

Georgia DeMolay State Officer's Word of the Day

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From the East

**Geoff Bard
State Master Councilor**

Brethren,

As you all know, Conclave is fast approaching, and my term of office is almost over. I only thought it was appropriate to write you all a letter of farewell in this last issue of the Word of the Day.

But first things first, if you are uncertain or are not attending Conclave, I would ask you to reconsider.

We have a fun weekend ahead, and for more information, you can go to www.gademolay.org

As this year ends its close, there are so many people that I want to thank.

First, to the State Officers, I could not have asked for a better corps. From our first meeting at SOAR, I knew that we had a great team, and that we would accomplish much during the year. Whether it was the late night meetings, or the random Waffle House trips, I have honestly enjoyed serving with you all.

To Jessie, thank you for your unprecedented work with the Jenny Lind Pettys scholarship fund. Your successor will have big shoes to fill. To Dad Stovall, I thank you for all of the guidance and advice you have offered us all this year.

Last but certainly not least, I thank you, Georgia DeMolay, for giving me this once in a lifetime opportunity. This has been a year that I will never forget, and the memories I have made with all of you will be with me Always.

Georgia DeMolay has accomplished much during this past year. Many of these

achievements are not my own. They took the work of many dedicated individuals, but I am glad that they happened during my term. From the creation of George Washington's Chapter and the Georgia DeMolay Senate, to the revitalization of Albany and Columbus Chapters, to Peachtree City obtaining its letters temporary. The future looks bright as well, as we have laid the foundation for new chapters in several cities around the state. We have talks of new chapters in Augusta, La Grange, Rome, Buford, and Canton.

Richie, I know that you are the right man for this job. I hope that you will continue to build upon the foundation that has been established this year.

I know that you will take Georgia DeMolay to new heights, and usher an era of success that we have never seen.

Once again, I thank you, from the bottom of my heart, for this distinguished opportunity. I look forward to seeing all of you at Conclave 2007!

In light of the fourth,
Geoff Bard
State Master Councilor

From the State Sweetheart

Jessica Nobles

To all of MY guys,

This year has truly been a year to remember. The past 12 months have provided me with a lifetime of memories and I want to personally thank every member of Georgia DeMolay for affording me this opportunity.

There are so many individuals I want to thank for their love and support during the past year. To Geoff, for making me really feel like a part of the State Officers corp. Your constant support has been a beacon of light in an uncertain sea. I do not believe the chapter sweethearts would have been able to accomplish all that we have without your encouragement and leadership.

To the other State Officers, you are family to me. From the late night meetings to the Waffle House runs in the middle of the night, you have made me feel like a part of the team by allowing me unprecedented access into your inner circle of the state officers corps.

I want to thank Dad Stovall for his leadership and guidance throughout this past year. I know all of the State Officers and myself have benefited from your vast wealth of knowledge and wisdom at one time or another this year.

I want to also thank Mom May for all of her love and support this past year. Without her guidance, I'm not sure that we, as sweethearts, would have been able to succeed. Our fundraisers for JLP were the result of a tremendous amount of thought and planning, due in large part to Mom May.

The Jenny Lend Pettys scholarship has benefited greatly during the past year and I do not believe this could have been accomplished without the wonderful group of sweethearts we have this year. We've had many successful fundraisers ranging from the SMC Reception to the October and April Nascar (whoooo...) races to the holiday formal to serving breakfast at TOC (a mega thank you to Khrystle Radar) to the wonderful opportunity we were afforded in serving lunch at the Grand Masters Class. And I don't think anyone can possibly forget our Soc-

Hop dance where my father dressed up in a skirt, bra and make-up (somewhere pictures much exist that will somehow benefit me in the future). The final count of the funds raised during the past 12 months will be announced at Conclave and it is my sincere hope that it is only the beginning of what future State Sweethearts can achieve.

To Richie, it is my heart felt desire that you continue to build upon the foundation laid by your predecessors. I believe that you have the leadership skills necessary to take Georgia DeMolay to the next level.

To the membership of Georgia DeMolay, I want you to know that I have thoroughly enjoyed my term as State Sweetheart. The memories of this past year alone will sustain me through the rest of my life. Thank you from the bottom of my heart for allowing me to be apart of your lives.

With all my love,

Jessica Nobles

State Sweetheart

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