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From The East

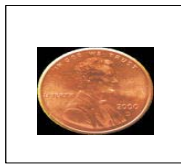
Brethren,

As we begin to close out this year and begin another I would like to say thanks for helping me to make the first six months of this term great. We have come along way, but we are not near the end yet. I want to encourage everyone to keep pushing and making this the greatest term that Georgia DeMolay has ever seen. I would like to thank everyone for collecting pennies for Kelly special project. We are presenting them at the Holiday Formal and I hope that we have a good showing. As I look toward the beginning of the new year I see big things ahead of us and I know that this year will be truly great. I hope to see all at the Holiday Formal.

Fraternally,
 Julius Moody, III
 State Master Councilor

Pennies for Rainbow:

Remember to bring all pennies to Holiday Formal, as Georgia DeMolay will be presenting them to Kelly at that time.



HELP SUPPORT KELLY'S PROJECT

I want to express the importance of communication within the chapter. There are times when communication falls to the way side, people get caught up in school, work, and their lives outside of DeMolay. If the membership of the chapter doesn't know what's happening they cant help out. I think it would be a great idea for the master councilors to make a communication committee. Give each member of the committee a small list of phone numbers to call and inform the members of chapter events. The master councilor should then follow up and see that the committee is done and all is well. This is just and idea that could help, feel free to expand upon or take away from it.

Stephen R. Bohn
 State Junior Deacon

From the West

Fellow brothers,

The past year has marked a turning point for the Georgia DeMolay. We have seen positive growth for the first time in many years and as a result we have seen it fit to set higher standards for our members in all areas of The Order. However, this cannot be done without action and support from everyone. It is easy to say, "Let the ones in charge do it...I'll help if it is convenient," and, quite honestly, there are many organizations in which this idea would be perfectly acceptable. There is a distinct problem, however, when trying to apply this manner of commitment to your involvement in DeMolay: you are the ones in charge. To want to help when it is convenient is not enough...after all, where is our leadership if not in each and everyone of us? That said, there are many programs being implemented by us to help ensure the future well being of DeMolay in Georgia.

The Pink Honor Key. This Honor is given to a girl who helps bring in five new members. Any young lady who is able to be a cosigner on five membership petitions will receive a Pink Honor Key. Having received it, she will be allowed to go to Conclave for free, among other privileges such as being able to eat first at Conclave. Unfortunately the free ride to Conclave is only good once. In order to go to the next Conclave for free girl must cosign five more petitions. The free ride also applies to DeMolay, but in order for them to get it they must be the first line signer of five petitions.

We have also begun to place more emphasis on taking care of the "little guy." That is to say, our newer members. A problem that DeMolay has had for a long time is membership retention. Many members would join only to be neglected and forgotten by the older members. We know that this doesn't hold with the basic principle of comradeship that we hold so dear to our hearts and, therefore, won't do for the new level of excellence that Georgia DeMolay has set for itself. Of course for the older members, 17 and older, there is way for them to escape the younger eye and hangout with members their own age. That way is Knighthood, but remember, Knighthood is here to help DeMolay and should not be come an alternative.

It is easy to say "Let those who are in charge take care of it"- and we should let those who are in charge take care of it. We will take care of things. That means this call to action doesn't just go out to you, or me but to all of us. The Order of the DeMolay is all of us, and together, we will see the light shine upon it.

Michael S. Griggers
 State Senior Councilor

Have your picture take with Santa or with your date at the Holiday Formal.

Time: 6:00 p.m. till 8:00 p.m.
 Charge: \$ 5.00
 All process to benefit the J.L.P.S.



Jennifer Moody
 State Sweetheart
 2003 - 2005

From the South

Brethren of Georgia DeMolay

The education programs that I made a central theme in my campaign are coming together nicely. I had my first LCC workday, for Samuel S. Lawrence Chapter on October 2, on that day two members completed all 5 LCC's and one new member completed his first 2, congratulations to all of you who came and worked to become "DeMolay Smart". I have asked all the other Master Councilors around the state to schedule these days with me and I am still waiting to hear back from most of you.

We have also had one member, Bro. John Harris of Samuel S. Lawrence Chapter, finish his Representative DeMolay application and it has been sent to Dad Marsh for approval. Please remember that I am more than willing to help any of you complete this form and when it is approved I will personally come to your chapter to perform the RD ceremony for you. The ceremony is very impressive and is a great way to "show off" DeMolay to your parents and friends.

Finally, the DeMolay Way presentations are now available. These are short, 15-20 minute presentations on various DeMolay topics that will be presented by state officers at your chapter whenever you can arrange for the presentation to be performed. Again, I emphasize, that you have to arrange for these with the State Officers, but they will come to your chapter for the presentation. The available topics at this time are:

Obligatory Day Observance Planning---Kyle Corwin, State Chaplain
Membership Retention---Richie Eells, State Marshal
Planning your term to attain the PMC-MSA, the key to a successful Chapter---Geoff Bard, State Junior Councilor

I have asked each of the State Officers to prepare a topic for presentation; I will keep you posted on their progress.

On another note, I am looking forward to Holiday Formal, the degrees and the fun in general. Please remember to get your candidates there to see two great degree presentations and then to enjoy the fun and fellowship at the dance.

Sincerely and fraternally,
Geoff Bard

Chapter meeting:

- Augusta Chapter 1st and 3rd Wednesdays
- Cecil Cheves Chapter 1st and 3rd Thursday
- Clayton Chapter 1st and 3rd Thursday
- Don R Roberts Chapter 2nd and 4th Tuesday
- Middle Georgia Chapter 2nd and 4th Thursday
- Mountain Park Chapter 1st and 3rd Tuesday
- Samuel S. Lawrence Chapter 1st and 3rd Monday

*Holiday Formal
December 11, 2004*

Do you have friends that you want in DeMolay?

Do you want to help Georgia DeMolay reach positive growth?

Well at The Holiday Formal on December 11th you will have that chance! This year an all-star will confer both degrees; this will be the last statewide membership class of 2004! Also if you bring a Candidate to the Degrees then you will get into the dance for free! Georgia DeMolay is at a critical turning point in our pathway. Last year, as many of you know, we obtained positive growth for the first time in many years. We have that same opportunity again this year. It will not be easy, but I can promise you it will be worth your time. I know that most of you have given membership a lot of effort, but what if we all pushed just a little bit harder and asked everyone we knew if they wanted to join? What if chapters around the state could hold or attend one more prospect party and really try to bring in that one new member? I have worked with Mountain Park, and this State and I know that if we set our eye on making positive growth happen we will far exceed the 26 new members needed to achieve positive growth. Come-on Georgia DeMolay are we up for the challenge?

Fraternally,
Richard W. Eells, II
Your State Marshal

Dear Brethren,

As you might know, Don R. Roberts has been contacting lodges in the 11th Masonic District to inform them that we are the only DeMolay chapter in the 11th district and if they would be interested in a DeMolay and advisor coming and talking to the lodge about DeMolay and presenting a program along with the talk. The Masons are very supportive of DeMolay and are willing to do anything they can to help us. Also, this is a good opportunity to expand membership for your home chapter and possibly start a "DeMolay Club" in that area. This program that my advisors and myself are doing seems to be working very well. We have talked to four different Masonic lodges in the past month and their reactions are outstanding. There is something about a well trained young man coming to their lodge and performing a ceremony such as the Ceremony of lights, Flower talk, Shield talk, or Tribute to fatherhood that sets these men a fire they love to see things like this preformed. This has done multiple things for our chapter such as Masonic awareness, possible membership growth, possible advisors, and the possibility getting a "DeMolay Club" started in the area, which in my opinion is a BIG THING! Guys, I guess all I am trying to say is that the Masons want to help us so bad, so why don't we step up and let them. Use your resources wisely.

Your State Chaplain,
Kyle J. Corwin