

## "Alphabet Soup"



Like many groups, DeMolay is full of abbreviations, acronymns, and "for shorts." This short hand can get pretty confusing, especially if you're new to it. So, here's a key to some of the "code words" you're likely to run into in PA DeMolay. Now you can be "in the know" ... or should we say "in the soup?"

**ACR** - Advisory Council Registration - refers to either the process or the form.

**AHK** - Advisor's Honor Key

**ALOH** - The Active Legion of Honor

**AWP** - Adult Worker Profile, the form that must be filed for every potential adult volunteer in DeMolay.

**Atown** - Short for Allentown Chapter

**BHK** - Blue Honor Key

**Chev** - The Degree of Chevalier

**DAD** - The "DeMolay Advisor Development" training course, not to be confused with "Dad," a form of address for male Advisors.

**DEO** - Deputy Executive Officer

**DI** - DeMolay International

**DSA** - Distinguished Service Award

**DSMC** - Deputy State Master Councilor

**DSOP** - Director of the State Officer Program

**EO** - Executive Officer

**ES** - Executive Secretary

**Etown** - Short for Elizabethtown Chapter, or for the PA DeMolay office, as in "the Etown office"

**FBC** - Short for Friendship-Bray Chapter

**FLS** - First-Line Signer, the first recommender on an application for membership. A "recruiter."

**FSL** - Frank Sherman Land, founder of DeMolay.

**FMA** - Founder's Membership Award

**GLA** - Guild of the Leather Apron ("Advisor of the Year")

**GMC** - Grand Master's Class, a state-wide induction held every 2 years in honor of the Grand Master of Masons in Pennsylvania.

**GW** - Short for George Washington Chapter

**HLOH** - The Honorary Legion of Honor

**ICS** - International Congress Secretary

**IMC** - International Master Councilor

**ISC** - The International Supreme Council, also just "DeMolay International"

**KeyCru** - *The Keystone Crusader*, PA DeMolay's official newsletter

**KMC** - The PA DeMolay Key Man Conference

**LCC** - Leadership Correspondence Course

**LOH** - The Legion of Honor

**MATOC** - The Mid-Atlantic Tournament of Champions ritual competition

**MCC** - The Masonic Conference Center, Patton Campus in Elizabethtown

**NCB** - Short for New Castle Builders Chapter

**Obs Card** - An Obligations Card, given for demonstrating knowledge of the DeMolay Obligations

**PICS** - Past International Congress Secretary

**PIMC** - Past International Master Councilor

**PMC** - Past Master Councilor

**PMC-MSA** - The Past Master Councilor's Meritorious Service Award

**PSMC** - Past State Master Councilor

**PMYF** - The Pennsylvania Masonic Youth Foundation

**RD** - The Representative DeMolay Award

**RUARD** - A "catchy" way of asking "aRe yoU A Representative DeMolay?"

**SJC** - State Junior Councilor

**SMC** - State Master Councilor

SSC - State Senior Councilor

SScr - State Scribe

ST - State Treasurer

ZKey - The Zerubbabel Key

**Chapter Officers - These abbreviations are commonly used to designate Chapter Officers. In most cases, you can add an "S" in front to designate the corresponding State Officer.**

MC - Master Councilor	Ch - Chaplain
SC - Senior Councilor	Mar - Marshal
JC - Junior Councilor	SB - Standard Bearer
SD - Senior Deacon	Al - Almoner
JD - Junior Deacon	1P - First Preceptor
SS - Senior Steward	2P - Second Preceptor
JS - Junior Steward	3P - Third Preceptor
O - Orator	4P - Fourth Preceptor
Scr - Scribe	5P - Fifth Preceptor
Tr - Treasurer	6P - Sixth Preceptor
Sen - Sentinel	7P - Seventh Preceptor

**Common Masonic "Soup" - Here are some Masonic abbreviations you may run into in DeMolay circles.**

F&AM - Free and Accepted Masons (in other states, sometimes AF&AM, "Ancient Free...")
MM - Master Mason (the 3rd degree in a Masonic Lodge)
FC - Fellowcraft Mason (the 2nd degree in a Masonic Lodge)
EA - Entered Apprentice Mason (the 1st degree in a Masonic Lodge)
WM - Worshipful Master, the ranking officer in a Masonic Lodge
SW - Senior Warden, the second ranking officer in a Masonic Lodge
JW - Junior Warden, the third ranking officer in a Masonic Lodge
RW - "Right Worshipful" a designation used in front of certain Grand Officer titles
RWGM - Right Worshipful Grand Master
AASR - Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite
RAM - Royal Arch Masons ("Chapter")
RSMM - Royal and Select Master Masons ("Council")
KT - Knights Templar ("Commandery")
AAONMS - Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine --the "Shriners"
AL/AD - Anno Lucis ("In the Year of Light)/Anno Domini ("In the Year of Our Lord")