



The Tennessee Corch



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Top Ten Highlights from Nationals

1) This year each and every assembly held something new, exciting, different, or just plain odd for JCLers. One of the more astonishing (read into that word as you will) events was the head's of UK's Latin department extremely lengthy Latin speech. This event struck everyone in a similar manner, as it was important enough to be parodied in *That's Entertainment* by a familiar Latin passage, beginning "Roma est in Italia." One major lesson learned at assemblies this year was that if one plans to be a national officer, he or she should either learn the JCL creed well or hold on to his or her name tag. This year, in order to earn his lost name tag back, Brian O'Leary gave his own rendition of the JCL creed, which consisted of a little less than fifteen words. Also stressed this year was the fact that, due to their definite potential for learning life's little lessons, attendance at all assemblies is mandatory (for all those of you who seem to think otherwise).

2) Who would have thought Old McDonald would have been a figure urging on Tennesseans and raising their morale? Well, he actually wasn't, but at roll call this year D.J. Johnson and Laura Sikes performed a Tennessee themed version of this popular song. For those who have not already read the awards section, this performance won Tennessee first place for the roll call and kicked off a week of excellence in the spirit contest, one of the few areas in which Tennessee does not have a sterling reputation. So to all you who know old McDonald has a farm, remember that it's in Tenne-tenne-see.

3) It is doubtful as to whether any convention could be a true JCL convention without the marathon distances between activities. This year those who can call themselves the true JCL veterans are those who had art projects. For these people had to take their art not only on the fifteen-minute walk it took to get from the dorms to the main center for contests and assemblies, but they also had to walk another fifteen minutes to reach the designated art area. Surely these walks to new and exciting places would have thrilled people more, were it not for the fact that many of the locations marked on the map were incorrect. One of the more common complaints during the week was that nobody could find the location (did anybody REALLY find the fair at the beginning of the week?). There is a happy ending to this story, however, as everyone ended up that much more fit at the end of the week (or they stayed in their rooms, not taking contests, allowing all others to rank that much higher).

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4) What's the first thing a person wants in the middle of a blazing hot day? That's right! A glass of ice cold water. Now just imagine that heat without the water. For those of you who missed Nationals that's precisely how it happened. For a couple of days at Nationals the Boil Water Advisory brought an end to most physical activities. Woe be it to the person who forgot to pick up his or her bottle of water at fellowship those evenings! He or she was in for a long hot day the next day without it. Many were heard around campus making bets and dares to trick other, more naive JCLers into being lab rats as to the water's safety or lack thereof. Thankfully very few were gullible enough to take up these offers, and this lack of water passed without causing permanent damage.

5) Who would have ever thought Tennessee would rank highly in spirit? Thanks to TJCL's current Second Vice President D.J. Johnson Tennessee has managed to get one step closer to dominating every aspect of the national convention. This year Tennessee managed to rank number two in the large states division and win on Kartoon Kaos day. Nobody expected this from a state where several JCLers make their cheer "We're here for academics/Not for spirit/So sit your butts down/Because we don't wanna hear it!" As a result of Tennessee's outstanding placement, Mrs. Edmondson was given a new hairstyle (hot pink is definitely her color) and shown off to everybody as she walked in the procession.

6) Doesn't a Roman banquet always sound like a good idea? Well it sounded like a good idea at Nationals as well. There were only a few problems. First was the lack of any real food. Not to sound like a complainer, but was it really too much for everyone there to ask for some food at a banquet of all places? The second problem, the lack of water or any other beverages, was more easily circumvented. Some people ended up dipping the cups they had previously been using as clappers in the parade into the buckets of melted ice where other beverages had previously been. Others resorted to more primal activities, such as drinking straight from the sprinklers located around campus. For whatever reason, the Roman banquet wasn't as great a time for anyone as was expected; yet it was a definite, memorable example of survival of the fittest at work.

7) Ah, fellowship. That wonderful time at the end of the day in which everyone is able to reflect on the past days experiences... hey! Wake up! Yes, fellowship. Tennessee was lucky enough to have it in one of the most spacious areas this year, the perpetually locked dining area. The nightly ritual began from the start with TJCLers piling into the small area outside the dining area waiting for a key to be brought so that they may enter their true space. Then the officers could get down to business. Indeed the officers had important business to attend to, but most JCLers couldn't care less, as by the time

the room was unlocked and everyone was settled it was nearing midnight and few found themselves able to concentrate too much on anything other than their precious sleeping time (yes, you... you know who you are... we're coming after you!).



8) TJCL again had the honor of having a candidate for an NJCL office. This year Mike Kelly ran for the office of Second Vice President. The race was surely a very close one as Mike was very well prepared for this race and well qualified for the position. Sadly Mike did not win, but he had much help from the avid campaigners in the TJCL delegation, and everyone was extremely proud of the effort he put forth in this race. The campaign, Darth Vader posters included, was quite unique and fun.

9) Next to those who are actually instituted, it is debated as to whether JCLers are the craziest people in the world. Those who attend Nationals are those who are quickest to agree to such a statement. From the yeti from Canada to the cheese heads from Wisconsin to the ever-lonely Washington D.C. boys, it is evident that all walks of life attend JCL events. Indeed, the people met there are unlike any others. Some of the more sociable TJCLers were rewarded with a pickle from Pennsylvania JCLers and were shown just exactly where on their hands those Michigan JCLers lived. A word to those who have yet to attend a JCL convention--take good note of your friends and memorize their faces well. Whenever a JCLer attends a convention there is a huge chance he or she will end up morphing into a creature, barely recognizable, consumed with the power of the classics.

10) What is the main highlight of the week for most JCL National's attendees? That's Entertainment of course! This year Tennessee's contribution to this fine show was Evan Broeder playing fiddle. Every year these acts just seem to get better and better. This year there were such diverse acts as a brother and sister piano/comedy act, an Irish step dancer, and the one and only Amy Hedges (a singer songwriter who performed all week and sold her CD). Of course the Racketeers returned and the SCLers did their parody of the NJCL officers, so it was just like old times, especially since Sterling Darling was there as always.



(Clockwise from top left)
In the back of this photo of the spirit procession, you may catch a glimpse of D.J. Johnson, TJCL's 2nd VP, a rare find since he was always moving and encouraging TJCLers to show their true spirit. Here a group of students at state fellowship hides their tiredness with a smile for the camera. Two JCL sweetheart chaperones manage to find some time together during the hustle and bustle of the spirit procession. Here is another group of tired TJCLers at state fellowship as it nears midnight after a long day. Mike Williams, one of the new co-chairs, crowns retiring co-chair Brenda Edmonson as her dedication to TJCL is celebrated at fellowship.



Mottoes, Quotations, and Abbreviations

<u>School</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Latin Level</u>	<u>Place</u>
CHS	Michelle Sarwar	1	6 th
RHS	Tara Daniel	2	7 th
RHS	Daniel Taylor	3	7 th
CHS	Phil Reed	3	8 th
RHS	Charlie Bergen	3	9 th

Classical Art

<u>School</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Latin Level</u>	<u>Place</u>
MC	Meredith Cordle	1	9 th
RHS	Tara Daniel	2	8 th
MC	Jill Neblett	2	10 th
RHS	Charlie Bergen	3	6 th
CHS	Phil Reed	3	6 th

Latin Literature

<u>School</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Latin Level</u>	<u>Place</u>
CHS	Michelle Sarwar	1	1 st
RHS	Greyson Daugherty	1	9 th
MLK	Natalie Eng	2	1 st
HF	Caitlin Purcell	2	9 th
RHS	Charlie Bergen	3	3 rd
RHS	Calen Verbist	3	8 th

Latin Derivatives

<u>School</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Latin Level</u>	<u>Place</u>
MM	Amber Christian	1/2	8 th
MM	Sarah Powell	1/2	9 th
NE	Tulisha Jackman	3	4 th
CHS	Phil Reed	3	6 th
RHS	Charlie Bergen	3	7 th
RHS	Calen Verbist	4	9 th

Reading Comprehension

<u>School</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Latin Level</u>	<u>Place</u>
MM	Amber Christian	1/2-1	2 nd
MM	Sarah Powell	1/2-1	5 th
MLK	Evan Broder	1/2-1	2 nd
CHS	Michelle Sarwar	1/2-1	8 th
RHS	Stephen Daughterty	1/2-1	9 th
MLK	Kate Seat	2	4 th
MLK	Natalie Eng	2	5 th
RHS	Laura Sikes	2	5 th
WS	D.J. Johnson	2	8 th
MC	Jill Neblett	2	10 th
CHS	Phil Reed	Adv Poetry 3	2 nd
RHS	Charlie Bergen	Adv Poetry 3	6 th
RHS	Ben Eckhart	Adv Poetry 3	6 th
NE	Tulisha Jackman	Adv Poetry 3	6 th
MC	Gillian Hunt	Adv Poetry 3	9 th
MUS	Austin Chu	Adv Prose 3	4 th
RHS	Ben Eckart	Adv Prose 3	9 th
MLK	Jessica Crabtree	Adv Prose 3	10 th

Roman Life

<u>School</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Latin Level</u>	<u>Place</u>
MM	Amber Christian	1/2	6 th
CHS	Michelle Sarwar	1	3 rd
MLK	Jacob Stafford	1	5 th
RHS	Laura Sikes	2	4 th
MLK	Kate Seat	2	10 th
RHS	Charlie Bergen	3	1 st
NE	Tulisha Jackman	3	3 rd
RHS	Ben Eckhart	3	7 th
MLK	Rebecca Alford	3	8 th
RHS	Calen Verbist	4	4 th

Roman History

<u>School</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Latin Level</u>	<u>Place</u>
MM	Sarah Powell	1/2	7 th
MM	Amber Christian	1/2	10 th
MLK	Cal Fox	1	10 th
HF	Caitlin Purcell	2	3 rd
MLK	Natalie Eng	2	9 th
RHS	Laura Sikes	2	10 th
RHS	Charlie Bergen	3	2 nd
RHS	Calen Verbist	4	3 rd

Ancient Geography

<u>School</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Latin Level</u>	<u>Place</u>
HF	Caitlin Purcell	2	3 rd
RHS	Allen Daniel	2	5 th
RHS	Charlie Bergen	3	2 nd
CHS	Phil Reed	3	3 rd

Scholarship

Belle Gould Scholarship (\$1000)
 Collierville HS Rachel Raines



Creative Arts

Essay

<u>School</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Category</u>	<u>Place</u>
MLK	Naila Wahid	6-8 girls	6 th
MC	Meredith Cordle	9 th girls	9 th
CHS	Michelle Sarwar	9 th girls	10 th
RHS	Tara Daniel	10 th girls	8 th
MC	Gillian Hunt	11 th girls	9 th
RHS	Daniel Taylor	11 th boys	10 th

Dramatic Interpretation

<u>School</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Latin Level</u>	<u>Place</u>
CHS	Michelle Sarwar	1	4 th
HS	Anna Kim	1	9 th
WS	D.J. Johnson	2	8 th

Costume

NE	Stefani Wood	Sr. Couples	2 nd
NE	Craig Hansen	Sr. Couples	2 nd

Modern Myth

RHS	Crystal Faulkner	Middle division	7 th
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Olympia

100 m Track

<u>School</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Category</u>	<u>Place</u>
WS	D.J. Johnson	Sr. Boys	6 th

Long Jump

<u>School</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Category</u>	<u>Place</u>
HS	Anna Kim	Jr. Girls	3 rd
WS	D.J. Johnson	Jr. Boys	3 rd

200 m Track

HS	Anna Kim	Jr. Girls	2 nd
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Shot Put

SA	Hunter Pierce	Sr. Boys	6 th
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On the left one of Tennessee's four E's is paraded by a JCLer wearing Roman garb modified for the sweltering heat. To the right a JCLer displays the state T-shirt, while below, Jim Long, newly crowned Sponge Bob king and retiring state co-chair, admires his gifts.



Graphic Arts

Scrapbook				Textiles			
<u>School</u>	<u>Category</u>	<u>Place</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Grade</u>	<u>Place</u>	
Hume Fogg	Large Schools	10 th	HS	Catherine Doss	9 th	3 rd	
			HF	Marianna Jewell	11 th -12 th	7 th	
Jewelry				Mosaic			
<u>School</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Grade</u>	<u>Place</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Grade</u>	<u>Place</u>
MLK	NatalieEng	10 th	5 th	HS	Kathleen Kelley	11 th -12 th	1 st
HF	WhitneyBarnett	11 th -12 th	1 st				
Impromptu Art				Mixed Media			
MLK	Naila Wahid	6 th -8 th	5 th	RHS	Tara Daniel	10 th	2 nd
MC	Meredith Cordle	9 th	4 th	HF	Kathleen Kelley	11 th -12 th	4 th
HS	Catherine Doss	9 th	5 th				
HF	Charissa James	9 th	9 th				
HF	Kathleen Kelley	11 th -12 th	1 st				
Oil/Acrylics				Maps			
HF	Elizabeth Jewell	9 th	3 rd	HF	Kathleen Kelley	11 th -12 th	5 th
MLK	Natalie Eng	10 th	5 th				
Ink				Watercolor			
HF	Kathleen Kelley	11 th -12 th	8 th	MLK	Jenny Tang	9 th	5 th
				RHS	Tara Daniel	10 th	7 th
				HF	Kathleen Kelley	11 th -12 th	6 th
Greeting Cards				Small Models			
MM	Amber Christian	6 th -8 th	1 st	MLK	Natalie Eng	10 th	4 th
HF	Caitlin Purcell	9 th	6 th				
Miscellaneous				Charcoal			
HF	Caitlin Purcell	9 th	6 th	MLK	Natalie Eng	10 th	5 th
SM	Claire Patterson	10 th	3 rd				
Pen				Colored Ink			
HS	CatePowell-Hayre	9 th	2 nd	MLK	Jenny Tang	9 th	4 th
MLK	JennyTang	9 th	6 th				
MLK	NatalieEng	10 th	7 th				
Pastels/Chalk				Colored Pencil			
MM	SarahPowell	6 th -8 th	1 st	MLK	Naila Wahid	6 th -8 th	8 th
MLK	NatalieEng	10 th	2 nd	RHS	Tara Daniel	10 th	4 th
				Posters			
				MM	Amber Christian	6 th -8 th	1 st
				Pencil			
				RHS	Tara Daniel	10 th	4 th

**Here are some of the Tennessee delegation's
finest accomplishments!**

1st – Roll Call: TJCL's 2nd Vice President, D.J. Johnson was joined by Rossvie TJCLer Laura Sikes to perform a spirited rendition of Old McDonald, complete with JCL lyrics and straw hats.

1st – Friday's Spirit Contest: TJCLers showed their enthusiasm as they shook, rattled, and rolled their way to a first place finish on the Kartoon Kaos Spirit Day.

2nd – Overall Spirit – Large States: This record setting performance was spearheaded by the hard work and dedication D.J. Johnson and the other TJCLers showed over the course of the week in the various spirit competitions.

4th – Upper Level Certamen: Calen Verbist, Alexandra Henry, Charlie Bergen, and Phil Reed combined their extensive knowledge of all things classical to earn this impressive placement.

5th – Lower Level Certamen: We applaud Laura Sikes, Caitlin Purcell, Joshua Leners, Kate Seat, and D.J. Johnson for their hard work in earning this rank.

5th – State Scrapbook: State Historian Gillian Hunt's hard work and artistic prowess paid off as her scrapbook "A Recipe For Success" took this honor among dozens of competitive scrapbooks.

6th – State Publication (TN Torch): Editors Terry Stanley's and Josh Cooper's year long commitment in providing an informative and interesting newsletter was proudly recognized at Nationals.

6th – Academic Sweepstakes: Rossvie's Latin champion and former president of TJCL Charlie Bergen again had a prestigious showing, accumulating enough points in academic contests to be one of the top ten Latin students in the nation.

7th – State T-Shirt Contest: Cody Taylor's innovative design, surpassing much of the stiff competition, proved Tennessee is a force to be reckoned with both in creativity and in academia.

TJCL.org Gets a Facelift!



As many of you all have discovered, TJCL's homepage has undergone a radical change in its format. Our President and current Webmaster, Austin Chu (seen on the left cheering at Nationals), has designed a new web page with a more modern, cutting edge look to it (check out the transparent JCL logo on the web page!). With the new format, you can view current information more easily, and with Austin's frequent updates all the TJCLers are sure to be kept in the know.

For those of you who are in want of a bit of nostalgia, the old format is still easy to access. Austin has placed a link at the bottom of the new page to the original design of the TJCL web page, which was created and maintained by Adam Groves to give TJCL a home on the Internet for the first time in 1999. We appreciate Adam's and Austin's work to keep TJCLers connected through technology.

National



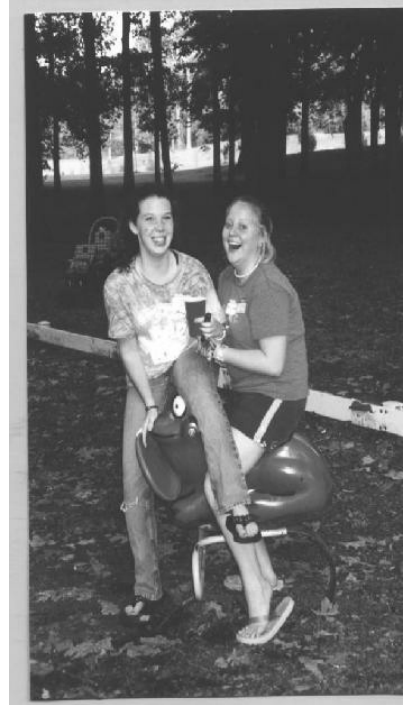
Convention

Would you love to be involved in this type of spirit and enthusiasm in the name of Latin? That's exactly what happens at the National JCL convention, to be held this year in San Antonio, Texas, celebrating the 50th year of national conventions. There is a change in the process of obtaining registration packets, due to the overwhelming amount of interest that has been generated in recent years for this convergence of brilliant minds and wacky personalities. This year, to limit confusion and guesswork, as there have been more packets sent out in the previous years than there have been spaces available for JCLers, NJCL will only send out the number of registration packets as spaces available. This means that JCLers must show their resolute commitment by sending in the full price for Nationals as the fee for the packet request. Come on TJCL! We know you're just dying to go to Nationals, so start saving and be ready to commit beginning March first.

CHAPTER UPDATES

Germantown High School

The Germantown High School Junior Classical League held its annual initiation on the first of October at McVay Park; approximately fifty initiates joined the GHS Junior Classical League and will help the tradition of excellence live on. In the picture, continuing members Julie Dorian (left) and Emily Fulkerson enjoy relaxing on a park toy while watching groups of initiates sing "Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star" in Latin. Everyone, novus et senex, had a blast with the innovative games and bonding between under and upper classmen.



Clarksville High School

The Clarksville High School Junior Classical League is flourishing with over sixty members this year, yet many of them are new to the world of Latin. The two co-consuls this year are Phil Reed and Mike Kelly with secretary Keegan Gaskin. There have been many after-school study sessions for Certamen and other subjects. CHS JCL may have an induction for all the new members to our club and are also making club t-shirts and possibly having matching hoodies. A Roman banquet is scheduled for the near future and a club trip to see *Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets* is pending. The Roman banquet will have authentic Roman food, required Roman garb for entry, and entertainment of some sort dealing with Olympics. Next Friday, Nov. 22, members will stay after school to enjoy one another's company and watch *Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone*.

Rossvie High School

In the activities of the Rossvie JCL chapter thus far, students, new and old, have learned and matured quite a bit. On Mondays, Mrs. Warren teaches grammar to her zealous students. On Tuesdays, one of Rossvie's triumvirs, Laura Sikes, teaches Roman Life. On Wednesdays, the group enjoys Roman History with Charlie Bergen, another triumvir. On Thursdays, Ben Eckart, the third triumvir, teaches Latin Vocabulary and Derivatives. Finally, on Friday, many JCLers turn out to hear about their favorite heroes in Charlie Bergen's Mythology class. In October, we participated in our annual Belk's Day fundraiser. All the members are highly enthusiastic about learning and sharing in the JCL spirit of competition and brotherhood.

Franklin Road Academy

The FRA Latin Club was off to a great start with the celebration of Virgil's birthday on the Ides of October. The Latin I's were not so sure about Virgil's identity, but nevertheless, they did enjoy the ice cream and cake, appropriately decorated with purple and gold. A few days later, on October 20, the FRA Latin scholars took off to Dickson, Tennessee's Renaissance Center to see A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum. A good time was had by all.

FRA's sponsor, Ms. Howell, with a lot of help from her students, is attempting a Latin Club web page. You can check out how this is working out at <http://www.frapanthers.com/teachers/howell/fralatinclub.htm> This is very much a work in progress. If it starts to look really good, you will know that the students have taken it over.

Cordova High School

The Cordova High School JCL kicked off the new year with elections. The winning candidate for Presidency was junior Linda Wu; the winner of the Vice President position was junior Ashlee Shaw; the position of Secretary was won by junior Teresa Tucker; junior Nathan Pound is the new Historian; Greg Leuch is the continuing web page designer. On October 17, the club decided on important issues concerning the JCL year. They discussed the JCL convention in April, fundraisers, club T-shirts, special committees, and the annual volleyball game against Houston High School. Starting off successfully, the Cordova High JCL is looking forward to an awesome year!

Beech High School

Beech HS started off the year by electing officers for the 2002-2003 year. Jason Walker will serve as President, Jessica Grider as Vice President, Molly Burns as secretary-treasurer and Danielle Peters and Victoria Winslow as historians.

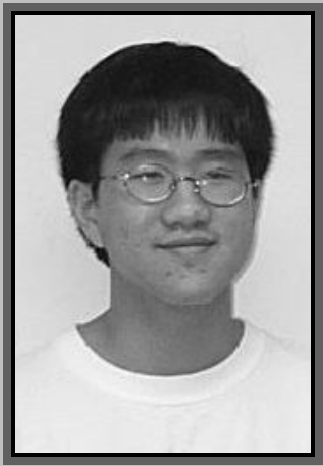
The first club project was to help the Samaritans Purse organization with the shoebox Christmas drive. Beech students in Latin, Spanish and French collected 69 boxes for the cause. These will be added to approximately 5 million more and will be sent to over 94 countries worldwide. Students filled the boxes and raised \$340 to

help with the shipping.

The next project is Be Thankful for Animals. Items needed by the Sumner County Humane Society at the Thanksgiving season will be collected. Students bring in items and raise money to buy supplies to help the shelter get through the winter.

After Thanksgiving BHS JCL will choose angels from the nursing home angel tree and fulfill the senior citizens' wishes. The year will wind up with a pizza party for all members before exams, and then planning will begin for a busy summer.

Into the Minds



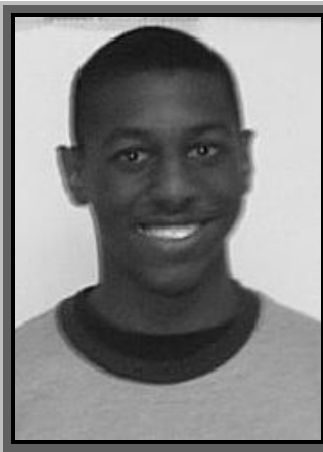
Full name: Austin Chu
(Really! My parents didn't know about middle names when they named me.)
Birth date: June 13, 1986
Favorite Disney character: Winnie the Pooh
The one question you would ask an alien: Can I hitch a ride?
Number of *Lord of the Ring* viewings: 1

Favorite time and era: Right here, right now is a great time to live. I believe we're on the edge of a great technological revolution, and to be able to pioneer, especially into space, is a great opportunity.

Favorite Author: J. D. Salinger

Biggest pet peeve: really high squeaking noises, like Styrofoam makes when rubbing against something else glossy—that always makes me cringe in pain.

Favorite JCL contest: spirit at national convention

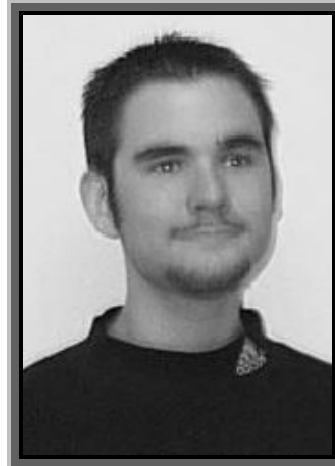


Full name: Donald Roy Johnson, Jr.
Birth date: October 24, 1985
Favorite Disney character: Simba
The one question you would ask an alien: Can you help us?
Number of *Lord of the Ring* viewings: 0
Favorite time and era: Now! Yay.

Favorite Author: C. S. Lewis

Biggest pet peeve: annoying things

Favorite JCL contest: spirit fest!



Full name: Ronald Joseph Brakefield, Jr.
Birth date: February 13, 1985
Favorite Disney character: Sebastian
The one question you would ask an alien: What's *your* full name?

Number of *Lord of the Ring* viewings: 1

Favorite time and era: 1940's

Favorite Author: W. E. B. Griffin

Biggest pet peeve: obsessive compulsion

Favorite JCL contest: costume contest



Full name: Tulisha Marie Jackman
Birth date: June 3, 1985
Favorite Disney character: Beast
The one question you would ask an alien: How do we rank among other life forms?

Number of *Lord of the Ring* viewings: 1

Favorite time and era: 1950's

Favorite Author: anyone who *doesn't* use stream of consciousness

Biggest pet peeve: saying 'good' instead of 'well'

Favorite JCL contest: grammar

of Our Officers...



Full name: Tara Elizabeth Daniel
Birth date: July 24, 1986
Favorite Disney character: Belle
The one question you would ask an alien: Is time travel possible?
Number of *Lord of the Ring* viewings: 2

Favorite time and era: turn of the 20th century
Favorite Author: Madeline L'Engle
Biggest pet peeve: people not having opinions
Favorite JCL contest: graphic arts



Full name: Daniel Drew Taylor
Birth date: September 11, 1985
Favorite Disney character: Stitch
The one question you would ask an alien: Will you teach me your language?
Number of *Lord of the Ring* viewings: 5

Favorite time and era: Renaissance Europe
Favorite Author: Intellectual: Vladimir Nabokov
Pleasure: Piers Anthony
Biggest pet peeve: saying 'anyways'—the word is 'anyway'
Favorite JCL contest: Mottoes, Quotations, and Abbreviations



Full name: Zachary Paul Nahmias
Birth date: May 5, 1986
Favorite Disney character: Goofy
The one question you would ask an alien: How did you find us?
Number of *Lord of the Ring* viewings: 0

Favorite time and era: 1980's
Favorite Author: John Steinbeck
Favorite JCL contest: the spirit contest

Aren't this year's officers just as interesting as always, even without the unique Claire Patterson, Historian? Who would have known that Austin has no middle name, that the 20th century is the place to be, or that some officers are so busy (with Latin, of course) that they haven't seen *Lord of the Ring*? The next issue of the *Torch* will feature these unique officers in their true JCL roles, as servants of the JCL public, working at the Fall Planning meeting.

New Leadership for TJCL

This year famed Latin sponsors Grady Warren and Michael Williams accepted the positions of state co-chairs at the retirement of the beloved duo of Brenda Edmondson and Jim Long, who held the position for the past three years. The precedent of having two state chairs is being established as TJCL continues growing in quality and quantity, but the new co-chairs are each capable of handling the job alone. In fact, Mr. Warren has experience as a state chair, although it was over a quarter century ago, a task to which he rose even though it was his first year teaching Latin. Additionally Mr. Williams will have run the state convention at his own Smyrna High School for four years in a row before his tenure ends in three years. As the fate of TJCL falls into the hands of the new co-chairs students are filled with confidence, especially knowing that Mr. Williams referred to Mr. Warren with his thirty-three years of Latin teaching experience as “god-like”. Students will also be comforted to know the fun will still be in TJCL, for Mr. Williams’ favorite Latin quote is “semper ubi sub ubi”.

JCL Contest!

Here it is—the first competition of the 2002-2003 JCL year! Competition is one of the driving forces behind the JCL experience, right after our passion for learning Latin and proving that we know it better than our peers and the other schools—oh, yeah—that is competition. Well, we know you love contests and winning contests even more—so even though this stunning challenge of intellectual prowess and original creativity (what other kind is there?), won’t win you any sweepstakes points or get you out of school, we feel sure that entries will come pouring in (hint, hint). So here it is:

Tennessee doesn’t have a Latin motto! Granted, only 22 states have state mottoes in Latin (Maryland and South Carolina each have two!), which is wonderful for those of us who tried to memorize the mottoes for Nationals (N.B. We should be having a Mottoes, Abbreviations, and Quotes test at state this year. Doesn’t that just make your life better?) Given, however, Tennesseans’ passion for Latin, this is a shame. We want you (yes, you) to come up with a suitable state motto. Keeping in mind our other motto is Agriculture and Commerce (thrilling, isn’t it?) please come up with a sentence or phrase connected with our lovely state (its ideals, pastimes, livelihoods, and/or landscapes). Your motto, be it a famous quotation or an original masterpiece, can be as little as one word or as many as ten, but please submit the Latin motto with preferred English translation to the Torch editors by e-mail before Jan 20. Just because this abundance of time is available doesn’t mean you can’t begin right now. Carpe diem! Here are some of our favorite mottoes to get those creative juices flowing!

Ambiguous and meaningless – New Mexico:

Crescit eundo – It grows as it goes.

Absurd but visionary – Wyoming:

Cedant arma togae – Let arms yield to the toga.

Arrogant yet concise – New York:

Excelsior – Ever upward.

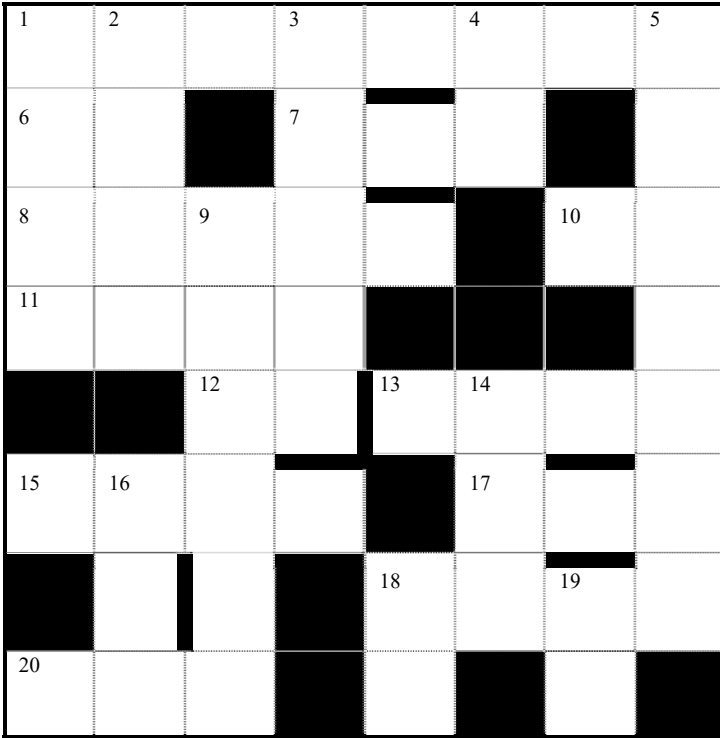
Obvious and a sales pitch – Michigan:

Si quaeris peninsulam amoenam circumspice – If you seek a pleasant peninsula, look around you.

Inspirational and applicable – South Carolina:

Dum spiro, spero – While I breathe, I hope.

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*Thick lines indicate locations where words do not run together.

Down:

1. Abl. Sing. of 1 across
2. Latin for a wife
3. garrire meaning 'to _____'
4. vole me ad lunam
5. Pie Jesu domine, dona eis _____.
9. area in Italy where Rome is located
14. Abbreviation for 'that which is to be demonstrated'
16. Abbreviation for 'from the founding of the city'
18. the hairy cousin of the Addams family would be called this in Rome
19. ____ libris

Across:

1. Roman king of the gods
6. English for bos
7. name of the Greek letter corresponding with 'r'
8. Oregon's state motto: Alis _____ propriis
10. abbreviation for the equees
11. the E in QEF
12. form of 'you' used twice in the singular
13. All the Pretty _____ (in Latin)
15. Mother Earth
17. imperative meaning 'be needy!'
18. the i in i.q. stands for this (and no, not the one meaning intelligence quotient)
20. Roman numerals for 1900

Look on TJCL.org for the answers!

Mythological Monsters

ARGUS
CACUS
CERBERUS
CETUS
CHARYBDIS
CHIMAERA
CYCLOPS
DRAGON
ECHIDNA
GORGON
GRAEA
GRYPHON

HARPY
HECATONCHIRES
HYDRA
LADON
MINOTAUR
ORTHUS
PYTHON
SCYLLA
SIREN
SPHINX
SYMPLEGADES
TYPHON

U Y O U I B D R L Z W Y H J E R
T G N S O M H K S J T E Y S D M
S P F F S W V M C Y C L O P S Y
Y H P F V X H C H A R Y B D I S
M U I U M R U A T O N I M C U G
P X A X N N N O G R O G C R E C
L N L A D O N N A T G V E W W T
E Y O A W C H Z L K A B T W R G
G R Y P H O N T L D R M U R S H
A M G I C J O J Y E D D S R A Y
D A R E A M I H C P Y P R A H R
E E K B C N D H S U H T R O O D
S A W I U R I U F I Q O F J Y B
J R D P S D G T N W R F N V X F
A G A R N R A X O T U E C G H N
T W W A A T L W P I P Z N B W N

Next Year's JCL Conventions

Next year will mark the fiftieth year of National Conventions, but the fun will have begun a long time before then. The state convention will be better than ever as it is held at Smyrna High School for the second year running on April 11-12. The executive board is planning a spirit competition so as to bring the enthusiasm displayed at nationals home to Tennessee.

As we look ahead to the promising 2002-2003 JCL year, we contemplate this year's theme: "Natura inest in mentibus nostris insatiabilis quaedam cupiditas veri videndi", meaning "Nature has planted in our minds an insatiable longing to see the truth." The possibilities are endless, so get to writing on your essays and oratories based on this insightful observation of human nature by Cicero.

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