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September 9, 2015

Alumni Association
DeMolay International
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Dear Brothers,

The Alumni Association seeks to recognize the achievements of successful Senior DeMolays, to serve as an example of the past and what can come from the future. The area of academia is probably one of the most under recognized categories represented in the Hall of Fame.

As the Executive officer of Montana DeMolay, I am pleased to nominate Theodore T. Williams for the DeMolay International Alumni Association Hall of Fame. Professor Williams was the Department Head of Civil Engineering and Engineering Mechanics at Montana State University, and served as Dean of the College of Engineering. Ted was the Interim Vice President for Research at the University. In 2013 he was inducted into the Montana Professional Engineers Hall of Fame. There probably isn't an engineering firm in the State of Montana that doesn't have someone on staff who was taught by Ted Williams.

Please do not hesitate to contact me with questions you may have.

Sincerely and Fraternally,

Sam Whitehead

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Executive Officer Montana DeMolay

Nomination Submission Deadline Date: October 1

DeMolay Alumni Hall of Fame

Nomination Form

Please read the entire nomination form before completing any information and type or print clearly all requested information.

Important:
1) Each nomination must be submitted on this official nomination form.
2) Facsimiles of this form are acceptable.
3) Documentation (letters and/or resumes) should be submitted but cannot be returned.
4) Nominees should not have any knowledge of their nomination.
5) Nominees who have been chosen for induction will be notified by the Executive Director of the Service & Leadership Center staff.

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NAME OF NOMINEE: THEODORE THOMAS WILLIAMS

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EMPLOYMENT: Retired College Professor, Montana State University

POSITION: Department Head Civil Engineering & Engineering Mechanics
Associate Dean College of Engineering

CHAPTER OF INITIATION: Valley Chapter

LOCATION OF CHAPTER: Rocky Ford, Colorado

YEAR OF INITIATION: 1943 DATE OF BIRTH: 1927

Please provide the information requested below and attach additional sheets if necessary.

Major career achievements: Ted Williams is currently a Montana State University professor emeritus. In the 1960s, Ted teamed up to design a system for calculating and recording the water flows coming off of Bridger Bowl Ski Area. Ted had three significant leadership positions at MSU, in addition to being an outstanding Professor. He was the Department Head of the Civil Engineering and Engineering Mechanics Department. He also served as the Associate Dean of the College of Engineering. And he was the Interim Vice President for Research of the University. In 2013 he was inducted into the Montana Professional Engineers Hall of Fame. There probably isn't an engineering firm in the state of Montana that doesn't have someone on staff who was taught by Ted Williams. In 2014, Montana State University created the: Theodore T. Williams Scholarship: For student(s) enrolled in the Department of Civil Engineering in honor of retired Professor Ted Williams.

Personal Accomplishments/Awards: In 1997, Ted received the Meritorious Service Medal for outstanding service to Montana Masonry. In 2010, Brother Ted was inducted into the Montana Masonic Hall of Fame. Also in 2010 the Grand Lodge of Montana presented Brother Ted his 50 Year member Award. In 2014 the Grand Lodge AF&AM of Montana recognized the need to have an award to recognize Masons who had substantially contributed to the growth,development, and promotion of Montana DeMolay and created the Theodore Thomas Williams Youth Leadership Award. In 2015, Theodore T. Williams was the first recipient of this award, that bears his likeness on the front of the medal. Masonic leadership/service - he served as Grand High Priest of the Montana Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons, Grand Master of the Montana Grand Council of Cryptic Masons, and the Grand Commander of the Montana Grand Commandery of Knights Templar. He is also a 33° Scottish Rite Mason and has served as the Personal Representative of the Montana Sovereign Grand Inspector General for the Livingston Valley. Ted served as Grand Chaplain for the Grand Lodge of Montana in 2006-2007.

Membership in civic and/or professional organizations (include offices held): Ted is a Founding member of the MSU student Chapter of Chi Epsilon (Civil Engineering Honor Society). He is a Fellow of the American Society of Civil Engineers (ASCE); Member of the National Society of Professional Engineers (NSPE) and Montana Society of Engineers (MSE). He served as the Associate Director of the Montana Water Resources Center, and served as the First Director of the Institute of Applied Research (IAR). Ted was an active leader with the Boy Scouts of America having served as both a Cub Master and Scout Master, received the Silver Beaver Award for distinguished service. An active member of Rotary International. Ted is an Ordained Elder of the First Presbyterian Church of Bozeman.

Based upon the above information, why do you feel that this nominee should be inducted into the DeMolay Hall of Fame? Brother Ted Williams is one of the most respected members of this fraternity. During his tenure as Executive Officer of Montana DeMolay (1991-2001) and after he provided outstanding leadership and direction that is unequaled. DAD Ted influenced scores of young men of Montana DeMolay and Masons alike. A man who takes the title of Brother as the most important one in Masonry. He is a Past Master and a member of the Montana Masonic Hall of Fame. DAD Ted has served Montana Masonry and DeMolay as a tremendous force for good, and we proudly salute him and nominate him for the DeMolay Hall of Fame for his unwavering devotion to our Masonic Youth. His name and his deeds will linger with almost majestic tenderness in the hearts of his Brothers and friends and in the best and bravest traditions of DeMolay.

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Montana

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September 28, 2015

Nomination of THEODORE T. WILLIAMS to the DeMolay Hall of Fame

It is an honor for me to support the nomination of Worshipful Brother Theodore Thomas Williams for induction into the DeMolay Hall of Fame. My relationship with Brother Ted dates from early 1981, when I interviewed to become a faculty member in the Civil Engineering and Engineering Mechanics Department at Montana State University. Brother Ted was the Department Head who interviewed and later hired me. Brother Ted was my immediate superior until 1983, when he was promoted to Associate Dean of the College of Engineering and became "the boss of my boss". During my twenty one years on the MSU faculty, I was amazed by his quiet leadership and his continuous and overriding concern for the welfare and success of our students.

I soon learned that Brother Ted's interest in the accomplishments of students was just a part of his overall interest in the welfare and advancement of youth in general. When I became an Assistant Scoutmaster to assist my sons in their advancement in Scouts, I discovered that Brother Ted also was active in Scouts, and had been awarded the Silver Beaver, one of Scouting's highest awards for service as an Adult Scout Leader.

Soon after moving to Montana, I affiliated with local Masonic organizations and found Brother Ted active in those organizations as well, and an ardent supporter of DeMolay. I watched and learned from him as he served Masonry as Most Excellent Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Montana, Most Illustrious Grand Master of Cryptic Masons of Montana, and Right Eminent Grand Commander of Knights Templar of Montana. I also tapped his seemingly boundless energy by appointing him as Grand Chaplain of the Grand Lodge of Montana when I became Grand Master in 2006.

Shortly before the end of his term as Most Illustrious Grand Master, Brother Ted accepted the offer from the Grand Master of DeMolay to become the Executive Officer in Montana. This appointment gave him a chance to continue his lifelong service to youth, and to exhibit his unique leadership skills. I have one example of his association with the young men of DeMolay. One leadership principle that I learned in the US Army was that, while a leader should maintain the decorum expected of a leader, he should also at times actively join in activities with subordinates to establish rapport with them. In my opinion, Brother Ted did this with gusto. On one trip to a leadership conference, the group stopped at an amusement facility. Picture this, if you can: The state DeMolay officers donned Velcro suits and joined their Executive Officer in flinging themselves at a Velcro wall to see who can stick themselves the highest up the wall. After talking

to several of the state officers, it was obvious to me that by participating instead of merely watching this activity, Brother Ted established great rapport with the boys, as well as increasing their respect for him.

I have been fortunate to have known two other members of the DeMolay Hall of Fame, two men for whom I have tremendous respect. Astronaut and Colonel Frank Borman, when he was a US Air Force Captain, was my thermodynamics instructor when I was a cadet at the United States Military Academy at West Point. Colonel James "Nick" Rowe was my classmate and a company mate at West Point. These two men epitomize the principles of DeMolay, and well deserve to be in the DeMolay Hall of Fame. In my opinion, Brother Ted Williams' service to the students at Montana State University, to young men in the Boy Scouts of America, and to young men in the Order of DeMolay, and to the engineering profession and Masonry has proven him to be equally deserving of induction into the DeMolay Hall of Fame.

Thank you for the opportunity to support this honor for my mentor, friend, and brother.

Sincerely and Fraternally,

Thomas E. Valente, Jr.
Past Grand Master
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September 3, 2015

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NOMINATION OF Theodore Thomas Williams to DeMolay Alumni Hall of Fame

It gives me a great deal of pleasure to support the nomination of Ted Williams for the DeMolay Hall of Fame. There is no doubt in my mind that while there maybe few who are worthy of this honor there is a strong feeling in my mind that Brother Williams is most qualified. His accomplishment for the Order of DeMolay is exemplary.

Having had the privilege of having seen Dad Land on several occasions and working with Dad Chandler Cohagen, Past Grand Master of DeMolay and Grand Secretary of the DeMolay International Supreme Council and Executive Officer for many years in Montana, whom I consider giants in the Order of DeMolay I would also consider Brother Williams to be in the same category.

Brother Ted has worked for the benefit of the Order for many years and continues to be a valid and important supporter.

Brother Ted had been recognized many times by the Montana Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons for his efforts to benefit the Fraternity and the Order of DeMolay.

It was my privilege to nominate Ted to receive the Thirty Degree Honorary of Scottish Rite. With his many accomplishments in his occupation, Masonic Activities and relationships with young men he is most worthy of receiving this Honor.

If I can be of further assistance in providing reasons for electing him please don't hesitate of contact me.

Sincerely and fraternally,

Jack D. Rehberg

Jack D. Rehberg, SGIG Emeritus Supreme Council Scottish Rite Southern Jurisdiction
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September 23, 2015

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Alumni Association
DeMolay International

LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION
ON BEHALF OF
THEODORE T. WILLIAMS

To the Alumni Association, DeMolay International:

Theodore (Ted) Williams is the quintessential Freemason. There is hardly a phase of Freemasonry that he has not participated in with enthusiasm, and exemplary dedication. He is most deserving of being considered to be a member of the Hall of Fame.

The qualifications of eminent and outstanding service to Montana DeMolay and Masonry as well as contribution to the growth of community has not only been fulfilled by Ted, but he singularly represents the most outstanding that can come to mind.

It is unnecessary for me to reiterate his many activities as they are being set forth in several other recommendation letters. Suffice it for me to say that as to his contributions to DeMolay both on the State and local level would be hard to match. He not only served selflessly over a long period of time, but was an inspiration to many young men over the years.

As to his constituent lodges as Master, Secretary, Instructor etc., his service to the Concordant and Appendant Bodies (which include not only ritual participation, but leadership, as he has been the Representative of the Sovereign Grand Inspector General in the Livingston Valley for many years), his tenure as DeMolay executive officer, his status and devotion to his church (which includes extensive participation in higher positions), and his Boy Scout and other community contributions cannot, I believe, be matched by anyone. Moreover, his future contributions are secure as he is, or has been, head of the Grand Lines of the York Rite Chapter, Council and the Commandery, and continues his activities in nearly every category mentioned above.

Should you desire any further information on Worshipful Brother Ted, I would be happy to provide it.

I earnestly request that you grant this prestigious award to Theodore T. Williams.

Fraternally submitted,

Jack R. Levitt PGM(CA)
Worshipful Master #6 and PM #18

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September 24, 2015

DeMolay International
Hall of Fame Nomination Committee
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RE: Theodore T. Williams DeMolay International Hall of Fame Nomination

Dear DI Hall of Fame Nomination Committee members,

I would like to open this letter by stating how much of an honor this is for me; to help promote an individual that not only has had an enormous impact on my life personally but has impacted the lives of an incomprehensible number of people, his actions have truly made this world a better place and being able to write this letter today is an absolute privilege.

So I hereby would like to help officially nominate Theodore T Williams and request he be considered for induction into the DeMolay International Hall of Fame.

Ted is not worth Billions and is definitely not the Major League Baseball Hall of Fame Boston Red Sox Left Fielder. That being said the impact Ted has made with his life on the rest of mankind is something that neither one of those can accomplish. Ted's life has been nothing less than a superior display of one man's selfless actions to better the lives of those around him. He lives every day in a manner that simply places him at the highest moral and ethical platform achievable; exemplifying the seven cardinal virtues of a DeMolay and every upstanding teaching from within all bodies of the masonic family.

The real definition of philanthropy is: *the effort to increase the well-being of mankind.* This word alone sums up Ted Williams and sets him at a level that we all must revere.

Ted is a native of Rocky Ford, Colorado and started his carrier path by attending Colorado State University on the GI Bill after World War II. He earned his master degree in Civil Engineering from

Colorado State University in 1956. After achieving his degree Ted took a professor's position with the Montana State University in Bozeman, MT. He held almost every position possible within the MSU Engineering School on top of teaching he also took terms as head of the Civil Engineering Department, Associate Dean of the MSU College of Engineering and MSU Vice President of Research. Ted "officially" retired from MSU in 1990 but remained active in research, being a curriculum advisor and even teaching the entry level hydraulics courses for many more years. Ted's success as a professor and dedication to teaching his craft to its future leaders is undeniable. He has been honored as a Professor Emeritus for the Montana State University, has had his research published countless times, been inducted into the Professional Engineers Hall of Fame, and has even been honored by MSU with the Theodore T Williams Civil Engineering Scholarship award every year in his honor. He truly is regarded as one of the leading authorities of Hydraulic and Fluid Mechanical Engineering and if you ask him about his story book career this is his take.

Ted Williams – at his induction into the Engineers Hall of Fame 2013.

"It was hard to give it up. But I have taken a lot of satisfaction in the fact that engineers solve problems and create the infrastructure that produces a better life for people. And as a professor, I was able to watch my students go out and have wonderful careers in engineering."

As always it was about increasing the well-being of not only his students but the people that their work would reach out to.

Ted's impact on the Engineering world, as glorious as it is, is only one small portion of his legacy. During a very busy career as an engineering professor Ted remained steadfast in his commitment to several other volunteer organizations. He has been a supporter and advisor for the Boys Scouts of America, the regional secretary (and numerous other positions) for the First Presbyterian Church, a member the Bozeman Rotary Club and most importantly, at least in my opinion, a devoted member/advisor of literally every sector of the Masonic Family. I would try to list all of his successes throughout the Masonic Families but there are FAR too many to list and remember. To even come close I would require I get help from the Grand Lodge Excellent Grand Historian -- Oh yeah that's Ted. Ted has countless masonic accolades in every Masonic body but his paramount dedication to the Order of DeMolay and its young men is the most important of all of his achievements.

Ted was a DeMolay as a young man, as a Mason in Bozeman, MT during the 1980s there was a group of young men from the Ross C Jensen Chapter Order of DeMolay that were doing wonderful things

within their organization and community but they needed help. They needed advisors, and so it began. To this day Ted serves as an active advisor for Ross C Jensen Chapter; holding every position on the advisory board several times. Ted also served as the MT DeMolay Executive Officer from 1991-1996. Ted's commitment to the younger generation is unswerving - MT DeMolay and its members have never gone in need of anything if it has been within Ted's power to prevent it. Ted guided the construction of a foundation for our organization that has and will continue to stand the test of time. His efforts to the Masonic youth have outreached to the point that the Montana Grand Lodge founded the MT Grand Lodge Ted Williams Youth Leadership Award. They are presenting this to masons who have committed a lifetime of dedication to our youth at their Grand Lodge Master Masons banquet every year.

Ted's accomplishments as I stated earlier are simply far too numbered to cover them all and 3 pages is seemingly sufficient so I promise I won't carry on. I am sure over the course of the last few pages you might have figured out that Ted Williams is held at the highest of standards in my mind. It is not like he can walk on water, however with just a few pieces of information about your weight and shoe size he could probably tell you what it would take to do so!

Ted Williams is truly a pillar of our organization and there is no more deserving of a person to be inducted into the DeMolay International Hall of Fame.

I look forward to the induction celebration.

For God, For Country, For DeMolay,

Wade Sellers

MSU professor emeritus Ted Williams inducted in the engineers hall of fame

November 7, 2013 -- by Sepp Jannotta, MSU News Service

BOZEMAN – Ted Williams, a Montana State University professor emeritus who in the 1960s teamed up to design a system for calculating and recording the water flows coming off of Bridger Bowl Ski Area, was inducted into the Montana Professional Engineers Hall of Fame this week.

Williams, 86, taught hydraulics, fluid mechanics and irrigation engineering courses to generations of MSU students. He was honored during an induction ceremony in Helena as part of the annual Joint Engineers Conference.

"There probably isn't an engineering firm in the state of Montana that doesn't have someone on staff who was taught by Ted Williams," said Doug Brekke, a former president of the Montana Society of Engineers. "His ongoing impact on engineering in Montana makes him an obvious choice for the hall of fame."

From his arrival at MSU in 1956 until his retirement in 1990, Williams' involvement in the affairs of the College of Engineering and the university as a whole ran the gamut. Besides teaching, he served as the head of the Civil Engineering Department and as an associate dean with the College of Engineering. Williams also took a turn as interim vice president of research.

"He taught people a lot about engineering, but also, as a member of the dean's office, he was in the trenches with the students," Brekke added. "He was great in that role and had a lot to teach about how to effectively work with people."

Whether it was in the classroom or not, Williams said he loved working with students and takes pride in helping MSU produce world-class engineers.

"I still miss the students," said Williams, who continued to teach entry-level hydraulics even after his retirement. "It was hard to give it up. But I have taken a lot of satisfaction in the fact that engineers solve problems and create the infrastructure that produces a better life for people. And as a professor, I was able to watch my students go out and have wonderful careers in engineering."

A native of the onion and cantaloupe farm country near Rocky Ford, Colo., Williams attended Colorado State University on the GI Bill following World War II. He took his first job in engineering with the Fort Lyon Canal Company, where he helped oversee an irrigation system that served 90,000 acres of farmland along the Arkansas River.

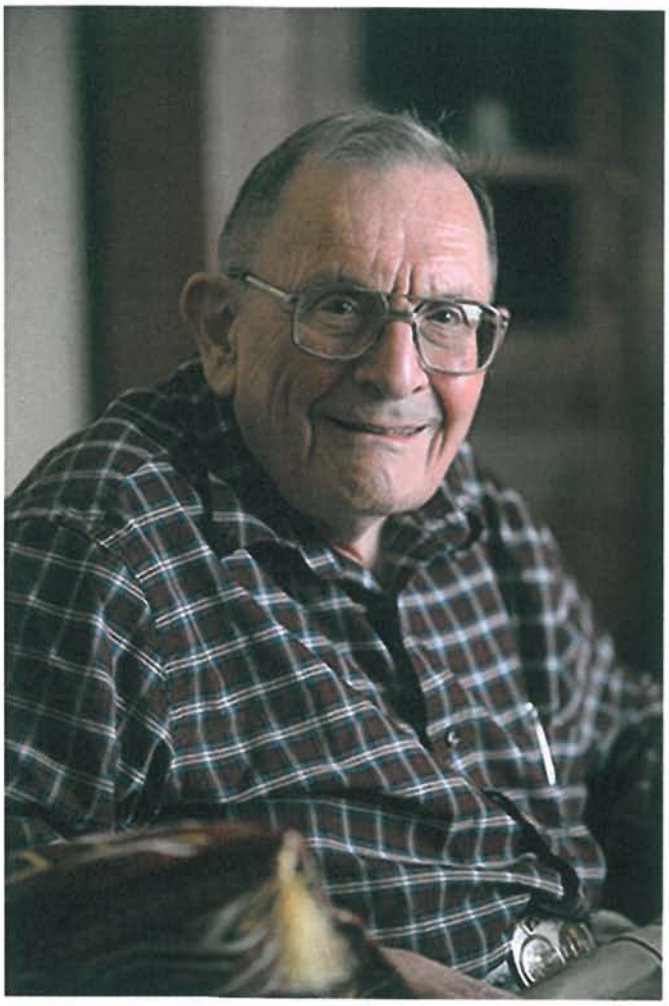
He returned to CSU and earned his master's degree in civil engineering in 1956.

At MSU, Williams spearheaded a federally funded study of the environmental impacts and remediation prospects of open-pit coal mining in eastern Montana.

Williams teamed up with Don Weaver on designing a system to calculate and record water flowing off of Bridger Bowl Ski Area. Their ability to chart the effect of the ski area on water flows led, in turn, to a study of the impacts of the planned ski resort proposed by the Chrysler Corporation for the upper Gallatin River, now Big Sky Resort.

"People in the valley wanted to know that they would still be able to water their potato and wheat fields," Williams said. "So we looked into it and the rest is history."

A plaque honoring Williams will join others hanging in the Montana Professional Engineers Hall of Fame, which is located in Roberts Hall on the MSU campus.



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Montana Professional Engineers
Hall of Fame

Theodore T. "Ted" Williams, P.E.

Montana Professional License Number 861PE

* United States Army Air Corp, 1944-1946 – Active duty in Mississippi and Germany.
* Colorado State University - B.S. Degree, Civil Engineering, 1949
  Colorado State University - M.S. Degree, Irrigation Engineering, 1956
* Assistant Civil Engineer for Fort Lyon Canal Company in Arkansas Valley, Colorado, 1949-1954.
* Hired by Eldon Dodge as Instructor of Civil Engineering at Montana State University in Bozeman, 1956.
* Served Montana State University from 1956-2002. Assistant Professor and Professor teaching courses in water resources, engineering mechanics, and fluid mechanics. Head of the Department of Civil Engineering and Engineering Mechanics, 1975-1976 and 1978-1983; Interim Vice President for Research, 1977-1978; Associate Dean of Engineering, 1983-1990; Professor Emeritus, 1990; Post-retirement part-time, 1990-2002.
* Founding adviser of the MSU student chapter of Chi Epsilon, the civil engineering honor society, 1971; Member of Supreme Council, 1988-2000; National President, 1996-2000.
* Presented with the American Society for Engineering Education (ASEE) Pacific Northwest Western Electric Teaching Award, 1974.
* Administered EPA grant to study impact of coal strip mining on water quality in Montana, Wyoming, and North Dakota, 1977-1980.
* Associate director of the Montana Water Resources Center, 1973-1974. Original funding for the national system of 54 Water Resource Centers was sponsored by Montana Senator Mike Mansfield (Majority Leader, 1961-1977). Dr. Roland Renne (MSU President, 1943-1964) was the first federal administrator of the program.
* First director of the Institute of Applied Research (IAR), 1974-1975.
* Teamed with electrical engineering Professor Don Weaver to automate a communications system to monitor water runoff. Original system was installed at Bridger Bowl. Similar systems were installed in the Hyalite and Sourdough drainages near Bozeman and the Big Sky Ski Resort.
* Winner of the Montana State University Blue and Gold Award, 1990.
* Fellow, American Society of Civil Engineers (ASCE); Member, National Society of Professional Engineers (NSPE) and Montana Society of Engineers (MSE).
* Active leader, Boy Scouts of America, Masonic fraternity, Rotary International, and the Presbyterian Church.

Inducted November 6, 2013

Presented by the Montana Society of Engineers
A state society of the National Society of Professional Engineers

MONTANA STATE UNIVERSITY

COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING

See next page (p. 3, for article on Ted Williams)

PresbEnews

November 13, 2013

A mid-week newsletter of First Presbyterian Church - Jody McDevitt & Dan Krebill, co-pastors
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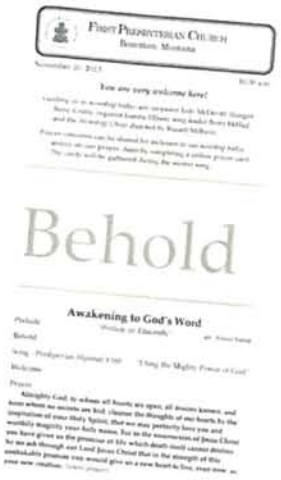
Changes in Worship?

Beginning in September and concurrent with our "12 Words" series, both of our worship services have followed a different format from what had been our standard format. We announced in PresbEnews that this was something of an experiment. Many have expressed their appreciation for the changes, while some have voiced concerns. ***Please help us by being as specific as possible about what you like or don't like!*** We are open to evaluation of this experiment and value your point of view. You can contact any of us with your feedback.

Jody McDevitt & Dan Krebill, co-pastors
Debby Haynes, Elder and Chair of the Worship Committee


First Presbyterian Church
Bozeman, Montana

You are very welcome here!

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Awakening to God's Word

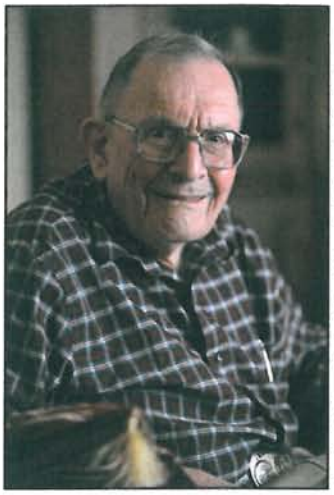
Bozeman Community Thanksgiving Service at First Presbyterian Church

Our church will be holding the annual Bozeman Community Thanksgiving service on Wednesday, November 27, at 7:00 p.m. Our pastors and musicians will be joined by others from neighboring congregations in leading this service in which we praise and thank God for the blessings of our lives in the past year. Plan now to join with others in attending this service. And, why not invite friend to come and see our beautifully renewed sanctuary!

Church Facebook page a source of up-to-date info!

Even if you're not a Facebook member yourself, you can still access the church's Facebook page at www.facebook.com/fpcbozeman to get in on regular breaking news. If you'd like to interact with the content and others on the page, click the "Like" button at the top of the page if you're a Facebook member. Facebook–just one more way for us to interact with today's world!

Ted Williams inducted into Hall of Fame



If First Presbyterian Church, Bozeman, or the Presbytery of Yellowstone had a Hall of Fame, there is no doubt that Ted Williams would be included in it. We don't have such an honor to bestow. But the Montana Professional Engineers do, and Ted was recently honored at a ceremony in Helena by being inducted into this distinguished society.

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Ted will be honored with a plaque in Roberts Hall on the MSU Campus in the Montana Professional Engineers Hall of Fame. Congratulations, Ted!

Ushers and Greeters are needed

Ushers and Greeters are needed at Sunday worship and during the special services of **Thanksgiving Ecumenical Service on November 27 or any of the three Christmas Eve Services.** We are also in need of greeters on the second Sunday of the month and head ushers on the third Sunday of the month. Ushers/greeters need to be in place 30 minutes before each service at the doors and will be taking the offering. Head ushers will help train the individuals if they are unsure about the protocol. It is a low stress, high fun job! That is, if you like people and want to extend the love of God to others, which most of us do! If you would like to help out with ushering or greeting please let Debby Haynes know at 581-0925 or email her at deborahc.haynes@gmail.com.

Rent-a-'Cat!

Have an odd job that you've been avoiding? Now is the time to get it done! With the help of the PresbyCats, your work will be done in no time. Let us help you this winter in exchange for a financial donation to help us go to New Mexico for our Spring Break mission trip. Contact Dan Krebill at Dan@fpcbozeman.com or Monica Whitaker at monica.whitaker@msu.montana.edu with questions or a job for the 'Cats!

Theodore T. Williams
Inducted Into Montana Masonic Hall Of Fame

At the 144th Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge AF&AM of Montana, Most Worshipful Grand Master Thomas L. Lund announced the election and induction into the Montana Masonic Hall of Fame of Worshipful Brother Theodore T. Williams of Bozeman. Like all Hall of Fame inductees, Worshipful Brother Ted has a long resume of memberships in various civic, religious, and Masonic bodies. And, like the others, Worshipful Brother Ted has received other honors that testify to his participation in these organizations. However, Brother Ted has truly distinguished himself by the breadth of the organizations that he has served, and by the leadership he has given to all of the organizations.

In his professional life, Brother Ted was on the faculty of Montana State University. But he was more than a mere professor. He also served the university as Civil Engineering and Engineering Mechanics Department Head, Associate Dean of Engineering, and Interim Montana State University Vice President for Research. But, his greatest accomplishment has been his positive influence and impact on his students and the Engineering profession in Montana and the western U.S. Many credit him for steering them in the right direction in the furtherance of their careers.

In his personal life, Brother Ted is a devoted member of the Presbyterian Church. Again, he is much more than a faithful member. He served his local church as Elder and Clerk of Session. He also served the Yellowstone Presbytery as its Stated Clerk for nine years and Moderator for one year. These are two of the highest leadership positions that a layman can hold.

In his civic life, Brother Ted was very involved in several service clubs, and especially in the Boy Scouts of America, serving as Cub Master, Scoutmaster, several offices at the District level, and director of Wood Badge, an intense week-long adult training session conducted in the wilderness. He is the recipient of the Silver Beaver award, one of the highest awards given to adult scout leaders.

In Masonry, Brother Ted is a Past Master of the two lodges in Bozeman, and a Past Grand Chaplain, current lodge treasurer and instructor. In the York Rite, he has been the Grand Presiding Officer of the Grand Chapter, Grand Council, and Grand Commandery of Montana. He was the Personal Representative of the SGIG in the Livingston Scottish Rite Bodies. He has faithfully served as an officer, several times, in both the Eastern Star Chapter and the White Shrine. Bozeman Masons have often speculated if there was a long lecture that Ted did not know. If you ask which of his positions gave him the most satisfaction, his answer probably would be the years spent as Executive Officer of Montana DeMolay, where he had the opportunity to lead our young men toward lives as mature, upstanding adults.

If you ask anybody who has worked with Brother Ted in the University, in the engineering profession, in church, in scouting, DeMolay or in the various Masonic Bodies, they would describe him as a humble, quiet but forceful leader, who was always willing to give his time and money to serve his fellow man. He does what he does simply because it is the right thing to do! He is truly deserving of being in the Montana Masonic Hall of Fame.

By: Thomas E. Valente (6,18), PGM

Montana DeMolay – Grand Lodge of Montana Youth Leadership Award

The final award presented during the 148th Annual Communication was the inaugural day view of the Youth Leadership Award.

By this award we recognize and present the first Youth Leadership Award; through it we will honor the recipient, proclaim his labors in support of DeMolay and recognize his commitment and accomplishments. Masons come from a broad range of backgrounds and many excel in a broad range of fields. Some of them like our honoree have lived extraordinary lives that have inspired us, enriched our us and our fraternity, and communities, and have made our state and nation a better place to live.

Ted Williams is one of the most respected members of this fraternity. During his tenure as Executive Officer of Montana DeMolay and after he provided outstanding leadership and direction that is unequaled; D. A. D Ted influenced scores of young men of Montana DeMolay and Masons alike. A man who takes the title of Brother as the most important one in Masonry, a Past Master and member of the Montana Masonic Hall of Fame.

Last year he was inducted in the Montana State University Engineers Hall of Fame as a testament to his ability and service as a Professor and Chair of the University Engineering Department.

Brother Ted has served Montana Masonry and DeMolay as a tremendous force for good, and we proudly salute him for his unwavering devotion to our Masonic Youth. His name and his deeds will linger with an almost majestic tenderness in the heart of his Brothers and friends and in the best and bravest traditions of Montana.

Recognizing the need to have an award to recognize Masons who have substantially contributed to the growth, development, and promotion of Montana DeMolay has led to the creation of the Theodore Thomas Williams Youth Leadership Award.

A likeness of this award is shown; the medal shall be 2" in diameter, antique bronze color, suspended by a purple neck ribbon.

Nominations shall be made by March 20th of each year and presented to the Executive Officer of Montana DeMolay. There shall be no more than three medals presented in any year.

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Theodore Thomas Williams

For having performed eminent and outstanding service and substantially contributing to the growth, development, and promotion of Montana DeMolay

Theodore Thomas Williams Youth Leadership Award

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Most Worshipful Grand Master

Right Worshipful Grand Secretary
ISC-Honorary