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Looking forward to
the next 100 years!

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ACL Institute 2015

June 26, 27th, 28th

University of Connecticut

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

See the ACL website for further information
<http://www.aclassics.org/>

Teachers and Students Enjoy Governor's Academy

What constitutes heaven for Latin Teachers?

"Telling a joke in Latin and having someone laugh," said Nikki Carroll, Latin teacher at Swift Creek Middle School in Chesterfield County. Carroll is a long-standing staff member of the Virginia Governor's Latin Academy, which begins assembling its staff in March.

Kevin Perry, director of the Academy for the past two years and part of the program as a teacher or director since 2005, works tirelessly to create and run a three-week program that excites and energizes the state's best Latin students every summer.

As director, Perry looks for a balance of veteran teachers and new teachers. This balance is key to creating a dynamic program. All the teachers are deeply committed to creating the best possible experience for students. Perry stressed that once staff members are selected, Perry becomes a part of the team, and everyone pitches in to take on all the duties involved in hosting 16-17 year olds on a college campus.

The camaraderie of the team is one of the highlights of the Academy for the teachers. Most Latin teachers work alone in their school. The Academy provides the opportunity for them to collaborate with colleagues in the same building. This sharing of ideas and discussion is a wonderful by-product for the teachers in the program, Academy staff member Nikki Carroll said.

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CAMWS-CAV

Lori Kissell, left, gave an informative, entertaining and tasty presentation on Garum this Fall at the combined Southern States CAMWS-CAV meeting held in Fredericksburg. Pictured on the right is Davina McClain, secretary-treasurer of CAMWS-SS.

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CAV PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Rem tene, verba sequentur. Cato's aphorism served as the theme for this past summer's Virginia Governor's Latin Academy, which was one of the most pleasant I have experienced. Credit for that pleasure goes to fellow staff members Nikki Carroll, Eric Casey, Brent Cavedo, Jacqueline Wilkins, princeps Kevin Perry, the R.A.s, and our hosts at RMC. Above all, credit goes to the 45 talented and energetic students, and thus the teachers throughout the Commonwealth who inspired them to a love of Latin. To open the academy, Brent's lecture on the theme invited us to scrutinize, and even challenge, Cato's dictum. Perhaps, as Umberto Eco suggested, we need to invert the verbs to read: *verba tene, res sequentur.* While Eco was thinking of poetry, we might think of pedagogy and philology. Although the American Philological Association now styles itself the Society for Classical Studies, philology—the love of the *logos*—still stands as the pedagogical core of our vocation. Interest in the material culture and history of the Romans and others may attract students to our classrooms, but the study of the language and literature is what hooks their minds (*mentem tenentem?*).

Thus, in almost everything we do, CAV intentionally fosters improvement in philology and pedagogy among our members and our students. From the teacher placement service for matching instructors with openings (and yes, as Jon keeps saying, there are jobs), to professional development grants (why not apply today?), to honors and recognitions for our outstanding teachers (please take a moment to nominate a colleague), to the various contests featured in this Newsletter that stimulate our students' minds (*verba scribe, praemia sequentur!*), we are an organization seeking to translate our love of words into memorable actions in teaching, research, and service. As John Donohue (Marcus Favonius) used to say: *verba notanda. rursus ad te...*



Governor's Academy continued

The enthusiasm and energy of the teachers at the Academy is contagious, said Sean Mullins, a senior at Yorktown High School, who participated in the Academy last summer.

“Being a student at the Academy was a sublime experience. Every coordinated activity, including classes, field trips, lectures, films, and theater and arts projects, had purpose. They all tied in to a goal of injecting new and powerful life into the Classics, something which is only possible with a group of extraordinary people. Every individual at the Academy, students and staff both, had an almost paradoxical mixture of scholastic seriousness and childlike glee when studying, enjoying, and living Classical culture. People had an immense willingness to learn from each other, and it was a joyous, powerful atmosphere which I have missed every day since.”

Kevin Perry encourages anyone interested in learning about the Academy to apply to be a teacher observer next summer.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Submitted by Liane Houghtalin, CAV Treasurer

THE CLASSICAL ASSOCIATION OF VIRGINIA

Period ending October 17, 2014:

<i>General Fund (dues, luncheons, contributions)</i>	<i>\$325.60</i>
<i>Tournament Fund</i>	<i>\$907.278</i>
<i>A. Lloyd Fund</i>	<i>\$1236.99</i>
<i>Professional Development Fund</i>	<i>\$2058.00</i>
<i>Reserve Fund</i>	<i>\$976.95</i>
<i>Total (cash flow)</i>	<i>\$5504.81</i>
<i>Treasury CD (12 months) (@.310%) (10/22/14 maturity date)</i>	<i>\$3818.08</i>
<i>A. Lloyd CD (12 months) (@.300%) (5/20/14 maturity date)</i>	<i>\$3630.05</i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>\$7448.13</i>
<i>Grand Total</i>	<i>\$12952.94</i>

CAV TEACHER PLACEMENT SERVICE

Do you know of a Latin teaching position in your area? Or are you currently searching for a Latin teaching position? The CAV Placement Service offers a free program to bring together teachers seeking Latin positions in Virginia and schools in Virginia which are seeking Latin teachers. Schools send us listings of their positions, and we send these listings by e-mail to the teachers who have registered with the CAV Placement Service. We provide continuous updates from March until September. If you know of a position available, have the school principal or personnel office get in touch with the service. If you wish a position, send in your name and e-mail address. We ask schools and teachers to contact Jon D. Mikalson by e-mail at: jdm9x@virginia.edu.

There are no charges for these services!

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2015 CAV Classical Essay Contest

The CAV Classical Essay Contest is designed to recognize those students who have submitted outstanding essays in English on a topic appropriate to each level or class.

The contest is open to students in the public and private middle and high schools of Virginia, and homeschoolers, whose teachers are **current** members of the Classical Association of Virginia.

Essays shall be submitted **in English** on the following topics in the following divisions:

- First Year Latin:** **Roman Festivals**
(Division A for grades 6-8; Division B for grades 9-12)
- Second Year Latin:** **Water, Water Everywhere: The importance of
fresh water for the development and culture of ancient Rome.**
- *Third Year Latin:** **Caesar ad Rubiconem: Politics, precedent,
and law in Caesar's decision to cast the die.**
- Advanced Latin (Latin III and above*):**
- Vergil:** **Aeneid I.1-33: Does Vergil provide a sufficient introduction to his epic?**
- Poetry:** **"Plurimum in scribendo et salis haberet et fellis nec candoris minus.":
What made Martial the writer Pliny admired so much?**
- **History:** **Caesar ad Rubiconem: Politics, precedent, and law in Caesar's
decision to cast the die.**

* **N.B.** Students who are in their third year of Latin who choose to do the general third year topic will be judged only with other Third Year students. They may also submit an essay in one of the advanced topics. This is so that we do not prevent students who are in their third year and doing one of the advanced authors from writing on the author they are currently studying. Those essays will be judged in the same pool as the advanced level students.

** **N.B.** The history topic is open to both Latin 3 and Latin 4+ students, and will be graded in separate groups.

N.B. Students at the Third Year and Advanced levels may submit essays in more than one category

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

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

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

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

Postmark Deadline: February 17th, 2015
Send all entries to: Patrick Bradley
Director of CAV Classical Essay Contest
Rockbridge County H.S.
143 Greenhouse Road
Lexington, VA 24450

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

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

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

2015 CAV Arthur F. Stocker Latin Essay Contest

- The contest is free and open to students of middle and high school Latin in the Commonwealth of Virginia whose teachers are current members of the Classical Association of Virginia.
- All entries must be submitted through the Latin teacher, who is asked to verify each student's level of Latin.
- All entries must be received by Tuesday, April 1, 2015

Essays must be written entirely in Latin and must be on the subject prescribed for the level of Latin the contestant is taking. The subjects for 2013–2014 are:

First-year Latin

De servis et dominis Romae
(100–200 words)

Second-year Latin

De ira Iunonis reginae deorum
(150–250 words)

Advanced Latin

Quo modo et qua ratione M. Tullius Cicero necatus sit
(200–300 words)

Receipt Deadline: April 1, 2015

**Send entries to: John F. Miller
Department of Classics
University of Virginia
B018 Cocke Hall, PO Box 400788
Charlottesville, VA 22904-4788**

RULES

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

Encourage your students to participate!

2015 CAV LATIN TOURNAMENT

The Classical Association of Virginia

The Eighty-Fifth Annual Latin Tournament

March 23-27, 2015

EXAMINATIONS:

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

TESTS OFFERED:

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

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

STRUCTURE OF COMPETITION:

Schools in Virginia may compete in one of three divisions:

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

All teachers entering contestants **MUST** be members of the CAV.

Not yet a member? Join today!

Non-members may join by sending in dues with the Registration Form. After November 1, 2014, dues are \$20 per person. If this is your first year teaching Latin in Virginia, you are eligible for one year's free membership.

REGISTRATION:

Teachers must submit their registration by February 16, 2015. Competition fee is \$3.00 per student, non-refundable.

Try the tournament for free your first year!

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

SYLLABUS & FURTHER INFORMATION:

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

The Classical Association of Virginia

The Eighty-fifth Annual Latin Tournament

March 23– 27, 2015

REGISTRATION FORM

Please print out or copy this form and type or print the following information.

This form MUST be postmarked no later than February 16, 2015.

School Name: _____

School Address: _____

School Phone: _____ School Fax: _____

Type of School

Highest Latin Level Offered

_____ Alpha (public)

1 2 3 4 5+

_____ Beta (independent/private/homeschool)

_____ Gamma (magnet/governor's/charter)

Name(s) of Teacher(s) Entering Students, E-mail and Home Phone (required), Dues Paid?

(ALL listed must be CAV members. Those teaching Latin for first time in VA are "free" members this year.)

NAME	EMAIL and HOME PHONE	Dues -- Yes/No/New

Name and Title of person to whom tests and directions will be sent: _____

Number of Entrants: _____ Latin I
 _____ Latin II
 _____ Advanced Latin Prose
 _____ Caesar
 _____ Advanced Latin Poetry
 _____ # of tests x \$3.00

N.B.: Your entrant registration fee is waived if your school is entering for the first time or first time in 5 years. Please write "FREE" by the dollar sign. We will check our records to verify.

CAV Membership \$20.00 per teacher (after Nov. 1, 2014) = \$ _____
Total amount enclosed = \$ _____

Please choose an administration week:

_____ regular administration **March 23-27, 2015** _____ early administration **March 16-20, 2015**

_____ we are on spring break for these weeks; please contact me to discuss test other options

A check for this amount, payable to the **Classical Association of Virginia**, must be mailed with this form, postmarked by **February 14, 2015**, to the CAV Tournament Registrar:

Kathy Smerke
 4211 Whitacre Rd.
 Fairfax, VA 22032
 (703) 766-4997, ksmerke@gmail.com

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

The Angela Lloyd Book Award

Nominations for **THE 2015 ANGELA LLOYD BOOK AWARD** are open from September 14, 2014 through April 3, 2015. The recipient will receive books, which he/she has selected and they will be presented at the spring CAV meeting. The nominated teacher should:

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

PROCEDURE FOR NOMINATION:

Any colleague, supervisor, student, former student, or parent of a student of a CAV member may submit a name for consideration by completing the **application form** and submitting an accompanying letter of nomination. Please limit your comments to one page if possible and do not exceed two pages. The completed application and letter should be emailed as attachments by midnight April 3, 2015 to: Howard Chang at hchang@flinthill.org The application is available online at cavclassics.org/awards.htm

The Lurlene W. Todd Teacher of the Year Award

The **Lurlene W. Todd Teacher of the Year Award** recognizes outstanding Latin teachers and professors in Virginia. All teachers and professors of Classics who have taught successfully for at least three years in a Virginia public or private school, at any level, and who are members in good standing of the CAV by November 1 of the academic year of the award competition are eligible. The recipient will receive a monetary award and a plaque at the spring CAV meeting. Nominees are evaluated on at least four of the following factors:

- the success, size, and growth of the teacher's program;
- improved student learning;
- Student success in contests and competitions;
- student travel to enhance learning and promote the program;
- innovative and creative classroom activity;
- professional service and development;
- numbers of students continuing classical studies
- outreach and promotion of the classics;

PROCEDURE FOR NOMINATION:

Any colleague, administrator, supervisor, student, former student, or parent of a student with a personal or professional knowledge of the teacher's qualifications may nominate a teacher for this award. The nominator and up to three supporters must submit a letter which addresses at least four of the criteria listed above. The nominee must provide a current *curriculum vitae* and a personal statement addressing at least four of the above criteria. The nomination is available online at cavclassics.org/awards.htm. All forms and requirements must be **postmarked** by **April 3, 2015** to:

Professor Andrew S. Becker, Latin & Ancient Greek Langs, Lits, & Cultures
331 Major Williams Hall, Blacksburg Virginia 24061-0225
Phone: 540-231-5362 (dept office), Email: abecker@vt.edu

The Wayne W. Wray Student Scholarship

The Classical Association of Virginia is pleased to offer a \$500.00 scholarship to the student who best exemplifies the principle on which the organization was founded over a century ago: a love of and promotion of the classics. This award is *not* based on financial need and there may be more than one nominee per school. Any CAV member may nominate a student who is taking or has completed at least four years of Latin (wherever that may fall - 10th, 11th, or 12th grade). Should a sophomore or junior be selected, the scholarship will be held for disbursement until the senior year. The form is available online at cavclassics.org/awards.htm. Nominations must be **postmarked** by **March 15, 2015** to:

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

The Jane Harriman Hall Award for Outstanding Service to the CAV

Consider nominating a member for the Jane Harriman Hall Award for Outstanding Service to the Classical Association of Virginia which will recognize a member for exemplary service to the organization. Nominations with supporting information may be made to the Past President (margaretdhicks@comcast.net) or any member of the Executive Committee by February 1, 2015. The selection committee, consisting of the Past President and the two at-large members of the Executive Committee, will make a recommendation to the Executive Committee for approval. The award will be announced at the spring meeting and includes a \$500 prize.

We are grateful to Jane for her generous gift and her desire to recognize one of our members. Please consider making a nomination.

The award will be announced at the Spring Meeting and includes a \$500 prize.



2015 NATIONAL LATIN EXAM

- More than 154,000 registered students in 2013
- 40 question multiple choice exam
- Seven levels: Introduction to Latin through Latin VI
 - Grammar, reading comprehension, mythology, derivatives, literature, Roman life, history, and oral Latin
- Gold and silver medals
- Opportunities for scholarships
- \$5 per US student, \$7 per foreign student, \$10 minimum order, to be sent with application
- N.B. \$10 shipping and handling fee per school
- Postmark deadline for application: January 20th, 2015

For Application and Information:

NATIONAL LATIN EXAM

University of Mary Washington, 1301 College Ave.

Fredericksburg, VA 22401

website: www.nle.org email: nle@umw.edu

NATIONAL LATIN EXAM SINCE 1977

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NUNTIANDA... Info of note to CAV Members

2014 CAV Professional Development Grant Recipients

At the fall CAV meeting, professional development grants were awarded to two very deserving recipients. Caitlin Campbell received \$50 to offset her participation in the CAMWS conference. Nikki Carroll received \$300 towards graduate studies in Latin at UNC.

Remember to keep any classical items you no longer want in a special place so that you can donate them to the CAV Silent Auction in the spring. It has proven to be a wonderful way to raise the grant funds for deserving members wishing to enhance their knowledge and experience with the classics. Come check out the fun at the spring meeting!

It's never too early to apply for next year's grant. Go to the CAV website for more details.

Summer Course at UVA: Teaching Methods

Sally Davis will be teaching the Methods Course in the Teaching of Latin at the University of Virginia in Charlottesville from August 2-13, 2015. This course is designed for prospective teachers, beginning teachers, and veterans. It's a great way to add new energy and ideas to your Latin teaching, while meeting new Latinists in a beautiful setting.

Spring CAV meeting

Save the date! The CAV Spring meeting will be held on May 2nd at UVA. The meeting will be in Newcomb Hall, South Meeting Room. Look for more information about the program and schedule in the Spring Newsletter.

LATIN INTENSIVE AT THE UVA SUMMER LANGUAGE INSTITUTE

JUNE 15 - AUGUST 7, 2015

Students can prepare for advanced study in Classics and earn two years of college language credit in just two months! Four weeks are spent on building a solid foundation in grammar and basic vocabulary and four weeks on reading extended passages of poetry and prose, coupled with instruction in the use of common reference works. For application and further information, visit:

www.virginia.edu/summer/SLI/latin or contact the director, Jennifer LaFleur, at jl4x@virginia.edu.

FLAVA 2015

The 2015 FLAVA conference will be held September 24-26 at the DoubleTree Hotel in Williamsburg (same hotel as this past year). Please consider giving a presentation (45 minutes) or workshop (90 or 150 minutes) to share with colleagues some of your pedagogical successes, innovations, practices, or tricks. Or at the least, pencil in the date to share time with colleagues and learn something new. This past fall's conference featured fine presentations and workshops on (inter alia) graffiti in Herculaneum and samples of homemade garum. Mmmmmm.

For questions or more information, contact Fred Franko (gfranko@hollins.edu).

The Christine Fernald Sleeper Educational Travel Award

The Christine Fernald Sleeper Educational Travel Award is designed to support teachers of Latin by encouraging educational travel. The award was developed in honor of Christine Sleeper, one of the “founding mothers” of the National Latin Exam and life-long travel enthusiast, in order to offer Latin teachers the opportunity to expand horizons for themselves and their students. This award may be used to enroll in an established program abroad, such as the American Academy in Rome, a trip to a classical site, such as those offered by the Vergilian Society, or an educational trip of one’s own design -- something which Christine herself has often advocated.

The recipients understand that they will share their travel experiences by means of a short article for the NLE newsletter and possible presentation at ACL (or regional or local meeting of classicists).

Eligibility

Applicants must be current teachers of Latin with at least three years of experience at the middle school/ high school/ community college/ college level who offer the NLE to their students.

Funding

The applicant will present a proposal and a budget for expenditures at the time of application, up to the award limit of \$5,000.

Number of Awards

There will be one award granted for the period of March 2015 through February 2016. Applicants are eligible for the award only once every ten years.

Application process

Applications will be available at www.nle.org after October 15, 2014.

Completed applications and recommendation letters should be sent to:

National Latin Exam
1301 College Avenue
Fredericksburg, VA 22401
nle@umw.edu
Telephone: 1-888-378-7721

Postmark Deadline for application:

FEBRUARY 14, 2015



MEDUSA MYTHOLOGY EXAM 2015

The International Competition for Mythology Enthusiasts

This year's theme: "Monsters in Corporibus"

The groups are as follows:

- Big boned, e.g., the Cyclopes.
- Feathered, e.g., Stymphalian birds.
- Mutated multiples, e.g., Hecatoncheires.
- Quadruped, e.g., Nemean Lion.
- Scaled, e.g., the Hydra.
- Fractae Feminae, e.g., Medusa.

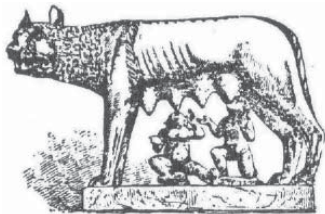
The exam syllabus is available at: www.medusaexam.org

Teacher administration during the week of March 23rd - 27th, 2015.

If spring break creates a conflict, you must select an alternate administration period.

Registrations ends March 7, 2015. To register, visit: www.medusaexam.org

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



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