ILLINOIS DEMOLAY FALLFEST CELEBRATION 2005

RULES AND REGULATIONS OF RITUAL COMPETITION

PARTICIPATION BOND: Each chapter that participates in one or more team or individual team competitions, as listed herein, must furnish a Participation Bond of \$25.00, payable to Illinois DeMolay. This Participation Bond will be returned provided that the Chapter has competed in <u>all team or individual team events in which they were registered.</u> Only the Chief Judge and Ritual Director may authorize return of the Participation Bond if a Chapter fails to compete in all team or individual team events in which they were registered.

In order that every DeMolay has an equal opportunity in the overall competition, certain guidelines must be followed:

- 1. Chapters may enter only one (1) team in any given team competition.
- 2. DeMolays, as individual team participants, may enter the Flower Talk, the Ceremony of Light, the Magnificent Seven Preceptor parts, and the Installing Officer competitions.
- 3. DeMolays, as individuals, may only enter two events in the Individual Initiatory Degree competitions and one event in the Individual DeMolay Degree competition. The Flower Talk, the Ceremony of Light, the Magnificent Seven preceptor parts, and the Installing Officer are not included in the two events.
- 4. DeMolays may enter Individual and Individual Team competitions even though the Chapter does not enter any Team competitions.
- 5. All teams must consist of members from that Chapter (no composite teams).
- 6. Roster Sheets will only be required for Chapter Team events. It will no longer be necessary to fill one out for Individual Team events such as the Flower Talk.

SPOKESMAN AND WRITTEN STIPULATIONS: The use of <u>written</u> stipulations by the Chapter spokesman prior to the start of the competition is not allowed. The Chapter spokesman, when used, must be an active DeMolay.

Paraphernalia and room set up is part of the ritual, and should be included in the competition. Often these items have been listed on paper. Rituals and written stipulations will not be allowed in the competition area. If the Chapter spokesman has specific <u>questions</u> about the competition, they should be written down and given to the Panel Chairman to be read and answered at the start of competition. Paraphernalia to be simulated should be given from memory by the Chapter Spokesman or a member of the Chapter

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Advance registration for all competition is a **must**. Individual Preceptor and Nonpreceptor parts competition will be from 6:00 P. M. to 9:30 P.M., Friday night. <u>Please place an "F" on the competition entry form under the event you are competing in on Friday night</u>.

Competition will resume at 9:00 A.M. Saturday morning. Although not mandatory, it is recommended that you arrive on Friday evening.

Room Monitors will not be provided. It will be the responsibility of the individual or team to provide coverage at the door. If you are asked to cover the door during competition please say yes if at all possible.

All Chapters will need to bring their own small items needed for the Degree work, ie; Gavels, Markers, Bibles, etc.. SECURITY OF THESE ITEMS WILL BE THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE INDIVIDUAL CHAPTERS AND NOT THE FALLFEST CELEBRATION 2004 STAFF OR ILLINOIS DEMOLAY.

PLEASE NOTE: There will be a **MANDATORY meeting** for all competitors beginning at **8:00 A.M. Saturday morning**. In addition, a Judges briefing will be held at the same time in a location to be announced. Please be in attendance so that the day will run smoothly.

All decisions with regard to competition and scoring will rest with the Chief Judge, the Chief Auditor, and the Director of Ritual for Illinois DeMolay.

COMPETITION

TEAM RULES:

Class 1: Consists of two or more members

Class 2: Specially designated but consists of one person

CLASS 1 COMPETITIONS MINIMUM SCORE TO RECEIVE 1ST PLACE IS 750 AND 500 FOR 2ND PLACE WITH THE EXCEPTIONS SHOWN:

1. Chapter Proficiency 2. Initiatory Degree 515 / 350

3. DeMolay Degree (1st & 3rd Sect) 600 / 470 4. DeMolay Degree 4th Sect

5. Installation Service 485 / 315 6. Majority Service

7. Representative DeMolay Ceremony 8. Preceptor Corps

9. 5 Man Opening Ceremony 10.Cross of Honor

11. 9:00 Interpolation

CLASS 2 COMPETITIONS MINIMUM SCORE TO RECEIVE 1ST PLACE IS 750 AND 500 FOR 2ND PLACE:

Magnificent Seven Preceptor Parts
 Installing officer
 Flower talk
 Ceremony of light

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INDIVIDUAL RULES: Consists of one person.

INDIVIDUAL COMPETITIONS MINIMUM SCORE TO RECEIVE 1ST PLACE IS 750 AND 500 FOR 2ND PLACE:

MASTER COUNCILOR
 JUNIOR COUNCILOR
 JUNIOR DEACON
 JUNIOR DEACON
 STEWARDS (Jr Div.)
 MARSHAL
 CHAPLAIN

9. ORATOR
 10. MASTER INQUISITOR
 11. SENIOR INQUISITOR
 12. JUNIOR INQUISITOR
 13. JACQUES DEMOLAY
 14. EXAMINATION QUERIES

15. PRECEPTOR PARTS (1-7) (Jr and Sr Div)

Proficiency in the Examination Queries, which includes the answers and obligations, will be for those members who have been in DeMolay one year or less. The Queries to be used in competition can be found on Page 70-73 of the Ritual, 14th edition.

In addition, there will be two divisions of competitions for the Preceptor's parts. The Junior Division will be for those members 12 -15 years of age, and the Senior Division will be for the 16-21 year age group. This will provide an incentive for the younger members of the Chapter to compete in the Fallfest Ritual Weekend Program.

As an additional incentive for the younger members to compete, there will only be a Junior Division for the Stewards Competition for members 12 -15 years of age. Both Senior and Junior Steward are combined into this single competition.

If no team or individual receives the minimum score to achieve 1st place, a second place will not be awarded.

TEAMS FOR COMPETITION! Installation Service, Majority Service, R. D. Ceremony, and Fourth Section, Cross of Honor, 5 Man Opening Ceremony, and the 9:00 Interpolation all take six (6) or fewer people to compete.

The Magnificent Seven consists of all seven Preceptor Parts given in numerical order by one DeMolay.

The Preceptor Corps consists of a Team of seven (7) Chapter members, each doing a different individual Preceptor Part.

The Initiatory Degree Competition Team may omit four (4) parts, and also allow the Preceptor Parts to be done by either 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, or 7 chapter members. This, reduces the requirement to only 12 Chapter members if one member does all seven Preceptor parts.

The 5 Man Opening Ceremony is open to Chapters with 30 total members or less as of October 1 of the current year.

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