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M E M O T O: Grand Masters of United States Jurisdictions

The Masonic Service Association of the United States is pleased to comply with the request of the Right Worshipful Grand Master of Masons in Pennsylvania, Brother William A. Carpenter, to conduct a survey of DeMolay involvement by Grand Masters. At his request, the results of the survey are enclosed.

We trust that you will find the results interesting and useful.

Cordially and fraternally,

  
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Executive Secretary

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Enclosure  
DeMolay survey

*"Freemasonry's Servant"*

## Masonic Service Association DeMolay Survey Results

Survey completed in October 1984, thirty-seven (37) Grand Masters reported, with the following results:

- 1.) Five (5) current Grand Masters were members of the Order of DeMolay in their youth.
- 2.) Fourteen (14) current Grand Masters had served on a DeMolay Advisory Council, and six (6) are currently serving on an Advisory Council. Of those fourteen (14) who served on an Advisory Council, two (2) had served 20 years each, and the average length of service was 9.4 years.
- 3.) Twenty-four (24) Grand Masters had been awarded the DeMolay Active or Honorary Legion of Honor. Thirteen (13) had not received this honor.
- 4.) Thirteen (13) current Grand Masters had received other DeMolay Honors, including:

Representative DeMolay Award	1 (for active DeMolays)
Degree of Chevalier	4 (for active DeMolays)
Cross of Honor	2 (for Advisors)
Medal of Appreciation	1
Zerubbabel Key	1 (for starting a new chapter)
Hat's Off Award	1
I.S.C. Membership	2 (1 Honorary, 1 Active)
Honorary membership in a DeMolay Chapter	1
Class of Initiates named in Grand Master's honor	1

- 5.) Fifty-six (56) Past Grand Masters from 23 jurisdictions were listed for this survey as having been DeMolays. (This list will be compared with previous lists compiled by the Order of DeMolay.)

### List of Past Grand Masters of Grand Lodges who were Members of the Order of DeMolay.

(Submitted by current Grand Masters on MSA DeMolay Survey of October 1984.)

#### California

Robert A. Crigler  
Chester R. MacPhee  
Donald B. McCaw  
Donald G. Ingalls  
Vernon L. Gordon  
Robert O. West

#### Colorado

Clarence L. Bartholic (1963)  
William M. Gobin (1969)  
Jess W. Gern (1976)

Delaware  
 Paul Yearsley (1947-48)  
 Henry I. Law (1950-51)  
 H. Edward Maull (1951-52)  
 H. Clifford Bauer (1956-57)  
 John J. McClearnen (1969-70)  
 John N. Fortner (1973-74)

Florida  
 Clyde A. Gleason  
 Donald H. Wessell  
 Clyde S. McLaren

Idaho  
 Wayne W. Woodward (1976)  
 Robert E. Vaughan (1979)

Indiana  
 Arthur A. Osburn  
 Robert M. Seibel  
 John H. Jena  
 Frank J. King  
 George F. Becknell  
 Robert R. Stevens

Also - present line officers who are Senior DeMolays:

C. C. Faulkner, Jr. GM  
 George R. Tolen DGM  
 Jo C. Paxton SGW  
 John E. Grein Jr. Grand Deacon

Iowa  
 Donald E. Stamy

Japan  
 James Johnston

Maryland  
 Charles H. Cover

Michigan  
 Russel C. Wells  
 C. Worfel  
 R. Osborn

Minnesota  
 Mortimer B. Miley  
 Donald M. Severson

Missouri  
 Homer L. Ferguson

New Mexico  
 George O. Thorne (1964-65)

New York	Harry Ostrov	(1964-66)
	William R. Punt	(1978-80)
North Carolina	Harvey Smith	(1960-61)
North Dakota	Gordon H. Hansen	(1971-72)
	James F. Woodward	(1972-73)
	Gerald M. Skogley	(1979-80)
Ohio	None, but Senior Grand Warden, Hilmer A. Neumann will be the first.	
Oklahoma	W. Ralph Howard	
Oregon	Alfred B. Holmes	(1967)
	Joseph W. Jarvis	(1977)
	John Erwin	(1980)
Pennsylvania	John L. McCain	(1976-77)
	Samuel C. Williamson	(1982-83)
South Carolina	Vernon T. Pinner	
South Dakota	A. W. Galligher	
Virginia	A. Douglas Smith	
	Robert P. Kennedy, Jr.	
Wisconsin	Walter O. Helwig	
	James A. Benz	
	Russell Selbo	
	Allan Iding	

6. Do you have any suggestions for improvement of the DeMolay program?  
(Each comment by a different Grand Master.)

"By giving them our full support."

"No"

"Keep the boys active in sports, social, civic and educational projects."

"We are inaugurating a statewide Lodge program of having a Lodge Representative Mason to carry forward youth programs effected by our Grand Lodge Committee on Youth, (DeMolay, Rainbow, Job's Daughters) selecting a young representative where possible."

"Increased support (financial, manpower) by sponsoring bodies and by Advisory committees."

"Closer communications and better support from Blue Lodges."

"Continued support and encouragement of our youth groups. Continued emphasis on active participation by our adults as Advisors, etc."

"Yes!" "The following came to me dated August 9 from the Worshipful Master of [one of our Lodges].

'We are proud to say that we now have well over 50 Master Masons who have come to us through our DeMolay. This is one of the key reasons for the continued growth of [our] Lodge and is the best answer for long term growth in all Lodges.'

signed by the Worshipful Master, and was an unsolicited letter."

"None"

"They are doing an excellent job."

"Statewide DeMolay Class held in honor of the Grand Master in June, 1984. The program will be continued."

"Stress attendance of Master Masons at DeMolay meetings. Recognize DeMolay and ask them to participate in our meetings."

"The Executive Officer has appointed 5 or 6 District Deputies to work in various sections of the state. This will have to show good results."

"Restricting the term of Executive Officer might be a good thing, so that "new blood" takes over the leadership frequently."

"I think DeMolay [in my state] is doing well. I would like to see our Masons give the DeMolay more support which I have been promoting this year."

"Yes - we are having the Master Councilor for the state speak as a guest at all of our Lodges of Instruction to encourage greater Masonic involvement and support. We plan more joint activities in which DeMolay and Masons can fraternalize."

"I can't speak for other jurisdictions but ours needs to teach responsibility - Leadership - Management - Financial and Moral to these young men, to include discipline and establishing an order of priority in their lives. Of the 3 youth groups, they are the only one to continually request funds from our Grand Lodge! Not all bad, but much room for improvement."

"Personal Masonic support - doing what they should be doing - grass roots training - youth centers."

"I plan to have a down-to-earth working/planning session with the Grand Lodge DeMolay Committee and other interested brethren..."

"I believe we should allow non-Masonic "Dads" into DeMolay Chapter meetings."

"I have long had the feeling that the real problems hurting the growth and solvency of DeMolay in the United States are at the national headquarters level."

"I think that with the new Grand Master of DeMolay and his proposed programs...we will see very good progress in the near future."

"Each Chapter should have a "Buddy" system, so that they might have a better acquaintance with boys in towns and cities where there is not a DeMolay [Chapter] thus creating an interest."

"Their leadership to conform more in line with Grand Lodge customs - in [our jurisdiction]."

"No."

"Strengthen their own program of activities and create more visibility by offering to support their sponsoring Lodges. This would develop a mutual bond between men and boys for support."

[Eleven Grand Masters made no comments.]

\*Note: Fourteen (14) Grand Masters did not reply to the survey.