

50 YEAR PIN PRESENTATION CEREMONY

MASTER COUNCILOR: (in the East)

“Brother Marshal, you will present our distinguished Brother at the Altar.”

MARSHAL: (at Altar)

“Brother Master Councilor, it gives me great pleasure to introduce to you and through you to all here assembled, Brother _____ who has been a DeMolay for fifty years.”

MASTER COUNCILOR:

“My Brother, throughout the ages it has been a custom among civilized societies to honor and revere those who have survived the ravages of time, therefore, it is appropriate for us here today to recognize you who have passed through the years so graciously. Since 1969, it has been possible to recognize former DeMolays on the anniversary of their having become members of the Order 50 years before. I am confident that when you first became a DeMolay, little consideration was given by you, to the prospect that a day such as this, so distant in the future, would ever arrive. I am further confident that as you look back to the time of your first exposure to our Order, now dim in the past, you wonder that these years have passed so quickly. Reflect with me now upon the Order of DeMolay. Brother Junior Councilor, you will review briefly the precepts of our Order for our Brother.”

MARSHAL: (Escorts Brothers by way of the north, past the East and stops at the South.)

JUNIOR COUNCILOR: (in the South)

“My Brother, the Order of DeMolay stands upon seven cardinal virtues, Filial Love, Reverence for Sacred Things, Courtesy to All, Comradship as a necessity, Fidelity as a strength, Cleanness of spirit, and Patriotism without equivocation. Our Order supports Civil, Religious and Intellectual Liberty for everyone, as well as promoting lasting Brotherhood and holding the contention that all things are better done by friends working together for the common good.”

MASTER COUNCILOR:

“Brother Senior Councilor, you will outline again for our Brother the promise of the future.”

MARSHAL: (Escorts Brothers to the West.)

SENIOR COUNCILOR (In the West):

“My Brother, while your years and experience are extensive, you have not come to the end of the journey, and I trust you will not for years to come. However, as it was said to you so long ago, it is never too late to look to the West, symbolic of the end of the Earthly pilgrimage, in preparation for the glory of the everlasting morning, which we know you richly deserve.”

MARSHAL: (Escorts Brothers to the East by way of the North.)

MASTER COUNCILOR: (Meets Brothers on Floor)

“It now gives me pleasure to present to you this certificate from the International Supreme Council, Order of DeMolay, (and this lapel pin). I trust that you will wear the pin and display the certificate with pride, that the world may know of our esteem for you, and your continued support of the Order of DeMolay.”

MASTER COUNCILOR (Returns to East)

“Brother Marshal, you will escort Brother _____ to his seat.”