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#### ACL/NJCL

**National Latin Exam** application postmark deadline is January 20!

See NLE website for information and application www.nle.org

### ACL Institute 2017 June 29-July 1

Grand Rapids, Michigan

Call for papers and workshops. Deadline for submission January 15th

See www.aclclassics.org for further information

### Pompeii comes to life in a NEH classroom

Imagine teleporting back in time to ancient Pompeii and experiencing the noise, the color, and the sights of the city. This summer, sixteen lucky Latin teachers delved into these realities through an NEH Seminar created by Matthew Panciera, Professor of Gustavus Adolphus College in St. Peter, Minnesota. Four of these lucky teachers were from Virginia: Adriene Cunningham, Krysten Schmerback, Megan Rebman, and Cameron Koon. Not only did these teachers closely examine primary written and archaeological sources about daily life in Rome, they also had the opportunity to discuss and explore the impact these resources could have in the classroom setting.

The three-week program centered around the culture, social life, and writings of the citizens of Pompeii. Morning sessions included translation from Petronius' Satryica and mini-lectures about daily life in a Roman city. Teachers discussed almost every aspect of daily life from slavery to prostitution and dining to bathing, relying on Latin textual evidence, archaeological discoveries and support from scholarly articles. In the afternoon, the group worked to read and interpret graffiti, incised inscriptions, and pinti, painted signs, from the walls of houses and public buildings. Despite the challenge of transliterating, interpreting graffiti shorthand and reading the other-worldly handwriting of real Pompeiians, these sessions were often the most revelatory. Krystyn Schmerbeck, a participant from Virginia, explains, "By studying Roman life through the lens of graffiti, I realized for the first time how diverse the experiences of Romans in that time could be, as well as the degree to which literacy was prevalent, even among slaves, freedmen and women. Our classroom resources and textbooks often provide insight about the life of Roman elite, without supplying students concrete, unbiased evidence about the 'average' Roman."

Professor Panciera further enhanced the seminar by inviting three guest lecturers to share their expertise. The guest lectures were Professor Beth Severy-Hoven of Macalester College who has published a Latin reader for the *Satyrica*, Rebecca Benefiel of Washington and Lee University, an expert on graffiti, and Jeremy Hartnett of Wabash College who specializes in archaeology and social history. The insightful discussions that stemmed from this gathering of Latin teachers and classical scholars was highly stimulating to all the participants.

The seminar culminated in presentations by each participant about how they would implement some of what they learned in the seminar into their classrooms.

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## CAV PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Salvete, omnes! The leaves are swirling down from the trees and the heat of this past summer is ebbing away. Autumn has finally come to the beautiful Old Dominion! Yet, as the seasons turn, time marches on and we are approaching the end of the first semester in college and approaching the holidays in our schools. Our annual renewal of students and classes marches on, and as we progress, there have been new techniques, new projects, new authors, and new texts. We should not settle and be comfortable only with what has worked or sufficed in the past.



Speaking of something new, the CAV is taking a big step into the 21<sup>st</sup> century by adding and activating an online payment option for membership and our various contests. Soon you will be able to use this new option. Let us know how we can make things easier and more convenient for you!

In that view, I am encouraging all members to try something new. Branch out and add something new to your program. The Classical Association of Virginia offers several opportunities for your students to test their knowledge and express their interests and research. Give serious consideration to offering the annual Latin Tournament at your school. Sure, it's a challenging exam, but aim high and encourage your students to rise to the challenge! Announce to your students the annual Classical Essay and Latin Essay contests. The directors of these writing contests offer topics which are interesting and applicable to your students. Heck, even offer one or both of these opportunities as an assignment; you just might be surprised at the results!

I strongly encourage all members to nominate your colleagues for our various awards and recognitions. Take a look at our website and read the available options: The Lurlene W. Todd Teacher of the Year Award for outstanding teaching on the middle school, high school, or collegiate level; The Angela P. Lloyd Book Award for outstating teacher, efforts, and service to the profession; and The Wayne Wray CAV Student Scholarship for that outstanding Latin student on his or her way to college. There are numerous members truly deserving of recognition. We are also in need of positive and inspiring coverage in the media. Let's toot our horns and make the world more aware of the status of classics in Virginia. Conversely, it is truly a sad shame when these recognitions go unawarded in the spring for lack of a nomination.

I hope you have a great end to the first semester and enjoy the rest and beauty of the holidays!

Curate ut valeatis! Mark

#### NEH continued from p. 1

The ideas, projects and frank discussions about teaching was as valuable to the participants as the knowledge gained from each day's activities. "Most Latin teachers are the sole Classicists in their building. The camaraderie and shared expertise in a room full of sixteen Latin teachers rejuvenated my passion for teaching this material to students. I can already see how this seminar has affected my teaching and my students' engagement," said Cameron Koon of Western Albemarle High School in Charlottesville.

## Camraderie at UVA Fall Meeting



CAV attendees at UVA



Kevin Perry, Jacquelyn Wilkins, and Nikki Carroll



Jon Mickelson and Cliff Broeniman

## CAV EXECUTIVE

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## The Latin Essay Contest Spring 2017

- The contest is free and open to students of middle and high school Latin in the Commonwealth of Virginia whose teachers are current members of the Classical Association of Virginia.
- All entries must be submitted through the Latin teacher, who is asked to verify each student's level of Latin.
- Essays must be written entirely in Latin and must be on the subject prescribed for the level of Latin the contestant is taking.

First-year Latin

De Baccho et Ariadna

(100–200 words)

Second-year Latin

De morte C. Iulii Caesaris

(150–250 words)

Advanced Latin

De negotiis mercatorum Romanorum in urbe et peregre
(200–300 words)

Receipt Deadline: Monday, April 3, 2017

Teachers should send students' Latin Essays to:

John F. Miller
Department of Classics
University of Virginia
B018 Cocke Hall, PO Box 400788
Charlottesville, VA 22904–4788

#### **RULES**

- 1. Each essay should have a cover sheet which includes:
  - a) The full name of the contestant:
  - b) Full home address;
  - c) Name of Latin teacher;
  - d) Name and address of school.
- 2. The contestant's name should appear in the upper right-hand corner of the essay.
- 3. No help from any person is permitted in the preparation of this essay. Reference books may be used, such as those on grammar, dictionaries, and volumes on ancient literature and culture. Provide a bibliography of any works consulted at the end of the essay.
- 4. Judging will be based both upon the content of the essay and on Latin usage, but the correctness of the Latin will be the most important single factor. Contestants should make a conscious effort to incorporate as many as possible of the new syntactical features of the Latin language that they have encountered for the first time in the level of Latin for which they are currently enrolled.
- 5. The names of the winners in each competition and of those receiving honorable mention will be announced at the spring meeting of the CAV in May. Entries will not be returned after judging. By entering this competition students are giving the CAV permission to publish their names and/or essays in any of the official publications. This permission is given unless a student makes a written request to the contrary.

Encourage your students to participate!

## **The Classical Essay Contest 2017**

- The CAV Classical Essay Contest is designed to recognize those students who have submitted outstanding essays in English on a topic appropriate to each level or class.
- The contest is open to students in the public and private middle and high schools of Virginia, and homeschoolers, whose teachers are **current** members of the Classical Association of Virginia.
- Essays shall be submitted **in English** on the following topics in the following divisions:

Level 1: Thermae Romanae: A Day at the Roman Bath House

Level 2: Panem et Circenses: The Life of a Roman Gladiator

<u>Level 3</u>: Memoria et Monumenta: Arches, Columns, Tombs, and Other Monuments in the City of Rome <u>Advanced Latin (Level 3+)</u>

Vergil: Qualis in Eurotae ripis aut per iuga Cynthi/exercet Diana choros: Explore the Characterization of Dido in Book 1 of the Aeneid

History: Explore the Tone of Pliny the Younger's Letter 6.16, the Eruption of Vesuvius

Poetry: Militat omnis amans: Explore the Tension Between Love and War in Ovidian Poetry

As before: Students who are in their third year of Latin who choose to do the general third year topic will be judged only with other Third Year students. They may also submit an essay in one of the advanced topics.

Essays should be roughly 1000 words, typed double space on single sides of the page.

The first page of the essay may include a title. The student's name should not appear on any page of the essay, and the pages of the essay should be numbered.

Each entry must come with a <u>COVER PAGE</u> (it is recommended that contestants use the <u>COVER SHEET</u> **FORM** available on the CONTESTS section of the CAV webpage). The COVER PAGE shall include:

- Name and home address of the contestant;
- Name and address of the school:
- Name of the teacher:
- Year of Latin studied in '13 '14 (1st, 2nd, etc.);
- Student grade level;
- level of contest;
- Essay topic

#### Full information: www.cavclassics.org/contests.htm

- 1) Participants may email the essay to me directly as an attachment. (nadiaghosheh@gmail.com)
- 2) Participants may mail it to me at the following address:

Nadia Ghosheh Director of CAV Classical Essay Contest 5809 Chase Commons Ct, Apt 205 Burke, VA 22015

Postmark deadline: Friday February 24th

The fee is \$2.00 per student. Ineligible entries will be discarded. Teachers who are not members of CAV should send their \$15.00 dues with the entrance fee. Make checks payable to the Classical Association of Virginia.

<u>Please note:</u> Students, unless they make a written request otherwise, are giving the CAV permission to publish their names and work in any official publications. Winners will be announced and prizes awarded at the Spring meeting.

## The Classical Association of Virginia

The Eighty-Seventh Annual Latin Tournament

#### **EXAMINATIONS:**

The exams are designed to test the student's mastery of the Latin language and, in the case of the upper level exams, some basic literary matter at that particular level of study. Exams will consist of questions on vocabulary, forms, syntax, (where appropriate) rhetorical and poetic devices, and reading passages for translation to show active and accurate comprehension. Each exam will include 75 multiple-choice questions and a 25-point Latin passage for translation into English.

#### **TESTS OFFERED:**

There are five tests offered, depending on the level of the student. A syllabus for each exam may be found on the CAV website. The tests are:

- Latin One
- Latin Two
- Advanced Latin Prose: levels 3-4-5+ for non-AP, non-Cicero students
- Caesar: levels 3-4-5+; based upon de Bello Gallico (AP selections) and sight passages
- Advanced Latin Poetry: based upon authors such as Catullus, Ovid, Horace, and other poets

#### **STRUCTURE OF COMPETITION:**

Schools in Virginia may compete in one of three divisions:

- Alpha (secondary and intermediate public schools)
- Beta (independent and private schools)
- Gamma (charter, magnet, and governor's schools)

All teachers entering contestants MUST be members of the CAV.

Not yet a member? Join today!

Non-members may join by sending in dues with the Registration Form. After November 1, 2016, dues are \$20 per person. If this is your first year teaching Latin in Virginia, you are eligible for one year's free membership.

#### **REGISTRATION:**

Teachers must submit their registration by February 15, 2017. Competition fee is \$3.00 per student, non-refundable. *Try the tournament for free your first year!* 

Free registration for any school that is registering for CAV Exams for the first time or that has not registered in the past five years.

#### **SYLLABUS & FURTHER INFORMATION:**

Please visit the CAV website (**www.cavclassics.org**) or email Kevin Jefferson, the Latin Tournament Director (**kevinsjefferson@gmail.com**).

## The Classical Association of Virginia

The Eighty-Seventh Annual Latin Tournament March 20-24, 2017

#### **REGISTRATION FORM**

Please print out this form and type or print the following information. This form must be POSTMARKED no later than February 15, 2017.

School Name:					
School Address:					
School Phone: School Fax:					
Type of School Alpha (public) Beta (independent/private/homeschool)  Highest Latin Level Offered 1 2 3 4 5+					
Beta (independent) Gamma (magnet/g					
Name(s) of Teacher(s) En (ALL listed must be CA)				required), Dues Paid? rst time in VA are "free" men	nbers for this year.)
Name		Email and Home Phone Number (required)		Yes/No/New	
Name and Title of person	to whom tests	and directions will b	oe sent:		
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CAV Membership \$20.00 per teacher (a  Total amoun		fter Nov. 1, 2016)	=	\$	
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early admi	ninistration <b>Ma</b> nistration <b>Marc</b>	arch 20-24, 2017 ch 14-17, 2017	ı weeks,	please contact me to discuss	other options
A check for this amount, <b>February 15, 2017</b> , to th			on of Vi	rginia, must be mailed with the	his form, postmarked <b>by</b>
		5809 Chase Co	Jefferso ommons VA 220	Ct. #205	

He must receive BOTH this form AND your check for your registration to be processed.

kevinsjefferson@gmail.com

## The Angela P. Lloyd Book Award

Nominations for **THE ANGELA LLOYD BOOK AWARD FOR 2017** are open from October 22, 2016 through April 2<sup>rd</sup>, 2017. The nominated teacher should:

- Be a high school or middle school teacher in Virginia (public or private) who is also a member of the Classical Association of Virginia
- Demonstrate commitment to teaching
- Demonstrate excellence in teaching
- Participate in CAV meetings or have students who participate in CAV contests

#### PROCEDURE FOR NOMINATION

Any person may submit a name for consideration by completing the <u>application form</u> and submitting an accompanying letter of nomination. This includes a colleague, supervisor, student (current or former), parent of a student (current or former), or a member of the general community who appreciates the work of a CAV member.

Please limit your comments to one page if possible; do not exceed two pages. The completed application and letter should be emailed as attachments by midnight **April 2, 2017** to **Howard Chang** at <a href="https://hchang.com/hchang/hc

#### CAN'T WRITE A FULL NOMINATION LETTER?

Submit a "micro-nomination" by providing whatever information you can via this online form: <a href="http://tinyurl.com/AngelaLlovd">http://tinyurl.com/AngelaLlovd</a>

The recipient will receive books, which he/she has selected, that will be presented at the spring CAV meeting.

## The Jane Harriman Hall Award

Please consider nominating a member for the Jane Harriman Hall Award for Outstanding Service to the Classical Association of Virginia, which will recognize a member for exemplary service to the organization.

Nominations with supporting information may be made to Fred Franko, the immediate Past President (gfranko@hollins.edu), or to any member of the Executive Committee by February 1, 2017. The selection committee, consisting of the Past President and the two at-large members of the Executive Committee, will make a recommendation to the Executive Committee for approval. The award will be announced at the spring meeting and includes a \$500 prize.

We are continually grateful to Jane for her generous gift and her desire to recognize one of our members.

Previous winners: Sally Davis, Mark Keith, Susan Schearer, and Wayne Wray.

## The Lurlene Todd Teacher of the Year Award

The Lurlene W. Todd Teacher of the Year Award recognizes our outstanding Latin teachers and professors in Virginia. This award is made possible through the generous donation of Wayne W. Wray in honor of his own Latin teacher, <u>Lurlene Walker Todd</u>.

#### Past Recipients

2016 not awarded

2015: Eric Casey, Sweet Briar College

2014: not awarded

2013: Patrick Bradley, Rockbridge County High School

2012: Howard Chang, Flint Hill School

2011: Ian Hochberg, St. Stephen's & St. Agnes School

2010: Katherine "Sue" Robertson, Midlothian High School

2009: not awarded

2008: **Amy Cohen**, Randolph College 2007: **Andrew Becker**, Virginia Tech

2006: **Deborah Mason**, Altavista High School

## The Wayne W. Wray Student Scholarship

The Classical Association of Virginia is pleased to offer a \$500.00 scholarship to the student who best exemplifies the principle on which the organization was founded over a century ago: a love of and promotion of the classics. This award is *not* based on financial need and there may be more than one nominee per school. Any CAV member may nominate a student who is taking or has completed at least four years of Latin (wherever that may fall - 10th, 11th, or 12th grade). Should a sophomore or junior be selected, the scholarship will be held for disbursement until the senior year. The form is available online at **cavclassics.org/awards.htm.** Nominations must be **postmarked** by **March 15, 2017** to:

Donald Brewster (donald.brewster@woodberry.org) 4 Woodberry Station , Woodberry Forest, VA 22989



Shirley Hall and Elizabeth Heimbach enjoyed their time together at the CAV Fall meeting.

## Nuntianda

#### **American Classical League Scholarships**

Awards range from \$250 - \$1500

- Must be a member of ACL for at least 3 consecutive years\*, including this current year and the two preceding years
- ACL scholarship recipients may apply every 4 years
- Funding may include such activities and programs as:
- Purchase of materials from the ACL Teaching Materials and Resource Center
- Expenses connected with enrollment in classes required for Latin Certification
- Bona fide summer study programs at home or abroad
- Registration, room, board and travel for attendance at ACL Institute
- Application deadline January 15
- \*Graduate students and new teachers with less than 3 years experience are exempt.

The <u>application form</u> is a fillable form which you can download. After you have completed the application you may print and send.

For eligibility information contact: The American Classical League Scholarships 860 NW Washington Blvd., Suite A Hamilton OH 45013

(513) 529-7741(513) 529-7741 Fax (513) 529-7742 Email – info@aclclassics.org

#### **CAMWS** awards

Please consider nominating and/or applying for these awards. More information about each award can be found on the CAMWS website: https://camws.org/

Semple, Grant and Benario--January 15, 2017 CAMWS awards for new teachers--January 30, 2017 Stewart Teacher Training and Travel Award--January 30, 2017 CAMWS Travel Grant for High School Groups--January 30, 2017 CPL promotional activities--January 30, 2017 CPL Student Travel--January 30, 2017

### The Christine Fernald Sleeper Educational Travel Award

The Christine Fernald Sleeper Educational Travel Award is designed to support teachers of Latin by encouraging educational travel. This award may be used to enroll in an established program abroad, such as the American Academy in Rome, a trip to a classical site, such as those offered by the Vergilian Society, or an educational trip of one's own design -- something which Christine herself has often advocated.

#### **Application process**

Applications are available at www.nle.org.

Completed applications and recommendation letters should be electronically to sent to: nle@umw.edu

Or mail to: National Latin Exam, 1301 College Avenue, Fredericksburg, VA 22401 **Postmark Deadline for application:**FEBRUARY 14, 2017

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#### **CAV Professional Development Grant**

Do you have a professional development experience in mind for this year? Maybe FLAVA, CAMWS, or other travel plans to help you become even better at spreading your love of the classics to your students? If so, then CAV would love to help you out through its Professional Development Grant. Go to **bit.ly/CAV-Grant** by August 31 to get more information and fill out the online application. Grant recipients will be announced at the fall CAV meeting.

Thanks again to all those who helped raise another \$250 for the grant fund at the spring CAV meeting's silent auction!

#### **CAV Teacher Placement Service**

Do you know of a Latin teaching position in your area? Or are you currently searching for a Latin teaching position? The CAV Placement Service offers a free program to bring together teachers seeking Latin positions in Virginia and schools in Virginia which are seeking Latin teachers. Schools send us listings of their positions, and we send these listings by e-mail to the teachers who have registered with the CAV Placement Service. We provide continuous updates from March until September. If you know of a position available, have the school principal or personnel office get in touch with the service. If you wish a position, send in your name and e-mail address. We ask schools and teachers to contact Jon D. Mikalson by e-mail at: jdm9x@virginia.edu. There are no charges for these services!

# The Mediterranean Society of America, Inc. announces a Seminar on Greeks and Romans in the Bay of Naples May 16-30, 2017

The seminar will be centered in a hotel in Pozzuoli, and participants will visit Pompeii, Capua, Benevento, the Amalfi coast, Capri, and Paestum, among other sites in the area. A detailed itinerary and other information, including costs, can be found on the Society's website: www.mediterranean-society.org



Sally Davis and Jane Crawford enjoy coffee and conversation at the Fall CAV meeting.

Dr. Raymond J. Cormier, *Emeritus*, Longwood University is pleased to announce that his review of: *Virgile. Œuvres complètes*. Newly translated or revised. Edited and translated from the Latin by Jeanne Dion, Philippe Heuzé and Alain Michel. Bilingual edition. Collection Bibliothèque de la Pléiade, n° 603. Pp. 1488. Paris: Gallimard, 2015. ISBN: 9782070116843 is scheduled to appear in a future issue of LATOMUS (Brussels).

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## Deadlines for the CAV News submissions: Aug 1, Nov 1, Mar 1, May 1

## Archaeological Institute of America, Richmond Society 2016-2017 Speaker Series

All lectures will be held on the campus of The University of Richmond 6 pm - Jepson Hall, Room 118 (unless other notice is given) Lectures are free and open to the public. Join members and friends for dinner after the lectures. For reservations, call Art Cassanos 359-8109

February 9, 2017 - Neil Price, University of Uppsala "Women with Weapons? In Search of the Female Viking"

March 16, 2017 - Bjorn Loven, University of Southern Denmark "The Athenian Naval Bases in the Piraeus"

April 20, 2017 - Jorge Bravo, University of Maryland "Lust in the Dust: Erotic Curse Tablets Unearthed at Nemea Greece"

May 18, 2017 BANQUET LECTURE – University of Richmond International Center Commons Fotini Kondyli, University of Virginia, "Byzantine Athens: rediscovering a lost city?"

Information about reservations and the cost of the banquet will be sent out in April 2017.

If you have friends who may be interested in attending our lectures, please provide their contact information, and we will add them to our mailing/e-mail list; send the information to AIA Richmond Society / P O Box 8328 / Richmond, VA 23226 or richmondsocietyaia@gmail.com