

name: Sheldon, Alexandra office: 2nd Vice President

sponsor: Melissa Burgess school: Indian Hill grade: 10

Classics/JCL Experience:

Years of Latin/Greek: **5** State Conventions attended: **2** National Conventions attended: **3** Will you attend all Executive Board Meetings, Fall Forum 2021, and State Convention 2022? (Y/N): **Yes** Will you attend the 2021 National Convention at the University of San Diego in San Diego, California? (Y/N): **Yes**

Experience/Activities:

Club Offices:

Co-President 2020-21

Relevant experience or traits, general and with specifics for the given Office:

- Commitment to OJCL
 - Attended State Convention (2018, 2019)
 - Attended National Convention (2018, 2019, 2020)
 - Numerous Awards for Individual Projects, including 8th Overall Sweepstakes State 2019
 - Participated in Club Projects, including Scrapbook, Music Video, Commercial, Banner, and Skit (2018, 2019, 2020/2021)
- Experience with OJCL Graphic Arts
 - 2nd Overall Graphic Arts State 2019
 - 8th Overall Graphic Arts State 2018
 - Experience with and understanding of Graphic Arts Project Guidelines and Competition
 - Volunteered to assist Middle School students in learning about and creating Graphic Arts projects
- Commitment to Community Service
 - Volunteered for May We Help (a nonprofit dedicated to creating adaptive solutions for people with disabilities) and raised \$1500 through the Magnified Giving Organization for May We Help (2019 - 2020)

- Volunteer Gymnastics Coach, YMCA (2018 2020)
- Organizational Skills
 - Organized and proactive in planning and accomplishing tasks and projects
- Communication Skills
 - Effective communicator with peers and adults

School & non-school related activities/sports/etc.:

Competitive gymnastics (2014 - Present) Cheerleading: Competitive, Football, and Basketball (2020 - Present) Latin Club (2016 - Present) Hiking, Skiing, Camping, Vegan Cooking

Executive Board:

Ability to communicate with students and adults (chaperones, sponsors, teachers):

I am able to communicate with students and adults in a timely and effective manner. I am usually the first person to reach out and make sure tasks are accomplished. I enjoy public speaking and answering questions to clarify others' understanding.

What have you done to understand the duties of the office you are seeking?

I have talked to my sponsor and read both Tullus Dean and Krish Guptas' Guides to running for office. I have also communicated with the current 2nd VP in order to better understand the role of the position.

I am committed to attending all Conventions and Planning Meetings. In addition, I will prepare a printed annual report for State Convention and contribute articles to the OJCL Torch.

Do you have any goals/ideas for the Executive Board and/or the OJCL? Please be specific to the office you are seeking.

I would like to maintain the current successes of the office, and I would also like to help clarify Graphic Arts Guidelines and ensure that submission portals are working properly. In addition, I would like to contribute service ideas that could be accomplished virtually, such as tutoring or general student support. If possible, I would like to develop covid-safe in person service projects.

Why would you like to become a member of the OJCL Executive Board?

I made it a goal to be an Officer when I went to my first State Convention in 2018. I look forward to the opportunity to increase my commitment to the OJCL, utilizing my OJCL experience, organizational abilities, and communication skills as an effective member of the Executive Board. I hope to build on the strong Graphic Arts program and bring my coordination skills and enthusiasm for community service to the OJCL "Make a Difference Day" and other service projects throughout the year. Finally, I would like to understand more about and participate in the leadership of the OJCL.

Other Biographical Information/Comments:

<u>Goals</u>

- The role of the Second Vice President is to coordinate with gubernators in order to smoothly run service events throughout the year.

- Manage the organization of convention contest information and help to simplify communication with other officers.

- At in person convention, the 2nd VP helps with graphic arts and running "fix it" stations.



Communications + Contest Organization

- With so much information, the OJCL website can be hard to navigate. Creating a forum/ FAQ section on the website would allow for direct and public communication between JCLers and contest coordinators.

Having others' questions and answers publicized can help prevent overwhelming emails and mis-information provided due to multiple people answer questions. (for those who tend not to use social media, this would be a good way to provide updated information quickly and easily)
Providing an FAQ forum would allow for convention newcomers to be confident about coming to convection due to the easily accessible support for any questions they may have.



Service Projects

- Create virtual option for service project to allow for continued service work. Homework help and tutoring programs are a great way to help the community while also encourage the younger generation to find interest in the classics!

Continue card-making tradition by using virtual options such as St. Jude Hospitals online card making.
Develop an ongoing list of both virtual and in person service ideas for clubs and individuals to reference in order to continue service provided by the OJCL outside of organized service events.



Qualifications

- Highly organized and like to get things done as soon as they are "assigned".

 Very dedicated to help serve my community by providing my time to numerous organizations.

- Extensive experience with graphic arts and club contest. I would easily be able to answer any contest questions at convention and help run fix-is stations safely and efficiently.



Service Leadership Qualifications

- Volunteered to assist Middle School students in learning about and creating Graphic Arts projects

- Volunteered for <u>May We Help</u> (a nonprofit dedicated to creating adaptive solutions for people with disabilities) and raised \$1500 through the <u>Magnified Giving</u> Organization for May We Help.

- Volunteered at May We Help Halloween party for children with disabilities.

- Volunteer Gymnastics Coach, YMCA.

 Developed drive to collect daily essential for underprivileged child. Used collections from drive to create "birthday bags" to give to <u>Our Daily Bread</u>.

- Leader in school "fun sock drive" for children in hospitals.



Communication Qualifications

- commitment to Indian Hill chapter

- current co-president of latin club, requires communicative organization between middle school and high school students.

- active participant in creation and organization of all club projects

- communication with Indian Hill graduates and current SCL members to obtain advice on running the club

- communication with latin teachers to host club meetings/events



Graphic Arts / Contest Qualifications

- Commitment to OJCL

- Attended State Convention (2018, 2019)
- Attended National Convention (2018, 2019, 2020)
- Numerous Awards for Individual Projects, academic testing, and olympica

- Participated in Club Projects, including Scrapbook, Music Video, Commercial, Banner, and Skit (2018, 2019, 2020/2021)

- Experience with OJCL Graphic Arts
 - 2nd Overall Graphic Arts State 2019
 - 8th Overall Graphic Arts State 2018

- Experience with and understanding of Graphic Arts Project Guidelines and Competition



Meet the Candidate!

Hi! I'm Alex — a sophomore at Indian Hill —, please feel free to contact me with any questions! Outside of my time spent on latin and the JCL, I participate in many other extracurriculars. I am active in environmental club, indian hill dance team, and Period @ Indian Hill club. I am a level 8 competitive gymnast and football, basketball, and competition cheerleader. I spend my summers on month long camping trips where I travel, hike, ski, boat, you name it! Personally I am dedicated to health a fitness, living a fit vegan lifestyle! I have taken numerous AP classes and plan to go into the medical or design/engineering field for college.





Commitment to JCL

- Attended State Convention (2018, 2019)
- Attended National Convention (2018, 2019, 2020)
- Numerous Awards in Convection Contests, including
 9th Overall Sweepstakes State 2019
- Participated in and Lead Club Projects, including Scrapbook, Music Video, Commercial, Banner, and Skit (2018, 2019, 2020/2021)
- Took NLVE, NEE, Medusa Myth Exam, etc.

Experience with OJCL Graphic Arts

- Experience with and understanding of Graphic Arts
 Project Guidelines/Competition
- 2nd Overall Graphic Arts State 2019
- 8th Overall Graphic Arts State 2018
- Volunteered to assist Middle School students in learning about and creating Graphic Arts projects

Commitment to Community Service

- Volunteered for May We Help (a nonprofit dedicated to creating adaptive solutions for people with disabilities) and raised \$1500 through the Magnified Giving Organization for May We Help (2019 2020)
- Volunteer Gymnastics Coach, YMCA (2018 2020)
- Helping middle school students learn about graphic arts and general convention information

Service - Platform

I would like to expand on the already impressive work of the OJCL's commitment to community service. Considering the recent Coronavirus pandemic, virtual service options are crucial in continuing the OJCL's impact on our communities. Virtual options such as torturing students via zoom or volunteering to help study groups allow of JCL-ers to share their knowledge of the classics and help other students while still staying safe.

At in-person state conventions, the OJCL provides opportunities to create cards for children in hospitals. Though virtually we are unable to accomplish this, hospitals such as St. Jude allow for people to create digital cards with customised messages to send to children in the hospitals. With extremely restricted visitation in hospitals due to the pandemic, doing anything to lighten a child's day can be extremely impactful.

State convention and other OJCL events like Make a Difference Day are great service opportunities, however currently we are limited in being able to provide in person service projects with large groups. Now it is more important than ever to encourage individual chapters of the OJCL to sponsor their own service opportunities within there latin program in order to continue serving our community. In supplying virtual service options, clubs and individuals would have easy access to help aid people even under medical or public safety restrictions. With better communication between state and local chapters, the OJCL would be able to expand on our service opportunities and help as many people as possible!

Contests Communication - Platform

Through my experience with helping middle school students learn the ins and outs of graphic arts projects, I realised how frustrating it is to be unsure of guidelines. The graphic arts guidelines were recently updated to be more clear but there are still very few ways to ensure projects won't be disqualified prior to convention. Good communication between the OJCL executive board and convention attendees is the best way to keep convention running smoothly.

Earlier this year there were complications with submitting pre-convention project, though the issue was fixed quickly, a FAQ section on the website would allow easy access to updated contest information. In implementing a communication forum/ FAQ section on the OJCL website, students would be able to clarify contest guidelines, deadlines, and general questions without having to try to contact a person who would know the information. With a live FAQ, useful questions would stay in the forum for other students to access.

Considering everyone has had a first convention, it is known that attending convention can be confusing and even stressful for newcomers. Having access to a forum on the website to ask questions would help relieve stress and encourage participation in convention contests.

About Me -

Hi! I'm Alex, a sophomore at Indian Hill. I love the JCL and take every opportunity to participate in JCL activities! Besides that, I am a competitive gymnast, and cheer for competition, basketball, and football. I spend my summers camping and hiking and love skiing when I can. Though I have many extracurriculars and school clubs, my time always goes to the JCL first!



Contact Me -

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OJCL Graphic Arts

- develop FAQ forum on website to allow for students to ask questions regarding contest guidelines

Community Service

- create opportunities for virtual service projects

- virtual tutoring/ student support

- making digital cards for children in hospitals (ex: through St. Jude Hospitals)

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Qualifications

- raised \$1,500 for May We Help
 - neip
- volunteer coach
- helped middle schools student learn about graphic arts
- knowledge of graphic arts guidelines
- organized and proactive in communication + planning
- current co-president of Indian Hill chapter

Pre-File Form: https://rb.gy/4gs3cd