

# Take as a Gift What the Year Has Brought

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As we have progressed through the 2012-2013 TJ Latin year, we have all seen incredible victories for our program; whether it is an election to VJCL office, a Best-in-Show at convention, a first place in graphic or creative arts, or a sweeping victory for a Certamen team, our program has enjoyed great and extensive successes in all areas. On behalf of the TJ Latin Honor Society Executive Board, I would like to congratulate all of you for your achievements over the past several months.

At the same time, however, it is important that we pass on the torch of knowledge to those who may not possess it on so grand a scale. So my plea to you is, take some time out of your schedule to help a Latin comrade: whether it is tutoring them in 8th period sessions on the wiles of grammar, running through historical names and events with them before Certamina, or teaching them the nuts and bolts of mythology to prepare for a myth exam, I urge you to do something for your fellow Latin students. It is this spirit of giving that makes our community so great, and it is that same spirit that will sustain it and allow it to fluorish in years to come.

Publilius Syrus once said, "bis dat qui cito dat." In English, this means, "he gives twice who quickly gives." So while you take as a gift what the year has brought, remember to give quickly and to help openly. In whatever arena it may be, teach, train, help, and most simply, give.

-Anwar Omeish, 2012-13 TJ LHS Editor



# TJ Students Excel at VJCL Convention

On Sunday, November 18th, 99 TJ students of all grade levels and their chaperones gathered in front of the school to begin a two-day trip to the 2012 Virginia Junior Classical League convention in Richmond, Virginia. Whether this was their first convention or their last, whether they were carrying posters and models or reciting their oratories for one last time, the air was suffused with anticipation. Each and every student was ready for two days full of competition, tests, and Latin camaraderie.

The theme for the convention this year was Horace's 'quid sit futurum cras, fuge quaerere, et quem fors dierum cumque dabit, lucro appone, or, 'cease to inquire what the future has in store, and take as a gift whatever the day brings forth.' Interpreting this theme in the context of the Schrodinger's Cat paradox, TJ students donned cat masks and tails, yelling themselves hoarse and cheering TJ into a 2nd place spirit finish, one of the highlights of the fun-filled weekend.



Other notable TJ victories included Best in Show in Derivatives, awarded to senior Amy

Chen, Best in Show in Reading Comprehension, Poetry, awarded junior Andrew Coffee, Best in Show in Grammar (also known as the Maureen O'Donnell Award), also awarded to junior Andrew Coffee, Best in Show



in Mythology (also known as the Bob Parks Award), awarded to junior Anthony Carrington, Best in Show in Dramatic Interpretation, awarded to senior Robert Wharton, Best in Show in Latin Oratory, awarded to senior Hyae-In Seo, and Best in Show in Art, awarde

d to senior Michael Nguyen. These awards are given to those who earn the highest scores in their respective categories. Many TJ students also received sweepstakes awards, which are awarded to the highest-scoring students over all categories in their grade level.

Other highlights included speeches given by exiting senior Parliamentarian Morgan Cheatham and current NJCL Communications Coordinator senior Molly Hemenway. Heartfelt and moving, these two speeches smoothly rounded

off the weekend and spoke for all seniors for whom this was the last in a long line of beloved state conventions.

Finally, one last highlight of the two-day convention was the election of junior Anwar Omeish to the VJCL presidency. After much speech-giving and vigorous campaigning by the entire delegation, Anwar was sworn-in as President of the Virginia Junior Classical League. She looks forward to working with the remainder of the VJCL board and co-chairs on improving and expanding the VJCL and promoting Latin programs throughout all parts of the state.



All in all, the 2012 VJCL convention was an exciting and enriching time for all those who attended, no matter their Latin level, and the TJ Latin program, although taking as a gift what convention brought forth, also looks toward the future of a 2013 convention just as (if not more!) successful as the last.

Award-winning art projects and photos from the convention can be seen in the display case next to the library.

# Monsters, Heroes, Halloween, Oh My!

On October 31, 2012, Latin students of all levels gathered in room 224 for an afternoon of pumpkin decorating and Halloween spirit. Students were tasked with decorating pumpkins of all sizes with mythological themes - whether

they be characters, locations, or events. Desks were arrayed with pipe cleaners, glitter, paper, googly eyes, paint, glue, pom-poms-



craft supplies galore.

It was the Latin Club and Latin Honor Society's annual Mythological Pumpkins event, held every year on or around Halloween. Meant to mesh the culture of today with that of the Romans thousands of years ago, Mythological Pumpkins is a well-beloved TJ Latin tradition.

As the completed pumpkins piled up a Medusa with pipe cleaner hair on one side, a chariot with feathered fire on the other - teachers and LHS officers walked through the room, judg-

ing each one on criteria such

as best use of material, creativity, mythological integrity, and scariness. Awards were later given to the creators of the best pumpkin in each category. The pumpkins were donated to the Leewood Nursing Home in Alex-



andria, brightening Halloween for its residents and bringing festivities to their doorsteps.

Also part of Latin Halloween festivities was the Latin Honor Society's first-ever Mythological Costume Contest, a competition designe d to promote Latin spirit and outreach to those outside of the Latin program. This competition resulted in monsters, heroes, and Roman citizens roaming the hall of TJ - pipe-cleaner-haired Medusas talking to gladiators as Augustuses watched from the side.



Students who chose to don costumes based on Roman mythology, history, and culture were awarded extra credit points and given the opportunity to **L**compete in the school-

wide costume competition. This new Halloween tradition looks to be a promising one for the LHS, one which will end the Halloween festivities on a high note for all students involved.

# **Latin Wins 3rd in Volleyball Tournament**

October 24, 2012 saw the resurgence of the World Languages Volleyball Tournament between the different language departments represented at TJ. This year, represen-

tatives from the German, Russian, Chinese, Spanish, and Latin departments competed and attended the tournament to cheer on their comrades.

In the final round, the Spanish team prevailed against the Russian team, while the Latin team lost in the semifinals to place a final third place. Latin students of all levels attended and competed, cheering their team on with signature Latin cheers and the traditional Roman fasces. Enjoyable for all students, the department hope that this will become a yearly tradition.

# Classic Success at Classical Cottage

On Saturday, November 3rd, TJ Certamen went to its second competition of the year at Powhatan School, hosted by Classical Cottage School. While some teams did not achieve dominance over dedicated competition, every team did TJ proud through their devotion and skill.

The level one team consisted of Daniel Chae, John Koh, Douglas Andre, and Hyungju 'Hector' Moon, finishing in 6th place. Level two sent two teams to the



Certamen. The A team, Pranav Balan, Aneesh Susarla, Kaushik Venkatesh, and Anant Das, placed 5th place, while the B team, consisting of Jay Gupta, Eli Lifland, and Christine Li, placed 6th.

Level three also sent two teams to the Certamen. The A team, which placed 3rd place, was made up of John Wilkes, Jay Devanathan, Nolan Kataoka, and Adam Goldstein. The B team included Reem Mohammed, Remy Freire, and Peter Kim. Finally, the upper level sent one team, made up of Hyae-In Seo, Owen Hoffman, Anthony Carrington, and Andrew Coffee. They placed first place, rounding off the Certamen for the TJ team.

Andrew Coffee contributed to this article.

# Rewards at Riverbend Certamen

Riverbend Certamen brought new excitements and challenges for TJ teams. Taking place on December 8th at the Riverbend High School, Latin students from all over Virginia congregated for another display of classical prowess and knowledge. Regardless of opponent, they fought hard and well, doing TJ proud on level after level.

The level one team, Andrew Huang and Hyunju Moon, placed 4th. Level two teams included Aneesh Susarla, Olivia Marcantonio, Kaushik Venkatesh, Bill Tang, Catherine Im, Junyoung Hwang, Alison Hau, Pranav Balan, Alexis Jenkins, Saketh Anjutgi, and Sairisheel Gabbireddy. A and B teams placed 4th and 5th, respectively.

Level three teams consisted of Bobbie Sheng, Orchi Banerjee, Renee Wah, Marcus Alder, Nolan Kataoka, John Wilkes, and June Ge, the A and B teams placing 2nd and 5th, respectively. The upper A team, Hyae-In Seo, Molly Hemen-



way, Anthony Carrington, and Andrew Coffee placed 5th, while the B team, Owen Hoffman, Sienna Lotenberg, and Lauren Mostrom placed 7th. The Certamen was enjoyable for all and embodies the continued success of the TJ team.

Andrew Coffee contributed to this article.

# **Tough Competition at Yale Certamen**

Five students from TJ Latin competed against the best of the best when they attended Yale University's second annual Certamen on Saturday, November 12, 2012. The team, consisting of Molly Hemenway, Hyae-in Seo, Lauren Mostrum, Andrew Coffee, and Anthony Carrington, left early in the morning on Friday the 11th with Latin teacher Christine Conklin, to drive the almost six hours to New Haven, Connecticut.

On Saturday, after a riveting tour of the

Yale campus and an introduction to the school's world-renowned classics department, the competition began. The TJ team, playing against topnotch Latin students from across the country, made it to the semifinal rounds before losing to the first place winning team from Boston Latin Academy and placing a close fourth. After the Certamen, the team enjoyed meeting with TJ Latin alumni who currently attend the college.

—Anthony Carrington

## VJCL Convention Results Announced!

#### VJCL INDIVIDUAL AWARDS

Category: Place, Name (Level)

#### **ACADEMICS**

Roman Life: 9, Bradford Case (I); 10, Valerie Chen (IV); 9, Sandy Cho (II); 8, Jay Devanathan (III); 4, Marisa Duong (III); 5, Remy Freire (II); 3, Emma Hastings (IV); 9, Kenneth Hau (IV); 2, Peter Kim (II); 8, William Lucht (IV); 7, Michael Nguyen (V); 7, Anwar Omeish (IV); 2, Janice Ong (III); 2, Hyae-In Seo (V); 4, Noah Shin (II); 8, Isabella Walton (IV) Pentathlon: 4, Anthony Carrington (IV); 6, Daniel Chae (I); 8, Amy Chen (IV); 3, Andrew Coffee (IV); 7, Natalie Diaz (II); 5, Adam Goldstein (III); 5, Molly Hemenway (V); 7, Owen Hoffman (IV); 4, Nolan Kataoka (III); 5, Sienna Lotenberg (IV); 9, Lauren Mostrom (IV); 2, Bobbie Sheng (III); 9, Bill Tang (II); 10, Jason Tufano (II); 5, Renee Wah (III); 8, Robert Wharton (V); 9, Alana Whitman (V); 5, John Wilkes (III) Reading Comprehension: 8, Anthony Carrington (Poetry IV); 4, Bradford Case (II); 4, Daniel Chae (I); 3, Amy Chen (Poetry IV); 4, Valerie Chen (I); 8, Sandy Cho (II); 9, Rachel Chon (II); 7, David Chu (Poetry V); 1, Andrew Coffee (Poetry IV); 7, Marisa Duong (Prose III); 7, Josh Fang (Prose III); 2, Sara Felsen (Poetry IV); 9, Anshula Gandhi (Prose III); 4, Emma Hastings (Poetry IV); 4, Alison Hau (II); 9, Molly Hemenway (Poetry V); 10, Bryan Higgins (Poetry V); 10 IV); 2, Owen Hoffman (Poetry IV); 7, Jeff Horowitz (Prose III); 9, Chloe How (II); 10, Jessica Hu (II); 10, Catherine Im (II); 3, Nolan Kataoka (Prose III); 9, Peter Kim (Prose III); 7, Jackie Lee (Poetry V); 7, Michelle Lee (Poetry V); 10, Lucia Lee (Poetry V); 9, Veronica Lee (Poetry IV); 1, Sienna Lotenberg (Prose IV); 8, Aly Luckett (I); 5, Patrick Maribojoc (Poetry V); 9, Lauren Mostrom (Poetry IV); 6, Anwar Omeish (Poetry IV); 10, Lucia Lee (Poetry IV); 10, Lucia Lee (Poetry IV); 10, Lucia Lee (Poetry IV); 11, Sienna Lotenberg (Prose IV); 12, Aly Luckett (IV); 13, Aly Luckett (IV); 14, Aly Luckett (IV); 15, Aly Luckett (IV); 16, Anwar Omeish (Poetry IV); 17, Aly Luckett (IV); 18, Aly Luckett (IV); 19, Lucia Lee (Poetry IV); 19, Lucia Lee (Poetry IV); 10, Aly Luckett (IV); 10, IV); 5, Michael Rodriquez (II); 2, Emily Schneider (Prose III); 10, Hyae-In Seo (Poetry V); 6, Bobbie Sheng (Prose III); 8, Michelle Shiu (Poetry IV); 4, Bill Tang (II); 9, Jason Thomas (II); 6, Robert Wharton (Poetry IV); 10, Hyae-In Seo (Poetry IV); 11, Hyae-In Seo (Poetry IV); 12, Hyae-In Seo (Poetry IV); 13, Hyae-In Seo (Poetry IV); 14, Hyae-In Seo (Poetry IV); 15, Hyae-In Seo (Poetry IV); 16, Hyae-In Seo (Poetry IV); 17, Hyae-In Seo (Poetry IV); 18, Hyae-In Seo (Poetry IV); 19, Hyae-In Seo (Poetry I V); 3, Alana Whitman (Poetry V); 10, John Wilkes (Prose III); 8, Kevin Zeng (Poetry V) Latin Literature: 4, Orchi Banerjee (III); 6, Lucia Lee (V); 3, Lauren Mostrom (IV); 7, Patrick O'Connor (V); 2, Hyae-In Seo (V); 2, Bobbie Sheng (III); 8, Michelle Shiu (IV); 6, Alana Whitman (V) Roman History: 3, Adam Goldstein (III); 6, Emma Hastings (IV); 7, Jeff Horowitz (III); 8, Peter Kim (II); 3, Devin Kim (I); 7, William Lucht (IV); 8, Aly Luckett (I); 3, Patrick Maribojoc (V); 2, Lauren Mostrom (IV); 7, Michael Nguyen (V); 1, Hyae-In Seo (V); 9, John Wilkes (III) Latin Derivatives: 6, Anthony Carrington (IV); 5, Bradford Case (II); 1, Michelle Chen (V); 10, Rachel Chon (II); 2, Andrew Coffee (IV); 10, Anant Das (II); 3, Jay Devanathan (III); 9, Sara Felsen (IV); 6, Adam Goldstein (III); 8, Jay Gupta (I), 9, Alison Hau (II); 3, Molly Hemenway (V); 4, Owen Hoffman (IV); 9, Jessica Hu (II); 8, Catherine Im (II); 10, Alexis Jenkins (II); 4, Nolan Kataoka (III); 4, Peter Kim (II); 8, Lucia Lee (V); 5, Veronica Lee (IV); 3, Semele Liu (IV); 2, Sienna Lotenberg (IV); 8, William Lucht (IV); 7, Anwar Omeish (IV); 2, Janice Ong (III); 3, Michael Rodriquez (II); 8, Emily Schneider (III); 5, Bobbie Sheng (III); 8, Michelle Shiu (IV); 2, Matthew Sun (I); 6, Bill Tang (II); 10, Jason Tufano (II); 10, Kaushik Venkatesh (II); 3, Renee Wah (III); 1, Robert Wharton (V); 4, Alana Whitman (V); 10, Eric Xie (IV); 8, Kevin Zeng (V) Latin Grammar: 5, Daniel Chae (I); 5, Amy Chen (IV); 10, Valerie Chen (I); 1, Andrew Coffee (IV); 10, Natalie Diaz (II); 9, Sara Felsen (IV); 8, Remy Freire (II); 6, Jay Gupta (I); 6, Alison Hau (II); 6, Molly Hemenway (V); 4, Owen Hoffman (IV); 6, Jeff Horowitz (III); 9, Nolan Kataoka (III); 8, Wade Kovalik (II); 10, Michelle Lee (V); 7, Semele Liu (V); 2, Sienna Lotenberg (IV); 8, Aly Luckett (I); 5, Anwar Omeish (IV); 4, Janice Ong (III); 5, Emily Schneider (III); 10, Aneesh Susarla (I); 5, Bill Tang (II); 5, Jason Tufano (II); 10, Kaushik Venkatesh (II); 7, Renee Wah (III); 3, Robert Wharton (V); 8, Alana Whitman (V); 5, Kevin Zeng (V) Mythology: 1, Anthony Carrington (IV); 8, Daniel Chae (I); 10, Valerie Chen (I); 3, Adam Goldstein (III); 10, Catherine Im (II); 9, Nolan Kataoka (III); 4, Peter Kim (II); 5, Janice Ong (III); 4, Michelle Shiu (IV) Ancient Geography: 5, Bradford Case (I); 7, Remy Freire (II); 9, Kenneth Hau (IV); 7, Jeff Horowitz (III); 10, Jessica Hu (II); 4, Devin Kim (I); 6, William Lucht (IV); 7, Tommy Lunn (IV); 2, Patrick Maribojoc (V); 4, Lauren Mostrom (IV); 8, Michael Rodriquez (II); 7, Kevin Zeng (V) Mottoes: 9, Alan Barte (IV); 4, Anthony Carrington (IV); 6, Morgan Cheatham (V); 6, Amy Chen (IV); 5, Sandy Cho (II); 6, Rachel Chon (II); 9, David Chu (V); 1, Andrew Coffee (IV); 4, Jessica Covan (III); 3, Anant Das (II); 4, Jay Devanathan (III); 6, Natalie Diaz (II); 10, Josh Fang (III); 8, Sara Felsen (IV); 7, Remy Freire (II); 7, Adam Friedman (IV); 7, Anshula Gandhi (III); 5, Emma Hastings (IV); 2, Molly Hemenway (V); 3, Owen Hoffman (IV); 5, Jeff Horowitz (III); 7, Chloe How (II); 7, Catherine Im (II); 5, Alexis Jenkins (II); 3, Nolan Kataoka (III); 1, Devin Kim (I); 10, Alexander Kim (V); 7, Wade Kovalik (II); 9, Michelle Lee (V); 9, Lucia Lee (V); 2, Sienna Lotenberg (IV); 6, Anwar Omeish (IV); 2, Emily Schneider (III); 4, Hyae-In Seo (V); 6, Bobbie Sheng (III); 4, Noah Shin (II); 8, Care Shoaibi (IV); 9, Jessica Sun (III); Aneesh Susarla (II); 8, Bill Tang (II); 6, Jonathan Towne (III); 8, Ricardo Tucker (IV); 4, Jason Tufano (II); 7, Sam Veroneau (II); 5, Renee Wah (III); 5, Robert Wharton (V); 3, Alana Whitman (V); 7, John Wilkes (III); 9, Eric Xie (IV); 9, Edith Zhang (III) Latin Vocabulary: 3, Daniel Chae (I); 5, Amy Chen (IV); 10, Valerie Chen (I); 5, David Chu (V); 2, Andrew Coffee (IV); 10, Natalie Diaz (II); 10, Marisa Duong (III); 9, Anshula Gandhi (III); 3, Jay Gupta (I); 6, Emma Hastings (IV); 8, Alison Hau (II); 9, Molly Hemenway (V); 1, Owen Hoffman (IV); 6, Wade Kovalik (II); 8, Veronica Lee (IV); 3, Semele Liu (IV); 7, Sienna Lotenberg (IV); 5, Aly Luckett (I); 10, Lauren Mostrom (IV); 4, Anwar Omeish (IV); 2, Janice Ong (III); 10, Joseph Park (IV); 5, Michael Rodriquez (II); 8, Emily Schneider (III); 7, Hyae-In Seo (V); 7, Matthew Sun (I); 1, Jonathan Towne (III); 3, Robert Wharton (V); 10, Alana Whitman (V); 9, Kevin Zeng (V)

#### **GRAPHIC ARTS**

Charcoal: 3, Semele Liu (12); 1, Michael Nguyen (12); 2, Michelle Shiu (11) Felt Pen: 2, Jackie Lee (12); 3, Michael Nguyen (12) Ink: 2, Morgan Cheatham (12); 7, Alexander Kim (12); 3, Semele Liu (12); 1, Michael Nguyen (12); 1, Janice Ong (10); 2, Jason Thomas (9) Mixed: 5, Alan Barte (12); 1, Ji Whae Choi (11); 1, Janice Ong (10); 6, Michelle Shiu (11); 3, Edith Zhang (10) Oil: 1, Michael Nguyen (12) Color Pencil: 1, Daniel Chae (9); 5, Adam Goldstein (10); 1, Jessica Hu (10); 3, Christine Li (9); 3, Jeong-In Seo (10) Pastel: 4, Christine Li (9); 2, Semele Liu (12); 1, Michael Nguyen (12) Pencil: 10, Daniel Chae (9); 2, Rachel Chon (10); 10, Josh Fang (11); 6, Emma Hastings (11); 6, Sangwon Kim (12); 2, Veronica Lee (11); 2, Michael Nguyen (12) Watercolor: 3, Semele Liu (12); 2, Michael Nguyen (12) Cartoon: 3, Morgan Cheatham (12); 10, Sandy Cho (10); 4, Ricardo Tucker (11); 1, Sam Veroneau (10) Chart: 7 Josh Fang (11); 4, Alexis Jenkins (10) Children's Book: 4, Matthew Sun (9); 4, Sam Veroneau (10) Greeting Card: 1, Annabelle Chang (12); 1, Amy Chen (12); 2, Sandy Cho (10); 5, David Chu (12); 1, Alison Hau (9); 8, Jessica Hu (10); 6, Catherine Im (9); 4, Semele Liu (12); 6, Anwar Omeish (11); 3, Bobbie Sheng (10) Illustrated Quote: 3, Annabelle Chang (12); 6, Alexis Jenkins (10); 1, Wade Kovalik (9); 3, Noah Shin (10); 7, Katherine Yang (10) Map: 5, Bradford Case (9); 2, Daniel Chae (9); 1, Natalie Diaz (10); 2, Alexander Kim (12); 6, Tommy Lunn (11); 6, Joseph Park (12); 2, Nathan Riopelle (9); 4, Jonathan Towne (11); 10, Kaushik Venkatesh (9) Poster: 1, Annabelle Chang (12); 1, Alison Hau (9) Doll: 4, Ji Whae Choi (11); 1, Jonathan Towne (11) Game: 4, Anshula Gandhi (10); 6, Avand Lakmazaheri (11); 3, Bill Tang (10); 2, Kaushik Venkatesh (9) Jewelry: 2, Marisa Duong (10); 2, Lucia Lee (12); 3, Michelle Shiu (11) Large Model: 2, Michael Nguyen (12); 3, Noah Shin (10) Mosaic: 2, Emily Schneider (11) Ornament: 5, Marisa Duong (10); 3, Anjali Khanna (9); 4, Noah Shin (10) Other Textiles: 1, Amy Chen (12); 6, A

#### **CREATIVE ARTS**

Costume: 9, Nan Baker (9); 8, Maddie Naide (11); 8, Isabella Walton (11) English Oratory: 9, Orchi Banerjee (10); 6, Jessica Covan (10); 2, Adam Friedman (11); 2, Chloe How (9); 1, Matthew Sun (9)

Dramatic Interpretation: 5, Orchi Banerjee (Girls Adv Prose); 1, Robert Wharton (Boys Adv Prose) Latin Oratory: 10, Orchi Banerjee (Adv); 1, Anant Das (II); 6, Jay Devanathan (Adv); 8, Jeff Horowitz (Adv); 10, Nolan Kataoka (Adv); 1, Hyae-In Seo (Adv); 2, Robert Wharton (Adv); 7, Alana Whitman (Adv) Short Story: 1, Emma Hastings (11); 2, Chloe How (9) Sight Latin: 3, Aly Luckett (I); 4, Daniel Chae (I); 2, Jay Gupta (II); 3, Aneesh Susarla (II); 5, Noah Shin (II); 7, Raymond Lemanski (II); 8, Anant Das (II); 10, Tarun Vippa (II); 2, Peter Kim (III); 4, Orchi Banerjee (III); 6, John Wilkes (III); 2, Hyae-In Seo (Adv); 3, Anwar Omeish (Adv); 3, Sienna Lotenberg (Adv); 4, Robert Wharton (Adv)

#### **SWEEPSTAKES**

9th Grade: 7, Daniel Chae; 9, Alison Hau 10th Grade: 5, Adam Goldstein; 9, Noah Shin 11th Grade: 3, Anwar Omeish; 5, Andrew Coffee 12th Grade: Hillary Liu

#### **BEST IN SHOW**

Advanced Derivatives: Amy Chen (12) Reading Comprehension Poetry: Andrew Coffee (11) Grammar (Maureen O'Donnell Award): Andrew Coffee (11) Mythology (Bob Parks Award): Anthony Carrington (11) Dramatic Interpretation: Robert Wharton (12) Latin Oratory: Hyae-In Seo (12) Art: Michael Nguyen (12)

### **Featured Latin Student Profiles**

#### Latin I



Name: Daniel Chae

Grade: 9

Favorite word: cibus Conventions: 1 state

How you started: I thought Latin

would be an interesting language and help my English improve significantly. Additionally, I heard

rumors saying Latin is the best language.

Field of Interest: History, grammar, and vocabulary. Involvement in Latin: Convention and certamen.

Favorite part of Latin: Interactive and lively activities.

Greatest accomplishment: Convention awards.

#### **Latin II**



Name: Anant Das

**Grade:** 10

Favorite word: huc illuc Conventions: 1 state

How you started: I always wanted to

take Latin because it seemed really cool

but my middle school didn't offer it so I took Spanish instead. I'm so happy I switched to Latin here at TJ!

*Field of interest:* Grammar, culture, and history.

Involvement in Latin: Certamen, convention, exams, 8th

period activities.

**Favorite part of Latin:** More involvement equals more fun! **Greatest accomplishment:** 1st place Latin Oratory at VJCL convention.

#### **Latin III**



Name: Marisa Duong

Grade: 10

Favorite word: cuniculus Conventions: 4 state

*How you started:* In 6h grade, I started Latin at Flint Hill because it was required.

It was a really enjoyable experience so continuing in 7th

grade was natural.

*Field of interest:* Grammar and culture.

Involvement in Latin: Certamen, convention, LHS.

Favorite part of Latin: Celebrating interesting holidays

and ceremonies.

**Greatest accomplishment:** I planned to stop taking Latin after this year, but after realizing leaving would be unbearable, I decided to make room for it in my schedule. I regard this decision to continue as my greatest accomplishment.

#### Latin IV (AP)



Name: Owen Hoffman

Grade: 11

Favorite word: reminiscor
Conventions: 1 state, 1 national
How you started: My middle school

didn't offer Latin, so I took Spanish inized that Spanish was not the language

stead. At TJ I realized that Spanish was not the language for me, and Magistra Lister was kind enough to let me

switch into her Latin 1 class!

*Field of Interest:* Grammar and literature.

*Involvement in Latin:* Certamen, convention, et al.

Favorite part of Latin: Community.

**Greatest accomplishment:** Objectively, I think playing in NJCL Certamen finals was pretty big, but I hope that my biggest legacy at TJ will be all the smiles I've shared with my Latin friends.

#### Latin IV (AP)



Name: Hillary (Semele) Liu

Grade: 12

Favorite word: sempiternus Conventions: 4 state, 1 national How you started: Here at TJ.

*Field of Interest:* Myth and derivatives.

*Involvement in Latin:* LHS, conventions, exams, et al. *Favorite part of Latin:* It's the biggest cult in school.

*Greatest accomplishment:* Designing the etymology medal or tying for second place in sweepstakes in junior year.

#### Latin V



*Name:* Angelica Klosky

Grade: 12

Favorite word: coruscans
Conventions: 1 state

How you started: In sixth grade there

was a F/S/L split - French was restricted

and Spanish uninteresting, but I found Latin intriguing. The methodical translation and critical thought about grammar hooked me, and I took Latin all of MS.

*Field of Interest:* Literature, prose *and* poetry. *Involvement in Latin:* LHS, convention, exams.

Favorite part of Latin: The gifting: Nowhere else am I gen-

erous.

**Greatest accomplishment:** Finishing the Aeneid with everyone else. We simply proceeded, my comrades. We simply proceeded.

### Historical Event of the Month(s): Death of Cicero (43 BCE)

On December 7, 43 BCE the prized orator Cicero was killed at Formiae, one of 130 senators killed by Marc Antony's Proscriptions. Cicero, however, received a death like no other. Cicero had given fourteen Philippics attacking Antony, warning the Roman people of his tyrannical intentions. Though Cicero's popularity protected him for a time, his luck eventually ran out. Before he could flee to Macedonia, he was caught, and his head and hands were cut off and displayed on the Rostra in the Forum. Fulvia, Marc Antony's wife, tore out Cicero's tongue and stabbed it with her hairpin. Thus the two things Cicero loved most, his orations and republic, were taken on the same day.

—Lauren Mostrom

### **Upcoming Events**

Sat1/5

Flint Hill Certamen

Wed 2/13 A & B Block

Lupercalia

Wed 2/20 A Block

TJ Certamen Workers' Meeting

Fri 2/22 B Block

TJ Certamen Workers' Meeting

Sat 2/23

TJ Certamen

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Kickoff	8	5	3	4
Classical Cottage	6	5	3	1
Yale	/	/	/	4
Riverbend	4	4	2	5

### **Bimonthly Challenge**

Translate each article headline of this *Scribe* edition into Latin.

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# Mythology Sign of the Month(s): Sagittarius (11/22–12/21)

If you were a mythological hero, and you needed training, it wouldn't be unreasonable if you sought the aid of the friendly centaur Chiron. One of the wisest beings that ever existed, from his home on Mount Pelion he taught such Greeks as Jason, Aclepius, Actaeon, and Achilles. Though not mythological accurate, for all you Rick Riordan fans, he also taught Percy Jackson at Camp Half-Blood. Unfortunately, however, Chiron suffered an untimely and accidental death after dropping one of Heracles' poisoned arrows on his foot. The poison was so unbearable that Chiron chose death and was placed in the stars by Zeus. His constellation is called Centaurus, or Sagittarius.

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