogens or other substances defined as "Controlled" by Florida Law.
2. No tobacco products. The use of any tobacco products, cigars, cigarettes, snuff or chewing tobacco, will not be allowed by any DeMolay during Conclave or at any other DeMolay function.
3. For your own protection and the protection of others, possession of firearms, fireworks, other explosives, switchblade knives and other like items or materials are prohibited.
4. No DeMolays are allowed on the floor where the Sweethearts are housed.
5. Dress for the evening meals will be shirt and tie, coats will be optional.
6. Shirt and tie are required for all Delegate Sessions and the General Opening. Dress for the banquet is formal or semi-formal.
7. Swimming suits are not allowed in the main lobby or in the video game room.
8. No Sweethearts or female guests are allowed in any DeMolay room,
9. Any damage to the hotel room will be billed to the persons registered in the room.
10. Room occupants are responsible for incidental charges such as telephone calls out of the hotel, special TV charges.
11. Anyone observing breach of these rules shall immediately report the activity to the Conduct Room or Conclave Office.

In the event that the Conduct Committee determines that a breach of these rules has occurred in any area at Conclave, all persons involved will be subject to being immediately sent home. Provided, that if the event is an isolated occurrence and no actual or constructive knowledge of the breach or infraction can be attributed to all persons in the area, only those involved in the event will be sent home. If a person (s) are sent home, his/her parents are responsible for all transportation charges and will be immediately advised of the reason for the individual's expulsion from Conclave. No refund will be made to those persons sent home.

Russell B. Glendinning  
Conclave Director

## Sweetheart Rules

All Sweethearts and their Chaperones must abide by the rules of the Executive Officer, Conclave Director, and Sweetheart Committee.

There must be an adult female chaperone or legal parent for every three Sweethearts to attend any Conclave function. Chaperones must be at least 25 (twenty-five) years of age. No Exceptions. Contestants for State Sweetheart must room with their Chaperones.

Chaperones should conform to all rules and regulations including the dress code for female Chaperones. All Sweethearts and their Chaperones must be officially registered through an active DeMolay Chapter with the approval of the Advisory Council.

1. In case of problems or questions, contact only the State Sweetheart Chairman or Committee. Do not contact the hotel staff.
2. Each Sweetheart must be a current Chapter Sweetheart, only one entry per Chapter will be accepted.
3. Sweetheart Contestants must be between the ages of fifteen (15) and twenty (20) years old as of July 1st of the year they compete and attending a Florida school or be a High School Graduate. They must wear name tags at all times and they are required to attend the first briefing session.
4. All Sweethearts should exemplify the highest DeMolay ideal of womanhood and conduct themselves in a lady-like manner.
5. Sweetheart Contestants cannot be engaged to be married, married, annulled, divorced, be or ever have been pregnant.
6. Sweetheart Contestants must have their parent's or guardian's approval in writing and submitted to the State Sweetheart Committee Chairman before the beginning of Conclave, together with a completed standard Florida DeMolay medical release form.
7. Each Sweetheart Contestant and her Chaperone must be registered and staying at Conclave (in the same room) the entire session. The Chaperone must know where her (his) Sweetheart is at all times. A Sweetheart Contestant Chaperone may not chaperone anyone else.
8. Sweetheart Contestants will be permitted to run no more than twice for State Sweetheart. Any girl who has been State Sweetheart is ineligible to run again.
9. A suitable 5 x 7 photo, preferably in color, must be submitted to the State Sweetheart Chairman the first day of Conclave. No other size photo will be accepted, and the photo will not be returned. (Photos with crown and sash will be permitted).
10. Pictures, cards, brochures, or any other campaign materials will not be distributed by a sweetheart or for her by any others. Sweethearts or female guests will not campaign in any way for candidates running for DeMolay State Office.



11. Any infraction of these rules by anyone may cause a Sweetheart Contestant to be disqualified from competition.
12. Sweetheart Contestants may not leave the hotel premises without a Chaperone and permission from a member of the State Sweetheart Committee.
13. No DeMolay will be permitted to enter a Sweetheart's room .
14. Sweetheart Contestants are not permitted in the vicinity of the ballot box while DeMolays are voting for State Sweetheart.
15. Each DeMolay will vote for three (3) girls for State Sweetheart, indicating their first, second, and third choice. Each first choice vote will receive three (3) points; second choice will receive two (2) points; and third choice will receive one (1) point. The girl receiving the highest number of points will be the State Sweetheart. There must be three different, eligible Sweetheart names on each ballot.
16. A member of the B.O.A. shall be present at the counting of the votes to assist the Sweetheart Committee.
17. The State Sweetheart cannot concurrently serve as a Chapter Sweetheart. She must resign from her chapter position upon election as State Sweetheart.
18. The State Sweetheart must notify the State Sweetheart Chairman within 15 Days of her election who her official Chaperone will be; any time the State Sweetheart attends any function wearing her Florida State Sweetheart sash and/or crown, she is under the State Sweetheart rules. The State Sweetheart must be Chaperoned from the time she leaves her home until the time she returns home.
19. It is the duty of the State Sweetheart to keep the State Sweetheart Chairman informed on all of her official activities.
20. Any engraving done on the State Sweetheart trophy or plaque will be paid for immediately by the F.S.D.A Sweetheart fund on presentation of a bill to the State Sweetheart Chairman.
21. The State Sweetheart is responsible for the crown, sash, cape, and crown box which will be returned to the State Sweetheart Chairman, in the same condition they were received in, at the beginning of conclave or upon request.
22. State Conclave registration for the out going State Sweetheart will be paid for by the Florida DeMolay association. (Contact the State Sweetheart Chairman.)
23. If the State Sweetheart marries, becomes engaged to be married, moves out of Florida, becomes pregnant, or leaves for 30 days, she must resign and return all State Paraphernalia. The first runner-up will replace her.
24. The State Sweetheart should be willing and able to travel to various parts of Florida to DeMolay activities, and also, to State DeMolay Functions when invited.

### *Dress Code*

1. Contestants should at all times be dressed in good taste and appropriately for the occasion.
2. Dresses are recommended for most functions. It is understood that at all times bras, panties, slips, and hose will be worn with all dresses.

3. Backless dresses are acceptable must have bra and slip. Extremely tight clothing, skirts or dresses with high slits or low cut tops are unacceptable. When in doubt, don't wear it.
4. Slacks or dress jeans (not bare midriff or hiphugger type) may be worn to sports events or special activities. Shorts (not short shorts) will be permitted only if the occasion (sports, pool parties, etc.) warrants.
5. Bikini bathing suits (in good taste) may be worn. Robes must be worn over suits to and from the pool.
6. Formals will be worn at all formal functions -- Formal Introductions, Grand Banquet, or upon the request of the State Sweetheart Chairman.
7. Chapter sashes and crowns will not be worn at state conclave. Sashes will be provided. Sashes will not be worn with slacks or shorts.

### *Code Of Conduct*

- NO Smoking
- NO Use of intoxicating beverages or drugs
- NO Sitting on laps
- NO Bubble gum or loud obnoxious gum chewing that interferes with normal speech.
- NO Necking or petting
- NO Gossip
- NO Traveling alone
- Keep in mind you are observed at all times. Act wisely, dress correctly always be a lady, and ALWAYS, ALWAYS, WEAR A SMILE.

Approved by:

William A. Marti,  
Executive Officer

## Florida State DeMolay Association Committee Report Format

When submitting a report to the Board of Administration, please provide 10 copies.

1. The Beginning of the Committee Report should state Section(s) of the Statutes which sets forth the functions of the committees.
2. List the names of the Committee members and who attended each meeting of the committee (including any advisor who may have been present).
3. List the dates and location(s) of all meetings held by the committee.
4. Report specifically on what Committee actions and discussions were held.
5. List any recommendations for the next committee and a short discussion of the reasons for those recommendations.
6. List the actions taken by the committee that implemented the recommendations of the previous committee. If no action was taken on previous recommendations, why not?
7. The Committee Chairman, the Chairman of the Jurisprudence Committee and the Chairman of the BOA sign these reports. Please make an appropriate signature line on the report for these signatures.
8. The report should be reviewed and approved/signed by the advisor/staff member who is the director of any activity affected by a committee report, i.e. - actions affecting the Ritual committee should be approved/signed by the Ritual Director.

### ***Sample Report***

This is the report of the Sample Committee as set forth in Section 5.0001 of the Florida DeMolay Association Statutes. The committee is composed of Brother Steve Smith, Brother John Jones, Brother Bob Brown and was chaired by Brother Joe Jackson.

The committees met in August at Orlando, in January in Tampa and in July in Orlando, just prior to Conclave. All members listed above were in attendance at all meetings.

The committee initially reviewed the recommendations from the previous year and found that we were able to implement Recommendation #1 by .....

We were able to implement Recommendation #2 by .....

We suggest that the next committee pursue the implementation of the following recommendations:

Recommendation #1 ....., etc.

Pursuant to Section 5.01 of this Association the recommendations of this report are physically and fiscally feasible.

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Brother Joe Jackson Randy Roberts  
Committee Chairman, Jurisprudence Committee Chairman

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Dad J.G. Kicklighter

Date

Chairman, Board of Administration

Appendix C  
*Historical Information*

Past State Master Councilors of the Florida DeMolay Association

Year	Name	Chapter
D 1922-M 1923	William McChesney	Pensacola
M-D 1923	Fernando Ellis Camus*	Robert J. Perry
D 1923-M 1924	H. O. Enwall	Florida
1930-1931	John Ransomme White*	American Crusaders
1931-1932	William Thomas Howard	Okaloa
1932-1933	Allen Barwick Moreland	American Crusaders
1933-1934	Peter Michael Everett	John M. Cheney
1934-1935	Boyd Johnson Outman	St. Petersburg
1935-1936	John Higgins Ek, Jr.	American Crusaders
1936-1937	Calvin Robert Campbell*	Thomas A. Edison
1937	Daniel Gilemore McCormick*	St. Petersburg
1937-1938	John Thomas Andrews, Jr.	St. Petersburg
1938-1939	Lloyd Horace Gillet, Jr.*	Paul Revere
1939-1940	Rufus Michael Bishop	Thomas A. Edison
1940-1941	Alvert Hamilton St. John, Jr.	American Crusaders
1941-1942	Albert Max Brewer	John M. Cheney
1942-1945	<b>*State Association Suspended*</b>	World War II
1946-1947	Samuel Davis Wilson	Paul Revere
1947-1948	James Hoyt Kirby, Jr.	Thomas A. Edison
1948-1949	James Albert Kelk, Jr.	John M. Cheney
1949-1950	William Harold Dixon	Greater Miami
1950-1951	Robert Floyd DuPree	Duval
1951-1952	Richard Ray Shrove	Tropical
1952-1953	Judge Richard Bryan Burk	Greater Miami
1953-1954	Herman Otto Jones, Jr.	Duval
1954-1955	Robert Bruce Garwood, Jr.	Thomas A. Edison
1955-1956	Rev. William G. Katibah, Jr.	Riverside
1956-1957	Virgil Miller Newton III	Paul Revere
1957-1958	Dr. John Bradley Adams	Sarasota
1958-1959	Dr. Eugene William Katibah	Riverside
1959-1960	Robert Jesse Norton	Nor-Mi
1960-1961	Ivan Fain McCullen	Riverside
1961-1962	William B. Barnett	Hollywood
1962-1963	Charles Thomas Money	Sunshine
1963-1964	Ernest Leroy Higbee, Jr.	Acacia
1964-1965	Michael Roger Wetherbee	Duval
1965-1966	Preston Thomas Hatch*	Woodstock Park
1966-1967	Rev. William Herman Stemper, Jr.	Seminole

1967-1968	Leonard Alexander McCook, Jr.	Duval
1968-1969	James David Sewell	Riverside
1969-1970	James Washington Kress	St. Petersburg
1970	Gary Lee Malphus	Hollywood
1970-1971	Woodrow John Latvala, Jr.	Fidelity
1971-1972	Harold Curtis Buchanan, Jr.	Winter Park
1972-1973	Keigh Mcvey Hart	Pinellas Park
1973-1974	Wallace James Moneyhun	Village
1974-1975	Walter Hobbs Ricks	John M. Cheney
1975-1976	Warren Bartow Peck	Riverside
1976-1977	John Daniel Deese	Sem-I-No
1977-1978	William Gordon Wardell	Jacques DeMolay
1978-1979	Steven Daniel Losner	Royal Vista
1979-1980	James Rick Lyle	Amelia
1980-1981	Rick Clemence Renn	St. Petersburg
1981-1982	Roger Clemence Renn	St. Petersburg
1982-1983	Ronald Duane Thompson	Westside
1983-1984	John Andrew Csellak	Sem-I-No
1984-1985	Kevin Frank Barker	Orange Park
1985-1986	Harvey Legrande Ward, Jr.	Gainesville
1986-1987	Michael David Sims	Orange Park
1987-1988	Hamilton Edgar Reed	J. Edwin Larson
1988-1989	James Wesley Hyde	Royal Vista
1989-1990	William H. Fleming, Jr.	Wesconnet
1990-1991	David Lee Tervin	Manatee County
1991	Kevin David Gailfoil	Jupiter-Tequesta
1991-1992	Leland M. Crane	Wesconnet
1992-1993	Samuel A. Miller	Jupiter-Tequesta
1993-1994	Scott D. Holland	Hadji
1994-1995	Jason Scott Turner	Winter Park
1995-1996	Clarke Leonard Jeffris	South Miami
1996-1997	Mark David Griffis	Brandon

\* Deceased

**Past State Master Councilors - Honorary**

1963	Ellis Emeen Neder, Jr.	Riverside
1966	Jeffery Kenneth Butcher	Manatee County
1986	Steven Bryan Turner	Arlington
1997	John R. Gailfoil, Jr.	Jupiter - Tequesta

*Recipients of the Distinguished Service Award*

<u>Year</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Chapter</u>
1959-60	Charles Perry Chancey	1st	Brandon
1959-60	Rickey Owens Nations	3rd	Gulf Beach
1960-61	Terrill Lee Morris	1st (E)	John M. Cheney
1960-61	Phillip Haner Chesnut, Jr.	1st (W)	Pearl of the West
1960-61	Charles Stanley Stopford	2nd (E)	John M. Cheney
1960-61	John W. Carbin	2nd (W)	Jacques DeMolay
1960-61	David B. J. Adams	3rd (E)	Fernando E. Camus
1960-61	Charles Thomas Money	3rd (W)	Sunshine
1961-62	William "Bill" Barnett	1st (E)	Hollywood
1961-62	Claude Tal Bray, Jr.	1st (W)	Owen A. Coile
1961-62	Peter Vasile	2nd (E)	Arthur H. Carter
1961-62	Zaruk Mohammed Takali	2nd (W)	George Ulee Lord
1961-62	Robert Lowery Hamilton	3rd (E)	John M. Cheney
1961-62	Jan Reid Gorman	3rd (W)	Wesconnett
1962-63	William James Tucker	1st (E)	Melbourne
1962-63	Kenneth Wiggins	2nd (W)	Pensacola
1962-63	Hartwell Louis Livingston	3rd (E)	John M. Cheney
1962-63	James William Jackson	3rd (W)	Okaloa
1963-64	William H. Cstermeyer	2nd (E)	John M. Cheney
1963-64	Edwin Neal James	2nd (W)	Howard Freeze
1963-64	Kenneth Floyd Moore	3rd (E)	Acacia
1963-64	David Lee Gordon	3rd (W)	Howard Freeze
1964-65	Preston Thomas Hatch	1st	Woodstock Park
1964-65	Alanzo Everett Lane III	2nd	Howard Freeze
1965-66	David Earl Taylor	2nd	Scotty Hutton
1966-67	William E. Thompson	1st	Arlington
1966-67	David Carr Parkhurst, Jr.	2nd	Greater Miami
1966-67	Jeffery Kenneth Butcher	3rd	Manatee County
1967-68	Harry Lee Abrams	1st	Winter Park
1967-68	Donald James Watson, Jr.	2nd	Melbourne
1969	Steven Stein	1st	Seminole
1969	James David Sewell	2nd	Riverside
1970	Paul Raymond Fell	1st	Okaloa
1970	Larry Edward Rambach	2nd	Arlington
1971	Woodrow John Latvala, Jr	1st	Fidelity
1972	Thomas Edison Jordan, Jr.	1st	John M. Cheney
1972	Harold Curtis Buchanan	2nd	Winter Park
1973	Daniel Mark Taylor	2nd	Arthur H. Carter
1974	Walter Hobbs Ricks	2nd	John M. Cheney
1975	John Douglas Boone	1st	Wesconnett
1975	Larry Rodger Gillespie	2nd	Brandon
1976	Terry Michael Moore	1st	Arthur H. Carter

1976	Jeffrey Raymond Smith	2nd	Winter Park
1977	Durward E. Harrell, Jr.	2nd	Village
1978	John Daniel Deese	1st	Sem-I-No
1979	Rick Clemence Renn	1st	St. Petersburg
1980	William Gordon Wardell	1st	Jacques DeMolay
1980	Steven Daniel Losner	2nd	Royal Vista
1981	Richard Raleigh Whidden	1st	Fernando E. Camus
1981	Roger Clemence Renn*	2nd	St. Petersburg
1982	Ronald Duane Thompson	1st	Westside
1982	William Hal Reed, Jr.	2nd	J. Edwin Larson
1983	Andrew Paul Dewhirst	1st	Brandon
1983	John Edward Baker	2nd	South Seminole
1984	Dale Bradley Stewart*	1st	J. Edwin Larson
1984	Alfredo Stiffel, Jr.	2nd	Bahia
1985	John Andrew Csellak	1st	Sem-I-No
1986	Paul Andrew Mock	1st	Seminole
1990	William Henry Fleming*	1st	Wesconnett
1993	Michael Judson Greer	1st	George Ulee Lord
1994	Scot Thomas Meadows	1st	Albert J. Russell
1994	Samuel Ashby Miller	2nd	Jupiter - Tequesta
1995	William Matthew Mauldin	1st	George Ulee Lord
1996	Zack Enos		George Ulee Lord

\* International DSA Recipient

**Recipients of the DeMolay of the Year Award**

1993	Shane Carlson Hartman	South Seminole
1994	Michael Judson Greer	George Ulee Lord
1995	Samuel Ashby Miller	Jupiter - Tequesta
1996	Scot Thomas Meadows	Albert J. Russell
1997	Robert Jordan Meguiar	Paul Revere

Recipients of the Guild of the Leather Apron

<u>Advisor of the Year</u>	<u>Home Chapter</u>	<u>Year (Jur.)</u>
Lionel Voyle Brashares*	E. A. Finn	1961 (E)
Ellis Emeen Neder Sr.*	Riverside	1961 (W)
Robert Harry Hackett	Bob Arrington	1962 (W)
Franklin Burr Davis*	Village	1963 (E)
Elmer Earl Willy*	St. Petersburg	1963 (W)
Samuel Pranius Watkins III	Okaloa	1964 (W)
John T. Culp Jr.	Cocoa	1965 (W)
Vernon W. Knox	Orange Park	1966
Edmund Spencer Burns*	San Lucie	1967
Frank Thomas Hayes	J. Edwin Larson	1968
Walter Marnon Hammond	Albert J. Russell	1969
Benjamin R. Bell Jr.	DeSoto	1970
*** Not Awarded *** **		1971
Julian Grady Kicklighter, Jr.	Sarasota	1972
Edmund Paul Birchmeier*	Winter Park	1973
Robert O. Johns	Riverside	1974
*** Not Awarded *** **		1975
John Welch Bates*	Angus Hinson	1976
Christian Bernard Kalb	Acacia	1977
Ernest Peace Quaterman*	J. Edwin Larson	1978
Edward George Hauter*	Bahia	1979
James Erle Bridges Sr.*	Royal Vista	1980
Frank Lawrence Stevens	Village	1981
Harry Andrew Rosenthal Jr.	Arthur H. Carter	1982
Dennis L. Kendrick	Frank S. Land	1983
Jacques Allen Couture	Bahia	1984
Stanley Alan Liss	Highlander	1985
Wilfred Everett Froehlich*	Thomas A. Edison	1986
Dr. Edward Kirkland Walker	J. Edwin Larson	1987
William Mansfield Hendrickson	Virgil I. "Gus" Grissom	1988
Walter Eugene Muir	Highlander	1989
*** Not Awarded *** **		1990
William Earley Eubanks	Palatka & Orange Park	1991
Donald Walter Crowley	Jupiter-Tequesta	1992
*** Not Awarded *** **		1993
Jesse Lee Williamson	Bahia	1994
Richard William Goode	George Ulee Lord	1995

\* (Deceased)



State Sweethearts of the Florida DeMolay Association

<u>Year</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Sponsoring Chapter</u>
1953	Dot Hughes	Paul Revere
1954	Ellen Katheryn O'Donnell	
1956	Becky Robinson	Manatee County
1957	Lucy Peacock	Riverside
1958	Christmas Carol Clark	Manatee County
1959	Sally Anderson	John M. Cheney
1960	Sheila McLlinden	Owen A. Coile
1961	Martha Crowder	Acacia
1962	Cynthia Clarkson	Okaloa
1963	Cheryl Armand	St. Petersburg
1964	Connie Garner	Duval
1965	Dede Whittstruck	Sarasota
1966	Penny Azeredo	Thomas A. Edison
1967	Pat Thompson	Wesconnett
1968	Susan Seigler	Bob Arrington
1969	Patty Potter	Opa Locka
1970	Christi Underwood	Ocala
1971	Gail Stansil	Okaloa
1972	Carol Brenda Brann	Sarasota
1973	Corrie Bedell	Royal Vista
1974	Holly Giroir	Coral Reef
1975	Laurie Stone	Orange Park
1976	Kim Roth	Jacques DeMolay
1977	Debbie Pilcher	Melbourne
1978	Debbie McCain	Wesconnett
1979	Mary Godwin	Hadji
1980	Avis Mills	Sunrise
1981	Lisa Thornton	Brandon
1982	Susan Najorka	Bahia
1983	Locklyn Boykin	J. Edwin Larson
1984	Dea Ann Kraft	Hurlbert
1985	Lisa Ivey	Ralph Buck
1986	Rolanda Patterson	Hadji
1987	Wendy Nelson	J. Edwin Larson
1988	Vicki Seitchko	Highlander
1989	Lori Leann Bremer, RS	Wesconnett
1990	Tanya Christine Reading, RS	Winter Park
1991	Candice Marie Young, RS	John M. Cheney
1992	Kellee Sue Boyles, RS	South Seminole
1993	Heather Renee Painter, RS	Albert J. Russell
1994	Ronda Livingston	Sons of Liberty
1995	Karree Boyles	Winter Park
1996	Kelly Ann Brooks	Arlington

1997 Chapter Competitions

*L. Gordon Cooper Membership Trophy*

St. Petersburg Chapter

*Walter M. Schirra, Jr. LCC Trophy*

George Ulee Lord

*Virgil I. Grissom Best Allround / Most Improved*

Escambia Chapter

*Frank L. Rodgers Representative DeMolay Trophy*

St. Petersburg Chapter

AND

Sem-I-No Chapter

*Charles A. Scott Representative DeMolay Excellence*

Jupiter - Tequesta Chapter

*Sweepstakes Trophy - 1996 Chapter of the Year*

St. Petersburg Chapter

**Ritual Competition  
1997 Summer Conclave**

<i>Individual Competition</i>	<i>Winner</i>	<i>Chapter</i>
Magnificent Seven:	Gale Gagarin	Arlington
1st Preceptor:	Ryan White	St. Petersburg
2nd Preceptor:	Scott Chicco	St. Petersburg
3rd Preceptor:	Scott Chicco	St. Petersburg
4th Preceptor:	Travis Evans	St. Petersburg
Tie for 1st Place:	Richard Salazar	Paul Revere
5th Preceptor:	Scott Chicco	St. Petersburg
6th Preceptor:	Scott Chicco	St. Petersburg
7th Preceptor:	Glenn Rager	Jupiter-Tequesta
Examination Queries:	Michael Cobb	Escambia

<i>Chapter Competition</i>	<i>Winning Chapter</i>
Initiatory Degree:	Mid-Pinellas
DeMolay Degree:	Jupiter-Tequesta
Recognition Pin:	American Crusaders
Chapter Proficiency:	St. Petersburg
Installation Service:	St. Petersburg
Representative DeMolay:	St. Petersburg

1997 Sports Competition Winners

Senior Division

<i>Competition</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Chapter</i>
<b>Track And Field</b>		
Shot Put:	Warkentine	American Crusaders
Discus:	Patterson	Jupiter-Tequesta
Long Jump:	Calhoun	South Seminole
100 YD Dash:	Miller	Mid-Pinellas
220 YD Dash:	Ward	Mid-Pinellas
440 YD Dash:	Ward	Mid-Pinellas
440 YD Relay:	Braley/Miller/Ward/Jones	Mid-Pinellas
880 YD Dash:	McGinn	Mid-Pinellas
1 Mile Run:	Sevenish	St. Petersburg
1 Mile Relay:	Braley/Miller/Ward/Jones	Mid Pinellas
2 Mile Run:	McGinn	Mid-Pinellas

**Miscellaneous Competitions**

Softball:	Team	Mid Pinellas
Tennis Singles:	Warkentine	American Crusaders
Tennis Doubles:	Braley/Jones	Mid-Pinellas
8 Ball Pool:	Ware	Manatee County
2 Man Volleyball:	Sedory/Sedory	Brandon
6 Man Volleyball:	Team	Sarasota

**Swimming**

50 M Freestyle:	Sedory	Brandon
50 M Breastroke:	Sedory	Brandon
50 M Backstroke:	Sedory	Brandon
Medley Relay:	Chateau/Calhoun	South Seminole

**Junior Division**

<i>Competition</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Chapter</i>
<b>Track And Field</b>		
Shot Put:	Long	Escambia
Long Jump:	Jones	Mid-Pinellas
100 YD Dash:	Braley	Mid-Pinellas
440 YD Dash:	Barr	
1 Mile Run:	Barr	
2 Mile Run:	Short	Mid-Pinellas
<b>Swimming</b>		
50 M Freestyle:	Porter	Manatee County