

National Forensic League

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BULLETIN

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Membership Rolls

With this Bulletin each fully organized Chapter will receive a proof-print of a Membership Roll. This roll has been authorized by the Executive Council upon the suggestion of Mr. Kenneth E. Miller of Ashland, Ohio. Its adoption will be optional with each Chapter.

The sheet sent out now is only a sample to show the design. The actual roll is engraved on artificial parchment of fine quality and closely resembles the charter in appearance. Furnished with it are miniature seals of the same colors as the regular degree seals for the membership certificates. Chapters desiring to pay the extra charge can have the name and number of the chapter engrossed on the form in the same way as the charters are engrossed.

Each chapter is free to use the Roll in the manner it sees best suited to its own situation, but the general plan is to have it provide a suitable means of public record for the members of the Chapter, especially those whose names do not appear on its charter. As a person becomes a member of the Chapter his name will be added to the Roll. As a member is granted an advanced degree a seal of the corresponding color will be affixed in the space provided after the member's name. If the Roll is framed and displayed in the school building, it should furnish a most appropriate record of the Chapter's growth and of the achievements of its individual members.

Chapters desiring a roll can secure one from the secretary's office for one dollar postpaid. This will include the various colored seals in sufficient quantity to fill up the roll. Those desiring the name and number of the Chapter engrossed can have that done for twenty-five cents extra. About two weeks' time will be required for the engrossing.

Cuts of the Key

We have just replenished our stock of zinc etchings of the key and are pleased to secure a better price in consequence of a larger quantity order. Chapters desiring cuts of the key can now secure one for one dollar. The first ones cost \$1.75, then \$1.50 and now \$1.00. Looks as though we are getting into quantity production; the League must be growing.

Copies of the Constitution

New copies of the constitution embodying the changes voted in December have been printed. Within a few days every Chapter will receive one copy for every member enrolled since last May. Chapter officers, kindly see to it that each member receives the copy intended for him.

Material for the Magazine

President Carter, editor of the Magazine, sends an urgent request for material for the forthcoming issue. Obviously this material should come from the Chapters themselves. It is the accomplishments of the Chapters that the Magazine is to present.

If your school has won a state, district, or league championship, by all means let the editor know of it. If some of your members have been unusually successful in speaking contests, do not keep the good news to yourself. Extended articles on some phase of forensic work are also solicited.

Whatever your Chapter can send, send in at once, and surely not later than April 25th.

And how about suggestions for a name for the Magazine? Remember, the publication will be dedicated to the person submitting the name selected.

And your subscription? Has your Chapter subscribed for copies for each of its members? Only the number of copies subscribed for by May 1 will be published, so get your subscription with remittance in to Mr. Carter now. The price is fifty cents a copy.

Chapter Membership

Attention is directed to the provision of the constitution (Art. V, Sec. A, Cl. 5) as follows:

"A Local Chapter shall be suspended if its Active Membership at some time during the school year does not reach five."

Chapters losing heavily last year by graduation should build up their membership at once if they have not already done so. Do not wait until the eleventh hour before commencement.

Order Keys Early

The Secretary must sound this warning again. Each year since the League was organized there have been frantic last hour telegrams ordering keys and pins, "Please Rush!" Now it takes just so much time for mail to travel to the jeweler and for the emblems to reach you again, to say nothing of manufacturing processes. It is simply impossible to get these emblems out within a week. Chapters must understand that this is a rush season in the school and college jewelry field and that there are hundreds of other schools rushing in orders at this time. If your order gets caught in such a rush there is only one thing to do—wait.

The better plan is to send your orders early—allow 30 days and you will not be disappointed.

A Correction

The January Bulletin listed as a new Chapter "No. 143 Newark, New Jersey." This should have been Newark, *New York*.

Incidentally we already have two "Ashland's," Ohio and Kansas; two "Canton's," Ohio and South Dakota; two "Mankato's," Minnesota and Kansas; Newark may also find itself with a twin before long.

Show Your Strength

In the June Magazine a table will be published showing the number of members, number of advanced degrees, and number of votes for each Chapter. This list will be compiled on May 1, and not a day later.

Chapters are therefore urged to get as many applications, both for membership and for degrees, in before that date so that their chapter and the League as a whole will make a good showing in that tabulation.

Furthermore, Chapters not yet having organized and enrolled their charter members should do so at once without fail. It will not look well to have blank spaces in this list following the names of certain Chapters. This applies especially to a few Chapters authorized months ago, but still inactive.

Remember the dead line May 1!

Advanced Degrees

The following Advanced Degrees and Extra Votes were granted during March.

Extra Votes

Kenneth Witzel—164 points	Plano, South Dakota
Clarence Hamm—153 points	Plano, South Dakota
Ralph S. Frantz—185 points	Rocky Ford, Colorado

Degree of Distinction

Philip J. Tatman	Lucas, Kansas
Donald P. Doane	Lucas, Kansas
George Moeller	Bryant, South Dakota
Doris Force	Oakland, Nebraska

Degree of Excellence

John Meagher	Mankato, Minnesota
Una J. Cummins	Elma, Washington
Harold French	Redfield, South Dakota
Hildred Ross	Redfield, South Dakota
Mr. R. N. Thompson	Catasauqua, Pennsylvania
Rizpah K. Davis	Portland, Maine
Mr. Glenn D. Meade	Lucas, Kansas
Audria M. Jennings	Lucas, Kansas
Morris H. Cohen	Laconia, New Hampshire
Shirley E. Greene	Laconia, New Hampshire
Mr. M. A. Mansur	Lawton, Oklahoma
Louise Rinchart	Ford, Kansas
Harry Pinncy	Ford, Kansas
Ruth Sejm	Howell, Michigan
George Moeller	Bryant, South Dakota
Mary Jane Minier	Oakland, Nebraska
Meyer Rothwacks	Passaic, New Jersey
Samuel Wechsler	Passaic, New Jersey

Degree of Honor

John Meagher	Mankato, Minnesota
Una J. Cumming	Elma, Washington

Mr. R. N. Thompson	Catasauqua, Pennsylvania
Everett A. Gunning	Waterville, Maine
Francis E. Welch	Waterville, Maine
Allan B. Diefenbach	Akron, Ohio
Martin A. Ruona	Ishpeming, Michigan
Evelyn M. Percy	Portland, Maine
Eugene W. Merry	Portland, Maine
Meta M. Shockley	Lucas, Kansas
Dorothy L. Robinson	Laconia, New Hampshire
Gardner A. Caverly	Laconia, New Hampshire
Robert V. Johnson	Laconia, New Hampshire
J. Robert Ayers	Laconia, New Hampshire
Mr. Louis A. Freedman	Laconia, New Hampshire
Mr. M. A. Mansur	Lawton, Oklahoma
Louise Rinchart	Ford, Kansas
Hermoine Hatfield	Ford, Kansas
Edna Mae Hough	Ford, Kansas
Jay Bentley	Ford, Kansas
Ruth Seim	Howell, Michigan
Raymond Durfee	Howell, Michigan
Ardyce Dickinson	Howell, Michigan
George Moeller	Bryant, South Dakota
Eleroy Stromberg	Oakland, Nebraska
Mary Jane Minier	Oakland, Nebraska
Arthur Peterson	Oakland, Nebraska
Mr. Wm. Fredrich Colelough, Jr.	Catasauqua, Pennsylvania
Roger T. Peacock	Catasauqua, Pennsylvania
Donald V. Hock	Catasauqua, Pennsylvania
Pauline Nichols	Maryville, Missouri
Miss Helen M. Hall	Passaic, New Jersey

New Chapters

The following Chapters were authorized during March:

157 North Judson, Indiana	162 Julesburg, Colorado
158 La Junta, Colorado	163 Raymond, Washington
159 Poughkeepsie, New York	164 Piqua, Ohio
160 Washington C. H., Ohio	165 Kingman, Kansas
161 Slatington, Pennsylvania	

Summary Statement

	New	Total
Chapters	9	163
Members	114	1314
Emblems Ordered	63	907
Reports of Contests	247	2992
Memoranda Issued	426	3412
Degrees Granted:		
Honor	32	230
Excellence	18	83
Distinction	4	28