



# The Beacon

## Minnesota DeMolay

June-August, 2011

## Conclave: Rumble in the Jungle

*Christian Pierce, SMC*

Hey Everyone, ready for a Great time in the Jungle? I know I am!

It is going to be an awesome four day weekend, packed full of fun and memories. We will be having a jungle-themed movie and sweetheart activities on Thursday. There will also be some jungle-style gym games. We are also going to try some new things as well, like Minute to Win It; some of you will have an idea of this, but if you don't know, it is a lot of fun!

We are going to be breaking everyone up in groups and putting on skits this year. We are bringing back the Scavenger Hunt from previous years, but with a twist that you will all find out later. There will be a chance to go swimming in the Watering Hole, so bring your swimsuits. Ritual Tournament this year is going to be big, if you know a part then this is a great time to show off your skills; signups will be at registration, have your parts down pat! We will be having Degrees to get in some of those new members, so if you have some friends bring them to Con-

clave. What a great way for them to meet everyone and see the awesomeness that we all take part in!

We also are going to be doing something new that should be a lot of fun.. Some of you might be fans of a sports team that we will be seeing. Want more info on that, then you will have to be present at Opening Session. As you all know there will also be a Rockin' Dance!



To kick off the fun, have your chapter take a Crazy Jungle Picture for the Conclave book, lets see which chapter can get the Craziest picture. There will be a prize for them.

Can't wait to see you ALL there! Bring your friends and your fine self to the Great Jungle.

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The Beacon is a regularly produced newsletter to shed light on the upcoming events and news of Minnesota DeMolay. Also check out [www.mndemolay.org](http://www.mndemolay.org) for more information about Minnesota DeMolay, a calendar of events, DeMolay resources, and scholarship opportunities.

# Sweetheart Formal

Jackie Niederhaus, State Sweetheart

As State Sweetheart I would like to thank all of you who attended our Pirates of the Caribbean Sweetheart Formal. It was a great success and everyone I have talked with said they had a ton of fun.

I know that I along with all of the other sweethearts really enjoyed seeing all of you boys along with the many Job's Daughters that were in attendance. Thanks again!



# Masonic Youth Day

Greg Pavola, SSC

Did you have a great time at Masonic Youth Day? I know I did. From hitting all of the fastest roller coasters to taking a couple turns on the bumper cars to cooling off on the Wave it made for a fantastic day.

I know that the barbecue lunch was pretty amazing also. Didn't the cooks do a great job? MN DeMolay is certainly proud to bring this event to fruition year after year and we love seeing the turnout of Masons, Job's Daughters, Eastern Star members, members of Amaranth, and, of course, our fellow DeMolay brothers. We hope to see you all again next year.

## ROBBINSDALE CHAPTER UPDATE

KEVYN ANDERSON, MC

HI, I'M KEVYN ANDERSON, MASTER COUNCILOR OF ROBBINSDALE CHAPTER. WE HAVE DONE MANY THINGS WITHIN THE PAST FEW MONTHS. WE HAVE GONE SLEDDING, BOWLING, AND COMPLETED THE FIRST LCC COURSE. ALSO, WE PERFORMED BOTH THE INITIATORY AND DEMOLAY DEGREES, WHICH INCLUDED A GREAT PERFORMANCE BY SENIOR DEMOLAYS IN THE PLAY POR-

TION OF THE DEMOLAY DEGREE. WE ALSO CAN'T FORGET OUR WORK AT THE RASC PANCAKE BREAKFAST AND HELP AT THE ROBBINSDALE EASTERN STAR INSTALLATION AND THEIR DINNER. COMING UP SOON WE WILL BE GOING TO ACACIA CEMETERY FOR THE MEMORIAL DAY SERVICE AND WILL BE HAVING OUR PARENTS' DAY PICNIC ON JUNE 2ND (BOTH WILL LIKELY HAPPEN PRIOR TO YOU RE-

CEIVING THIS). ON JUNE 11TH WE WILL BE GOING TO GRAND SLAM AND THEN HAVING OUR CARWASH AND YARD SALE ON JULY 19TH SO COME ON OVER AND PICK UP SOME NEW-USED STUFF WHILE YOUR CAR GETS WASHED. WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU ALL AT THE OTHER UPCOMING FUN EVENTS. SEE YOU SOON.

## Lincoln Chapter Update

Jim Hayward, MC

Hey Minnesota DeMolay. It's Jim and I'm here to talk about some of the events Lincoln has been doing recently, and what we're planning on doing in the near future.

In March we helped Arcana Lodge serve a spaghetti dinner, bonding with the Masons and their families even during the black out. If we couldn't serve with the lights on, then we were going to serve by candlelight! Later that month we had our Sweetheart Coronation where we had a short ceremony, a dance with the sweethearts, and then an open dance with everyone at the event. And from the end of March into April, we worked at

the Osman Shrine Circus! From making cotton candy to selling souvenirs, and even getting to sneak a few peeks at the circus, everyone had a great time.

On April first, and we aren't fooling, we worked at a mini table lodge, serving and getting to enjoy some very nice food ourselves. And at the end of April we attended MN DeMolay's Blitz! With broomball, bowling, and plenty of fun to be had all around, it's a pity that anyone missed it!

I hope to see more of you guys out at the events, it's a lot more fun when there's more brotherhood to go around!

# Hiawatha Chapter Update

Cody Braunschweig, MC

Since the Installation on January 15<sup>th</sup>, Hiawatha has been doing pretty well at keeping up in activities, members, and adding squires to an order at Minnehaha Lodge. January 29<sup>th</sup> was our snow day at the Roller Garden and everyone who attended had a smashing good time skating and falling and skating some more.

February 27<sup>th</sup> was our Devotional Day observance at Osseo United Methodist Church and our move day watching *Mega Mind* at the Cinema Grill in New Hope. We headed off to St. Paul for the joint institution of Bethel 16 later that day.

March 14<sup>th</sup> was the annual Auto Show Tour at Convention Center in Minneapolis, where we got to sneak a peek at some of the newest cars that you'll see out on the road this year. Our Table Lodge Toast on March 19<sup>th</sup> was a big success, to the point where everyone in the room was in awe and impressed.

April 23<sup>rd</sup> was also a memorable day for our Senior Councilor, Tarrance Collier, who pulled off a fantastic Spaghetti Dinner and made it look like one of the best we've had in a long time. April 28<sup>th</sup> was our trip to the Bakken Museum in

Minneapolis for the Education day, where we got to experiment with electricity...shocking. On May 26<sup>th</sup> was our Parents' Day celebration and our very first Squires induction, which should be a very delightful day for some of our newer lads.

Finally on June 23<sup>rd</sup> we'll be visited by Councilman, John Quincy, to speak about our government on the local level.

From Hiawatha, this has been our update.

## Duluth Chapter Update

Jared Nelson, MC

Duluth chapter has been very active this year with events ranging from fundraising to volunteering at the Empty Bowl. Our chapter decided to sell Heggie's pizzas to raise funds for Conclave and Masonic Youth Day. The fundraiser yielded fair results.

The first event that Duluth chapter planned this year was a spaghetti dinner and drawing for boxes filled with prizes. State Master Councilor Christian Pierce and State Sweetheart Jackie Niederhaus supported Duluth by attending the dinner.

Duluth Chapter also volunteered at the Empty Bowl which helps feed families in need. Finally Duluth chapter worked for the DECC at the AAD Shrine Circus to help raise funds for our chapter.

Members of the chapter were given commission for their sales of concession items which included malts, popcorn, and pop.

Duluth chapter plans on hosting a dance in the near future before conclave at the AAD Shrine or at the lodge in Duluth.



## From the State Sweetheart

Jackie Niederhaus

Hey All,

The Sweethearts are curling their hair, doing their nails, and finding their tennis shoes, to get ready for DeMolay Jungle Conclave! This year we will be having two girls run for State Sweetheart! However, all the Sweethearts and Jr. Sweethearts are will be coming to hang with all the DeMolay. Make sure to meet all the Sweethearts and Jr. Sweethearts at or before Conclave: Sarah Golder, Morgan Pavola, Piper Beck, Kandace Ness, Kaitly Braunschweig, and Monique Brunzau.

This year we will be trying some new things with the Sweetheart Games. Come with an open mind, and a lot of DeMolay knowledge! Also don't forget your dancing shoes for Sweetheart Coronation. The Sweethearts are all excited to spend four days with all the DeMolay. See you all there!

## State Officer Roundtable at Sundown

Josh Melichar

It sounds strange but it is a very simple concept. A roundtable, such as the one occurring at BBQ Bash, is about a group of people getting together to discuss ideas in an open forum. The Roundtable at BBQ Bash is for those interested in being a state officer. It begins at sundown on July 16th. In order to be considered for a State Staff position you will need to attend this meeting or speak with State Dad, Andy Krall (651-307-8200).

In this meeting we will discuss what it means to be a part of the State Staff, how much of an obligation you are taking on, and ideas for the next term. The meeting is important because it is hard to plan a term without input from all areas and because the



current State Staff wants to make sure that potential candidates know what being a state officer entails

All potential State Officers are required to complete the State Officer Application on the reverse of this page.



State Officer Application

2011-2012 Term

Minnesota DeMolay

Personal Information

Full Name: Last First Middle
Address: Street Address Apartment/Unit #
City State ZIP Code
Home Phone: ( ) Alternate Phone: ( )
E-mail Address:
Birth Date:

DeMolay Information

Chapter: Current office held:
Chapter Offices Held:
Honors and Awards: (circle those that apply) Chev LCC RD FMA BHK PMC-MSA
Merit Bars:
Ritual Parts Known:
Installation Parts Known:

State Office Information

I intend to run for a State Elected Office: Yes No
Which office do you intend to run for? SMC SSC SJC SST
If not elected are you willing to run for a different office?
I am applying for a State Appointed Office: Yes No
Why would you like to be a State Elected and/or Appointed Officer?
What specific things would you be interested in working on for Minnesota DeMolay?

I understand that if elected and/or appointed that I will be responsible for attending all Minnesota DeMolay events and planning meetings. That I will conduct myself at all DeMolay functions appropriately, working for the good of the Order.

Applicant Signature

Chapter Dad or Chairman Signature

Date

Parent/Guardian Signature

# Rochester Chapter Update

Adam Pierce, Chapter Dad

**Rochester DeMolay will be having a busy summer. On Thursday, June 2nd we are putting on a steak fry for the Scottish Rite. Tickets are \$15 dollars. Please call Dad Adam for reservations.**

**On Sunday, June 5th we will have our regular meeting at 3pm. On Sunday, June 19th we will hold our Fathers Day Picnic and BBQ. On Sunday, June 26th we will assist in Bethel 13's installation with an arch of steel.**

**On Sunday, July 17th we will be having our regular**

**meeting which is our My Government Day meeting. On Saturday, July 23rd we will hold a bike ride and camp out event. We will bike a portion of the Root River Trail and then camp out at the Vinegar Ridge Campground.**

**All of our events are open for young men between 12 and 21. If you would like more information about any of our events please call Chapter Dad Adam Pierce at 507-990-9159 or e-mail at rochesterdemolay@yahoo.com**

Check out the all-new  
[www.mndemolay.org](http://www.mndemolay.org)  
website.

There is a new format, new  
content, and new calendar  
with all the Minnesota  
Chapters' upcoming events.

The screenshot shows the MN DeMolay website. At the top, it says "MN DeMolay" with the tagline "Dedicated to Developing Young Men into Successful and Responsible Adults". There is a navigation menu with links for Home, Calendars, Contacts, Events, Forms, Chapters, Get Updates, Info, Join, and Scholarships. Below the menu, there are three main sections: "FACEBOOK OR TWITTER" with social media icons, "MAP OF CHAPTERS" with a map of Minnesota, and "EVENTS CALENDAR" showing a list of events for June 16th through 24th. The calendar includes events like "DeMolay International St", "Manitou Parac", "Bethel # 76 In", and "Hiawatha Mee".

The advertisement features a yellow background with the text "Welcome to the demolay & more store" in a stylized font. Below this, it says "Your one stop shop for all of your demolay needs". There are several small images of merchandise, including a green t-shirt, a yellow t-shirt, a red t-shirt, a white t-shirt, and a white t-shirt with a logo.

Pre Orders are being taken for Conclave from the DeMolay and More Store. If there has always been an item that you wanted but didn't want to pay shipping or other costs, here's your opportunity! Please contact Mark with your item and he will do his best to see that it will be on hand when you show up to Conclave. Deadline is July 15<sup>th</sup>. Go to [www.demolay.org](http://www.demolay.org) and check out the DeMolay and More Store today. Only make your orders with Mark and not the Store.



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