

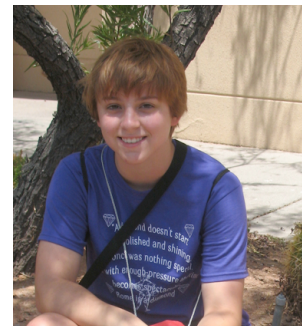


THE TORCH

A Few Words From Your NCJCL Officers

Salve, JCLers! I'm Brittany, your NCJCL President this year, and I'm honored to serve and get to know you all. Latin became one of my greatest passions when I joined JCL and participated in Certamen and sight reading, skit, chariot races, and the academic tests. Latin is a place for us to showcase our talents or simply be among fellow classicists with a (perfectly unhealthy) interest in the ancient world. I'm looking forward to meeting you all at Fall Forum and learning why you love JCL, so I can help make this an awesome year. I'll see you there!

Brittany Burns (East Forsyth High School)
NCJCL President



Salvete, fellow JCLers, my name is Bethany Smith and I am your 1st Vice President! I really enjoy this position because I have a true passion for Latin and the classics so I have really enjoyed being able to be a part of North Carolina's JCL. I really love being a part of leadership in JCL because I like being involved in decision making and I can't wait to see our numbers start growing. I hope all of you are enjoying Fall Forum! Valete,
Bethany Smith
Mt. Tabor High School
NCJCL 1st Vice President



Salvete, my fellow Latin geeks! I'm Olivia Stogner; your friendly neighborhood 2nd Vice President. Latin is by far my favorite language, and I'm really excited about spreading the word of JCL all throughout the country! JCL has been a part of my life since Middle School and I'm anxious to keep the spirit roaring. Well anyways, here are some facts about me: I love animals, my favorite ice-cream flavor is cookies and cream, I'm a Science Olympiad nut, I work at the Carolina Raptor Center, I like to do arts and crafts, and traveling is one of my favorite things to do (besides working with animals)! If you guys have any spirit ideas, service proposals, or just want to chat, I'd love to hear from you at Fall Forum!
Olivia Stogner
Master's Academy
NCJCL 2nd Vice President



Hi, My name is Laura Schoeck and I am your 2013-2014 NCJCL Parliamentarian. I love Latin and have served as your NCJCL Middle School Representative for two years. I also love JCL and have been to two National Conventions. I hope to serve you to the best of my abilities and continue to serve the JCL in the future! Thank you for electing me! Email me with any questions
at: lgschoeck@gmail.com
Laura Schoeck
Master's Academy
NCJCL Parliamentarian

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Hey, guys! I'm Emily, and I'm excited about serving as your secretary for the 2013-2014 year! Aside from cheering fanatically during spirit events and somewhat-diligently working on my entries for convention, I am incredibly passionate about theatre, field hockey, lacrosse, and writing. In fact, I'm writing a novel this month as part of National Novel Writing Month. Please feel free to come up and talk to me during any of our state JCL events. I'd love to meet you!

Emily Brown (Greensboro Day High School)
NCJCL Secretary

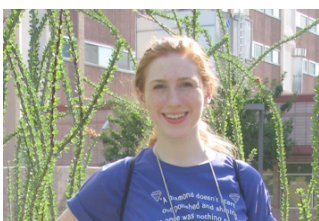
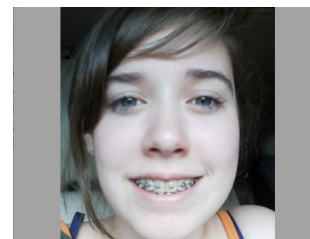


Hello all, I'm Sarah Jennings and I'm a junior at Mount Tabor High School! I am the publicity officer for NCJCL, and I hope to get more people involved in our events such as fall forum and spring convention. I love JCL because it has given me the opportunity to make a lot of new friends and to take a leadership position that I value!

Sarah Jennings (Mt. Tabor High School)
NCJCL Publicity Officer

Salvete! My name is Elle Trejo, and I'm the NCJCL Technology Coordinator this year. I manage our Twitter, Instagram, and Pinterest accounts, and of course, take care of the NCJCL website. Reading, singing, and learning foreign languages are some things that I love doing. I have taken French since 2nd grade, so learning Latin, the root of all romance languages, has been super fun for me. I am excited about serving JCL this year, and learning more Latin!

Elle Trejo (Master's Academy)
NCJCL Technology Coordinator



Hi, North Carolina JCLers! I'm Katie, and I am thrilled to serve as your Torch Editor this year. Writing, editing, and Latin are three things I'm passionate about, and I know all of you are just as passionate about Latin and JCL. I am looking forward to showcasing your passion in YOUR Torch newsletter. Let me know if there is anything I can do for you, and please don't hesitate to say hi when you see me at Fall Forum!

Katie Petersen (Carmel Christian Academy)
NCJCL Torch Editor

Salvete Omnes- My name is Susanna Schoeck and I will be your 2013-14 NC Historian! As a JCLer I have been able to compete and learn more Latin each year. Because I love JCL, this year I chose to hold the Office of Historian when it was passed down to my school. If you have any pictures of Latin events, hand drawings (contact me for specifics) or memorabilia for your Latin events, please email them to me at historian.ncjcl@gmail.com or send them postal service to 1210 Islemont Place, Matthews, NC 28105. Thanks and have a great year!

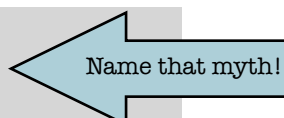
Susanna Schoeck (Master's Academy)
NCJCL Historian



Hi! I'm Gray Rucker and I'm the NCJCL Middle School Representative. I'm here to encourage other schools to join JCL and to speak for all of the middle schoolers out there. Latin has been my favorite subject for years and earlier this year I had the chance to compete with three of my classmates in Certamen. Meeting with them twice a week and going on "field trips" to compete was so much fun and we all learned a lot! I had a great time at the NCJCL State Convention this year and I can't wait to see all of you in April! Valette, omnes!

Gray Rucker (Greensboro Day Middle School)
NCJCL Middle School Rep

"All Greece reviles when it grows wan and white,
the wan face when she smiles, remembering past enchantments
hating it deeper still and past ills." *from Hilda Doolittle*



A Letter from the NCJCL State Chair



Ben Alexander

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Dear Latin Students, Teachers, and Friends,

Salvete! What an exciting year this is turning out to be for NCJCL! There are so many exciting things going on, changes taking place, and events and gatherings that are approaching! It is really an exciting time to be involved with Latin in the state of North Carolina! This past summer many N.C. Latin students attended the National JCL Convention in Las Vegas, bringing home awards and prizes that have brought fantastic recognition to our state. Your State Officers have planned an incredible Fall Forum at UNC-Greensboro, and soon enough we'll all be looking forward to celebrating Spring Convention together at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill! We have one of the strongest and most active state JCLs in the nation AND that is something to take pride in. It is because of every single Latin student in the state taking an active role in NCJCL, stepping up in leadership, showing their spirit, displaying their pride and being proud to say, I am NCJCL, that we are strong! It is because of every single passionate Latin teacher who sponsors an active chapter, creates exciting events for their students, and pushes them to do more – pushes their students to win those competitions, to create and design those projects, to compete in as many competitions as possible, and yes, to win ALL those Olympika events – that we are strong! In a constant time of budgetary restrictions and reduction, nonetheless your state Latin teachers stand together and we stand strong!

We come together twice a year to show our force, to show our presence, and to show not just to each other but to the state as a whole that we are Latin students, that we are Latin teachers, and that we have a passion for a subject and for an organization that is not easily extinguished! It is because of you, Latin students, and because of you, Latin teachers, that together we command an amazing presence and it is because of all of us that together we can say with pride that we are NCJCL!

I look forward to seeing all of you at both Fall Forum and Spring Convention!

Magister Alexander, YOUR NCJCL State Chair

2013-2014 NCJCL Executive Board Sponsors

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Important Dates

See ncjcl.org for details about the following deadlines!

Feb. 21, 2014: Pre-Convention Contest Deadline

March 1: Spring Membership Deadline

March 15: Certamen Qualifying Tournament

March 17: Candidacy Papers for Officer Elections due

April 11-12: State Convention

State Qualifying Rounds of Certamen

March 15, 2014

Ronald Reagan High School, Pfafftown, NC

Certamen teams will proceed from the qualifying rounds to the Semi-final and Final Rounds at State Convention in April.

Contact Kenny Van Eimeren (kvaneimeren@gmail.com) or Nich Mauriello (Nicholas.Mauriello@orange.k12.nc.us) with questions.

REPORTS FROM NATIONAL JCL CONVENTION

NC Awards from NCJCL

3rd: number of entries for Publicity Contest
3rd: Scrapbook (by Sarah Vassello and Kat Kirkman)
5th: percentage of chapters entering Publicity Contest

Chapter Awards

Master's Academy (Middle School): 1st place in Community Service, 4th place in Traditional Scrapbook, 8th for Publicity
Ardrey Kell: 7th place for individual chapters w/most publicity
Master's Academy (High School): 9th for Publicity

Individual Awards

Emily Brown [Greensboro Day]: 4th in Dramatic Interpretation
Brittany Burns[East Forsyth]: 4th in Acrylic Painting; 4th in 50-yard Breaststroke Sr. Girls; 5th for Backstroke Sr. Girl; 5th in Greeting Card

Laura Schoeck [Master's Academy]: 3rd in Latin Vocabulary ½; 5th in Reading Comprehension; 5th in Dramatic Interpretation; 5th in Charts; 4th in 50 yd. Breaststroke Jr. Girls; 2nd for the individual Community Service Award

Susanna Schoeck [Master's Academy]: 1st in 100-yard Backstroke Jr. Girls, 100-yard Freestyle Jr. Girls, 100-yard Medley Jr. Girls, 200-yard Freestyle Jr. Girls, 50-yard Backstroke Jr. Girls, 50-yard Butterfly Jr. Girls, 50-yard Freestyle Jr. Girls, Marathon Jr. Girls; 2nd in 400 Meter Jr. Girls Track, 50-yd Breaststroke Jr. Girls, 800 Meter Jr. Girls Track; 3rd in 200 Meter Jr. Girls Track; 1st in Modern Myth; 4th in Traditional Scrapbook; 2nd in Olympika; 4th in Sweepstakes; 3rd for Lillie B. Hamilton Award (highest honor at Convention)

Hannah Wennerstrom [Lakewood Montessori]: 2nd place in Decorative Stitching

Alex Wofford [Lakewood Montessori]: 5th place in Acrylic/Oil



Make plans now to attend the
**61ST NATIONAL
JCL CONVENTION**
July 28-August 2, 2014
Atlanta, GA

Theme:

**OMNIUM ENIM RERUM
PRINCIPIA PARVA SUNT**
**"For the beginnings of all
things are small."**

Cicero, De Finibus Bonorum et Malorum V.58

For more information, visit njcl.org



Name that myth!

"And if you find her poor, Ithaka
won't have fooled you.
Wise as you will have become, so
full of experience,
you will have understood by then
what these Ithakas mean."

*from C.P.
Cavafy; trans.
Keeley and
Sherrard*

National awards in service, scrapbook and publicity; Nevada natives teaching card games

Atanta , GA, here we come in 2014; amazing time making crib cards

Totally awesome delegates from 7 different schools across the state

Idiotic behavior during spirit; ice cream every night for dessert

Odd bugs inhabiting our rooms; oh so many meals at "Subway."

Nights with little sleep -don't tell our chaperones or parents!

Absurd temperatures, 112 degrees - really!

Lillie B. Hamilton winner - go Susanna!

Super awesome karaoke night!

2 taxis to the airport cruising through the strip, which cost way more than expected, but hey, we saw Vegas!

Ounhappy delegates; everyone is beyond happy at Nationals!

1 super cool state chair : Magister Alexander

3 fantastic chaperones: Magistra Madden , Mrs. Schoeck, and Magister Van Eimeren

**So, NCJCLers,
how was the
2013
National JCL
Convention?**



North Carolina JCL State Convention

A Note From Your NCJCL State Convention Coordinator

Salvete, magistri discipulique,

I want to extend the warmest welcome to new JCL chapters and students who are new to JCL. I, too, am in a new position as the State Convention Coordinator. I look forward to serving NCJCL and especially the students in this capacity. November's Fall Forum is our kickoff for the year's NCJCL events, and our TWO-day extravaganza of Classics enrichment and competition known as State Convention will occur in a few short months on April 11th and 12th, 2014, on the campus of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

If your school will be on break during State Convention, I encourage students and sponsors to have conversations about alternatives for those who wish to attend. If sponsors are unavailable to chaperone, perhaps they can arrange to for each student's parent(s) or another adult to chaperone so that students who would like to attend may do so.

At State Convention, students have the opportunity to hear from Classics professors about rich topics (past lectures have included "The Good, the Bad, and the Ugly" about Roman Emperors and another about Roman curse tablets). They also have the opportunity to test their mettle against their peers in many, many academic competitions. I encourage students and sponsors alike to begin reviewing the NCJCL Handbook in preparation for these competitions; alterations to the handbook for 2013-2014 will be finalized this winter, and an announcement will be emailed to sponsors when it is available on the NCJCL website.

I encourage sponsors to contact me with any questions about State Convention registration or the event itself. You can expect to find the necessary documents and details on the NCJCL website (ncjcl.org) in the coming months; sponsors will receive an email pointing them to this information as it becomes available.

Si valetis, valeo--

Ashlie Canipe

NCJCL State Convention Coordinator

ashlie.canipe@thalesacademy.org



The 2014 theme and prompts for some of this year's contests...

NJCLAND NCJCL THEME

"Omnium enim rerum principia parva sunt" from Cicero's *De Finibus Bonorum et Malorum* V.58

COSTUME CONTEST CHARACTERS

Boys: Helios | Girls: Eos

Couples: Selene and Endymion

CREATIVE WRITING CONTEST PROMPT

Write an original script for the pilot episode of a sitcom set in ancient Greek or Roman history or mythology.

DRAMATIC INTERPRETATION CONTEST PASSAGE

See http://ncjcl.org/uploads/Dramatic_Interp_14.pdf

The **NCJCL**

Handbook houses the

descriptions for all Pre-convention and State Convention contests. Please consult the handbook available at ncjcl.org for rubrics, guidelines, and requirements.

Make plans now to attend the NORTH CAROLINA STATE JCL CONVENTION

April 11-12, 2014

The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

Cost: approximately \$20 per student delegate

Sponsors, please contact Ashlie Canipe (ashlie.canipe@thalesacademy.org) to ask how you can contribute to this year's State Convention. Not all tasks are large, but it takes volunteer hours from adults in every chapter to make this event successful for our students. Please also plan for several chaperones to serve for a few hours in the capacity allotted to them during the convention.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

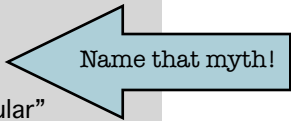
NCJCL STATE SCRAPBOOK

ALL NCJCL Chapters need to be represented in the NCJCL State Scrapbook which will go to Nationals. So please send a chapter group photo and other candid photos of activities your Latin Club did this year. If you plan to make your own chapter scrapbook for competition at the NCJCL State Convention, it is a requirement to submit 7 photos and 3 pieces of memorabilia by the pre-convention deadline of February 21, 2014. Please do not forget to do this – every year, scrapbooks are penalized for not meeting this requirement. If you are NOT making your own chapter scrapbook, your photos are still needed for the state scrapbook. Photos are accepted starting right now, but must be rec'd by Feb. 21st if your chapter is submitting a scrapbook for competition at convention. Please email photos or mail them to me, Susanna Schoeck, NCJCL Historian at the following addresses: historian.ncjcl@gmail.com OR 1210 ILSEMONT PLACE, MATTHEWS, NC 28105.

NCJCL STATE OFFICER ELECTION

NCJCL offers 10 officer positions for the yearly election held at the NCJCL State Convention each year. If you check out the officer blurbs in this newsletter, you will see all 10 offices represented. One of the Fall Forum workshops will be on running for an office, so please plan on attending that if you are interested in running or have any questions. Candidacy forms which are found on the NCJCL website are due by March 17, 2014 this year. Please remember that you have to have attended a state convention in order to run for NCJCL offices. A description and the duties of each office are also listed on the website. So check it out and let me know if you have any questions or are interested in running for office in NCJCL this year. It's a great way to learn teamwork and leadership and is lots of fun! Laura Schoeck, lgschoeck@gmail.com, NCJCL Parliamentarian

"Far-seeing Sybil, forever hidden,
Come out of your cave at last
And speak to us in the poet's voice
the voice of the fourth person singular"
from Ferlenghetti



Name that myth!

National JCL Publicity Contest

April 6-12, 2014 is North Carolina Classics Week culminating with the NCJCL 2014 State Convention! The state proclamation has already been received from the Governor's office. So start thinking now of an activity you can do that week to publicize the Classics! Email me with a short description and a photo if you have one by Thursday, April 10th at midnight of the way your chapter celebrated North Carolina Classics Week. The top three activities will receive the highly coveted, gigantic bag of candy at the General Assembly at State Convention! Don't forget about the Publicity Contest too! This is a fun and competitive way to spread the Classics and Latin all over our state! Each year, schools compete to see who did the most publicity. It can be as simple as making posters for a football game or making bookmarks for a local library. Service projects, fundraising events, parades, presentations, city proclamations, etc. all count too. North Carolina has mightily conquered in this competition at the national level and we'd like to continue this tradition!

1. Print out the NJCL Rubric so you'll have a guideline of all possible activities and a copy of the rules. Here's a link to get there instantly: http://www.njcl.org/uploads/files/Publicity/NJCL_Publicity_Contest_Rules_13_14.pdf
 2. Record each publicity activity making sure you provide every item required on the rubric and put them in a three-ring binder (five entries or less don't require a binder).
 3. For the state publicity contest, submit your notebooks by February 21, 2014
 4. For your school to win individually in the national contest, your notebook must be mailed by June 1, 2014. Please submit your notebooks even if they just include a few items as this helps NC win for the percentage of chapters participating.
- All NCJCL students love Latin! Let's show the state how much we love Latin by participating in lots of publicity events!! You can also check out the details in the Contest Handbook on the website. If you have any question contact Sarah Jennings, Publicity Officer at archae101@aol.com.