



August 12, 2019

Dear Brother Senior DeMolay,

At a recent State Conclave, a twenty-one-year-old State Master Councilor made the following statement:

“As I remove my collar tonight at this altar, I will arise a Senior DeMolay. My status as an active DeMolay will change but I will always remember the friends I have made, the lessons I have learned, and the vows I have taken. No matter what the future brings, I will always be a DeMolay.”

These words reflect the feelings of the thousands of men who claim the title Senior DeMolay. At our Centennial Celebration in Kansas City, many Senior DeMolays were able to reconnect with their DeMolay brothers, establish new friendships, and share memories of their DeMolay experience. Those Senior DeMolays present expressed interest in local events that would provide an opportunity to reconnect with their brothers. In response to their request, the DeMolay Foundation will be sponsoring Alumni gatherings across the United States. I hope you will consider attending one of these events in order to reconnect with old friends and share the memories of your DeMolay past. As a 50-year DeMolay, I am looking forward to renewing friendships and reliving events that influenced my life. I trust you will share that same enthusiasm while reminiscing about your DeMolay experience with your brothers.

Our theme this year is “Carry The Flame”. I hope these gatherings will ignite a spark that will rekindle your memories and enthusiasm for DeMolay as we begin our next 100 years.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "John W. Whitaker". The signature is written in a cursive style and is enclosed within a large, thin, circular outline.

John W. Whitaker  
Grand Master  
DeMolay International

