



THE TORCH

The official newsletter of the North Carolina Junior Classical League

Around North Carolina



Activities from chapters around the state



(Above): The eighth grade Latin class at Greensboro Day School made a Roman road out of chocolate as they read *Ecce Romani*. (Below): In true Roman style, Greensboro Day's seventh grade Latin class enjoyed "cena" one day in class.



The Master's Academy chapter threw an anti-Prometheus (the figure in Roman mythology who gave fire to humans) party for local firemen in Matthews, NC. They performed the play *Pandora* and provided a Roman feast afterwards.



We want to publish your fun Latin activities!
Please submit to
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STATE CONVENTION ANNOUNCEMENTS

2014 State Convention

2014 NCJCL State Convention dates: Friday, April 11th and Saturday, April 12th

Location: University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

State Convention Theme: “Omnium enim rerum principia parva sunt.” *For the beginnings of all things are small.*

Spirit theme: Alice in Wonderland

Early Bird registration (by March 7th): \$18

Final registration (by March 21st): \$20

Be on the lookout for registration information from Convention Coordinator Ashlie Canipe.

Testing

There will be **two new tests** this year: Greek History and Greek Derivatives.



The delegates from Enka High School cheer during last year's State Convention's spirit competition.



The 2013-2014 NCJCL Officers sport their matching purple polos at the 2013 Fall Forum.

2014-2015 Officer Elections

From NCJCL Parliamentarian, Laura Schoeck concerning student officer election:

NCJCL offers 10 officer positions for the yearly election held at the NCJCL State Convention. Candidacy forms which are found on the NCJCL website are due by March 17th, 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!

Contact me at lgschoeck@gmail.com.

ADDITIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Certamen State Qualifier

The NCJCL Certamen State Qualifier will be held on **March 15th, 2014 at Reagan High School** in Winston-Salem, NC. Lunch, which is optional, will be \$5 dollars per student, and attendance will be \$4 per team. The registration/question submission deadline is **March 1st**. The tentative schedule is as follows: Registration will be from 10:00-10:45 AM. The Middle School and Intermediate rounds will begin at 11:30 AM, and the Novice and Advanced rounds will begin at 1:30 PM. The top 9 Certamen teams from each level will proceed from the qualifying rounds to the Semi-Final and Final Rounds at State Convention in April. A registration email has been sent out to sponsors, and all information can be found on the website soon.

Spring Membership

The spring membership deadline is **March 1st**. Membership is **\$10 per chapter** (waived if new chapter or at-large) and **\$3 per student**.

Make plans now to attend the

61st National

JCL Convention

July 28 – August 2

Emory University, 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

North Carolina Classics Week

April 6th-12th, 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 Sarah Jennings, publicity officer, at archae101@aol.com with a short description and a photo if you have one by Thursday, April 10th 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!

Community Service

NCJCL

From NCJCL 2nd VP, Olivia Stogner concerning state service project:

I'd just like to remind everyone about our yearly community service project! All North Carolina Classical League delegates will have the chance to participate. This year, we're supporting **Operation Gratitude – an organization that sends care packages to soldiers overseas**. Our job is to collect as many items as possible and send them to the organization. Financial donations are also acceptable. Want to know more? Check it out at the NCJCL website and go to the community service tab. It'll provide you with all the information you need! If you still have questions, feel free to email me at any time at ostogner@outlook.com. I highly encourage everyone to participate in this project. Be sure to fill out the Operation Gratitude form on the website by April 1st so we can celebrate this service at the state convention. It's a great way to show the spirit of Latin to others and help the ones who need it. I also want to remind you about **the overall community service contest**. The community service log (found on the website under community service tab – scroll all the way to the bottom of page) recording ALL your service is **due by the Pre-Convention Deadline of February 21st**.

Contests

Revisions to State Convention contest rules can be found on the “Handbook & Constitution” page of the NCJCL website. The **pre-convention contest deadline** is February 21st. Pre-convention contests include poetry, slogans, chariot design, multimedia, community service, and many more. See the “State Convention” page of the NCJCL website for a full list of pre-convention contests and where to send each contest.

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://njcl.org/uploads/Dramatic_Interp_14.pdf

Scrapbooking

From NCJCL Historian, Susanna Schoeck:

Just wanted to remind you all that I need you all to send me **7 photos, 3 memorabilia, and drawings for the 2014 NC state scrapbook**. In order to compete in the scrapbook competition at state convention, these items must be submitted **by the Pre-Convention deadline, February 21st**. You can get them to me through email: historian.ncjcl@gmail.com or mail: 1210 Ilsemont Place Matthews, NC 28105. The theme is going to be the Roman trade route and each chapter will be a different town. If your school has a particular town they'd like to be, please let me know. Also, if your artistic students would like to submit a drawing of a monument or scene from that town, we'd love to have it! Drawings should be no larger than 12 x 12, but small sketches (5 x 7 at the largest) to be added with photos would be wonderful!

FALL FORUM RECAP



Fall Forum

was hosted by UNCG in conjunction with its Classics Day on November 16th. The day was filled with academic testing, seminars, non-competitive Certamen, and chariot races provided by NCJCL. As part of Classics day, UNCG hosted actors from East Carolina University who performed an act from *Oedipus*. Gladiator fights, Olympika events, Roman military presentations, a puppet show, an archeological dig, and various Roman activity booths gave students a taste of Roman life. Thank you to Fall Forum coordinator Danetta Genung, and her assistant Melissa Lido, as well as Dr. Bob Simmons and his Latin students for all their hard work that made Fall Forum so much fun for JCLers!

Fall Forum Academic Awards

Latin 1 & 1/2:

1. Elle Trejo- Master's Academy MS
2. Caris Gross- Master's Academy MS
3. Karna Morey- Lakewood Montessori MS

Latin 1 1/2 & 2:

1. Brennan Pitts- Riverside HS
2. William Schmitt- Riverside HS
2. Lucy Ashe-Jones -Lakewood Montessori MS
2. Rebecca Taylor- St. Thomas More Academy
3. Liliane Watkins- St. Thomas More Academy
3. Sivashankari Bharathi- Reagan HS

Fall Forum Academic Awards Cont'd.

Latin 3:

1. Chesney Banasik- Regan HS
2. Michael Bono- Thales Academy- Wake Forest
3. Hannah Schmitt- Riverside HS

Latin 4:

1. Jack Wrigley- Charlotte Latin
2. Inessa Chandra- Charlotte Latin
2. Morghan Levy- Charlotte Latin
3. Rick Hutchins- Charlotte Latin

Latin 5+:

1. Cole Whetstone- Riverside HS
2. Madeleine Fish- Charlotte Latin
3. Thea Boatwright- Charlotte Latin

Fall Forum Certamen Awards

Middle School Novice

School	Round 1	Round 2	Total
Lakewood A	125	110	235
Lakewood B	90	75	165
Chaos	65	55	120
Calvary Baptist	40	75	115
Thales MS	95	20	115
Thales MS B	70	40	110

High School Novice

	School	Round 1	Round 2	Total
1	OCJCL A	110	75	185
2	Master's HS	85	60	145
2	West Rowan	40	105	145
3	TCR	30	65	95
4	Ch. Latin A	50	40	90
5	Cerberus	65	20	85
5	Ch. Latin B	40	45	85

Roman joke to make you groan: How did the Roman Empire get split in half?

Answer: With a pair of Caesars!

Fall Forum Certamen Awards Cont'd.

Intermediate

	Team	Round 1	Round 2	Total
1	St. Thomas More	85	70	155
2	Ch. Latin	110	40	150
3	C. Gibbons A	30	55	85
4	Riverside	25	55	80
5	Sulla	10	45	55

Advanced

	Team	Round 1	Round 2	Total
1	Thales	60	70	130
2	Riverside	65	40	105
3	Catullus	45	55	100
4	Providence	70	20	90
4	Reagan	40	50	90
5	Vergil	35	50	85

Fall Forum Spirit Awards

1. Enka
2. Gibbons
3. Riverside

Then her prayer moved the gods, and stirred her parents' feelings, for the color of the berry is blackish-red, when fully ripened, and what was left from the funeral pyres rests in a single urn. *Translated by A.S. Kline*

Name
that
myth!

Congratulations, winners! We enjoyed having you at Fall Forum, and we can't wait to see you again at State Convention in April!



President Brittany Burns and Historian Susanna Schoeck are full of excitement at the 2013 Fall Forum!

MORE FUN STUFF!

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RomanSudoku.com

“This is the way a sheep runs from the wolf, a deer from the mountain lion, and a dove with fluttering wings flies from the eagle: everything flies from its foes, but it is love that is driving me to follow you! Pity me!”

Translated A.S. Kline

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myth!

A Roman Senator was fifteen minutes late to the Senate on a day Cicero was giving a speech. He sat in his usual seat and quietly asked the senator next to him what Cicero was talking about. The senator replied, “I don’t know. He hasn’t gotten to the verb yet!”

Source: Unknown



From the Editor’s desk: I hope you all have enjoyed this issue of the Torch! This newsletter is for YOU, the NC chapters of JCL! We want you to know what’s going on at the state level, and we want to highlight what each chapter is doing throughout the year. For this reason, I am reaching out across the state to solicit any and all JCL news you and your chapter may have! This is the chance to highlight that student at your school who won a national award, your annual Latin-themed party, the service project your chapter just did, or anything else you can think of! Please email me at ncjcltorcheditor@gmail.com and include any related information and a picture, if you have one. Thank you for your help!

Katie Petersen