

The Summit Country Day School
2011-2012
Latin Awards Ceremony



Victores Ohioenses
Quattuor Annos Continuos!
(Mirabile Dictu)

2012 Classical Literacy Exam

The Classical Literacy Exam is given to Latin students in May. This competition measures basic knowledge of all aspects of Greek and Roman civilizations, including vocabulary, expressions, mythology, history, culture, quotes, and geography.

- 6th grade: 100+ terms (A.D., herculean, valedictorian, etc)
- Level 1: 300+ terms (ignoramus, Marc Antony, plebeian, etc)
- Level 2: 450+ terms (habeas corpus, quorum, triumvirate, marathon, etc)
- Level 3: 600+ terms (amicus curiae, St. Jerome, preterition, etc)

The test consists of 60 fill in the blank questions:

- 45 or more correct answers earn a Corona Aenea (bronze crown) ribbon.
- 50 or more earn a Corona Argentea (silver crown) ribbon.
- 55 or more earn a Corona Aurea (gold crown) ribbon.
- Perfect exams win a special gold 'Perfecta' medal.
- Students must earn a Corona Aurea before they graduate to the next level.
- Chocolate bars are included with the awards!

Alumni of the Classical Literacy Exam: Jenny Chen, Anna Delamerced, Jared Dunnmon, William Eschenbacher, Steve Haag, Carter Hall, Stefan Kathman, Chris Lee, Kylie Lipa, Margaret Niehaus-Sauter, Daniel Rachovitsky, Stephanie Resnick, Matt Salter, Paul Slater, Catherine Schuler, Brandon Sharp



*On this Greek stamp, the Greek goddess Athena (with her name in Greek in the upper right) is shown with a spear, an owl, a helmet, and the aegis. The **aegis** was magical armor, made from goatskin, upon which was fastened the severed head of Medusa to inspire terror on the battlefield.*

*The English noun **aegis** now means 'protection, support, sponsorship.'*

2012 CLASSICAL LITERACY EXAM

6th Grade Level

Corona Aenea Ribbon

Patrick Casañas
Regan Lawler
Estelle March
Henry Schertzinger

Corona Argentea Ribbon

Davis DeFoor
Maggie Harsh
Garrison Herfel
Lauren Jones
Caroline Klette
Jack Langenderfer
Ella Shockey

Corona Aurea Ribbon

Hali Clark
Conrad Coldiron
Joseph Delamerced
Elizabeth Dolcimascolo
Margherita Favagrossa
Xavier Johnson
Madeline Hendrix
Heinrich Huelsman
Robert Kerr
Eric Kroencke
Brigid Lawler
Spencer Murtha
Eva Nicholson
Caitlin O'Donnell
Harrison Schertzinger
Drew Suranjan
Evan Stapleton
Maya Warren
Morgan Williams

Level 1

Corona Aenea Ribbon

Waleed Amir
Sara Bissantz
Neil Bostick
Lennox Brooks
Bates Crowther
Helena Kerschner
Connor McMurry
Jay Nagle
Jordyn Northern
Zachary Pavlin
Caroline Schmerge
Peter Settle
Logan Taylor
Maggie Taylor
Thomas Temizer
Hope Thomson

Corona Argentea Ribbon

Justin Ayer
Janel Bond
Hannah Fassler
Haley Hauser
Henry Heekin
Nate Lucas
Amalia Nichifor
Thomas Quan
Josh Rademacher
Jennifer Whitehead

Corona Aurea Ribbon

Dustin Argo
Dylan Chambers
Tullus Dean
Alexis Hoggia
Laura Klug
Elena Montag
Alex Murtha
Connor Shaw
Nicholas Smith
Elisabeth Stanis
David Temming

Level 2

Corona Aenea Ribbon

Natalie Pearl
Alexandra Schmerge
Nisha Shabbir
Stewart Spanbauer
Andrew Thomas

Corona Argentea Ribbon

Styrling Rohr

Corona Aurea Ribbon

Kevin Boyce
Inessa Chandra
Steven Malseed
Abbey Taylor

Level 3

Corona Aenea Ribbon

Jesse Campbell
Emily Haussler
Styrling Rohr
Amanda Sequeira

Corona Argentea Ribbon

Kelly McBride

Corona Aurea Ribbon

Carter Hall
Christopher Lee
Christian Lipa

Perfect Score!

Paige Angne (6th)
Teo Fernandez (6th)
Josh Harris (Level 2)
Michael Warden (6th)

National Junior Classical League Convention 2012: Mr. Dean's Blog

Over 120 Latin students, teachers, and SCL'ers (college students) from OH are down here in Richmond KY at the Eastern Kentucky University campus for the annual National Latin Convention.

- 91 students
- 16 Latin teachers (including all 3 OH State Chairs)
- 2 National Committee Members (Mrs. Burgess & Ms. Elifrits)
- 2 ACL'ers, 2 adult chaperones
- 15 SCL'ers

Sun the 24th – The Day Before Convention Starts

30 students met at Summit at 3 pm for the 2 hour trip to Richmond KY. Our bus driver Norm had already been at school at 9 am due to a mix-up, but all was well.

It was HOT! Everyone was sweating as we loaded the buses.

I went around to make sure that everyone was there and realized that recent Summit graduate Logan Nagel – a veteran of 5 National Conventions was not there. Will Donovan gave him a call and handed the phone to me. Logan sheepishly confessed that he thought the bus was leaving TUESDAY but would be at school soon. Sure enough, within 20 minutes, Logan rolls up, tosses his luggage in the back, and hops on the bus.

Some fierce storms made the drive down rather stressful. Many vehicles were pulling over to wait out the heavy rain, and there was an accident. But the bus made it through the maelstrom safely and arrived on campus at 5:30. For the next hour or so, everyone got their registration material and unloaded their stuff and got settled in their rooms.

Dinner was next, from 7-8 pm. All meals during the week are in the college dining hall. There was tons of variety: pizza bar, pasta station, African food, Asian cuisine, deli sandwiches, salad bar. The line for the soft ice cream was always about 10 deep.

At 8 pm, the local high school – Madison Central – put on the 1st performance (out of 5 this week) of 'A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum.' This play is based on the characters and themes of the Roman comic playwright Plautus and won Musical of the Year in 1962. It includes the songs 'Comedy Tonight' and 'Everybody Ought to Have a Maid.' The audience really enjoyed the performance.

Following the play was the nightly fellowship, where each state gathers to discuss the day's events and to plan for tomorrow's activities. The OJCL Executive Board runs these gatherings. All the members of the Board are students who were elected or appointed to their offices at convention or in the early spring. Here are this year's officers:

- President Anna Delamerced (Summit)
- 1st Vice President Mark Samaan (Summit)
- 2nd Vice President Maddie Briner (Wyoming)
- Parliamentarian Tom Carroll (Westlake)
- Secretary Elizabeth Boor (Westlake)
- Treasurer Heather Smith (Shaker Heights)
- Governors/Regional Representatives: Charlie Baddour (Westlake, NW), Nick Grewal (Columbus Academy, Central), A.J. Yule (Shaker Heights, NE), and Carolyn Boyce (Summit, SW)
- Editor Susan Wallace (Madeira) – could not attend b/c of mandatory band camp

The fellowship was pretty short, lasting about 30 minutes.

It was then back to the dorms for a good night's sleep before the convention begins. All students were in their rooms by 11:30. Each day is long and filled with activities, and there are some nights when students do not get back into their rooms until midnight.



Anna, Carolyn, and Mark introduce themselves to the OH delegation at the 1st fellowship.

Tues the 26th – Day 1

The convention is in full swing! Activities today included: certamen (both open/fun and competitive/bloodthirsty), English oratory, chess, the 2nd testing session, colloquia (Laura Schoettmer made a wax tablet!), essay contest, the 2nd GA, basketball, the start of student elections, track & field, and the academic decathlon (with the top 3 winners receiving cash prizes!).

I did some graphic arts judging this morning. Cartoon/Greeting Card Chair Brian Compton assigned me and 2 other teachers to judge the 3 levels of cartoons. Some of the jokes were quite funny, and some of the art was superb. Being the owner of 2 dogs, here is one that I particularly liked [semper paratus means 'always prepared']:



All 3 state chairs are at this convention. Jenn Bruening is in charge of Sponsors & Contests, Bryan Inderhees does Technology & Convention, and I supervise the the student officers and JCL delegates. The 3 of us attended the State Chairs Luncheon and were treated to some fine KY barbecue & beans. The cheesecake also was very good. They confirmed the sites of the next few conventions: Wake Forest NC (2012), UNLV NV (2013), Emory GA (2014), Trinity TX (2015), and Indiana University IL (2016). Why have these places been chosen? Each one has some dedicated teachers who are willing to work with the university and to host 1,500 people who all share a love of the Latin language and classical civilization.

At GA, the National Latin Exam Committee recognized student winners. Approximately 138,000 students from the US and other countries take the NLE, the most prestigious of the national contests. The following students received special recognition:

- Perfect Exam on the NLE: Jesse Campbell (Summit), Tino Delamerced (Summit), Rachel Koize (McAuley), Ben Robertson (Shaker Heights), Tom Carroll (Westlake), Andrew Boudon (St. Edward), Connor Tomshack (St. Edward), and Gregory Pataky (St. Edward)
- Perfect on the National Greek Exam: Ezra Sigmond (Shaker Heights)
- 4 Gold in 5 Years on the NLE: Michelle Martinez (Walnut Hills)
- 4 Consecutive Golds on the NLE: Anna Delamerced (Summit), Matt Ahlgren (Summit), and Andrew Boudon (St. Edward)
- 5 Consecutive Golds on the NLE: Paul Slater (Summit), Catherine Daun (Indian Hill)

The spirit theme for OH at the daily GA was 'Nerds vs Stars Wars.' Treasurer Heather Smith led the students through a variety of cheers in 15 minutes of spirited mayhem. Favorite cheers included: Go Ohio! and Peel Banana! and Boom Dynamite!

Sam Buck and I attended the Nominations Committee Meeting, mandatory for all student candidates for national office. Sam will be running against one other student. She gave a great speech which outlined her qualifications and demonstrated her understanding of the duties of the office. Go, Sam!

The campus at EKU is very nice, and all events are within a short walking distance. The dining hall offers a great variety of food, often with pasta and stir fry and burgers and pizzas cooked fresh right there in the dining hall.

The Competitive Certamen Competition started this evening. There are 3 preliminary rounds (1 on Tues, 2 on Wed), then the 3 semifinal matches for the top 9 teams (Thurs), and the Finals for the winners of the 3 semifinal matches (Fri). McAuley alumna Megan Whitacre and Summit alumnus Chris Lapp helped coach the students during the summer, and their national certamen experience was invaluable.

The Upper team was a bit tight in their 1st match against a tough Wildcard team, but they still managed to rack up 80 points during the round. The Intermediate team was dominating in an easy 1st round match. Tino led the way, but it was a great team effort. In the end, they amassed 270 pts (which is quite an impressive score). Lastly, the Novice team had a tough opening draw against perennial power Texas, but they played a fantastic round and took the match. Jesse was particularly impressive: his quick buzzes & confident answers got 7 of the 20 toss-up questions.



The Level 2 team - Mollie, Tino, Ezra, and Sam - warm up their thumbs before the opening round.

The small rooms for the certamen made the viewing difficult, but the OH students still came out in full force to support their players. [On a personal note, I get to sleep in tomorrow!]

Wed the 27th – Day 3

I was able to sleep in this morning and took full advantage of the free time. Logan Nagel had informed me that there was a coffee shop nearby, but these were his only directions: 'I can see the sign that says 'McGregor' [our dorm] from the coffee shop.' Well, I found the coffee shop (it was a cafe in the entrance to the library), but one cannot see the McGregor sign from the shop itself. Was Logan mistaken? Was he trying to deceive me and leave me deprived of my required caffeine intake in the morning? Is there a different coffee shop nearby besides the one in the library? Regardless, the coffee was very good. For me, the day was basically certamen (2-4), then GA (3-4:30), then certamen again (6-8).

My role of Certamen Coach allows me to work with students who WANT to spend their summers doing advanced work in Latin and classical civilization. These are motivated, bright, eager learners. This year, about half the players are students from Summit, and the others are from McAuley, Shaker Heights, St. Edward, and Westlake. These students largely teach one another. They take responsibility for their own learning in a very serious (but still fun) way. I have always been impressed with the work ethic and drive of these students, whatever the results are at the National Competition.

The Upper team – Andrew Boudon (St. Edward), Tom Carroll (Westlake), Nathan Patterson (Summit), and Paul Slater (Summit) – tentatively qualified for the Semis after the 3 rounds of play. It is not yet official, but it looks like they are the 9th seed out of 9 teams to qualify. Everyone contributed in the 2 rounds today, with Paul getting most of the toss-ups but Nathan, Tom, and Andrew grabbing some questions. The team is still looking for its rhythm. In Round 2, a strong VA team earned 185 pts, and OH got 85. In Round 3, WI and OH battled back and forth for the lead. In the end, WI had 100, but OH took the match with 130. All the early rounds are merely a prelude to the semis, so the Upper team still has a chance to regroup tonight and qualify for the coveted Finals on Fri.

The Intermediate team – Tino Delamerced (Summit), Mollie Effler (McAuley), Carter Hall (Summit), Sam Nissen (McAuley), and Ezra Sigmond (Shaker Heights) – continued its strong showing at the national competition. It should be 1 of the top 3 seeds heading into the semis. Rounds 2 & 3 had the feel of semifinal matches. Round 2 was OH vs CA vs VA. All the teams were nervous, and no points were earned on 2 of the 1st 4 questions. But then the jitters wore off, and the real match began as the teams earned points on all but 1 of the remaining 16 questions. At question 13, it was a close match: VA 65, OH 55, CA 50. Then, OH took over the match by taking 5 of the final 8 questions. Final score: OH 150, VA 80, CA 50. Round 3 was OH vs FL vs IL. This was another nail-biter all the way through the match. FL was in the lead at the halfway point, but OH & IL fought back in questions 11-15. With 5 questions left, the score was: OH 100, FL 75, IL, 75. But IL took 3 of the final 5 questions to take the match. The OH team now moves to the elimination round in the semis.

The Novice team – Sameer Apte (Shaker Heights), Kevin Boyce (Summit), Jesse Campbell (Summit), and Ben Robertson (Shaker Heights) – had 2 solid rounds heading into the semis. They should have 4-6 seed out of 9 teams. In Round 2, OH played a very good Mass team and a good WI team. At the halfway mark, the match was too close to call: OH 65, Mass 50, WI 35. But Mass then took 4 of the next 7 questions to take the lead by 15 pts with 2 questions left, but no team was able to score points, and Mass ended up on top. Round 3 was a relatively easy match against 2 inexperienced teams. OH was off its game in the 1st half, taking only 4 of the 10 questions. But they gained momentum as the round went on, and they got the last 5 questions to earn 180 pts.

The Wed GA featured 2 OH students. OJCL President and Summit Senior Anna Delamerced gave the Opening Remarks to the entire convention. She stressed the importance of classical civilization in her education. Anna even admitted that she 'felt smarter' after completing the rigorous AP Vergil course. She was well spoken and poised at the podium. Former OJCL President and Westlake Senior Sam Buck gave her election speech for the office of Parliamentarian. After a nice introduction by Summit alumnus Will Donovan, Sam told the delegates why SHE was the person for the job. Sam was confident & clear and delivered an impressive speech.

Thurs the 29th – Day 4

In the days before remote controls and ESPN and web pages, there was a show on the weekend called 'ABC's Wide World of Sports.' The intro had clips of various highlights, and Jim McKay did the voice-over, which he always ended with 'the thrill of victory and the agony of defeat.' Well, there was some agony today, but there was also a great deal of thrills.

The 3 certamen teams all played in the semis in the morning, but they were unable to qualify to the Finals. The Novice team had a great team round, with all the players getting toss-ups and earning points. But the #1 seed Mass team got off to an early lead and maintained it throughout the match. Final result: Mass 150, OH 90, IL 50. The future looks bright for OH certamen as the team now moves to the higher levels of competition in the coming years. The Intermediate team played GA and #2 seed IL, who jumped out to a quick lead. Led by the quiz buzzes of Tino and Mollie, OH clawed its way back into the match. Going into the 20th and final question (which is worth 10-20 pts), IL lead OH by a mere 5 pts. GA, in a distant 3rd place, did a quick buzz and took the final points. The team was quite disappointed, since they had come so close to the big stage of the Finals. But the OH delegation was proud of their effort and were very impressed with their knowledge and determination. The Upper team also did not fare well. They were down at the start, then fought back by the halfway mark. But the #3 seed VA team took control in the last half of the match.

3 of the members have graduated and are heading off to college next year – Paul Slater (Boston University), Andrew Boudon (Holy Cross), and Nathan Patterson (Johns Hopkins). All 3 have been an integral part of the OH Certamen teams the past few years, and they will be missed. Both Paul and Andrew are pursuing degrees in the Classics. And both Paul and Andrew are receiving ‘full rides’ at their schools because of their work in Latin. In addition, Paul was honored (and surprised) at the GA today with a renewable \$1,200 NJCL scholarship. It is called the ‘Renata Motiu Scholarship,’ in honor of the donor’s former Latin teacher. Some say that Latin is dead, but this ‘dead’ language is paying for their college education (and some spending \$, too!). Well done, gentlemen!



Here are some highlights from the day:

- Sam Buck was elected NJCL Parliamentarian! One anecdote: During the Open Forum, a goofy question is always included, and Sam had to answer the timeless query, ‘NSYNC or Backstreet Boys?’ Without hesitation, Sam replied: ‘Definitely Backstreet Boys! I’ve loved them since ’98, and I have to stay true.’ Yeah, Sam!
- Ludi is the term used for team sports, state vs. state. This year, there are soccer, kickball, basketball (in a very hot gym), and ultimate frisbee. In basketball, OH got 2nd place to IL for the 2nd straight year. Ultimate is Fri morning, and OH is the defending champs with a number of veteran players from Youth & High School leagues. At fellowship, Natalie Pearl (Summit) offered this advice to the delegation: ‘Ludi sports are a great way to meet people from other schools in your own state.’

- There was an extra state fellowship after lunch for discussing the OH votes for the national officers. Parliamentarian Tom Carroll (Westlake) did a terrific job of running the meeting. A number of students had great comments about the candidates. It is clear that the OH students really care about the JCL and want the most qualified candidate to elected. The debate over 1 office lasted over 15 minutes, with a number of votes and revotes until a majority was reached.
- Indian Hill alumnus and former National Committee member Steve Gentle organized a multimedia tribute to 75 years of JCL, founded in 1936. The crowd loved the interesting facts, including the \$5 convention fee for the 1st convention in San Antonio in 1954 and the 'no shorts or jeans' policy from the early 60's. The whole GA then sang 'Felicem Natalem Tibi' to the JCL for its 75 birthday.
- Lakota alumnus Dan Garrett was elected President of the Senior Classical League. This year, he served as Editor, and his main duty was the daily publication known as the 'Convention Ear,' a satirical look at each day of convention. SCL'ers work late into the night writing the Ear. At lunch, I commented to Chris Daniell (Summit alumnus) that he really must like cereal – it was the 3rd day in a row I had seen him eating it at lunchtime. Chris replied, 'It's my breakfast! I didn't get to sleep until 5:30!'
- The Publication and Scrapbook awards were announced today during the GA. OJCL Historian Anna Richey (Indian Hill) won 4th in the nation for the OH scrapbook, and Michelle Martinez (Walnut Hills) earned 3rd for school scrapbook. These scrapbooks are amazing; they are basically 20 projects rolled into one. Lastly, the Summit newsletter won 2nd in the nation for school publication, and so congratulations to editors Regina Merrill and Morgan Hughes!
- The Sponsors' Banquet was this evening. All the teachers get together and enjoy a nice meal without the students. It is also a chance to thank the many people who make the convention possible, especially the convention chairs and the national committee. All of these individuals received a special honor: they were officially declared 'Kentucky Colonels' by Gov. Beshear. Indian Hill teacher and Graphic Arts Chair Melissa Burgess shrieked in delight and ran to the stage to claim her new bragging rights.
- The day concluded with the always popular talent and variety show, That's Entertainment! It is organized by the self-described 'omniscient, omnipotent, omnipresent, and indispensable' SCL. There are tryouts for the talent portion of the show, and only 12 acts made the final cut. Andrew Boudon (St. Edward) was 1 of the talented 12, and you can check out his graceful signing of Fleetwood Mac's 'I built my life around you' on the Shutterfly account. I have been to the past 12 of these, and I think that this was the best one every: the venue was small & intimate, the sound was great, the talent was exceptionally good, and the comedy was hilarious. The Racketeers made their usual appearance to close the show, with their trademark minimalist approach to entertainment. There was a terrific acapella version of the classic 'Country Roads' by a group of 7 students. My favorite act was the parody of the Budweiser commercials 'Real Men of Genius,' dedicated to Mr. All Day Ludi Player: 'You travelled 1,000 miles to dominate Latin students.' OH alumnus Ed Cormany was the director of 'That's Entertainment!'

Fri the 29th – Day 5 (the last day)

As always, the week of National Convention has quickly disappeared. Each day is filled with activities and events, and the last day is no different.

OH fielded an Ultimate Frisbee team for the morning competition. Some of the girls are on a Cincinnati team which will play in the Youth Championship in a few weeks in Minnesota. They played well, but a tough IL team beat them in the finals.

All the projects had to be picked up today. For Summit students, there were a number of winners: 3rd in Tile Mosaic for Dustin Argo, 1st in Dolls for Carolyn Boyce, 3rd in Poster for Kevin Boyce, 2nd in Multimedia for Myles Casanas, 2nd in Dolls for Anna Delamerced, 3rd in Jewelry for Tino Delamerced, 5th in Bead Mosaic for Carter Hall, 1st in Games for Christian Lipa, 2nd in Pencil Drawing for Natalie Whitsett, and 1st in Charts for Nathan Whitsett.

Jenna Galletta (Lakota East) won a numerous awards for her Graphic Arts, including 6 1st place awards. In fact, Jenna earned 2nd Overall in Total Graphic Arts Points and 9th in Overall Convention Points. Eugepae, Jenna!

Sam Buck (Westlake) was sworn in as the NJCL Parliamentarian. In addition, Dan Garrett (Lakota East alumnus) was voted NSCL President, and Megan Whitacre (McAuley) was selected NSCL Editor. OH – the sponsors, the college students, the high school students - thus continues its long tradition of leadership in the JCL organization.

In the Open Certamen, Gregory Pataky (St. Edward) was a member of the 3rd place Novice team, and Connor Tomshank (St. Edward) was part of the 1st place Novice team. In the Upper level, Catherine Daun (Indian Hill) was a member of the 1st place team.

In the Academic tests, OH earned a number of top 5 in the nation: 5th in Latin Vocabulary for William Morris (Columbus Academy), 2nd in Grammar for Andrew Boudon (St. Edward), 3rd in Grammar for Connor Tomshack (St. Edward), 1st in Ancient Geography for Narayan Sundararajan (Shaker Heights), 1st in Greek Derivatives for Tino Delamerced (Summit), 3rd in Roman History for Nathan Patterson (Summit), 1st in Heptathlon for Sameer Apte (Shaker Heights), 4th in Latin Vocabulary for Ben Robertson (Shaker Heights), and 2nd in Mottoes for Paul Slater (Summit).

The OH state t-shirt, designed by President Anna Delamerced (Summit) won a number of awards, including 2nd Most Creative, 3rd Overall Visual, and 4th Best Overall.

In Spirit, OH won 3rd Overall for Large States. Treasurer Heather Smith (Shaker Heights) worked very hard each GA to make sure that OH had a consistent showing in Spirit. The prize? Silly Bands for everyone!

There was the annual toga parade to the final GA of the week.



Lastly, after the outdoor dinner in togas, there was the World Series of Certamen. This is a fun event where high school graduates and teachers get to compete. OH had 3 teams this year. The 'Supreme Breakfast League' (Michael Cowett, Bryan Inderhees, Sarah Leonard, and Robert White) was involved in a shoe-throwing incident. (Abbey Whitzgall, Kelly Schmidt, Rachel Kless, and K.C. Kless) succeeded in its goal of achieving burnination. And the 'Bad Larrys' (Brian Compton, Larry Dean, Chris Lapp, Wayne Memmott, and Megan Whitacre) had their best showing ever! The BL's main 'claim to fame' is the longest-lived name in the history of the competition. Bad Wayne had a nasty thumb injury during the preliminary rounds, so rookie Megan Whitacre joined the veteran crew for the semis. The BL's were 1 question away from the Final this year. But Kate 'Evil Tarpeia' Hattemer (formerly of OH, now of VA, but soon to be again of OH) stomped upon their chances of complete annihilation in the Finals. See everyone next year at Wake Forest (NC)! GO OHIO!!

2012 National Mythology Exam

This was the 23rd year of the National Mythology Exam. It was taken in February by over 10,000 students in the United States, Canada, and Australia. The goal of the exam is to promote the study of classical mythology and literature in secondary schools. It has 50 multiple choice questions.

This year's exam had 3 sections:

- the main classical gods & goddesses - Zeus, Athena, Mars, etc
- Book 6 of Vergil's Aeneid – the trip to the Underworld to see future heroes of Rome
- inhabitants of the Underworld - Charon, Cerberus, Tantalus, etc



The Birth of Athena: This 6th century BC vase painting depicts the unusual birth of Athena from Zeus' head. Zeus, the king of the gods, is seated on his throne and holding a thunderbolt in his right hand. Hephaestus has just split open Zeus' head with an ax, and Athena is emerging, holding her shield.

Here is the sort of questions students confronted this year:

- ❖ Who was born fully armed from the head of Zeus? (Athena)
- ❖ Who in Tartarus tried - in vain - to push a boulder up a hill? (Sisyphus)
- ❖ Name the queen of Carthage whom Aeneas saw in the Fields of Mourning. (Dido)

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Bronze Medallion (45+)

6th:

Patrick Casañas
Jared DesMarais
Margherita Favagrossa
Madeline Hendrix
Heinrich Huelsman
Garrison Herfel
Eric Kroencke
Jack Langenderfer
Whitt Massey
Spencer Murtha
Eva Nicholson

7th:

Lennox Brooks
Lillian Chow
Carter Fee
Henry Heekin
Thomas McLaughlin
Connor McMurry
Christopher Samaan
Eliot Schiaparelli
Logan Taylor
Hope Thomson

8th:

Justin Ayer
Sara Bissantz
Janel Bond
Neil Bostick
Jack Harsh
Helena Kerschner
Alex Murtha
Calvin Spanbauer
Elisa Stanis
Maggie Taylor

9th:

Stephen Dunker
Natalie Pearl
Garrett Steele

Silver Medallion (48+)

6th:

Paige Angne
Hali Clark
Conrad Coldiron
William DeFoor
Joseph Delamerced
Drew Harsh
Caroline Klette
Regan Lawler
Harrison Schertzinger
Mary Towell
Michael Warden
Maya Warren

7th:

Bates Crowther
Haley Hauser
Laura Klug
Jay Nagle
Amalia Nichifor
Zachary Pavlin
Emma Shelton
Jennifer Whitehead

8th:

Dylan Chambers
Alexis Hogya
Nate Lucas
Elena Montag
Reece Jackson
Nisha Shabbir
Connor Shaw

9th:

Inessa Chandra
Thomas Quan
Styrling Rohr
Amanda Sequeira
Stewart Spanbauer
Abbey Taylor
Nathan Whitsett

Gold Medallion (50) – Perfect Exam!!

6th:

Teo Fernandez
Brigid Lawler
Morgan Williams

7th:

Tullus Dean
Hannah Fassler
Nicholas Smith

8th:

Dustin Argo

US (# of perfect scores):

Rachel Argo (5)
Kevin Boyce (2)
Jesse Campbell
Jenny Chen
Anna Delamerced (2)
Tino Delamerced
Carter Hall (3)
Josh Harris (2)
Emily Haussler (3)
Emily Hogya (2)
Chris Lee
Christian Lipa (2)
Steven Malseed
Alex Marcellus (3)
Kelly McBride
Sofía Ordoñez (2)
Andrew Thomas

2012 Ohio Junior Classical League Convention

- 826 students from 30 Ohio schools attended the state competition, Friday Feb 24 – Sun Feb 26. 99 teachers, adults, and college students were also in attendance.
- **This is the 4th consecutive State Championship for Summit Latin!**
Summit had a total of 1,335 points, Shaker Heights (Cleveland area) had 1,263, and Madeira had 855.



Seniors Natalie, Carolyn, Steven, and Jenny enjoyed the bus ride home with the 1st place trophy!

- The top 5 point earners for Summit:
 - ✚ Tino Delamerced – 170 pts!
 - ✚ Emily Haussler – 96
 - ✚ Kelly McBride – 74
 - ✚ Tullus Dean – 57
 - ✚ Elisa Stanis & Inessa Chandra – 52
- Summit students in leadership positions:
 - Tino was elected Secretary of the OJCL.
 - President Anna Delamerced, 1st Vice President Mark Samaan, and Regional Representative Carolyn Boyce all completed their duties as OJCL officers.
 - Larry Dean was elected to a second 3 year tenure as OJCL State Chair of Students.
 - This is the 12th consecutive year that Summit has had an officer on the Executive Board.

- A 'Best of Show' Award is for the top score in that category out of all 826 students.
 - ✓ Tino for the Derivatives Test and in 3D Art for his Pompeii 'Pop-Up' Book
 - ✓ Carter Hall for Roman History Test
 - ✓ Emily Haussler and Kelly McBride for their 'Earth Goddess Gaia and Sky God Uranus' Costumes – they presented their costumes on stage in front of all 925 attendees during the 'Roman Fashion Show'
- Awards for total pts:
 - ❖ in Academic Tests – 10th for Tino
 - ❖ in Graphic Arts – 8th for Nisha Shabbir and Kelly McBride, 7th for Elisa Stanis, 6th for Emily Haussler, 1st for Tino
 - ❖ in Creative Arts – 9th for Alex Marcellus, 1st for Emily Haussler
 - ❖ in Overall (all types combined) – 8th for Kelly, 4th for Emily, 1st for Tino – this is the 3rd consecutive year that Tino has been the top points winner at convention!
- Certamen teams:
 - 3rd for Level 1 – Dustin Argo, Tullus Dean, Haley Hauser, Sam Wiser
 - State Championship for Level 2 – Jesse Campbell, Kevin Boyce, Inessa Chandra
 - State Championship for Upper Level – Tino Delamerced, Carter Hall, Chris Lee, Alex Marcellus



OJCL President Anna Delamerced and Rappin' Morgan Hughes have their turn with the 1st place trophy.

- Club Projects which earned the top 'Superior Rating':
 - Publications – the 'Vox Latina' newsletter, edited by Regina Merrill & Mark Samaan
 - Banner – a large artistic banner which illustrates the theme of convention, created by Natalie Whitsett & Marie Cossins
 - Scrapbook – the pictorial archive of Latin events during the past year, compiled & illustrated by Kelly McBride
- Morgan Hughes won 2nd Place for her original rap in the Saturday night 'JCL's Got Talent!' In the same show, Larry Dean was roundly mocked for his Latin-speaking Wookie impression.
- The following students earned at least 1 of the 21 'First Place' Awards: Dustin Argo, Carolyn Boyce, Kevin Boyce, Inessa Chandra, Jenny Chen, Lillian Chow, Marie Cossins, Tullus Dean, Tino Delamerced, Carter Hall, Emily Haussler, Alex Marcellus, Kelly McBride, Nisha Shabbir

2012 Medusa Mythology Exam

The Medusa Mythology Exam is a 50 question multiple-choice test given every April to over 10,000 high school students from across the United States. This exam is much more challenging than the National Mythology Exam and requires a thorough knowledge of Greek mythology.

The theme of this year's competition was '**Malicious Monsters and Monstrous Mortals**,' and questions focused on the hero Heracles (who killed many monsters), the 2-headed dog Orthrus, the Hecatoncheires (100-Handers), the 3-bodied Chimaera, the 9-headed Hydra, and many more.

38% of Summit students earned an award this year.



Part-woman, part-bird, part-lion, the Sphinx was one of the many monstrous children of Typhon and Echidna.

'Corona Olivae' Certificate

Rachel Argo (28), Carolyn Boyce (27), Tullus Dean (26), Elisabeth Dieckman-Meyer (27), Emily Hogya (26), Morgan Hughes (26), Christian Lipa (28), Thomas Quan (25), Mark Samaan (29), Connor Shaw (25), Stewart Spanbauer (26), Garrett Steele (27), David Temming (25), Nathan Whitsett (25)

'Corona Laureae' Certificate

Dustin Argo (31), Kevin Boyce (30), Inessa Chandra (32), Jenny Chen (32), Dylan Chambers (33 - top MS score!), Carter Fee (30), Emily Haussler (31), Laura Klug (32), Steven Malseed (34), Kelly McBride (33), Sofia Ordoñez (31), Styrling Rohr (29), Nicholas Smith (31), Abbey Taylor (31), Andrew Thomas (29)

Bronze Medal

Jesse Campbell (34), Tino Delamerced (36), Carter Hall (35), Josh Harris (36), Chris Lee (35), Amanda Sequeira (36)

Gold Medal - with a chance to earn a Cash Award!

Anna Delamerced (45 - top school score!)



The National Junior Classical League sponsored 2 online exams, one on Roman Civilization and the other on Classical Etymology. This is the 2nd year of these contests

Over 2,000 students took the online **Roman Civilization Exam**. It was a 50 question, multiple choice exam: 25 questions on history, and 25 questions on civilization.

Bronze Medal

Dustin Argo (27), Jenny Chen (33), Tullus Dean (30), Josh Harris (28), Emily Hogya (33),
Christian Lipa (32), Alex Murtha (28), Sofia Ordoñez (28), David Temming (29)

Silver Medal

Dylan Chambers (32 - top MS score!), Anna Delamerced (36), Emily Haussler (34), Abbey Taylor (35)

Gold Medal

Kevin Boyce (42), Jesse Campbell (40), Tino Delamerced (42), Carter Hall (42), Chris Lee (40),
Kelly McBride (36)

Kevin Boyce, Tino Delamerced, and Carter Hall had the top Summit score with 42 of 50 correct. Only 9 students in the nation earned a better score!

More than 3,000 students took the online **Classical Etymology Exam**. It was also a 50 question, multiple choice exam. Its purpose is to test a student's ability to handle both Latin and Greek derivatives and their usage in the English language.

Bronze Medal

Anna Bertsch (32), Jenny Chen (36), Alex Murtha (32 - top MS score!), Mark Samaan (36),
Hope Thomson (32 - top MS score!)

Silver Medal

Kevin Boyce (36), Inessa Chandra (36), Marie Cossins (34), Joseph Delamerced (35), Josh Harris (34),
Morgan Hughes (36), Dale Lakes (36), Chris Lee (35), Sofia Ordoñez (35), Alexandra Schmerge (35),
Amanda Sequeira (36), Abbey Taylor (35)

Gold Medal

Carolyn Boyce (42), Jesse Campbell (38), Anna Delamerced (42), Tino Delamerced (46), Carter Hall (39),
Emily Haussler (40), Emily Hogya (43), Alex Marcellus (37), Kelly McBride (39), Regina Merrill (42)

Tino Delamerced had the top Summit score with 46 of 50 correct.

2012 Exploratory Latin Exam

The Exploratory Latin Exam is now in its 8th year. Its purpose is to promote enthusiasm for the classical world in elementary and middle schools. Over 1,700 Latin students from 26 states participated in the exam this year. It is a 50 question multiple choice exam on the Latin language, derivatives, Roman life, mythology, architecture, etc. This year's exam included 10 'special topic' questions on 'The Seven Wonders of the Ancient World.'

Over 50% of Summit 6th graders earned an award!



The Colossus of Rhodes (left) and The Statue of Liberty (right):

The Colossus was one of the 7 Wonders of the Ancient World. This huge statue of the Sun god Helios welcomed ships into the island's harbor. The architectural design & purpose of the Statue of Liberty was based upon this famous ancient monument.

Cum Laude Certificate (39+)

Paige Angne, Conrad Coldiron, Elizabeth Dolcimascolo, Alea Harris, Maggie Harsh, Madeline Hendrix, Regan Lawler, Spencer Murtha, Caitlin O'Donnell, Harrison Scherzinger

Magna Cum Laude Certificate (44+)

Margherita Favagrossa, Garrison Herfel, Heinrich Heulsman, Caroline Klette, Eric Kroencke, Jack Langenderfer, Brigid Lawler, Max Mosbacher, Evan Stapleton, Mary Towell

Summa Cum Laude Certificate (47+)

Hali Clark, Joseph Delamerced, Teo Fernandez, Robert Kerr, Michael Warden, Maya Warren, Morgan Williams

Celebration of the Classics 2011 - Vergil's Aeneid

The Summit Latin Club hosted its 16th annual 'Celebration of the Classics' on Friday evening October 21st and all day Saturday October 22nd. Each year, this special weekend rotates through 4 important works from classical literature: Homer's Iliad, Homer's Odyssey, Ovid's Metamorphoses, and Vergil's Aeneid. This year, we read the Aeneid.



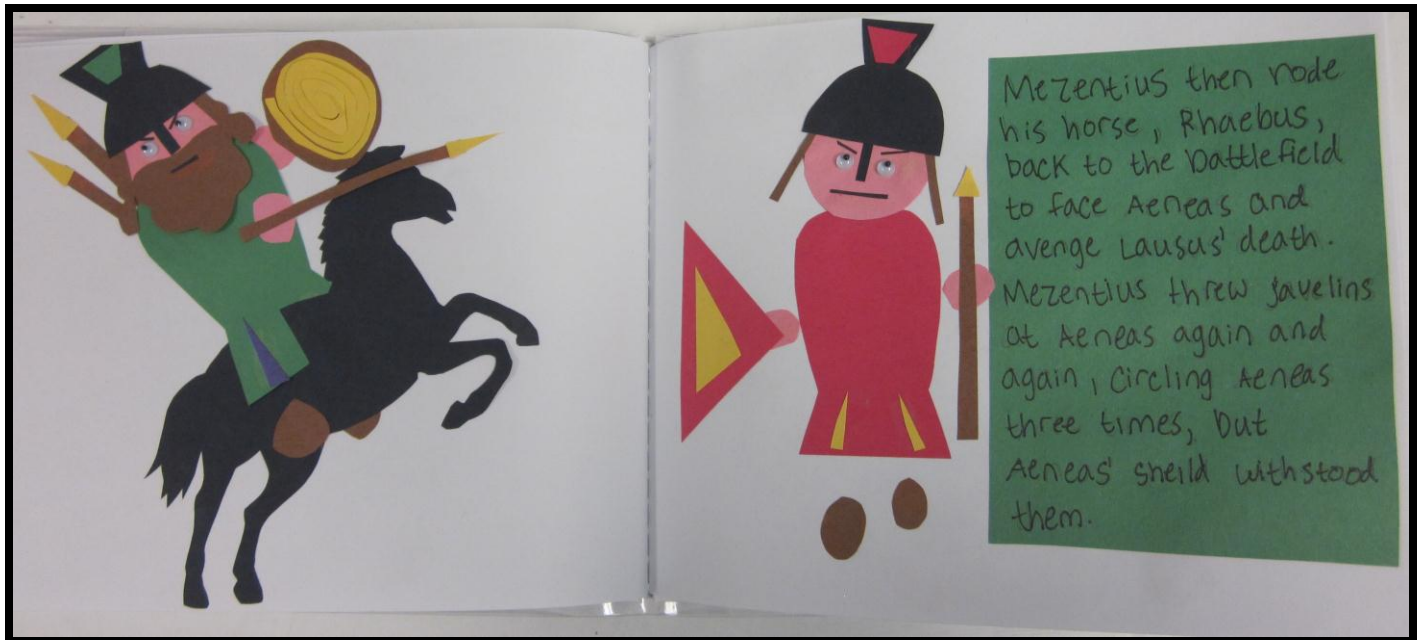
3D Model by Nathan Whitsett (10th grader): Aeneas Escapes from Troy with his son & aged father.

The Aeneid is an epic poem which tells the story of Aeneas and his search for a new homeland after the destruction of Troy by the Greeks. It is written by Vergil, a Latin poet who lived in the 'Golden Age' of Latin literature during the reign of Augustus, the 1st emperor of Rome. This annual public reading provides an opportunity for students to keep alive the torch of classical civilization.

Each Latin student read an abridged version of the epic poem and created a project on one of 11 important scenes from the story. All 152 projects were on display in Knights Hall, and it was quite an impressive sight! There were 54 huge 3D models, 8 homemade dolls, 36 hand-drawn children's books, 20 outstanding mosaics, and 34 well-designed 3D posters. The projects are both fun and educational - they open a window into the legend of Troy and Rome's creation.

About 30 students & 10 parents attended the opening event on Friday evening. Here are some of the highlights:

- The event opened in Knights Hall with **the public viewing of the projects**. Common sights included: funeral pyres of Dido, rainbows of Iris, storms of Aeolus, serpents heading for Laocoon, and (of course) lots of Wooden Horses.
- Food is always a big part of the Friday night festivities. **Smart teachers agree: 'Food good.'** Food also comes up in the Aeneid: the theft of food by the monstrous Harpies, the meal of fresh venison for Aeneas' weary men, Dido's banquet for the Trojans, and the prophecy about 'eating your tables.' **Mrs. Argo** coordinated the tasty feast in honor of the wedding of Aeneas & Lavinia. This is now her 4th year with the event, and she is starting to talk of retirement. Ignore Nike and 'Just Don't Do It!' All the food had a special theme: popcorn made from the fires of Troy, 'we just ate our tables!' flatbread, Trojan Horse cookies, 'boulders thrown by Turnus' rolls, and much more. There was even a special wedding cake to honor the wedding of Aeneas & Lavinia and the start of the Roman race. The food was Vergilicious!
- At 7:00, everyone had a seat and saw **some great student presentations**.
 - ✓ There were some encore performances of great multimedia projects from the past: Myles Casanas' Judgment of Paris (Aphrodite: "Pick me b/c I'm the prettiest!"), Stephen Hutchin's Death of Mezentius (with its references to Monty Python and blood, blood, and more blood), and Katherine Mahon's Death of Laocoon (which starts out innocent but quickly turns deadly - and loud, too, with the screams of pain).
 - ✓ 3 students did live performances of the speech of Laocoon for the crowd: 7th grader Tullus Dean, 11th grader Christian Lipa, and 9th grader Jesse Campbell. Tullus showed the passion of Laocoon, and Jesse incorporated some creative props.
 - ✓ And 3 new multimedia projects made their debut: 7th grader Christopher Samaan had an action-packed Flash animation about Aeneas' Escape from Troy, 8th grader Dustin Argo created a Lego stop-motion of the Death of Priam (including the 'Rocky' song as background to the old king putting on his armor), and 12th grader Matt Fry did a WWF version of the final combat between Aeneas & Turnus (with the coveted Belt of Pallas going to the winner).
- The crowd took a break for some yummy Wedding Cake, and the night concluded with the 3 rounds of certamen competitions. 22 students - from the 5th grade to the 12th grade - competed for pride and prizes. All the questions were based upon the 'Aeneid,' and questions ranged from easy (Where did Aeneas end his search for a homeland? near the Tiber River in Italy) to difficult (Quae femina contra Trōiānōs ferōciter pugnāvit? Camilla). Was the competition loud? YES

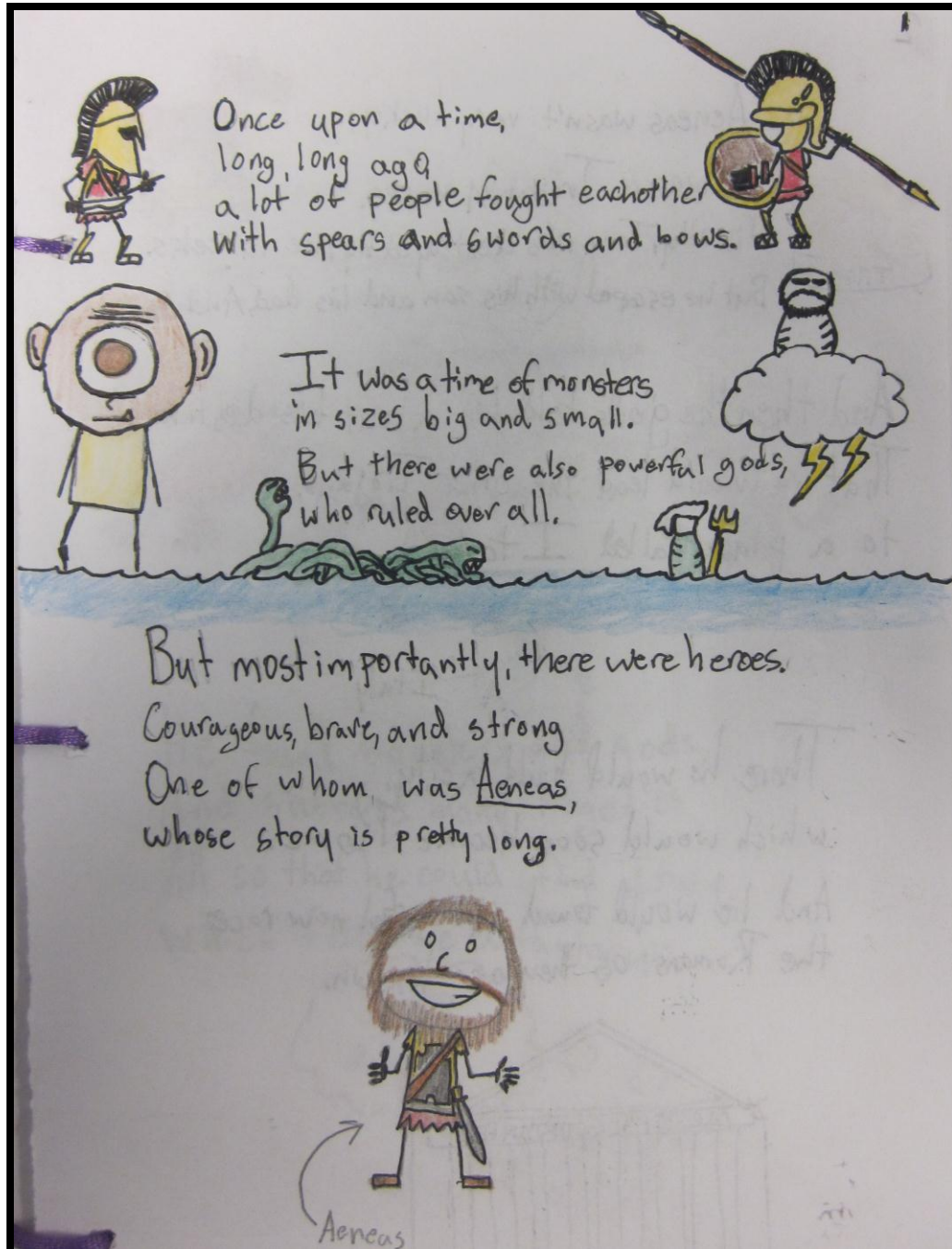


Cut-out Children's Book by Hudson Whiting (7th grader): Mezentius attacks Aeneas to avenge the death of his son Lausus.

Saturday morning, the read-a-thon started promptly at 9 am. 10th grader Carter Hall - as the oldest member of the group - got the honor of beginning the story:

*"I sing of arms and the man, he who, exiled by fate,
first came from the coast of Troy to Italy, and to
Lavinian shores – hurled about endlessly by land and sea,
by the will of the gods, by cruel Juno's remorseless anger,
long suffering also in war, until he founded a city
and brought his gods to Latium: from that the Latin people
came, the lords of Alba Longa, the walls of noble Rome."*

12 readers spent the next 10 hours bringing to life this classic story of 'loser-now-turned-winner-later.'



Intro to Children's Book by Thomas Quan (9th grader) - The whole book is in rhyming verse!

The Final Readers: “and then ‘Turnus’ limbs grew slack with death, and his life fled, with a moan, angrily, to the Shades.”



**All winners received ‘Celebration’ ribbons and a chocolate treat.
1st place winners also won a T-shirt from the ‘Classical Archive.’**

Most Dedicated Readers:

5th grade – Julia Dean
6th - Mary Towell
7th - Tullus Dean
8th - Dustin Argo, David Towell
9th – Kevin Boyce, Garrett Steele
10th - Carter Hall
12th - Steven Malseed

Academic Contest, Middle School (6)

1st – Nicholas Smith
2nd – Jennifer Whitehead
3rd – Tullus Dean

Academic Contest, Upper School (7)

1st – Josh Harris
2nd – Kelly McBride
3rd – Tino Delamerced
4th - Carter Hall

Multimedia, All Grades (4)

1st - Matt Fry
2nd - Dustin Argo
3rd - Christopher Samaan
4th - Garrison Herfel

Tile Mosaic by Bates Crowther (7th grader):
Aeneas & Sibyl cross the Styx on Charon's boat.



Certamen, 6th Grade

1st – Joseph Delamerced, Evan Stapleton
2nd – Caroline Klette, Paige Angne, Julia Dean

Certamen, 7th/8th Grade

1st – Thomas McLaughlin, Tullus Dean,
Nicholas Smith, Hudson Whiting
2nd – Dustin Argo, Carter Fee, Jennifer Whitehead

Certamen, Upper School

1st – Tino Delamerced, Jesse Campbell, Carter Hall,
Kelly McBride, Kevin Boyce
2nd – Nathan Whitsett, Steven Malseed,
Christian Lipa, Amanda Sequeira, Josh Harris

Dramatic Speeches (9)

1st – Jesse Campbell, Tullus Dean
2nd – Chris Lee
3rd – Alex Marcellus
4th – Eva Nicholson

3D Posters, 6th Grade (10)

1st – Michael Warden
2nd – Vivian LaCerde
3rd – Stephanie Kiley
4th – Caitlin O'Donnell
5th – Alea Harris

3D Posters, 7th and 8th Grades (11)

1st – Maggie Taylor, Helena Montag
2nd – Zachary Pavlin
3rd – Peter Settle
4th – Calvin Spanbauer
5th – Alexis Hogya

3D Posters, Upper School (13)

1st – Caroline Clark, Carolyn Boyce
2nd – Destiny Williams
3rd – Kelly McBride
4th – Stewart Spanbauer
5th – Natalie Pearl
Honorable Mention - Styrling Rohr

Mosaics, Tile (8)

1st – Caroline Klette, Bates Crowther
2nd – Charles Kubicki
3rd – Kyle Schneider
4th – Cooper Schreibeis

Mosaics, Bead (12)

1st – Lillian Chow, Hope Thomson, Nisha Shabbir
2nd – Caroline Walton
3rd – Mary Towell
4th – Lucy Crowther, Hali Clark
5th – Syndi Brooks

3D Models, Dean's 6th Grade (28)

1st – Morgan Williams, Brigid Lawler, Regan Lawler,
Drew Harsh
2nd – Maggie Harsh, Madeline Hendrix
3rd – Teo Fernandez, Henry Schertzinger
4th – Jack Langenderfer
5th – Evan Stapleton, Claudia Schaefer



3D Model by Drew Harsh (6th grader):
Aeolus releases the winds at the behest of Juno.

3D Models, 7th and 8th Grades (16)

- 1st – Thomas McLaughlin, Connor Shaw
- 2nd – Sam Wiser, Rose Temizer
- 3rd – Hannah Fassler, Luc Moser
- 4th - MyKaela Murdock-Pace
- 5th - Amalia Nichifor

3D Models, Upper School (8)

- 1st – Kevin Boyce, Nathan Whitsett, Josh Harris
- 2nd – Amanda Sequeira
- 3rd – Mia Schreibeis



The Friday Night Group: post-food, pre-games



Wooden Horses! Cyclopes! Shooting Stars! Ghosts!

Dolls, All Grades (8)

- 1st – Jennifer Whitehead, Emily Haussler
- 2nd – Emma Nies
- 3rd – Ebele de la Bay-Coffie
- 4th – Haley Hauser

Children's Books, 6th - 8th Grades (19)

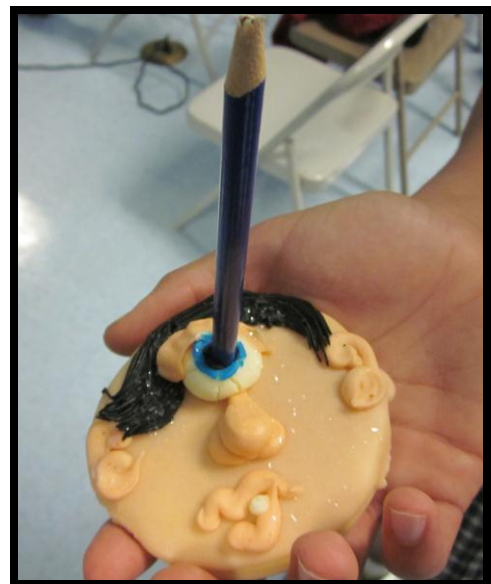
- 1st – Hudson Whiting, Joseph Delamerced
- 2nd – Waleed Amir
- 3rd – Paige Angne, Caroline Schmerge
- 4th – Maya Warren
- 5th – Thomas Temizer, Carter Fee

Children's Books, Upper School (17)

- 1st – Thomas Quan, Inessa Chandra, Adelaide Tsueda
- 2nd – Alexandra Schmerge
- 3rd – Marie Cossins
- 4th – Abbey Taylor
- 5th – Nora Lakes
- Honorable Mention - Colette Hue



Mosaic by Nisha Shabbir (8th grader): Death of Priam



Jesse already has his project for the 'Odyssey' in 2 years



Over 148,000 students from all 50 states and 13 foreign countries participated in the 35th annual National Latin Exam. The NLE consists of 40 multiple choice questions on grammar, vocabulary, derivatives, mythology, history, and culture. This exam is a chance for students to test their knowledge against Latin students throughout the world. 7th-12th grade Latin students take this exam.

Two-thirds of Summit Students Earned Awards, and One-Third Earned Gold Medals!

7th Grade Awards – Introduction to Latin Exam (with number correct out of 40)

Achievement Certificate

Waleed Amir (32), Lennox Brooks (35), Lillian Chow (33), Bates Crowther (35), Tullus Dean (35), Carter Fee (33), Hannah Fassler (34), Reece Jackson (32), Charles Kubicki (35), Jay Nagle (34), Zachary Pavlin (35), Christopher Samaan (35), Emma Shelton (33), Nicholas Smith (33), Hope Thomson (35), Nicole Weyer (34), Sam Wiser (35)

Outstanding Achievement Certificate + Ribbon

Haley Hauser (37), Laura Klug (36), Connor McMurry (37), Amalia Nichifor (36), Jordyn Northern (36), Caroline Schmerge (38), Logan Taylor (39), Jennifer Whitehead (37)

8th - 12th Grade Awards (with year of Latin + the number correct out of 40)

‘Cum Laude’ Certificate

Rachel Argo (IV 27), Justin Ayer (I 29), Taylor Ayer (I 29), Jack Harsh (I 29), Luc Moser (I 29), Josh Rademacher (I 30), Cooper Schreibeis (IV 26), Garrett Steele (28), Thomas Temizer (I 29)

‘Magna Cum Laude’ Certificate

Anna Bertsch (III 29), Neil Bostick (I 31), Marie Cossins (III 29), Jack Diener (II 30), Thomas Quan (I 32), Elisa Stanis (I 32), Maggie Taylor (I 32), Abbey Taylor (II 31)

Silver Medal + ‘Maxima Cum Laude’ Certificate

Janel Bond (I 33), Carolyn Boyce (V 33), Ellie Cooney (IV 34),
Anna Delamerced (V 34), Morgan Hughes (III 32), Steven Malseed (III 31),
Natalie Pearl (II 34), Alexandra Schmerge (III 31), Stewart Spanbauer (II 32),
David Temming (I 34), Nathan Whitsett (II 33)

Gold Medal + ‘Summa Cum Laude’ Certificate

Dustin Argo (I 40), Sara Bissantz (I 37), Kevin Boyce (II 39), Jesse Campbell (II 39),
Dylan Chambers (I 36), Inessa Chandra (II 38), Jenny Chen (V 36),
Tino Delamerced (III 39), Carter Hall (III 36), Josh Harris (II 35),
Emily Haussler (III 35), Alexis Hogle (I 39), Emily Hogle (IV 40), Chris Lee (III 37),
Nate Lucas (I 36), Alex Marcellus (III 38), Kelly McBride (III 36),
Regina Merrill (IV 36), Elena Montag (I 38), Alex Murtha (I 37), Sofia Ordoñez (II 35),
Styriling Rohr (II 37), Amanda Sequeira (II 37), Nisha Shabbir (I 36),
Connor Shaw (I 36), Maddie Shelton (I 36), Natalie Whitsett (V 37)

Perfect Score on the 2012 NLE

Summit had 2 perfect scores this year! To earn a perfect score is extremely difficult and rare: only 1,111 out of 136,000 exams (less than 1%!) received a perfect score on the 2012 National Latin Exam. A special certificate is presented to honor this achievement.

Dustin Argo (Level 1)

Emily Hogle (Level 4)

Special Book Award

The National Latin Exam has awarded a ‘Special Book Award’ to **Emily Hogle** for earning **four consecutive gold medals**. It is tough to earn the top award just 1 time; it is quite an achievement to get the Gold Medal numerous times. Emily has won The Oxford Classical Dictionary (THE reference book on the Greco-Roman world). Congratulatiōnēs!



***SPQR** stands for ‘The Senate and the Roman People.’ It is still seen in Rome today on city-owned materials.
The **laurel wreath** is a symbol of Apollo and represents victory.*

2012 NJCL Latin Honor Society Induction

The Latin Honor Society is an honorary organization for students who have exhibited excellence in the study of the Latin language. Students in the Latin Honor Society must:

- ✓ maintain an “A” average in Latin
- ✓ demonstrate dedication and enthusiasm for the language
- ✓ participate in at least 4 Latin-sponsored events

Many of the students participated in the various service activities sponsored by the Latin Club. There were 8 activities for a total of **over 350 service hours!**

- Halloween fun - for the 2nd year - at the Majorie P. Lee Retirement Home (Oct)
- trail clearing and honey suckle eradication at the Californian Nature Preserve (Oct)
- 4 Sat mornings at Matthew 25 Ministries in Blue Ash (Dec and March)
- pre-Christmas preparation at St. Vincent DePaul Food Pantry (Dec)
- Easter Egg Hunt at the Majorie P. Lee Retirement Home (April)



Sam ‘Chicken Man’ Wisner helped out at the Halloween event at the Lee Retirement Home.

Here are some quotes from the student essays for the Latin Honor Society about the importance of the the Latin Club, the Latin language, and classical civilization:

- I became friends with some of my best friends through Latin activities like the Celebration of the Classics and especially State convention.
- I like scoring well on tests, even if they are not graded, and I am willing to scream myself hoarse at State Convention.
- Latin has opened a new door in my brain that has doubled my comprehension of new vocabulary as well as the mythological significance of certain events.
- I have attended at least 10 Latin-sponsored events and enjoyed every one of them.
- The Latin Club has provided countless memories, friendships, and new leadership positions - it is a community unlike any other.
- It will help me understand the larger words on many of my high school and college exams such as the HSPT and SATs.
- I actually enjoy going home to work on Latin, which may sound strange but is true more often than for any of my other subjects. I feel that it is an important part of my academic schedule to which I really want to devote time.
- Because of my positive experience with Latin at Summit, I plan to continue my study of the ancient world and the classics in college next fall.

This year, 41 Summit students earned induction into the Latin Honor Society.

1st Year (20) - Pin + Certificate

7th Grade: Lillian Chow, Bates Crowther, Tullus Dean, Hannah Fassler, Haley Hauser, Laura Klug, Charles Kubicki, Thomas McLaughlin, Connor McMurphy, Jay Nagle, Amalia Nichifor, Zachary Pavlin, Nora Poch, Caroline Schmerge, Nicholas Smith, Caroline Walton, Sam Wiser

9th Grade: Inessa Chandra, Thomas Quan, Adelaide Tsueda

2nd Year (3) - Certificate

8th Grade: Dustin Argo, Alexis Hogya, Nisha Shabbir

3rd Year (7) – Certificate

9th Grade: Kevin Boyce, Jesse Campbell, Joshua Harris, Sofia Ordoñez

10th Grade: Alexandra Schmerge

11th Grade: Alexander Marcellus, Morgan Hughes

4th Year (5) – Certificate

10th Grade: Tino Delamerced, Carter Hall, Emily Haussler, Christopher Lee, Kelly McBride

5th Year (4) - Certificate

11th Grade: Ellie Cooney, Emily Hogya, Christian Lipa, Regina Merrill

6th Year (2) - Certificate

12th Grade: Carolyn Boyce, Anna Delamerced

2012 Members of Eta Sigma Phi (ΕΣΦ)

Eta Sigma Phi is a college-level academic fraternity which honors excellence in classical scholarship. This honorary organization is for the 'best of the best' of Latin students.

- First-time members for Eta Sigma Phi receive an **Induction Pin**.
- Students who progress & show real talent in the Latin language move up to the **small silver medal**.
- The top honor - a **large silver medal** - is awarded only to those students who have earned the top prize on the CAMWS Sight Translation Exam, a competition among the best advanced Latin students.

Below are the 2012 Members (with new inductees/new levels italicized):

Induction Pin – Carolyn Boyce, Anna Delamerced, *Alex Marcellus*

Small Silver – *Emily Hogya*

Large Silver - *Tino Delamerced (2012 Book Prize Winner on the CAMWS Sight Translation Exam)*

Alumni of the Summit Chapter of Eta Sigma Phi:

Small Bonze – Michael Colina, Tim Eschenbacher, William Eschenbacher, Steve Haag, Jeannette Holm, Tim Keck, Chris Lapp, Nathan Patterson, Catherine Schuler, Paul Slater

Small Silver – Ben Bromley, Dominic D'Alonzo, Chris Daniell, Stephan Kathman, Margaret Niehaus-Sauter, Joey Oakwood, Daniel Rachovitsky

Large Silver – Matt Ahlgren, Jason Carreon Chua, Jared Dunnmon, Philip Hall, Tracy Moore II, Bobby Oakwood

2012 National Greek Exam

1,835 students from 155 schools across the country participated in the National Greek Exam. This competition is designed to promote the study of ancient Greek in secondary schools. The exam consists of 40 multiple choice questions on 2 extended passages from ancient Greek authors.

Rachel Argo (30), Myles Casanas (29), Caroline Clark (28), Matt Fry (30), and Cooper Schreibeis (30) received the Green Merit Ribbon & Certificate.

Carolyn Boyce (34) and Steven Malseed (34) received the Red High Honors Ribbon & Certificate.

2011-2012 Academic Achievement Awards

These awards honor the top students in each level who have maintained an outstanding academic average and displayed a serious dedication to Latin. (Certificate & Box of Candy!)

<u>6th Grade:</u>	Hali Clark, Caroline Klette, Whitt Massey, Michael Warden
<u>Latin ½:</u>	Tullus Dean, Haley Hauser
<u>Latin I:</u>	Dustin Argo, Thomas Quan, David Temming
<u>Latin II:</u>	Inessa Chandra
<u>Latin III:</u>	Kelly McBride
<u>AP Vergil:</u>	Emily Hogya
<u>Greek:</u>	Carolyn Boyce

2011-2012 'Res Gestae' of the Summit Latin Program

Perfect on the National Latin Exam

Level 1 – Dustin Argo
Level 4 – Emily Hogya

Book Awards on the National Latin Exam

4 Consecutive Gold Medals - Emily Hogya

Perfect on the National Mythology Exam

MS: Dustin Argo, Tullus Dean, Hannah Fassler, Teo Fernandez, Brigid Lawler,
Nicholas Smith Morgan Williams
US: Rachel Argo (5), Kevin Boyce (2), Jesse Campbell, Jenny Chen, Anna Delamerced (2),
Tino Delamerced, Carter Hall (3), Josh Harris (2), Emily Haussler (3),
Emily Hogya (2), Chris Lee, Christian Lipa (2), Steven Malseed, Alex Marcellus (3),
Kelly McBride, Sofia Ordoñez (2), Andrew Thomas

Perfect on the Classical Literacy Exam

Paige Angne (6th), Teo Fernandez (6th), Josh Harris (Level 2), Michael Warden (6th)

Ohio JCL Convention Awards

STATE CHAMPIONS - FOR THE FOURTH CONSECUTIVE YEAR!

Level 2 Certamen Champs: Kevin Boyce, Jesse Campbell, Inessa Chandra

Upper Level Certamen Champs: Tino Delamerced, Carter Hall, Chris Lee, Alex Marcellus

21 1st Place Awards – Dustin Argo, Carolyn Boyce, Kevin Boyce, Inessa Chandra,
Jenny Chen, Lillian Chow, Marie Cossins, Tullus Dean, Tino Delamerced,
Carter Hall, Emily Haussler, Alex Marcellus, Kelly McBride, Nisha Shabbir

4 'Best of Show' Awards - Tino Delamerced, Carter Hall, Emily Haussler, Kelly McBride
Emily Haussler - 1st in Performance Arts

Tino Delamerced – 1st in Overall Points (for the 3 year in a row!)

2011 National JCL Convention Awards

4 1st Place Awards - Carolyn Boyce, Tino Delamerced, Christian Lipa, Nathan Whitsett

Novice Level Certamen – 4th in the Nation

Upper Level Certamen - 5th in the Nation

Ohio JCL Officers Anna Delamerced (Pres), Mark Samaan (1st VP), Carolyn Boyce (SW Rep)

Summit Latin Club President Carolyn Boyce