

## PENNSYLVANIA DEMOLAY

### **Adult Participation in Chapter Meetings (Issued 10-1-04)**

To enhance the leadership training inherent in the DeMolay program, and to support the growth of independent decision-making and peer motivation, the Chapter Advisor will be the only adult permitted to speak in open Chapter. Exceptions maybe made when the Master Councilor has invited a speaker, or arranged for an advisor to present specific instruction or information that, by its nature, cannot be communicated by an Active Member of the Chapter.

The Chapter Advisor may designate another Advisor of the Chapter to speak in his place. A representative of the Executive Officer, present at the meeting to perform an official duty, is exempt from this regulation. Leadership Team members regularly attending their home Chapters should not speak at meetings unless directed to do so by the Executive Officer.

It is the Chapter Advisor's responsibility to see that a Master Councilor is adequately prepared in advance of the meeting so that it does not become necessary to call on Advisors for regular reports or comments. It is, of course, permissible for a Master Councilor to request clarification of some issue from any adult in the meeting, but this must be monitored by the Chapter Advisor to ensure that it does not become the routine order of business.