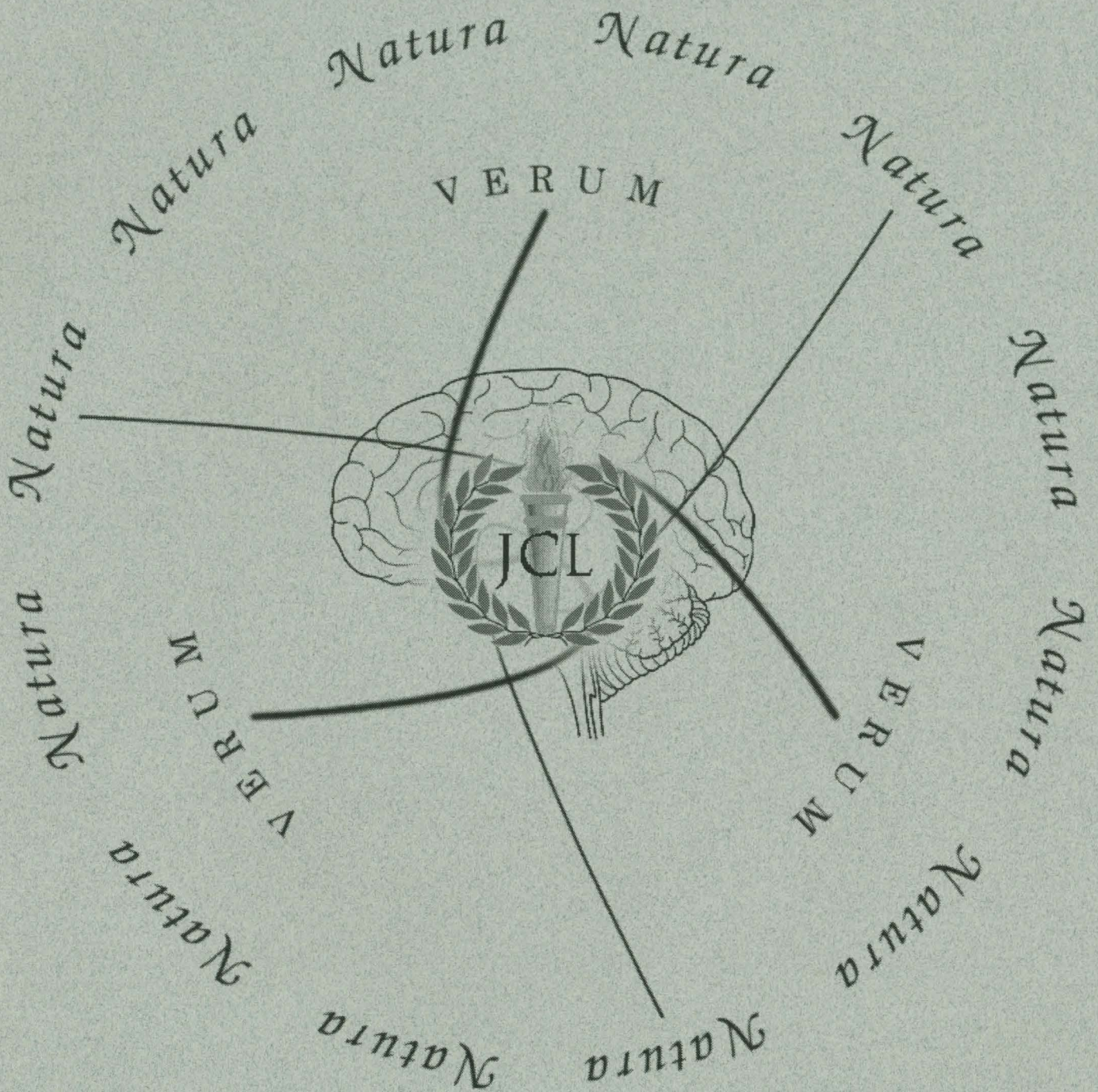


"natura inest in mentibus nostris insatiabilis quaedam cupiditas veri videndi"



nature has planted in our minds an insatiable longing to see the truth

- M. Tullius Cicero *Tusculanae Disputationes*, I, ii, 44

The Forty-Seventh Annual Convention of the
Tennessee Junior Classical League

11 - 12 April 2003

Smyrna High School, Smyrna

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Ms. Joyce Ward

Ms. Ward, Harpeth Hall School, has welcomed students, faculty, parents, and adults to 40 annual conventions as of today! What an amazing testimony to her dedication and devotion to not only Latin, but also to her fulfillment of our "covenant to hand on the torch of classical civilization of Greece and Rome." Thank you, Ms. Ward; you affirm for us all, "the JCL experience."

Convention Headquarters

JCL Office [first aid, name tags, information, lost & found, contact info.] -Rm. 247

Hospitality Room [Sponsors and Chaperons ONLY] -Rm. V-9

Concessions:

Gym Lobby-Most times Friday, except testing

Burgers & Dogs available Friday evening

Stadium & Observation Deck - pool area - Olympika Events

The 2002– 2003 TJCL Executive Board

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TJCL Convention Hall of Fame

The adults named below have attended at least ten [10] TJCL Conventions. Those designated with an “*,” have attended at least twenty [20] TJCL Conventions. “***” designates those attendees of at least thirty [30] conventions. The underlining of Ms. Joyce Ward’s name represents TJCL’s first forty [40] year attendee!!

Virginia Baird *

Ed Long *

Evelyn Patterson

Kathryn Tebbe *

Wayne Duff **

Jim Long

Jean Quick *

Lila Thurmond *

Brenda Edmondson

Laura Long*

Barney Reed *

Ms. Joyce Ward

Barbara Hardin

María Marable

Alice Sanford **

Grady Warren **

Robert Harper **

Connie Matlock

Margaret Smith *

Kaye Warren **

Nancy Howell **

Joyce McFall

Amanda Smithfield

Helen Williams

Dawn LaFon *

Virginia Peak *

Steve Tackett *

Mike Williams

Friday, 11 April 2003

Delegates MUST wear Roman attire through lunch

| Time[s] | Event[s] | Location |
|-------------------|--|---------------------------|
| 8:00 – 8:30 a.m. | General Registration | gym lobby |
| 8:00 – 8:30 | Art Registration | gym lobby |
| 8:30 – 9:00 | General Assembly | gymnasium |
| 9:00 – 9:45 | Spirit Contest & Chariot Race | stadium |
| 9:15 – 9:45 | Nominations Committee | auditorium |
| 9:00 – 9:45 | Art Registration [con't] & Olympika Confirmation [a MUST to participate] | gym lobby |
| 9:15 – 9:45 | Academic Proctors' Meeting | gymnasium |
| 9:45 – 10:00 | report to Academic Testing | gym lobby |
| 10:00 – 1:00 p.m. | Academic Testing | gymnasium |
| 11:30 – 12:00 | LUDI registration & practice | gym lobby |
| 1100 – 1:30 | LUNCH Break [Those with pre-paid lunch tickets will obtain lunches at the gym lobby concession stand.] | |
| 12:00 – 4:00 | Bazaar | entrance |
| 12:00 – 3:00 | Paintball [Practice Field] | field below high jump bar |
| 12:30 – 1:00 | Olympika Judges' Meeting | appropriate area[s] |
| 1:00 – 4:00 | LUDI | upstairs gym |
| 1:00 – 3:00 | Track & Field | stadium |
| 1:00 – 3:00 | Swimming | pool [behind gym] |
| 2:30 – 2:45 | Costume Judges' Meeting | auxiliary gym |
| 2:30 – 3:00 | Costume Contest Registration | gym lobby |
| 3:00 – 5:00 | Costume Contest [bring photo] | auxiliary gym |
| 4:00 – 7:00 | SPIRIT FEST | gymnasium |
| 4:00 – 4:30 | Certamen testing | cafeteria |
| 5:00 – 7:30 | Dinner Break | |
| 7:00 – 7:15 | English Oratory Judges' Meeting | rm. 171 |
| 7:00 – 7:15 | Dramatic Latin Judges' Meeting | rm. 201 |
| 7:45 – 10:30 | "Gladiator" | chorus room |
| 7:00 – 8:00 | Candidates' Open Forum | auditorium |
| 7:15 – 7:30 | English Oratory registration/holding | rm. 176 |
| 7:15 – 7:30 | Dramatic Latin registration/holding | rm. 195 |
| 7:30 – 9:00 | English Oratory | rms. 171, 172, 173 |
| 7:30 – 9:00 | Dramatic Latin | rms. 201, 202, 203 |
| 8:00 – 11:00 | DANCE | cafeteria |
| 8:00 – 9:00 | Impromptu Art ["test drive" event] | rm. 191 |
| 8:00 – 11:00 | Skits | auditorium |

Friday, 11 April 2003

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| Time[s] | Event[s] | Location |
|---------------|----------------------------------|--------------------|
| 8:00 – 10:00 | CERTAMEN | |
| | 8:00 – 8:30 Novice Preliminaries | rms. 163, 166, 185 |
| | 8:30 – 9:00 Novice Finals | rm. 159 |
| | 8:30 – 9:00 Lower Preliminaries | rms. 163, 166, 185 |
| | 9:00 – 9:30 Lower Finals | rm. 159 |
| | 9:00 – 9:30 Upper Preliminaries | rms. 163, 166, 185 |
| | 9:30 – 10:00 Upper Finals | rm. 159 |
| 9:00 – 10:00 | Art viewing | library |
| 10:00 – 11:00 | Art claim [with ticket] | library |

Saturday, 12 April 2003

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|--------------------|---|--------------------------------|
| 8:30 – 9:00 a.m. | Art Claim [with Ticket] | library |
| 9:15 – 12:00 noon) | General Assembly | |
| | Call to Order | Austin Chu |
| | Pledge, JCL Creed, JCL Song | all delegates [standing] |
| | Announcements | officers / State Chairs |
| | Grace Elmore Memorial Scholarship | Mr. Grady Warren |
| | Olympika Awards | Mrs. Sandra Hickman |
| | Publicity Awards | Ms. Dawn LaFon |
| | Certamen Awards | Mr. Edward Long |
| | Election Procedures | Joey Brakefield |
| | Campaign Speeches | Candidates |
| | 20 minute recess [voting, evaluations, roll call] | |
| | Call to Order | Austin Chu |
| | Creative Arts | Mrs. Kathryn Tebbe |
| | Academic Awards | Mr. Warren / Mr. Williams |
| | Election Results | Joey Brakefield |
| | Secretary's Report/Friday's minutes | Tulisha Jackman |
| | Membership Awards | Joey Brakefield / Mr. Williams |
| | Spirit Awards | D.J. Johnson |
| | TJCL Treasury Report | Mr. Williams |
| | Historian's Report | Claire Patterson |
| | Torch Editors' Report | Tara Daniel & Daniel Taylor |
| | Pentathlon & Best of Show Awards | Mr. Warren |
| | Sweepstakes Awards | Mr. Warren / Mr. Williams |
| | Presidential Farewell & Inauguration | Austin Chu |
| | Inauguration of New Officers | 2003 – 2004 President |
| | Announcements | Austin Chu & State Chairs |
| | Meeting & Photo with new officers | new officers & State Chairs |

Don't Forget !!!

Leave your plastic name badges in the "drop-off" boxes, located at either exit of the gym, before you leave convention.

Pledge of Allegiance in Latin

Fidem meam obligo, vexillo civitatum, Americae foederatarum, et rei publicae, pro qua stat, unī nationī, Deo ducente, non dividendae, cum libertate, iustitiaque, omnibus.

JCL Creed

We, the members of the Junior Classical League, covenant to hand on the torch of classical civilization in the modern world.

We believe an acquaintance with the classical civilizations of Greece and Rome will help us understand and appraise this world of today, which is indebted to the ancient civilization in its government and laws, literature, language, and arts.

We affirm the JCL experience develops responsibility, fosters brotherhood, promotes enthusiasm, encourages competition, inspires dedication, and enriches our total growth.

JCL Song

Seeking the best, the highest our goal,
Working for greatness through glories of old,
Searching the realms of the golden past, we follow the classics' truths that last.

In knowledge, truth, and fellowship,
We're growing everyday:
The friendly hand of J-C-L
Aids in every way.

In Rome's proud steps we're marching on
With every true colleague,
And forever we'll hold
To the purple and gold
Of the Junior Classical League!

TJCL Oath of Office

I [state your name] ----- do hereby and promise ----- to pass on the torch of classical learning; ----- to aid in all ways possible ----- the growth of the Tennessee Junior Classical League; ----- to accept my duties and responsibilities ----- as an elected officer or appointed officer; ----- to exert myself to the fullest; ----- to cooperate with my fellow officers; ----- to accept the guidance and advice ----- of those appointed over me; ----- and to respect and adhere ----- to the recommendations of the Executive Board ----- as set down in our Constitution. ----- I realize in doing so ----- I shall bring both honor and credit ----- to the Tennessee Junior Classical League and to myself.

Convention Wisdom

Nom.Com:

Short for Nomination Committee Meeting. Each school must send at least one delegate to this meeting, where TJCL's official ballot is formulated. The meeting is at 9:45 on Friday in the auditorium [directly across from the gym lobby's concession stand]. Each school present at this meeting and holding "good standing" status will receive two votes, instead of one, during Saturday's election.

Candidates' Open Form

Meet TJCL's next slate of officers. Practice a little *quid pro quo* maybe! Ask candidates the hard hitting questions that strike to the heart of the TJCL experience: "Will you personally guarantee that next year's dance will have a better DJ?" Whatever your concerns, meet your candidates tonight at 7:00 p.m. in the auditorium.

Nationals

Is an accepted "slang" term for the NJCL National Convention. This year the convention is in San Antonio, Texas. The small size of the campus this year requires all national delegates to pay the full convention fee when requesting a packet. That fee is \$330. So you have: a 9 hour road trip with your [or some strange] Latin teacher-technically, yours may qualify as both - \$30; a late night barrage on the sponsors' "secret" game of spades - \$15; riding the elevator to fool the pizza guy and "buy" a pizza you shouldn't have ordered after lights out - \$25; stopping in "Deliverance" to save stranded classicist - \$10; telling your Latin class about how "boring" Nationals are - PRICELESS!

New and not so new Convention 2003:

Art Registration: SHS students are on patrol again this year. You must stop at the appropriate registration table, complete the procedures, and then take your art to the library [*in the forbidden area of the building*].

Olympika: You MUST confirm all olympika participants this year by 10:00 a.m. If you haven't done so at that time, any one who "shows-up" unconfirmed will not participate.

Impromptu Art: This was a great "hit" at Nationals this past summer! So, we're "test driving" it this year for possible inclusion in the art competition. No preparation is needed! We must limit this "test-drive" to the first 20 students present by the scheduled time and location.

Swimming: Locker rooms are located directly behind the podium. Spectators should move directly upstairs to the observation deck.

Lunch & Dinner Break: At the completion of this program, SHS family, parents, students, and faculty held plans to provide lunch [by reservation only] and make available hotdogs and hamburgers at some point late Friday afternoon on a first come, first served basis.

Many Special Thanks to

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Mr. Mark Gonyea
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Franklin High School
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Germantown High School
Harpeth Hall School
Houston High School
Hume-Fogg Academic Magnet High School
Hutchison School
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