



MISSION BRIEFING

Southern California Jurisdiction Order of DeMolay

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[MISSION UPDATES]

From the desk of the Jurisdiction Master Councilor

Hello SCJ,

Quite frankly this pandemic has lasted much longer than we originally expected. It is getting increasingly harder to keep a positive attitude through all the crazy things that have happened. During different parts of the year I spoke on mental health and now more than ever I want to remind everyone that it is OK to not be ok. It is so important to keep networking during this time of social distancing. Keeping in contact is an important part of making it through times when we have to be apart. I encourage the members of Southern California to reach out to your chapter members and the members from other chapters. Let's do our best to get back to whatever form of normal comes after this. If your chapter isn't meeting reach out, there is a good chance they are missing you as much as you miss them.

Sincerely,

Eddie Mendoza

Southern California Jurisdiction Master Councilor 2019-2020

From the desk of the Jurisdiction Congress Secretary

Hello SCJ,

We are living in turbulent times. The world is changing around us day by day. It is days like these when we reflect on our ritual. For me, one passage that stands out is, "Tyranny teaches the need of toleration. Bigotry sounds the call to Brotherhood."

We live in a time of great change in our country; millions of boys and girls around the country are stepping up for what they believe in to forge a better future, a better way of life. We are part of that change. We are the next generation that will take over the world. Now, my brothers, your political beliefs are your own. And I need not remind you that in your vows you said, "but I will be tolerant in my opinion, giving to others the same right to their beliefs which I expect from them."

Although we may not agree on everything, this is not a time to be divisive. This is a time to step up, to band together, to continue the work of DeMolay; to continue to live loyally to our vows and the obligations we have taken. We will overcome the challenges facing us and get past this, and we will be stronger because of it. We can do this. We can create the world we want to live in. We can create a stronger, better DeMolay. Our time being apart shows us that we are stronger, better, and bigger than ever.

I'm so proud of the work each and every one of you has put into this organization, day in and day out, working with your chapters, leagues and the jurisdiction. We are all learning together and we will continue to do so. Learning is growth, and we should never stop. We will get through the challenges we are facing, and we will be stronger because of them. There was DeMolay before this, and there will be DeMolay after. It is up to us to make it look like what we want it to be.

I look forward to seeing you all soon,

Andrew Caster

Southern California Jurisdiction Congress Secretary 2019-2020

From the desk of the Jurisdiction Sweetheart

What's hippity hoppin SCJ?

Happy summer! I hope you all are doing well, staying cool as the weather gets warmer. Have y'all been doing anything fun to keep yourselves cool? I'd love to hear what you've been doing, email me at scjsweetheart2020@gmail.com !!

I feel like a looping record player, but I miss you all so much. It feels like it's been years. I eagerly await the time for it to be safe for us to see each other again.

I know it's warmer now, but if you find yourself wanting to turn your oven on and bake, I have a great recipe for you! Tasty's Cake Mix Cookies are my favorite quick and easy cookies to make! Here's the link: <https://tasty.co/compilation/cake-mix-cookies-9-ways>
Stay safe you guys!

Much love,

Megan FitzGerald

Southern California Jurisdiction Sweetheart 2019-2020

From the desk of the Jurisdiction Princess

Hey everyone!

I know this quarantine is affecting everyone differently but if you guys are anything like me, I suggest trying to find a new hobby that might take up a lot of your time. Binge watching Netflix and Hulu hasn't helped as much and that's probably because I'm not actually doing anything. So, I've decided to do more physical activities such as ride my bike and maybe even play Wii Sports. I've been going to the store with my mom more and staying in touch with friends. As you've probably heard, connection is key.

Make sure that you're still sending cards to the Masonic Homes! I'm almost always available to chat, so if you're bored and message me I'll try my best to respond as soon as possible.

I hope you're doing well,

Sami Maples

Southern California Jurisdiction Princess 2019-2020

From the desk of the Executive Officer:

After careful consideration, and in consultation with the Conclave Director and the Riverside Convention Bureau, I have decided to cancel Conclave this year.

To our Youth Leaders:

This is not the year that you had envisioned. I am so proud of the efforts that everyone of you have made, during this difficult time, to keep our organization going. Here in Southern California, we often say that DeMolay is life.. this alludes to the fact that everything you learn and experience in DeMolay can be applied outside the Chapter. If nothing else, this year has made each one of you stronger and better prepared for the ups and downs of adult life.

(Please see Dad Peterson's complete statement on the attached flyer)

[MISSION PROTOCOLS]

- **PLEASE PUT ALL EVENTS ON THE CALENDER (Virtual Meetings included). Your league should be able to put it on their calendar to keep us all informed.**
- **Keith Lee Seals Chapter LCC Virtual Workshop - Sunday, July 5, 2020 - 5:00 PM**
See Attached Flyer
- **Lake Forest Chapter Zoom Ceremony of Light and Flower Talk - Monday, July 13, 2020 - 7:00 PM**
See Attached Flyer
- **Keith Lee Seals Chapter Game-A-Thon Fund Raiser - Saturday, July 25, 2020 - 6:00 PM till 6:00 AM**
See Attached Flyer
- **Walt Disney Chapter Zoom Game Night - Monday, July 27, 2020 - 7:00 PM till 9:00 PM**
See Attached Flyer
- **SCJ Elections (virtual) August 1- more Details TBA - Our Jurisdiction team is working to create a virtual election process.**
- **<http://scjdemolay.org/demolay-resources/>**

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Date: June 25, 2020
From: Don Peterson, Executive Officer
To: All SCJ DeMolay Advisors
RE: Cancellation of Conclave

After careful consideration, and in consultation with the Conclave Director and the Riverside Convention Bureau, I have decided to cancel Conclave this year.

The decision was made based on several factors, including the fact that the *earliest* that the hotel and convention center would be open for a convention of our size, would be September 1st. This left very little leeway for our Conclave to be able to occur. At this point, to continue to move forward with Conclave, would have required us to make financial commitments to outside vendors, that may not be recoverable if the Convention Center is not able to open in time for our event.

The other major factor that I had to consider was any restrictions that limited the number of individuals that we could put in one hotel room, which could either put a financial strain on the Jurisdiction or make Conclave cost prohibitive for our Members. Neither options are ideal, and both come with risks that would jeopardize our ability to put on a successful program.

We are planning on have an installation, of some type, on Sunday September 6, 2020, that will be live streamed to the Jurisdiction. Details for that event will be issued once we are sure of the type of program we are able to have at that time.

In this time of uncertainty, the health and wellbeing of the youth, parents, advisors and visitors to our events is one of our top priorities. It was my wish to find a way to still have Conclave and I cannot tell you how disappointed I am to have to make this decision. Rest assured that there will be a time that we will once again be able to meet in person.

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Fraternally,



Dad Donald H. Peterson Jr
Executive Officer
SCJ DeMolay
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Lake Forest Chapter invites you
to join us for a special presentation



Ceremony of Light

Presented by

Thomas Witzel

Past Master Councilor

Monday, July 13th @ 7:00 pm

Flower Talk

Presented by

Arturo Salazar

Senior Councilor



Please join via **ZOOM** call

Meeting ID: 811 9137 2014 • Password: 083410

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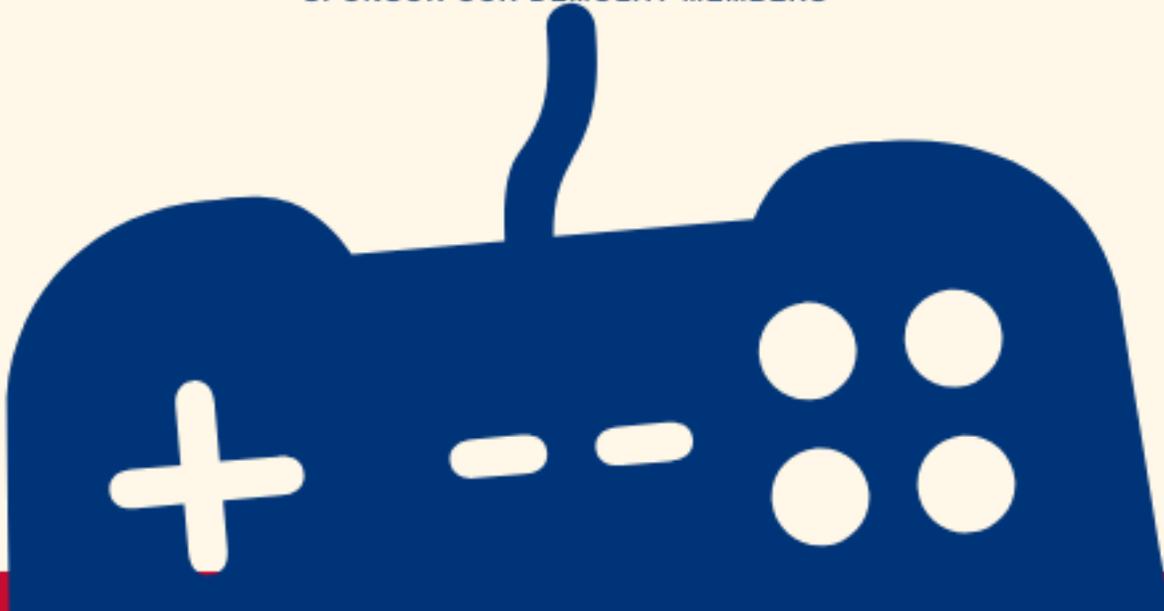
GET READY TO PUT ON
YOUR GAME FACE!

GAME-A-THON

Friday, July 25, 6p-6a

Make your pledge for :15, :30 or 1 hour
increments of time

SPONSOR OUR DEMOLAY MEMBERS



Walt Disney Chapter DeMolay

*Game
Night*

Game: Jackbox

Monday, July 27

7 PM PST on Zoom

Please have two devices in hand
(one for Zoom, one for Jackbox.tv)

You have been challenged
to compete in the

TRASHKETBALL TRICK SHOT CHALLENGE

Please post a short video of you shooting a piece of paper into the trash - trick shot style, and tag the Instagram or Facebook provided below, and use the hashtag #WDCTrickshotChallenge ! Also, send your videos to either account to be featured in a compilation (has to be compatible to be saved by us to our camera roll).

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