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Sophomore Arjun Guidroz and senior Bobbie Sheng pose with "Enjoy Virginia JCL" signs at the National Junior Classical League (NJCL) convention.

Welcome to a New Year of TJ Latin!

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For more information, visit our award-winning website at <http://activities.tjhsst.edu/latin/Home.html>.

Greetings, my fellow comrades, and welcome to the new year at Jefferson, where we can continue to fulfill and pursue our love for Latin. We have very exciting events lined up for our speedy Certaminatores, history buffs, and passionate convention goers, so be ready to dive in for another great year!

This year's Virginia Junior Classical League (VJCL) convention theme is from Vergil's *Aeneid* and is Magistra Conklin's personal theme—"Tu ne cede malis, sed contra audentior ito," which translates to "yield not to misfortunes, but advance all the more boldly against them." I believe these words will be the beacon of hope as we suffer through sleepless nights, struggle through tall piles of homework, and finish our VJCL graphic arts projects the night before the convention.

As editor of *The Scribe* this year, I'm very excited to follow the footsteps of Anwar Omeish and Emma Hastings, and continue the glory of our award-winning newsletter. However, in order to make *The Scribe* even more accessible to the LHS community, please feel free to submit anything you want. Have an opinion? Want to make an announcement? Wish to feature your amazing artwork and cartoons? Please share it with us, because we want to hear your voice and further enhance the newsletter of LHS.

— Sandy Cho, 2014-15 TJ LHS Editor

officer profiles

Meet the 2014-15 Officers

On Monday, September 22, after an open forum and tasty ice cream social, Latin Honor Society (LHS) members cast their votes for this year's officers in the annual elections. After tallying up the votes, sixteen members now currently serve on the Executive Board.

Consuls (2)

Senior members of LHS Executive Board. Co-plan and run all activities. Do anything they are told to do by teachers.



Name: Orchi Banerjee

Grade, Level: 12, V

Favorite author: Catullus

Favorite word: diva

Personal statement: "My Latina familia is filled with amazing people who I am fortunate enough to call my friends; I want to share the spirit and joys of Latin with all students in the program!"



Name: Nolan Kataoka

Grade, Level: 12, V

Favorite author: Catullus

Favorite word: amemus

Personal statement: "Rome is the foundation upon which Western civilization is founded."

Praetor Maximus

Organizes publicity and community service. Monitors NJCL Service Activities and reports them to the Executive Board.



Name: Michael Rodriguez

Grade, Level: 11, AP

Favorite author: Propertius

Favorite word: canicula

Personal statement: "Latin is life and life is Latin, whether or not you wished it to happen."

Praetor Magnus

Organizes spirit. Assists with event themes. Works with Praetor Maximus on community service and publicity.



Name: Edith Zhang

Grade, Level: 12, AP

Favorite author: Vergil

Favorite word: audax

Personal statement: "TJ Latin is one great family and I'm excited to make it hype and exciting this year."

Censor

Takes notes at all Executive Board meetings. Advertises all events for the LHS. Keeps attendance.



Name: Daniel Chae

Grade, Level: 11, AP

Favorite author: Catullus

Favorite word: lux

Personal statement: "Aut viam inveniam aut faciam."

Tribune

Schedules and organizes accessible record of tutors and service. Works with magistrale to plan session dates.



Name: Peter Kim

Grade, Level: 12, V

Favorite author: Catullus

Favorite word: magnopere

Personal statement: "Glad to be part of the Board, let's make this a great year (u all my baes)."

Reges Certaminis (3)

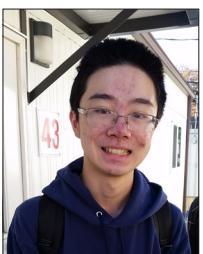
Attend 8th period Certamen sessions. Share lunch sessions with other reges. Attend Certamina throughout the year.



Name: Junyoung Hwang
Grade, Level: 11, AP
Favorite author: Catullus
Favorite word: fossa
Personal statement: "Victory or Death!"



Name: Min Jae Kwon
Grade, Level: 11, AP
Favorite author: Catullus
Favorite word: stella
Personal statement: "Don't make yourself feel miserable and stay positive."



Name: Bill Tang
Grade, Level: 11, AP
Favorite author: Catullus
Favorite word: acer
Personal statement: "It is sweet and fitting to die for Latin."

Dominus Telae

Updates website after each LHS event by adding pictures and text. Submits website to NJCL contests.



Name: Matthew Sun
Grade, Level: 11, AP
Favorite author: Catullus
Favorite word: apes
Personal statement: "Latin has truly been one of the best things about TJ, and I'm so excited for my duties as webmaster!"

Artifices (3)

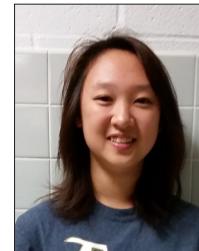
Create scrapbooks for conventions, TJ Latin T-Shirt, and ads. Work with Praetor Magnus on banner.



Name: Rachel Chon
Grade, Level: 12, V
Favorite author: Catullus
Favorite word: umquam
Personal statement: "After being a part of TJ Latin for so long, I am excited to be able to give back and help organize all of the Latin events that I had the opportunity of participating in throughout the years!"



Name: Jeong-In Seo
Grade, Level: 12, AP
Favorite author: Vergil
Favorite word: nondum
Personal statement: "I hope this year goes slowly because I want to enjoy my last year as an artifex and as a member of a very wonderful society as much as possible."



Name: Bobbie Sheng
Grade, Level: 12, V
Favorite author: Catullus
Favorite word: ubiubi
Personal statement: "I'm honored to be serving my second term as artifex! I'll make sure the spirit of TJ Latin is captured through our scrapbook and photos."

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Auctor

Writes bimonthly newsletters for the Latin program and articles for the PTSA. Manages publicity and officer reports.



Name: Sandy Cho

Grade, Level: 12, AP

Favorite author: Vergil

Favorite word: prima luce

Personal statement: "I'm very excited and blessed to work with an amazing group of people and write for *The Scribe* this year!"



Senior officers in Latin V stand with Magistrae Lister and Conklin.

Proconsuls (2)

Assist in leading the TJ delegation. Do anything they are told to do by teachers. Act as consular assistants.



Name: Reem Mohamed

Grade, Level: 12, V

Favorite author: Ovid

Favorite word: qualiscumque

Personal statement: "Taking Latin is one of the few decisions I will never regret, and Ms. Lister and Ms. Conklin are the teachers I'll be telling my grandchildren about."



Name: Aneesh Susarla

Grade, Level: 11, AP

Favorite author: Pliny

Favorite word: modus

Personal statement: "The Latin community here at TJ has given me great joy the past two years, and I look forward to another great Latin filled year!"



Newly elected officers of Latin Honor Society (LHS) pose with flowers at the induction ceremony held on October 22.

TJHSST, VJCL Excel at NJCL Convention

Traveling down to the city also known as "The Big Peach," 21 Jefferson students from all levels of Latin took part in the National Junior Classical League (NJCL) 61st National Convention held at Emory University from July 28 to August 2. From cheering so loudly until throats were sore to participating at the rapid fire Certamen events, students spent an exciting summer at the NJCL Convention with new friends across the country.

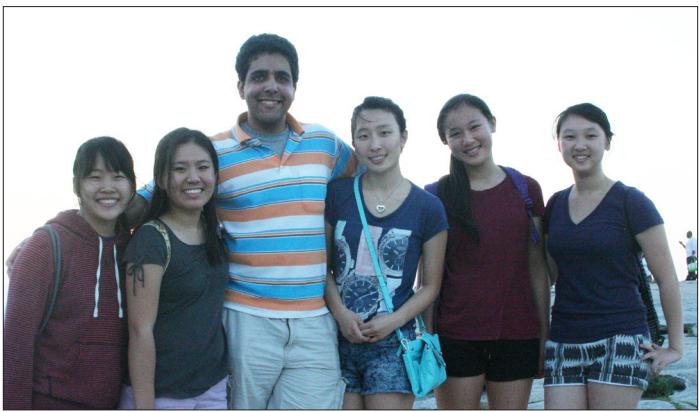
By offering various workshops, competitions, and activities, NJCL Convention is a great opportunity for students to nurture their love for Latin and remain engaged with the community.

After a pre-trip of visiting The World of Coca-Cola, Centennial Olympic Park, Stone Mountain, Martin Luther King, Jr.'s home, church, and museum, and other landmarks of Atlanta, Ga., students competed in various categories of academics, creative arts, graphic arts, and Certamen, bringing glory for Jefferson

by winning top awards.

The large scrapbook, created by artifices seniors Bobbie Sheng and Jessica Hu, won first in the nation, while senior Jeong-In Seo received second place for the state scrapbook she created as Virginia Junior Classical League (VJCL) Historian. Edited by Class of 2014 alumna Emma Hastings, *The Scribe* received fourth place while publicity received 23rd.

"I helped make the scrapbook, so the anticipation for convention started really early," senior Rachel Chon said. "It was really exciting because this was my first national convention after just going to state conventions."



Current seniors Sally Zhou, Rachel Chon, Anant Das, Jeong-In Seo, Jessica Hu, and Bobbie Sheng smile at the camera during the pre-trip.

Several students also received awards overall in the general categories. For overall Creative Arts, Class of 2014 alumnus Jayanth Devanathan received 13th, senior Anant Das received 14th, and sophomore Kristin Myers and Class of 2014 alumnus John Wilkes both received 16th. Class of 2014 alumnus Owen Hoffman received third place in Academics overall and came in 15th place for Overall Sweepstakes.

The Virginia Certamen teams also performed well overall, as the Novice Team, which included sophomore Arjun Guidroz, placed fifth and Advanced Level, which included Hoffman, received third place.

The next 2015 NJCL Convention will be held at Trinity University in San Antonio, Texas from July 27 to August 1, 2015. If interested, stay on the lookout for more details!



Current juniors Junyoung Hwang, Hector Moon, and Min Jae Kwon stand with Class of 2014 alumnus Jayanth Devanathan.

NJCL INDIVIDUAL AWARDS

Category: Place, Name (Level)

ACADEMICS

Greek Derivatives: 10, Anthony Carrington (V+); 8, Anwar Omeish (V+) **Greek Life & Literature:** 6, Emma Hastings (V+) **Reading Comprehension:** 3, Andrew Coffee (Poetry V+); 6, Andrew Coffee (Prose V+); 9, Emma Hastings (Poetry V+); 3, Owen Hoffman (Poetry V+); 8, Hector Moon (II); 5, Lauren Mostrom (Prose V+); 6, Lauren Mostrom (Poetry V+); 10, Anwar Omeish (Poetry V+); 9, Bobbie Sheng (Poetry IV) **Latin Derivatives:** 7, Andrew Coffee (V+); 1, Owen Hoffman (V+); 16, Hector Moon (II); 19, Lauren Mostrom (V+) **Latin Vocabulary:** 8, Andrew Coffee (V+); 9, Emma Hastings (V+); 3, Owen Hoffman (V+) **Latin Grammar:** 5, Andrew Coffee (V+); 5, Arjun Guidroz (I); 11, Owen Hoffman (V+) **Roman Life:** 9, Anwar Omeish (V+) **Roman History:** 1,6, Owen Hoffman (V+); 9, Lauren Mostrom (V+) **Latin Literature:** 2, Owen Hoffman (V+) **Mythology:** 1, Anthony Carrington (V+); **Classical Art:** 4, Emma Hastings (V+); 9, Bobbie Sheng (IV) **Ancient Geography:** 4, Lauren Mostrom (V+) **Mottoes:** 13, Andrew Coffee (V+); 10, Jayanth Devanathan (IV); 9, Emma Hastings (V+); 1, Owen Hoffman (V+) **Academic Heptathlon:** 6, Anthony Carrington (V+); 1, Owen Hoffman (V+)

CERTAMEN

Open Certamen: 4, Anthony Carrington (Advanced) **Certamen:** 5, Arjun Guidroz (Novice); 3, Owen Hoffman (Advanced)

CREATIVE ARTS

Dramatic Interp.: 4, Jayanth Devanathan (Poetry Boys) **Essay:** 7, Anthony Carrington (12 Boys); 5, Jayanth Devanathan (12 Boys); 7, Emma Hastings (12 Girls); 5, Kristin Myers (9 Girls); 10, Anwar Omeish (12 Girls) **Latin Oratory:** 3, Anant Das (III); 6 **Sight Latin:** 8, Orchi Banerjee (Prose Girls); 7, Anant Das (Prose Boys); 5, Jayanth Devanathan (Poetry Boys); 10, Emma Hastings (Prose Girls); 5, John Wilkes (Prose Boys)

GRAPHIC ARTS

Charts: Constructed: 4, Orchi Banerjee (11-12); 1, Bobbie Sheng (11-12) **Maps: Constructed:** 3, Orchi Banerjee (11-12) **Mixed Media:** 4, Zara Batalvi (7-9) **Traditional Photo:** 10, Anant Das (11); **Black Pencil:** 6, Rachel Chon (11-12); 4, Junyoung Hwang (10) **Watercolor:** 2, Jessica Hu (11-12) **Computer Photo:** 4, Zara Batalvi (7-9); 9, Sally Zhou (11) **Traditional Scrapbook:** 1, Rachel Chon (Large); 1, Jessica Hu (Large); 2, Jeong-In Seo (State)

Mythological Creatures Come to Life

Medusa, Aeolus, and Cyclops, oh my! On October 29, Latin Honor Society (LHS) members brought mythological creatures back to life as pumpkins at the annual Mythological Pumpkins event.



Seniors Emily Rogers and Jason Hu paint a pumpkin version of Aeolus, King of the Winds.

By the end of the eighth period activity, pumpkins decorated in pom-poms, pipe cleaners, glitter glue, feathers, and other crafts filled the room. LHS Artifices walked around, judging the pumpkins, naming the winners and pinning ribbons of the six awards available: Cutest, Scariest, Best of Show, Most Creative, Most Artistic, and Funniest.

"All of the pumpkins were so different," senior Jeong-In Seo, one of the artifices, said. "I was impressed by how fast students came up with the ideas and made the pumpkins in one block."

Mythological Pumpkins was



Students painted various pumpkins, such as the dragon above, using the craft materials available.

a great success for those who desired to spread cheer and flex their creative muscles at one of the most beloved activities sponsored by LHS.

LHS Inducts New Members in Ceremony

A hush descended upon the newest inductees of Latin Honor Society (LHS) as they watched senior officers light candles to symbolize each level of Latin and usher in a solemn atmosphere of respect.

On October 22, LHS held the annual induction ceremony, initiating new members into the society. In order to join, students in their third year of Latin must maintain a B+ average and exhibit a passion for the language and culture of the Ancient Romans. In addition, LHS members must tutor students of lower levels for at least two sessions, extending their knowledge and enthusiasm to their peers.

This year, 69 students were inducted, bringing membership to a total of 149 students.

"I'm really excited for the upcoming year and various activities," junior Daniel Chae said.

LHS inductees this year were Katherine Ahn, Shruti Anant, Douglas Andre, Seung-Ho Bae, Akshay Balaji, Aaryan Balu, Zara Batalvi, William Bax-

ley, Saloni Bhargava, Sanjeevani Bhavsar, Jonathan Burkle, Daniel Chae (officer), Habeen Chang, Udeyvir Cheema, Valerie Chen, Neil Chiruvella, Siddhartha Edara, Juliana Gruver, Arjun Guidroz, Aarushi Gulati, Dhruv Gupta, Mohh Gupta, Ryan Haynie, Sam Hsiang, Andrew Huang, Alana Hull, Seorin Jeong, Amrutha Kadali, Ahnaf Khan, Annam Khan, Jillian Khoo, Dong Gyu Kim, Kyoung Min Kim, Shivam Kollur, Seung Kweon, Jihyeong Lee, Eric Liu, Alison Luckett, Rebecca Mays, Andrea Michael, Evelyn Mo, Hector Moon, Christopher Morris, Kristin Myers, Prathik Naidu, Helen Ngov, Christina Oh, Jami Park, Robin Park, Tarun Punnoose, Shruti Ray, Ahad Rizvi, Mykyta Semichew, Anshu Sharma, Vikram Shivakumar, Aakash Shukla, Molly Smullen, Alexandra Soccio-Mallon, Wonseok Song, Taejas Srinivasan, Katie Tam, Sashank Thupukari, Sean Tran, Avinash Tummala, Sahithya Vishwanath, Christine Wang, Ruyan Zhang, Haicheng Zhao, and Haimeng Zhao.



Sophomore Anshu Sharma receives a Flower of Knowledge.

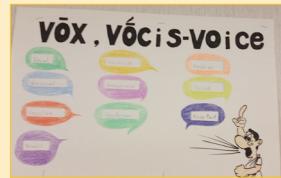


Senior Reem Mohamed lights a candle as the spirit of Latin I.

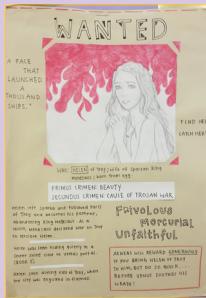
QUID NOVI?

LATIN I

- Created noun posters
- Learning body parts in Latin and basics of grammar



AP LATIN



- Translating Book II of Vergil's *Aeneid*
- Created "Wanted" posters on characters featured in Book I
- Recently held Vergil's Iustitatio

LATIN II

- Created pennants for chariot racing
- Learned all the declensions



- Held Roman Wedding in each classs
- Learned various ceremonies
- Started translating real Latin
- Began working on map project

LATIN III

LATIN V

- Currently translating Ovid's *Amores* and *Metamorphoses*
- Finished translating Catullus's 1-11



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