

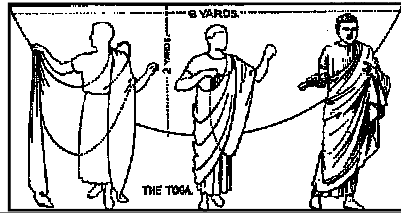
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Spirit Rules for State Forum Announced:

1. Spirit will be 10 minutes, NOT 15, as in the past.
2. Schools will receive 5 participation points for LUDI.
3. No points will be awarded for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place. Honorary spirit awards of a fun and goofy nature will be given at the en of the assembly.
4. Spirit will take place after the Officers' Introduction at the beginning of the Opening Assembly.
5. Delegations must wear Roman attire to be eligible for the prize.
6. There will be separate awards for Upper and Lower Divisions.
7. Delegations must have a sign, banner or something so that the judges can identify the delegation.
8. Delegations must stay generally together in order for the judges to identify them.
9. The following items are NOT ALLOWED:
confetti, drums, air horns, bullhorns, loud musical instruments (including bagpipes).
10. Students may not stand on furniture (tables, chairs, etc.)
11. Be careful and have fun!



Be an Officer; All the Cool Kids Are Doing It! By Ethan Rosenblum, FJCL Parliamentarian

Well, it's about that time of year again, folks! It's that time of the year when the duties of your present officers are coming to an end and it is your responsibility to carry on our and our past officers' legacy. Anyone who is even remotely interested in running for an office come this spring, I STRONGLY encourage you to do so; this experience has been one of the greatest for me and I know that if you ask any of my fellow officers, they will tell you the same thing. Along with your State Forum and NANC Packets, your teachers/sponsors will receive several forms guiding anyone who's interested in running for their intended office; this includes a form for signing up to run, the duties therein, the guidelines for running, the due dates for any specified forms, and basically anything you will need to enter into the upcoming elections. If you have any questions concerning these matters, if you want to know what it's like being an officer, or you're not sure if you want to run, or you don't quite understand a certain aspect of the guidelines, or any questions at all, please don't hesitate to e-mail me at erosenbl@maclay.org or fjclparliamentarian@gmail.com. Once again, I encourage you all to run (the more, the merrier), and I can't wait to see everyone at state!

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Club Spotlight: FSUS Pop Tops

By Marlaina Peacock

Did you know that a simple, everyday item such as soda pop tops can help those less fortunate than us? The Ronald McDonald House sells the tabs to an aluminum smelter and uses the money to help provide services to the families of sick kids. The House provides actual housing and support services to parents whose children are in hospitals out of town, allowing them to be near their children.

The Florida High Junior and Senior Latin Clubs have been collecting soda pop tops since the beginning of the Fall Semester. Our Latin room is covered over with buckets containing the "money" tops. People throughout the entire school have pitched in their efforts to gather up these tops for the Ronald McDonald, and help out our cause. Our goal as a club is 50,000 tops. We are over a two-thirds done, and we hope to have the rest by the end of this school year.



Maclay School Certamen Workshop Results

Level	1st place	2nd place	3rd place
Latin I	Oak Hall A	Leon	St. Johns B
Latin II	Oak Hall	St. Johns	Maclay
Latin Adv.	Oak Hall	Leon	Maclay



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St. Johns Country Day Certamen Workshop Results Saturday, December 8th

Level	1st place	2nd place	3rd place
Latin I	Leon	Oak Hall	Holy Comforter
Latin II	Oak Hall	St. Johns	FSUS
Latin Adv.	Oak Hall	Leon	Lincoln





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Regional Latin Fora Results

Region I

Overall Sweepstakes

1. Escambia
2. Pensacola
3. Gulf Breeze
4. Rocky Bayou
Christian Academy
5. Niceville

Region II

Olympica

1. Maclay
2. Leon
3. FSUS
4. Rickards
5. Chiles

Academic

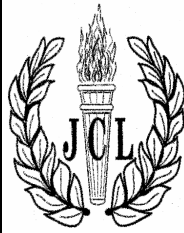
1. Leon
2. FSUS
3. Lincoln
4. Maclay
5. Chiles

Overall Sweepstakes

1. Leon
2. FSUS
3. Lincoln
4. Maclay
5. Chiles

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Region IV

395 students and 70 sponsors and chaperones attended the Region IV-um at Leesburg High School on Jan. 26, 2008. The addition of the Orlando area schools made for a great competition. In addition to testing and projects, we had a great Olympika which included track, basketball, and some ludi like the Roman Dress Relay, Apple Bopping, Atalanta's Race and an 'Archeology Dig'. Lunch included BBQ chicken cooked on premises all morning!

Olympika Sweepstakes

1. Forest
2. Forest
3. Oak Hall
4. Spruce Creek
5. Leesburg

Academic

1. Oak Hall
2. St. Francis
3. Winter Springs
- 4., Spruce Creek
5. Forest High

Overall

1. St. Francis
2. Oak Hall
3. Spruce Creek
4. Forest
5. Winter Springs

Region VIII

Region VIII doesn't tabulate sweepstakes points, but trophies are given for first through fifth places in all categories.



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Region IV, Courtesy Aurelia Ogles



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Are you ready for the NLE?

By Ashten Mays

It's that time again, Latin students, time to take the National Latin Exam! No doubt, your teachers are most likely reviewing participles and subjunctives, hoping that their students will do well. The National Latin Exam is an annual test, sponsored by both the American Classical League and the NJCL, given all around the world to test knowledge of Latin grammar, vocabulary and culture. It is available for Introduction to Latin students to Latin V-VI students. Last year, more than 149,000 students took the test in the United States alone, as well as in 13 other countries. Students who perform well on the exam can receive awards such as the Cum Laude or perhaps even the Perfect Paper award. The NLE also provides scholarship opportunities for consecutive outstanding performance.

This year while I am prepping for my fifth NLE, I am also venturing onto a new horizon by taking the National Greek Exam. Like its Latin counterpart, the Greek exam is given yearly to students in high school and college across the country. Although it is considerably less popular (only 1879 students took it last year), I feel it's a great opportunity to try something new.

For those who want to try something new but don't know Greek, consider the MEDUSA Mythology Exam. The MEDUSA is designed for students 6-12 who have an interest in mythology. Students who place well can earn certificates and medals. There is also an annual essay contest.

Whether you are taking your first NLE or your fifth, take this opportunity to make your teachers proud and maybe even take home a medal. For more information and even study help, you can visit www.nle.org, the official NLE website, and www.nge.acclassics.org the NGE website, or <http://www.medusaexam.org/index.html>, the official MEDUSA site. Good luck!



Don't Forget About the FJCL Scholarship!!!!

Students who are seniors and plan to study Latin in their freshman year of college are eligible to take the FJCL Scholarship exam. The exam consists of two passages to translate and questions (grammar and comprehension) relating to those passages. After February 1st, 2008, students may request the application. They must return the completed application form to Linda Mishkin (see below). The exam will then be sent to a guidance counselor at the student's school. Students must take and return the exam by March 17, 2008. The winning student (and an alternate) will be announced at State Forum. This scholarship is worth \$500.

Students may request an application from:

Linda Mishkin