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## WHAT WOULD MY SON GAIN FROM MEMBERSHIP IN DE MOLAY?

A youth needs the highest type associates more at the time he is of DeMolay age than in any other period of his life. Such a youth is energetic and active and his efforts must be directed in channels where he will occupy his spare time to the best advantage. A young man close to maturity needs a well designed program of youth development in which he will be genuinely interested and will progress. All of these benefits and many more will be found in DeMolay.

*Drifters!! --- the products of passing environment.*

## WOULD MY SON LIKE DE MOLAY?

The rapid growth and expansion of the Order of DeMolay is concrete evidence of the fact that the organization has been designed after those things which youth of DeMolay age like and enjoy.

*No man ever drifted into real success.*

## WHAT HAPPENS TO A DE MOLAY WHEN HE REACHES THE AGE OF TWENTY-ONE YEARS?

The program of DeMolay is designed for youth. When a member reaches his majority, he automatically ceases to be an active member. His graduation into citizenship from DeMolay is marked by an impressive majority service. The possession of a majority certificate identifies him with hundreds of thousands of majority members whose efficiency and character have given DeMolay a high standing in the business and professional world.

*"Success is not a destination, it is a journey."---  
Charles W. Gilkey*

## HOW MAY MY SON BECOME A MEMBER OF THE ORDER OF DE MOLAY?

A petition for membership in a chapter of the Order of DeMolay may be filed through any member, at the office of the chapter Scribe, [www.demolay.org](http://www.demolay.org), downloading a petition online at [www.mtdemolay.org](http://www.mtdemolay.org), or by calling 1-800-DEMOLAY. On this petition, the character of the applicant must be vouched for by either two active DeMolays, a Master Mason, or a Senior DeMolay.

<http://www.mtdemolay.org>  
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*What  
is the  
Order of*

# DeMolay



**The Answer to the Questions  
Most Frequently Asked**



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## WHAT IS THE ORDER OF DE MOLAY?

The Order of DeMolay is a fraternal organization which offers to each qualified youth from twelve to twenty years of age inclusive, (1) a wholesome occupation of his spare time, (2) worthwhile associates, (3) the best of environment, (4) interesting and complete program of all-around youth development.

*"Our boys---American Boys---are the hope of the world. Give them training in a program of all-around living." ---Edgar A. Guest.*

## HOW DOES DE MOLAY OPERATE?

There are more than 1,000 chapters worldwide. They are located in various cities in the United States and foreign countries. Each chapter is run by its own members and each of these chapters has an advisory board that goes through training known as the D.A.D. training (DeMolay Advisor Development.) Extensive and strict background checks are administered by DeMolay International Headquarters for the safety of the members of new advisors, and yes, some chapters even have chapter moms. But the advisors only step in when needed to help the chapter at certain times and make sure everything goes as smooth as possible.

*"As a man (boy) thinketh, so is he."*

## WHO MAY BECOME MEMBERS OF THE ORDER OF DE MOLAY?

Any youth who has passed his twelfth (12) birthday and not reached his twenty-first (21) birthday and is of good character may petition a DeMolay chapter for membership. IT IS NOT NECESSARY THAT HE BE A SON OR A RELATIVE OF A MASON.

*Every boy has a personality which was given him by God at birth.*

## IS DE MOLAY A RELIGIOUS ORGANIZATION? A FRATERNITY? A SECRET ORDER?

DeMolay does not recognize or advocate any particular creed but teaches only a profound faith in the one living and true God. Reverence for Sacred Things is one of the Order's Seven Cardinal Virtues. DeMolay is not a Greek letter fraternity and should not be confused with either high school or college fraternities. The Order of DeMolay has its secret signs, words, modes of recognition, etc., but it has no secrets from the world in so far as in its central purpose is concerned.

*"Happy is the man (boy) whose habits are his friends." --- Shakespeare.*

## WHAT TYPE OF INITIATION IS USED IN DE MOLAY?

The initiation of a member into the Order of DeMolay consists of the conferring of two very impressive degrees, the Initiatory Degree and the DeMolay Degree. The foundation upon which the Initiatory Degree is built is that of the Seven Cardinal Virtues of the Order. They are: Filial Love (Love of Parents), Reverence for Sacred Things, Courtesy, Comradeship, Fidelity, Cleanliness, and Patriotism. The DeMolay Degree is historical and spectacular and is presented in dramatic form. It's portrayal of the trials, tortures and final martyrdom of the exemplar of the Order, Jacques DeMolay, teaches a compelling lesson in fidelity and comradeship.

*Our one chance of real world improvement is with the growing generation.*

## WHAT IS DE MOLAY'S PROGRAM OF ALL-AROUND YOUTH DEVELOPMENT?

The Order of DeMolay expects its members to attain a high grade all-around youth development in preparation for the opportunities and responsibilities of manhood and aids them in this accomplishment. One of the highest distinctions a DeMolay can receive from DeMolay International is to be made a Representative DeMolay. This honor was created to recognize the achievements of any DeMolay who has made himself an all around young man. The awarding of this honor is based on the following Seventeen Standards of Development --- Education; Reading; Self Expression; Current History; Nature Interests; Life Work; Health Education; Care of the Body; Physical Activities; Physical Fitness; Manual Skill; Home Relationships; Religious Ideals; Recreational Habits; Chapter Loyalty; Self Mastery; Citizenship.

*Give youth the opportunity of having better associates for he is powerfully influenced by companions' ideas, beliefs and moral codes.*

## WHAT ARE THE SOCIAL ACTIVITIES IN DE MOLAY?

Such social activities are conducted by the chapters as are advisable under local conditions, all functions, however, being supervised by the adult Advisor of the chapter. In addition to locally planned activities, it is compulsory that the chapter observe annually the following Obligatory Days---Devotional Day; Patriots' Day; DeMolay Day of Comfort; Educational Day; and Parents' Day.

*What the nation is tomorrow depends upon what the boy is today.*

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