**SALVĒTE CAJCL!**

Wow, what an amazing year it has been! I can’t believe my term as *Nuntius* Editor has come to an end. Thank you so much CAJCL for your spirit this year. I am so grateful for your contributions to the *Nuntius* and for your support of this year's publications. I have loved highlighting and sharing the inner workings of CAJCL with you all, and I have enjoyed the opportunity to spread information on the Classics!

In this issue, you can relive some of the fun moments from State Convention and look at some old photos from JCLers first events. Make sure to check out articles that showcase the CAJCL scholarship recipients, a farewell tribute to Mrs. Altieri, a spotlight on Mr. Davis, the new state chair, an introduction to the new state officers, and a farewell from the outgoing officers. You can also test your knowledge of Roman history, mythology, and more with a fun crossword puzzle, or learn some fun facts about the seven hills of Rome!

As always, if you would like to contribute to the next edition of the *Nuntius*, feel free to email nuntius@cajcl.org. Happy reading omnēs!

*Grātiās!*
Kaleigh Ruegg
CAJCL *Nuntius* Editor 2020-21

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Announcements

Are you planning on attending the 68th Annual NJCL Convention from July 24th-29th? If so, remember to register for Nationals using this link. The convention will be virtual and the cost of attendance is $90. Make sure to check out the scholarships page on the website for more information on applying for NJCL scholarships. We can’t wait to see you there!

Congratulations to the newly elected Senior Classical League Board: Sofia Abolfathi (President), Kiana Hu (Vice President), Michaela Phan (Secretary), Gil Peled (Webmaster), Lauren Cho (JCL Liaison), Kevin Corrigan (Parliamentarian). Use this link to join SCL and this link to pay your $6 SCL dues.

Support the Illinois Junior Classical League and check out their mechanize using this link. They are selling stickers, t-shirts, and acrylic blocks to raise money for a convention scholarship fund.

Make sure to check out all the CAJCL website has to offer. Take a look at the updated CAJCL logo, the new event archives page, and the event recap videos! Also, if you would like to take a look at the updated CAJCL history dating back to 1955, check out the About CAJCL page on the website!
CAJCL 2021 STATE CONVENTION HIGHLIGHTS

This year from April 9th to 10th, Menlo School hosted the CAJCL's first ever Virtual State Convention. While different from the normal format of an in person convention, State Convention allowed CAJCLers to gather over Zoom and enjoy a variety of new activities and old favorites. During games of *Apud Nos*, a JCL Bake-Off, competitive Kahoots, and engaging Colloquia, the spirit of CAJCL was always present.

There were a wide range of colloquia available at Convention including Bloodsucking Monsters, Vesuvius: An Eyewitness Account, Nero, the Ara Pacis, and a Greek Tragedy performance. All of the colloquia can still be viewed on the CAJCL youtube channel!

The amazing SCLers organized fun and creative Ludi games, where JCL-ers recorded themselves performing push ups and sit ups. We also watched an exciting That's Entertainment on Youtube where the chat was filled with enthusiasm!

The CAJCL board welcomed JCLers to State Convention via Youtube live. GA II included election speeches, scholarship awards and other fun announcements. In the conclusion of State Convention at GA III, Ms. Vasquez gave a heartfelt goodbye to the former state chair, Mrs. Altieri.
A big thank you to Menlo School and Co-Convention Presidents, Sonia Agarwal and Ahna Kim, for there dedication and hard work. We had a blast at Convention!

The spirit competition at State Convention this year encouraged chapters to submit videos of delegates reenacting scenes from Shakespeare's play *Julius Caesar*. Above are the "Best Overall" winners, Xander Deanhardt and Otto Winter from Miramonte.

Some fun and competitive events that were available for delegates to Zoom into were Kahoots ranging in topics from mythology, to Harry Potter, and Roman culture. The Roman Rap Battle was a also an exciting compilation of many talented JCLers!

The virtual service project, run by 2nd VP Rupert Chen, allowed CAJCLers to complete random acts of kindness. Overall, there were 38 different random acts of kindness.

After giving election speeches and attending an open forum led by Parliamentarian Elizabeth Casey, the CAJCL board for the 2021-2022 year was sworn in during GA III.
JCL Photos from the Vault
After serving as the CAJCL State Chair for twenty-five years, we must bid a heartfelt farewell to Mrs. Martha Altieri. During her years as State Chair, Mrs. Altieri has played a crucial role in the innovation, advancements, and unparalleled spirit present within the California Junior Classical League. She instituted adult mentors on the state board to aid student officers, the trusty white booklet as a pdf for state events, and the CAJCL online computer program for awards.

Additionally, Mrs. Altieri is an admired teacher and JCL sponsor. While at Woodbridge High School, the fun JCL events she hosted set an example for other schools in CAJCL, and she has inspired an unprecedented number of Latin students along the way. Thank you, Mrs. Altieri, for your years of service, your dedication to JCL, your mentorship, and your love for Classical education. The legacy set by Mrs. Altieri will always live on in the hearts and minds of CAJCLers, and while she will be greatly missed, we wish Mrs. Altieri all the best!

Mrs. Altieri receiving the Mildred Sterling Award!
The California Junior Classical League is very excited to announce the new State Chair, Mr. Matt Davis! Mr. Davis has been teaching Latin at Miramonte High School since 2001 and has been a Latin teacher for 23 years. Prior to teaching, he received a BA in History and Classical Studies at UC Davis and a MA in Classical Studies at UCSB. Additionally, Mr. Davis studied for a year at the American School of Classical Studies in Athens with his wife before working at the College Preparatory School in Oakland.

Since 2000, Mr. Davis has attended every State Convention and numerous National Conventions. When recalling one of his favorite JCL memories, Mr. Davis expressed, "I will always remember my first nationals: all the JCLers from around the country who love the ancient world, meeting famous Latin teachers, the certamen, the daily spirit competitions, etc. It was just such a fun and supportive group!" Now, as a sponsor for officers on the state board, the former 1st VP mentor, and a constant contributor to the enthusiastic and efficient inner workings of the CAJCL, Mr. Davis is the perfect person to lead us in the years to come!

In addition to the state board, Mr. Davis has inspired and continues to inspire the Miramonte Latin students. One of the fun Miramonte traditions that Mr. Davis loves is their celebration of Augustus’ birthday, where JCLers perform an augury, act out a skit about the life of Augustus, eat cookies, and learn about other Roman cultural practices. How fun!
The spirit of the Latin teachers and JCL sponsors is a crucial component of the lively CAJCL community, and we are lucky to have Mr. Davis in our delegation. When asked why he decided to become a Latin teacher, Mr. Davis shared that, “Ever since I was in high school, I knew I wanted to be a teacher. I was inspired by my 10th-grade history teacher, Mr. Arnold. After I started taking Latin at UC Davis, I knew Latin was for me, and I wanted to teach this amazing language.”

Thank you, Mr. Davis, for your contributions to the CAJCL organization and the overall Classics community. Additionally, we thank you for your dedication to the betterment of CAJCL and for your contagious enthusiasm! Mr. Davis was hand-picked by the former State Chair, Martha Altieri. He will undoubtedly carry out her legacy while also continuing the great traditions of CAJCL and inspiring and helping students and teachers from around the state.

Did you know that... Mr. Davis has three cats named Twizzler, Cricket, and Dragonfly. You might be wondering why none of them have Latin names, well, after giving all the family pets ancient names back in the day, he is no longer allowed to name the pets. Also, Mr. Davis was the team captain of the UC Davis polo team during his last year in college when they won the Western Regional championship. Go Aggies!
CAJCL proudly announces the 2021 recipients of the LURA A. WALLACE and PAUL E. SHICKLE College Scholarships!

Congratulations to:
(Names have been listed in alphabetical order and with parental permission.)

Sonia Agarwal
Menlo School

Matthew Charles
Sage Hill School

Cara Holden
Miramonte

Ahna Kim
Menlo School

Kaleigh Ruegg
St. Ignatius

CAJCL wishes to commend all of these recipients, as well as all those students who applied for this scholarship! Their applications clearly presented how each student exhibited a deep dedication to academic excellence throughout their school career. They participated enthusiastically and consistently in JCL events and both represented and served the JCL and CAJCL in many ways. They also supported other clubs, teams, and organizations in their school, and often spent many hours as volunteers in community service positions. We applaud them and wish them every success!
Cara Holden on her awe of the Latin language...

"I was intrigued to uncover the secrets lying within the paragraphs before me... I relish(ed) the challenge of synthesizing word meanings and endings, historical and cultural contexts, and stylistic devices in order to form my own interpretations of what the author was literally and figuratively attempting to convey."

Ahna Kim on what she’s learned through Classical studies....

"Studying Classics has been more than learning the syntactical procedures of the Latin language for me. It has been about studying people – their lives, interests, creations, and customs – and I am continuously inspired by Classics’ ability to form a narrative for these past civilizations in a way that allows us to both develop an empathetic understanding of their society, (and) also better understand our own modernity."

Sonia Agarwal on the impact of the Junior Classical League...

"The JCL community has been my home and I have met so many new people and made many lifelong friends... JCL and Latin have also offered me the opportunity to grow as a team member and leader. This past year as Convention President, I have learned how to not only organize a large-scale event, but also to collaborate with my peers and adults, (and) think creatively, all while spreading the love for the Classics."

Matthew Charles on Classical relevance in today's society...

"Roman civilization carries many important lessons that are pertinent today. Whether it’s environmental damage, good policies, or individuals with great speeches – all (are) parts of Roman society that provide us with important information..... (Study of) the Latin language creates a metropolitan mind in a world of succinct and railroaded stereotypes – an important advantage to any person hoping to succeed."

Kaleigh Ruegg on the impact of taking Latin...

"The first time I walked into the Latin classroom at my high school, I remember my face lighting up. The vibrance, excitement, and welcoming atmosphere I walked into drew me in instantly... While translating the Aeneid, reenacting scenes in class, or singing songs to memorize grammatical structures... I have loved the classroom atmosphere and how it has fostered my intellectual curiosity. "
Seven Facts with the Seven Hills
**Esquiline Hill**

The largest of the seven hills of Rome and the location of the Roman emperor, Nero’s *domus aurea* (golden house). The Esquiline is also the location of the Colossus, Temple of Claudius, and Baths of Trajan. Since burials were not allowed within the city walls, Rome’s graveyard during the Republic was located on the Esquiline Hill. Later on, Augustus covered the burial pits with soil and created the beautiful *Horti Maecenatis* (Gardens of Maecenas).

**Palatine Hill**

The Palatine Hill is the central hill of the seven in Rome and is located near the Tiber River. It was the first hill to become a settlement (around 10th century BC) and it’s believed to be the location of the Lupercal, the cave where the she-wolf found Romulus and Remus. The hill also contains the residence of Augustus and other emperors, the Temple of Apollo and temples of Victory and the Great Mother (*Magan Mater*). Nero’s Palace, the *Domus Transitoria* was destroyed in the great fire of 64 AD, and the *Domus Aurea* (Domitian’s Palace) is in its place on the hill.

**Aventine Hill**

According to legend, Remus selected the Aventine as his hill whereas Romulus selected the Palatine Hill. These hills are now separated by the Circus Maximus. The Aventine Hill was the home of the plebeians and the location of the temples to Diana, Ceres, and Libera. Other significant structures were the Asinius Pollio’s library and the Armilustrium, which was used to purify arms used in battle at the end of the military season.

**Capitoline Hill**

This hill is the smallest of the seven hills, but it is situated in the heart of Rome, or the forum and the Campus Martius. The Capitoline Hill was known as the *Mons Tarpeius* because some of Rome’s villains were said to have been tossed from the Tarpeian Rock to their deaths. The hill’s name comes from the legendary human skull found buried within it. The temple of Juno Moneta, likely named *moneta* for the warning of the geese who honked and saved Rome from a Gaulic attack, is on the Capitoline. This is where coins were minted, providing the etymology for the word "money".
Viminal Hill

The Viminal Hill is the smallest of Rome’s seven hills. It is characterized as flat topped and steep. The hill became a part of Rome during Servius Tullius’ reign in the sixth century BC along with the Quirinal Hill. The Viminal Hill is derived from the Latin word vimen, meaning an osier or a type of pliant twig. The hill was at one point the site of the Servian fortress and was also the location of the thermae Diocletiani (Baths of Diocletian), baths that became unusable after the Goths cut the aqueducts in 537 CE.

Quirinal Hill

The Quirinal Hill is the highest and northernmost of the seven hills of Rome. This hill was originally home to the Sabine people. Currently, it’s home to the Quirinal Palace, which is where the Italian head of state resides. Many powerful Roman families also built their homes on this hill. The Temple of Serapis, dedicated to the god Serapis and the goddess Isis is known as the most monumental temple on the Quirinal Hill. Although this temple was torn down in the fourth century when pagans were being persecuted in the late Roman Empire, remnants have been found.

Caelian Hill

The Caelian Hill was the home of the Alba Longa population under the reign of Tullus Hostilius after they were forced to resettle. South of the hill were the Thermae Antoniniani (The Baths of Caracalla) and located in the western half of the hill was The Servian Wall. The hill’s name has been connected to the Latin word caelum (heaven), but it’s more likely that Servius Tullius named the hill after an Etruscan folk hero, Caelius Vibenna. The Caelian Hill was also a heavily populated area during the Republic and was the residential location of many wealthy Romans.

PHOTO OF THE MONTH & IOCUS CONTEST
February

Photo of the Month

The Willows School’s ode to Bernie’s Mittens!
-Willows Community School
JCL

Locus Contest

Winner: Avery Konwiser
School: Harvard-Westlake
Caption: This meme was made by @piscetas!
March

Photo of the Month

Menlo-Atherton JCL Club celebrated the Ides of March with an impromptu art contest! Here, MAJCLer Cate is explaining her sculptural reenactment of Caesar’s assassination.

-Sadie, Menlo-Atherton High School

Nero be like:

Rome is good

But it can be better

made with mematic

Locus Contest

Winner: William Alexander Deanhardt
School: Miramonte High School
Caption: This meme was created by William Alexander Deanhardt.
April

Photo of the Month

There were no submissions to the Photo Of The Month Contest this month, so here is a photo from the state convention service project brought to you by CAJCL historian Sadie Almgren!
-Sadie, Menlo-Atherton High School

Iocus Contest

Winner: Xander Deanhardt
School: Miramonte High School
Caption: This meme was created by Xander Deanhardt
Introducing the 2021-2022 CAJCL Board!

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CAJCL Convention President 2021-2022
St. Francis High School

**LOUISE MORR**
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OFFICER FAREWELLS

GRATIAS ET VALETE AMICI!

"There are no goodbyes for us. Wherever you are, you will always be in my heart." - Mahatma Ghandi
This year has been one like no other and I am so lucky to have been able to work with such an amazing CAJCL board. It has been a pleasure serving as one of the Convention Presidents this past year. Ahna and I were lucky enough to work with such a great board and group of Menlo JCLers and I am glad we were able to put on the first virtual State Convention!

The CAJCL community has been my home for the past four years and I have met so many of my lifelong friends all while exploring new places around our country and learning about the ways Latin and Classics connect to our world today. The role of Convention President has not only taught me how to organize a large-scale event but also how to collaborate with my peers and adults and think creatively all while spreading the love for the Classics.

Thank you to Menlo JCL for an amazing past four years and to all of the Menlo JCLers who jumped right in and helped run this year’s Convention. Lastly, many thanks to my Latin teacher Ms. Vasquez for introducing me to JCL and for fostering my love for Latin and the Classics. Thank you CAJCL for the opportunity to serve as your Convention President. I will miss you all!

Sonia Agarwal
CAJCL Convention President 2020-2021
Menlo School
What a year it’s been! Despite the obstacles of COVID and the pandemic, I am so glad that I got to experience JCL’s enduring spirit and enthusiasm as convention president this year.

Running the first virtual CAJCL convention was an exciting challenge and I want to give a big thank you to the board, CASCL, and all of those who helped us host this event. Running this convention would not have been possible without the collaboration, teamwork, and support of the JCL community and it has truly been a pleasure working with all of you. I remember how the buzzing energy of the first state convention I ever attended introduced me to this wonderful world we call JCL and since then I have loved meeting the many JCLers from across the country, all of us united by our shared interest in Classics.

JCL has always been a constant in the unpredictable ups and downs of the past couple of years, and I hope that this year’s state convention was able to provide that same sense of warmth and community. I am excited to see JCL continue to thrive and I want to thank all of you for making the past four years such a memorable, Classics-filled journey!

Ahna Kim
CAJCL Convention President 2020-2021
Menlo School
Due to this school year’s unusual circumstances, I had to be innovative in order to recruit schools and keep chapters engaged in non-traditional avenues. One of my favorite ideas was JCL Buddies, which connected students with similar interests across California schools. I also coordinated several monthly publicity themes on Instagram that gave chapters the opportunity to virtually connect with their members. To further our recruitment efforts, I sent prospective schools a video compilation discussing why students and alumni love the JCL chapter and the lasting impact it has on one’s education and future career. Finally, I received creative and impactful publicity submissions from several schools at Convention, and I am incredibly proud of CAJCL members’ dedication to promoting JCL even with the obstacles of this year.

I have no doubt that Elizabeth, next year’s First Vice President, will do an amazing job continuing to publicize JCL and recruit new schools into our community. I have loved absolutely every moment of each JCL event this year from board meetings to State Convention, Ludi and certamen competitions. The California Junior Classical League has completely transformed my high school experience, and I am so honored that I was given the responsibility to work for you all. Valete Omnes!

Ava Tynan
CAJCL 1st Vice President 2020-2021
St. Ignatius College Prep.
This time last year, I wrote that “my term as Webmaster is already over, but it feels like it just began.” I feel the same way this year. My Nationals planning seems like a recent memory, not a year ago. And so much has happened since Nationals: Ludi, SCRAM, and States.

At the National convention, we came second in spirit and service. At Ludi/SCRAM, we sent 88 letters in the service project; meanwhile, 42 people participated in the Ludi spirit competitions. And at the state convention, 116 people took part in spirit, acting out over 1700 lines of classically related theater.

Although this online year was new and challenging in many ways, I have been continually impressed by the resilience of the JCL community. We had to adapt to new formats for both spirit and service, and still so many of you participated—your theater entries during State convention were impressive, creative, and often hilarious, and all of your random acts of kindness were inspired and beautiful.

I am incredibly honored to have been able to serve on the CAJCL board these past two years, and am so thankful to everyone who has helped make my time on the board so wonderful. In addition to all the other students and teachers on the board, I’d particularly like to thank my amazing sponsors, Mrs. Masoni and Mr. Paterson, and my generous mentors, Ms. Curcio, Mrs. Altieri, and Mr. Davis.

I look forward to the future: to virtual Nationals, where I can’t wait to see Avery’s ideas in action; to Ludi at Menlo-Atherton; and to State Convention in Sacramento! Thank you for two amazing years, CAJCL!

Rupert Chen
CAJCL 2nd Vice President 2020-2021
Harker School
Howdy, omnes! I cannot express how much of an absolute blast it has been serving as your CAJCL 2020-2021 Historian! Although I obviously wish we could’ve been together in person for Nats, SCRAM, Ludi, and state convention, I have been pleasantly surprised by how these virtual events have somewhat emulated the unique CAJCL experience.

My theme for CAJCL’s scrapbook is “sibi quisque ruri metit... ut Terram meliorem locum faciat”, meaning “each one harvests one’s own farm... in order to make the Earth a better place”. This theme is all about contributions to a community, and I firmly believe that the CAJCL would be nothing without the spirited community that upholds it. I couldn’t think of a more relevant theme to represent this year of the California Junior Classical League. Despite a pandemic, destruction caused by California wildfires, and political turmoil in our country, the spirit of the CAJCL persisted because each and every CAJCLer contributed their spirit, knowledge, and artistic talent. For that, I appreciate each and every one of you for making the CAJCL a better place this year!

Maximas gratias ago vobis for all of the delightful memes, for your willingness to pose for Zoom screenshot “group pictures”, and for keeping the spirit of the JCL alive when times are tough!

I am so excited for y’all to see the scrapbook and I hope to see all of you Northern California JCLers at Ludi 2021!

Sadie Almgren
CAJCL Historian 2020-2021
Menlo-Atherton School
Salvete, omnes! It’s the end of my CAJCL Secretary term, and I’m excited to give my final thoughts and farewell to you all. This has been an interesting and eventful year, to say the least—whether it be the unconventional elections that led me to be elected Secretary, or the online SCRAM, Ludi, and State Convention, 2020-2021 has been a very interesting year to be a State Officer. However, I’m so happy that I was able to serve as your secretary this year, and wouldn’t change it for the world.

Running for secretary was one of the most nerve-wracking things I’ve done in my high school career. I’m debilitatingly shy—public speaking is my greatest weakness and fear, and I’ve always been afraid of speaking in front of large crowds. But I took a leap of faith when running for Secretary. I put my love for the CAJCL above my fears and ran for an officer position that involved public speaking. Being part of the CAJCL board has helped me overcome that fear. My amazing fellow board members have been nothing but supportive and kind, and I appreciate them so much. The CAJCL has changed my life so much and I’m so excited to pass down everything I learned to my lovely successor, Alexis Kim.

Being on the board has been a learning experience, and an amazing one at that. The opportunity to serve as secretary has helped me grow as a person and as a student. I’ve learned so much about organization, helping others, and leadership skills. During my year as secretary, I’ve been able to forge strong bonds with my fellow board members as we worked together to further the organization that means the world to all of us. Thank you all for supporting me during my time as secretary, and thank you for this amazing opportunity! Valete, CAJCL, et maximas gratias tibi ago!

Jamie Kim-Worthington
CAJCL Secretary 2020-2021
Harvard-Westlake School
Salvete omnes! It has truly been an honor to serve as your 2020-2021 CAJCL Southern Representative. It would be an understatement to say that this past year has been eventful; we’ve definitely had our fair share of ups and downs. One might even call it a rollercoaster. However, I’ve really found it inspiring seeing how JCLers have continued to persevere, join together, and keep the spirit of JCL alive.

I never anticipated Latin becoming such a big part of my life, but I can honestly say that the title “JCLer” has become a badge I wear with pride. Having the opportunity to host SCRAM this year meant the world to me. Hosting the first-ever online SCRAM was even more memorable, since we had to be a lot more creative with event organization and planning. I’m so proud of the way my board at University High School handled it, and I had such a great time working with them. I’d like to extend my gratitude towards the State Board, SCL, and my Latin teachers at Uni: Mr. Davis and Mr. Michalak, for all of the help and advice throughout this year. I’d also like to say thank you to my fellow student officers this year: your dedication and genuine passion for JCL never fail to amaze and inspire me.

Although we’ve had plenty of challenges in recent times, I hope that as your Southern Representative I was able to help maintain some of the pride and togetherness that makes JCL so special. Thank you so much to the JCL community for everything these past four years; I couldn’t have asked to be part of a better group.

Meghana Krishnan
CAJCL Southern Rep 2020-2021
Harker School
Salvete Omnes! Although we faced unprecedented circumstances over the past year, I feel that we have been able to come together through digital platforms. It has been inspiring to see the creative ways that JCL chapters have continued to organize events and competitions in a new, online format. I have been honored to serve as Webmaster on the CAJCL board. This role has taken on a new meaning during the pandemic, with the website being one of the main ways of compiling and disseminating information in an all-online, remote year. As the Webmaster, I updated the website to a unified design language and structure, started a chapter website spotlight, and worked on transferring screenshots of documents to text, all while keeping the website up-to-date with event information, awards and recap videos, minutes, and virtual elections.

Before I hand everything off to my successor, one major feature I am bringing to the website is a new way to view information. Instead of having to scroll through large documents (such as the Constitution), you will now be given the option to look at a dynamic page instead. These new pages will contain expandable and collapsible sections to make it easier to find information based on section headers. Another effort I worked on this year was creating a way to allow chapters to connect with other chapters online through a website spotlight and a future website contest. If you want to have your chapter's JCL website featured on the CAJCL website and entered into the future contest, please fill out this brief form: www.tinyto.ga/jcl-web-spotlight.

Finally, I've helped create a state Discord server along with other fellow CAJCL students. We hope to run events on this server to stay connected between conventions given the remote setting. I highly encourage you to join the server to chat with other CAJCLers from around the state: www.tinyto.ga/cajcl-discord. Thank you to the CAJCL for making serving on the board this year an amazing experience, and I look forward to eventually seeing everyone back at in-person events.

Kabir Ramzan
CAJCL Webmaster 2020-2021
The Harker School
Salvete omnes! Thank you so much for an amazing year! I have loved being your Nuntius Editor and I am so grateful for the support and participation of the CAJCL delegation for each of my publications! Although we have had to navigate a new normal this year and find alternative ways to keep the spirit of JCL alive, I have found this community to be extremely uplifting. It has been a pleasure showcasing different aspects of the Classics in the Nuntius, including Horoscopes, Roman technology, and more. I also love informing JCLers about the wonderful contests, events, and other news happening in the organization. Thank you for submitting to the Nuntius and I hope you have enjoyed this year's publications!

Being on the board these past two years has been an honor and an absolute pleasure, so thank you for giving me this opportunity. The Junior Classical League is such a lively community that brings me immense joy and I feel extremely lucky to have served as a board member. It has been an incredible journey and I have loved giving back to this organization during board meetings and through the Nuntius Californiensis. I would like to thank my fellow board members, chairs, and sponsors for your constant dedication and ingenuity, and the CAJCL delegation for your endless spirit. Lastly, I would like to thank my mentor, Sofia, for her guidance, and my two Latin teachers, Ms. Curcio and Ms. Sum, who have inspired my love for the Classics and who have encouraged me every step of the way.

Thank you CAJCL for an unforgettable four years, it has been such a joy to be a part of this community. Gratias et Valete!

Kaleigh Ruegg  
CAJCL Nuntius Editor 2020-2021  
St. Ignatius College Prep.
CROSSWORD PUZZLE
Across
3. Gladiator who led a slave revolt against the Roman Republic
5. The first Roman road
7. Also known as the Flavian Amphitheater
8. The conservative political group that Pompey sided with in opposition to Caesar
11. Emperor at the time of The Great Fire of Rome
12. Where Julius Caesar was assassinated
15. Political alliance between Julius Caesar, Pompey, and Marcus Crassus
16. Emperor who’s name translates to “little soldier’s boot”
19. Battle where Marcus Brutus was defeated
20. Emperor who issued the Edict of Milan
21. Roman emperor murdered by his own men in 235 AD
23. Code of Law created in 451 BC, establishing concepts of justice, equality, and land rights

Down
1. Battle where Marcus Crassus was killed
2. The last of the Five Good Emperors
4. Father of Romulus and Remus
6. The last Western Roman emperor
9. Siege by the Romans from 213-212 BC where Archimedes was killed
10. Emperor credited with ending the Crisis of the Third Century
13. Nephew of Augustus, mentioned in Book VI of the Aeneid
14. Group that sacked Rome in 410 AD
17. Built after the Battle of Milvian Bridge in 312 AD
18. Wealthy, upper class Romans
22. Roman consul given the title “Pater Patriae”
ANSWER KEY
WASH YOUR HANDS FREQUENTLY
Regularly and thoroughly clean your hands with an alcohol-based hand rub or wash them with soap and water.

MAINTAIN PHYSICAL DISTANCING
Maintain at least 2 meters (6 feet) distance between yourself and anyone who is coughing or sneezing.

AVOID TOUCHING EYES, NOSE AND MOUTH
Hands touch many surfaces and can pick up viruses. Once contaminated, hands can transfer the virus to your eyes, nose or mouth.

IF YOU HAVE A FEVER, COUGH AND DIFFICULTY BREATHING, SEEK MEDICAL CARE EARLY
Stay home if you feel unwell. If you have a fever, cough and difficulty breathing, seek medical attention and call in advance.

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