

## YOUR INDUCTION CEREMONY

As you wait for the Ceremony, the Chapter is officially opening the meeting and may need to conduct the business to approve your application. Once done, you will be invited into the Chapter room.

First, DON'T be nervous as there will be NOTHING that will embarrass you during the ceremony. No one will touch you except a candidate may place his hand on your right shoulder during the oaths.

You will be asked one question and take two oaths at the Bible. The first of the two oaths, known as the Initiatory Degree obligation is the longer of the two. The second, shorter oath is called the DeMolay Degree obligation and marks your final admission into the Chapter.

You will be asked to put your right hand on the Bible or on the shoulder of someone in front of you. When the Oath is taken, you will be asked to seal your vow by kissing the Holy Bible. This is a very old tradition and the Master Councilor will turn the page after each person seals their vow.

When finished, you will be escorted to a seat for the remainder of the meeting and you are considered an "Active DeMolay" in DeMolay International with all the rights and authority. In the future, there are no reserved seats on the "sidelines" so you may sit where you wish (along the North or South sides of the Chapter) or at your officer station.

## TITLES

You are now a Brother DeMolay in DeMolay International. The proper way you will be addressed is by "Brother" and your last name when being formal or "Brother" and your first name when being informal. That is the way you are to address other members in the Chapter and they you.

During meetings of the Chapter or ceremonies, officers will be referred to as "Brother" and the office they hold such as "Brother Master Councilor" or "Brother Chaplain".

Chapter Sweetheart Court members are referred to by their first names.

Advisors are referred to by the sir name "Dad" or "Mom" followed by their last name. Adult guests, even your parents, are referred to as Mr., Mrs., etc. followed by the last name. Adults are never to be addressed by their first names even by other adults while in the Chapter.



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