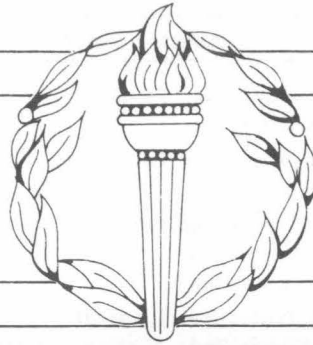


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NJCL CONVENTION

This past summer's National Junior Classical League Convention at the University of Colorado in Boulder was, as always, an enriching experience in both the classics and friendship. This was well voiced by the convention theme, "In friendship we find nothing false or insincere; everything is straightforward and springs from the heart," taken from Cicero's *De Amicitia*. With an impressive turnout of 91 JCL'ers, Tennessee was near the top of states with the greatest attendance.

There were many events and contests packed into the five days that made up the seemingly short convention. Mixers with themes such as, "I Wanna Be a Cowboy, Yo-yo-yo" kept eager TJCL'ers busy all week long. Although the cowboy theme was an unusual idea, everyone enjoyed the free straw hats

and a catered barbeque dinner. Another extraordinary activity of the week was the authentic Roman banquet featuring "Mushrooms Agrippina" in addition to agile and well-decorated belly dancers. Also, some of the enthusiastic TJCL'ers joined in reciting "Big Fig" to their peers in the spirit competition led by JCL'er, Hal Rather.

The better part of the university was utilized by our active group, with people entered in virtually every competition. At the beginning of the week, all delegates were issued what seemed to be an overly-complex map of the campus. Those of us who have no sense of direction (e.g. yours truly) were grateful for the fact that the steadfast Rocky Mountains were always to the west.

The Tennessee delegation finished the convention with many awards for both individuals and schools. In publicity, Germantown High School won

fourth place and Northeast High School won twenty-fifth place. Northwest High School placed seventh in the category of scrapbooks — under 50, and the state scrapbook placed tenth. The *Tennessee Torch* received fifth place in state publications. In the top twenty-five of all delegates at convention, were the following people: Prasad Jallepalli (second), Melissa Arnold (seventh), Randy Fields (ninth), Kim Fisher (tenth), Jeremy Chen (eleventh), Jason Overby (seventeenth), Elizabeth Gildrie (twenty-second), and Sameer Shah (twenty-third). Also Tennessee's third/fourth year certamen team won first place in upper division. Our delegation was very successful at this convention, and no one who attended can call it anything less than a success. Hopefully everyone will return for this coming year's convention in Pennsylvania where "we have friends".

ACADEMIC CONTESTS**Roman Life, Level ½**

E. Gildrie, 3rd

Roman Life, Level IK. Fisher, 1st
P. Castano, 2nd**Roman Life, Level II**M. Arnold, 1st
W. Smithfield, 2nd**Roman Life, Level III**R. Fields, 1st
S. Wall, 2nd
E. Gildrie, 3rd
M. Marable, 4th**Roman Life, Level IV**T. Murreya, 4th
J. Overby, 4th
S. Shah, 5th**Roman Life, Level V**P. Jallepalli, 1st
J. Chen, 4th**Mottoes, Level I**K. Fisher, 4th
P. Castano, 5th**Mottoes, Level II**M. Arnold, 1st
S. Jallepalli, 5th**Mottoes, Level III**R. Fields, 1st
S. Wall, 4th**Mottoes, Level IV**S. Shah, 3rd
J. Overby, 4th**Mottoes, Level V**P. Jallepalli, 1st
J. Chen, 2nd**Reading Comprehension, Level ½**

E. Gildrie, 5th

Reading Comprehension, Level IK. Fisher, 1st
P. Castano, 2nd**Reading Comprehension — Prose, Level V**

J. Chen, 1st

Reading Comprehension — Prose/Poetry, Level IIIJ. Weinberg, 3rd
R. Fields, 5th**Reading Comprehension — Prose/Poetry, Level IV**J. Overby, 4th
S. Shah, 5th**Reading Comprehension — Poetry, Level III**

E. Gildrie, 1st

Reading Comprehension — Poetry, Level IV

C. Artzer, 4th

Reading Comprehension — Poetry, Level V

P. Jallepalli, 1st

Greek Derivatives, Level ½

E. Gildrie, 1st

Greek Derivatives, Level I

K. Fisher, 1st

Greek Derivatives, Level IIM. Arnold, 1st
R. Elmore, 4th**Greek Derivatives, Level III**E. Gildrie, 2nd
R. Fields, 4th
S. Wall, 5th
J. Weinberg, 5th**Greek Derivatives, Level IV**

J. Overby, 2nd

Greek Derivatives, Level VP. Jallepalli, 1st
J. Chen, 3rd**Roman History, Level ½**

E. Gildrie, 4th

Roman History, Level IIM. Arnold, 1st
R. Elmore, 5th**Roman History, Level III**R. Fields, 4th
E. Gildrie, 5th**Roman History, Level IV**J. Overby, 3rd
S. Shah, 5th**Roman History, Level V**J. Chen, 1st
P. Jallepalli, 3rd**Hellenic History, Level ½**

E. Gildrie, 4th

Hellenic History, Level IK. Fisher, 2nd
P. Castano, 3rd**Hellenic History, Level II**A. Williams, 1st
M. Arnold, 3rd
J. Johnson, 4th**Hellenic History, Level III**R. Fields, 2nd
E. Gildrie, 2nd
D. Sacks, 4th**Hellenic History, Level IV**J. Overby, 1st
S. Shah, 5th**Hellenic History, Level IV**J. Chen, 1st
P. Jallepalli, 1st**Latin Derivatives, Level ½**

E. Gildrie, 3rd

Latin Derivatives, Level I

K. Fisher, 1st

Latin Derivatives, Level II

M. Arnold, 4th

Latin Derivatives, Level III

R. Fields, 3rd

Latin Derivatives, Level IVJ. Overby, 4th
S. Shah, 5th**Latin Derivatives, Level V**

P. Jallepalli, 1st

N.B.:

I apologize to anyone who has been omitted from this list of winners. NJCL did not supply the usual computer printout of all places. I was not aware that I would not receive such a list so these results are compiled

from the notes which I took during the awards assembly. If you have been left off, please notify me and you will be included in the February issue of the *Torch*.

Thank you,
V. Baird
State Chairman



Grammar, Level I

K. Fisher, 4th
P. Castano, 5th

Grammar, Level III

R. Fields, 4th
J. Weinberg, 4th

Grammar, Level IV

S. Shah, 4th

Grammar, Level V

P. Jallepalli, 1st

Latin Literature, Level I

K. Fisher, 3rd

Latin Literature, Level II

M. Arnold, 1st

Latin Literature, Level III

R. Fields, 1st

Latin Literature, Level IV

J. Overby, 2nd

Latin Literature, Level V

J. Chen, 1st
P. Jallepalli, 3rd

Vocabulary, Level ½

E. Gildrie, 3rd

Vocabulary, Level II

M. Arnold, 3rd

Vocabulary, Level IV

S. Shah, 5th

Vocabulary, Level V

P. Jallepalli, 1st

Academic Pentathlon, Level ½

E. Gildrie, 3rd

Academic Pentathlon, Level I

K. Fisher, 2nd

Academic Pentathlon, Level II

M. Arnold, 1st

Academic Pentathlon, Level III

R. Fields, 2nd
E. Gildrie, 4th

Academic Pentathlon, Level IV

J. Overby, 2nd
S. Shah, 3rd

Academic Pentathlon, Level V

P. Jallepalli, 1st

Mythology, Level I

K. Fisher, 3rd

Mythology, Level II

J. Johnson, 2nd
M. Arnold, 2nd
S. Jallepalli, 3rd

Mythology, Level III

E. Gildrie, 2nd

Mythology, Level IV

J. Overby, 4th
S. Shah, 5th

Mythology, Level V

P. Jallepalli, 1st
J. Chen, 4th

GRAPHIC ARTS**Charcoal**

V. Wilburn, 1st

Photography

M. Marable, 2nd

Posters

T. Murray, 5th

Games

S. Shah, 4th

Textiles

K. Fisher, 3rd

Decorative Stitching

R. Fields, 5th

Pottery

R. Fields, 2nd

Sculpture

C. Wallace, 2nd
R. Fields, 5th

CREATIVE ARTS**Sight Latin Reading, Level II**

S. Jallepalli, 3rd

Sight Latin Reading, Advanced Prose

A. Kuo, 2nd
J. Chen, 3rd
J. Weinberg, 4th

Sight Latin Reading, Advanced Poetry

P. Jallepalli, 3rd
S. Shah, 4th

Dramatic Interpretation, Level II — Boys

S. Jallepalli, 5th

Dramatic Interpretation, Advanced — Boys

J. Weinberg, 3rd

ESSAY**Grade 9**

S. Jallepalli, 1st

Grade 10

A. Vanhook, 4th

Grade 12

A. Kuo, 1st
P. Jallepalli, 2nd
J. Chen, 4th
S. Shah, 5th

English Oratory

J. Santoro, Level III

Modern Mythology

M. Arnold, Upper Division, 3rd

OLYMPICS**Fifty Meter Backstroke, Boys**

B. Olson, 5th

One Hundred Meter Dash, Boys

K. Rupe, 5th

One Hundred Meter Dash, Girls

E. Hartz, 5th

Marathon

N. Artzer, 2nd

Ludi Volleyball

Team #1, 1st

Publicity

Northeast, 25th
Germantown, 4th

BEST OF SHOW**Latin Derivatives**

P. Jallepalli

Roman Life

M. Arnold

Mottoes

P. Jallepalli

Hellenic History

J. Overby

Greek Derivatives

M. Arnold

Latin Literature

R. Fields

Academic Pentathlon

P. Jallepalli

Essay

A. Kuo

Highest of individual points earned

P. Jallepalli, 2nd
M. Arnold, 7th
R. Fields, 9th
K. Fisher, 10th
J. Chen, 11th
J. Overby, 17th
E. Gildrie, 22nd
S. Shah, 23rd

Jesse Chamber NJCL Scholarship

Prasad Jallepalli

Certamen Hall of Fame (members have been on at least two winning national teams)

Prasad Jallepalli
Jason Overby

State Publications

Tennessee Torch, 5th

Scrapbooks — under 50

Northwest High School, 7th

Scrapbooks — State

Tennessee, 10th

CERTAMEN

Novice, 5th

Lower, 3rd

Upper, 1st

THEME CHOSEN FOR 1989 CONVENTION

The following is the theme that has been selected for the 1989 state convention.

ΤΟΥΣ γὰρ πολλούς, ὧν
ἕκαστός ἐστιν οὐ
σπουδαῖος ἀνὴρ ὡμὸς
εὐδέχεται συνελθόντας
εἶναι βελτίους ἐκείνων,
οὐχ ὡς ἕκαστον ἀλλ' ὡς
σύμπαντας, οἷον τὰ
συμφορητὰ δεῖπνα τῶν
ἐκ μιᾶς διατάμης
χορηγηθέντων.

"For it is possible that the majority, of which each member is not a distinguished man, may still, by combination, be better than the few best men, not viewed as individuals but in the aggregate, just as banquets to which several contribute are better than those supplied at the expense of one man." Aristotle. *Politics*, 3. 11.

Program Cover Design Contest

A contest is being held for the design of the cover to be used on the program for this year's state convention. The design should be done in black ink on an 8½ x 11" sheet of white paper, and it should consist of a classical theme. If your design is chosen, you will receive a certificate of recognition at the convention. Designs should be sent to Lillie Romero, TJCL President by March 1, 1989. See the back page of the *Torch* for her address.

SILVER BOWL AWARDED TO KAYE WARREN

At this past year's 1987-88 NJCL convention, a presentation of a silver bowl was made to Dr. Kaye Warren, a teacher at Clarksville High School, who has dedicated many years of hard work to education in the classics. She was introduced to the JCL delegation by Mr. Robert Harper. Mrs. Warren had attended twenty consecutive NJCL conventions, the first of which goes way back to 1968 when she was still in high school. Among Mrs. Warren's credentials are a doctorate from Vanderbilt University, and in '87-'88, she was named "teacher of the year" by the Tennessee Classical Association. Congratulations, Mrs. Warren, for your outstanding past in teaching the classics, and good luck in your future.

TRIP TO EUROPE

TJCL is arranging a special itinerary with AIFS for this summer's trip to Europe. From June 27-July 12, 1989, the group will visit Madrid, Barcelona, Montpellier, Avignon, Monaco, Pisa, Florence, Pompeii, Ostia, Rome, and several other cities. The costs are as follows: Memphis \$2128, Nashville \$2098, and Knoxville \$2188. The \$75.00 registration fee, \$13.00 airport fee, passport/visa fees, spending money, and lunches are not included in the base cost. If you are interested, contact Virginia Baird, the State Chairman, immediately. (See last page of the *Torch* for her address.)



Delegates chanting "Big Fig" in national spirit contest.

GERMANTOWN JCL INITIATION

On September 19th, the Germantown JCL inducted its new members. The initiation party was held at Karen Kalkitis' house. After a dinner of pizza and coke, the new initiates, dressed as Roman slaves, were provided with lists as they embarked on a scavenger hunt. This list included items such as a week old newspaper, an apple core, and most importantly, a gift for the officers. The winning team was rewarded by not having to recite "Mica, Mica Parva Stella," although all other initiates were required to chant it until they met with the satisfaction of the officers. Thanks to the hard work of the GJCL sponsor, Mrs. Barbara Hardin, Karen Kalkitis, and the officers, the initiation was a huge success. This year's diligent officers are the following: Julie Dunn, President; Cathy Dang, Vice-President; Julie Kim, Secretary; Donna West, Treasurer; Ginger Hawkins, Historian; Melinda Beggs, Co-Historian; Lisa Malone, Parliamentarian; Wendy Whipple, Sergeant-at-Arms; and Brian Olson, State *Torch* Editor.

Cathy Dang
GJCL Vice-President



G.H.S. JCL'ers feasting at initiation.

UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF NASHVILLE JCL

The University School of Nashville JCL is beginning its second year as a chapter. We have had two meetings and have several fundraisers and projects in planning for this year. Our approximately 30 members are quite an increase from 10 last year. The consuls are Rebecca Smith and Leigh Schell; the scribe is Brian Schlanger; the quaestor is Jana Friedman; and the historica is Katie Mitchell. We plan to send fruitgrams as our first fund-raiser. A festive Roman banquet is being set up, which will probably include a play, chariot races, Roman food, a Roman Life display, and initiation of new members, and perhaps even a toga fashion show! We may also lead the school in a game of, "Who Killed Julius Caesar" on the Ides of March. We're also looking forward to the TJCL convention!

Katie Mitchell
Historica, USN JCL



TJCL'ers modeling the new state T-shirt at general assembly.

LATIN LIFE AT HARPETH HALL

The Harpeth Hall JCL has great expectations for the coming year. Plans include a new club t-shirt, a celebration of Rome's birthday, a Latin dinner, a project for the Central State Conference and attendance at the TJCL convention. When the Athena statue is unveiled at the Nashville Parthenon, club members will attend and meet with the artist Alan LeQuire.

At the initiation of new club members on September 29, silver slave collars were won by all new members. Consul Lihbin Shiao encouraged everyone to work on publicity for JCL. Additional officers are sriptor Carri Yates, pro-consul Emily Haynes, quaestor Holly Tackett, and newly elected scriba Brooke Brown.

In the Middle School Latin students will hold a Roman picnic in the garden and compete with the French club for the October Horse Trophy, a competition derived from an ancient Roman celebration in which a horse was beheaded and sacrificed to Mars. Middle School consul Noni Nielson also announced plans for a Saturnalia celebration in December. It is easy to see that the best life at Harpeth Hall is the Latin life.

WELCOME TO LATIN COUNTRY: HILLSBORO JCL

On September 21 the Hillsboro, Nashville, JCL showed their participation in a school-wide Club Day. The group displayed their hard-earned ribbons, scrapbook and prize-winning art display. The workers of the booth took down the names of all new and old members and, of course, wore togas.

Initiation has been a JCL tradition for years now. This year we are planning a labyrinth into which new members will venture blindfolded. The usual shaving cream, water squirting, and scare tactics will be included.

Hillsboro's JCL officers for '88-89 are President, Rozanne Marigza; Vice-President, Krista Sagen; Secretary, Janey Wang; Treasurer, Sabina Fakhruddin; Convention Chairman, Tom Colley; Pontifex Maximus, Adam Couch; Co-Historians, Greg Phelps and Joy Phillips.

JCL NEWS FROM HUTCHISON

This year the JCL chapter of The Hutchison School consists of approximately one hundred students ranging from Latin I to Latin IV. The newly elected officers are Sarah Patterson, President; Shelby Smith, Vice-President; Lara Herrington, Secretary; and Rachel Ramey, Treasurer. We have been working diligently on the future plans of the club. There will be a slave sale of eighth grade Latin I students to students in Latin II, III, and IV, who will be their masters for the rest of the year. We also plan a Christmas party, our annual Roman banquet in February, and of course the state convention in April.

This past summer Holly Clark, Sonya Brummet, and Jennifer Knapp, now students in Latin III, attended the National Convention in Colorado. Fran Moore, a junior at Hutchison, designed the state t-shirt.

We plan to work very hard along with the officers, Miss Baird, and Mrs. Scott to make this year's Hutchison JCL club the best yet.



Virginia Baird, TJCL State Chairman and sponsor of Hutchison's JCL, attends Fall planning committee meeting.

HIGHLIGHTS OF FUN IN COLORADO



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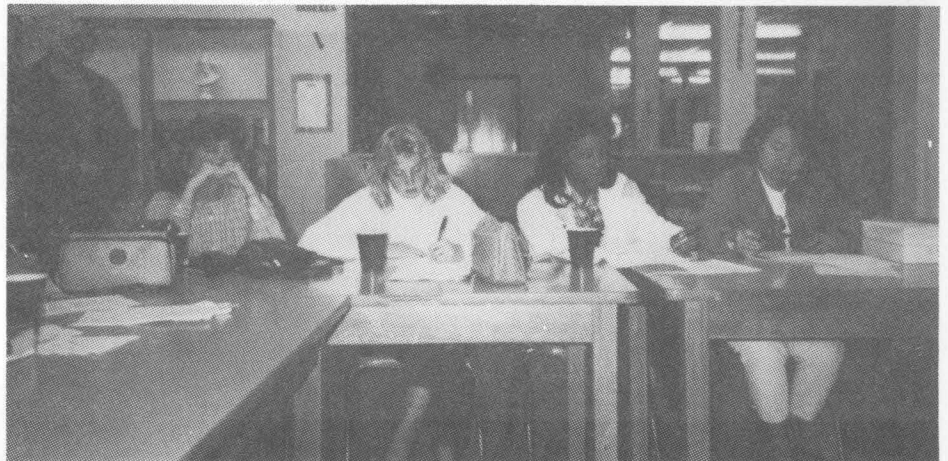
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The Executive Board at work.



The state officers tour the campus of White Station High School.