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Information on meetings of interest to classicists should be sent to the editor, if possible at least two months ahead of the gathering. News of professional meetings should include exact dates and names of contacts whenever possible.

Essays or suggestions for essays relating to the classics profession, especially those dealing with nontraditional aspects of scholarship and research, should be sent to the editor. News and announcements related to elementary education should be sent to Micheal Posey, ACL Newsletter Contributing Editor, The Episcopal School, 3200 Woodland Ridge Blvd., Baton Rouge, LA 70816; map1118@gmail.com. All other correspondence, news, announcements, should be sent to Nick Young, ACL Newsletter Editor, 47 W. Greendale, Detroit, MI 48203; 313-862-5400 (work), 313-702-1418 (home; voicemail); newsletter@aclclassics.org. Photographs submitted must be the property of the submitter, and free of copyright. Photographs of minors must be accompanied by a certificate of permission from the parents. Submission deadlines are the 15th of the month before desired publication. Please submit items electronically as TEXT files or in clear type from a typewriter or printer set at a minimum of 12 points. Use endnotes if necessary.
Here it is already most of the way through January of a new year. This is going to be a busy year for ACL. You are receiving updates from President Kathy Elifrits about the course of the self-study and considerations for the ACL, with the help of Amy Wishnick. The first result is the creation of the position of Executive Director, into which the Executive Committee placed our own Sherwin Little. The transition of operating with an Administrative Secretary to an Executive Director is monumental. It will make ACL more responsive and immediate to needs and wishes of its members.

As I look at what has been going on with our development self-study with the task forces, review committees, and on-going work, it is significant that the Executive Committee met in January. Remember the origin of the name: Janus, the two-headed god, so typically Roman. He was the god who protected entrances, ports, beginnings. He oversaw the inauguration of the new state officials each year. We have inaugurated a new Director, and entered into new aspects of our life as a professional organization.

Let us add to the simile with the upcoming Centennial. In a short time, 2019 to be exact, ACL will be 100 years old! As we approach that event, we shall be looking at our history to reflect on where we came from, where we have gone, and look ahead to the next 100 years. This is truly a situation to be reminded of Janus. We are at a crossroads in so many ways.

Thinking of all of these things, have a wonderful 2017. Start planning now for ACL Institute at Grand Valley State University in Grand Rapids, Michigan. We Michiganders are trying to put together a warm welcome for all of you. I personally hope to meet as many of you in person as possible.

Sit Novus Annus Vobis Bonus

Nick Young
Editor
New Executive Director for ACL

At the meeting of the Executive Committee, held on January 15 in Philadelphia, PA, Sherwin Little was given the title of ACL Executive Director, the first person to serve in this position. This is a significant change for ACL. This is part of the on-going process of making ACL better equipped to make itself more adaptable and responsive to the needs of its membership as we approach the beginning of our second century.

Congratulations, Sherwin!
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NEWS from NJCL and SCL

The National Committee for NJCL is hard at work planning for the 2017 NJCL National Convention. Look for the next issue of NONE NOTES to see what is in the works for Convention 2017! Do you get NONES NOTES and TORCH? Join NJCL! You will get all of the NJCL updates, including the monthly issue of NONES NOTES. Go to www.njcl.org to start your chapter now. The website has loads of information, downloads of chapter materials, and opportunities for both new chapters and continuing chapters.

Both ACL and NJCL membership registrations may be completed online, with payment via credit card or a school purchase order. Go to the ACL website and click “Join Now”. For NJCL, you can do the same thing at www.njcl.org. If you have any problems, questions or comments, please send an email to: njcloffice@njcl.org or call (513) 529-7741.

ACL membership has many benefits, but there are also benefits available to Latin teachers through sponsorship of a NJCL Chapter. For more about the benefits visit the website. There are also many benefits for students who are registered with NJCL; we could not list them all here. We have created a directory of our most popular JCL links.

If you are a JCL sponsor, and are not receiving the NJCL monthly updates in Nones Notes, contact NJCL now and get on the mailing list. This is the easiest way to keep track of JCL deadlines, events, and general information.
Excellence Through Classics

News and Updates:

Excellence Through Classics is a committee of the American Classical League dedicated to promoting and supporting elementary, middle school, and introductory classics programs. We do this through the National Mythology Exam, the Exploratory Latin Exam, Classics Club, which is a “parva” NJCL, teaching packets, grants, and awards.

Dormice! Songs! Class traditions! In addition to professional articles, PRIMA is looking to publish your student’s comics, stories, game ideas, etc. Please send items to prima@etclassics.org A new edition of PRIMA will be out soon, so check your inboxes!

The Exploratory Latin Exam, which can be administered to students in grades 3-6, is given between October 1, 2016 and April 1, 2017. This year’s theme is Daily Life. The National Mythology Exam, which can be administered to students in grades 3-9, is given between February 20 and March 3, 2017. This year’s theme is Hercules. Packets for both themes, as well as other topics can be purchased through our website. The fee structure for ETC exams and packets will be changing slightly this year, and will include a discount on both materials and tests for ACL members

If you have any questions about our exams, materials, or programs, or would like to get involved, please contact ETC Chair Krystal Kubichek at chair@etclassics.org

Vergilian Society Travel Opportunities

The Vergilian Society is offering exciting study tours in 2017 including “Northern Italy and Croatia,” “Latin Authors in Italy,” “Roman Britain,” and “Gladiators and Roman Spectacle”. These programs are designed to benefit and appeal to teachers at all levels by providing the opportunity to experience a variety of ancient sites to support their own understanding and teaching of the ancient world. See the full tour descriptions on the Vergilian Society website.

Would you like to travel abroad? And to have help paying for it? Almost $100,000 in scholarship money is available.
L: Kathy Elifrits, ACL President, R: Amy Wishnick, Development Consultant to ACL

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L: Patrick McFadden, ACL Secretary, R: Catherine Sturgill, NJCL Chair
ACL Placement Service
Cynthia White, Director

There are schools still looking for teachers for the new term! If you are looking for a position, check the listing for teaching opportunities at all levels at schools around the country. The Placement Service is here to help you.

The ACL Placement Service is FREE to post jobs, and open to all current members of ACL to post resumes. Let us help you get acquainted with the classics teaching opportunities openings in the area where you are.

Do you know of an opening in your area for Latin/Greek/Classics? Talk with the administrator of that institution and encourage him or her to post the opening on the Placement Service, or, check the site for a candidate. Posting is easy, and we are available to help. Send us a note with any questions you may have (placement@aclclassics.org), and we shall respond as quickly as possible. This is a permanent part of the mission of ACL and its service to education.

Current ACL members may post their resumes. Schools and other instructional venues who wish to, may post jobs using this link: http://www.aclclassics.org/jobs/add.

The Latin Teacher Shortage is REAL!

SPREAD THE WORD. Encourage your students!
See the article in the AMPHORA, the publication of the SCS.
Grants Available from NCLG
NCLG puts the funds donated by organizations to good use. These donations are the seed money used to create the grants which are distributed by this standing committee of ACL. These grants help continue or establish special programs which promote or initiate movements by teachers and groups to keep the Classics alive in communities around the country.

Information about these grants and the process for applications for NCLG grants, awards, and support are available. Check the NCLG tab on the ACL website. Details, forms, and deadlines are posted there.

If your organization would like to help support the work of the NCLG, please contact the NCLG Treasurer, Emily Batinski: slbati@lsu.edu.

Teachers interested in help from NCLG, or wishing to inform them of programs which are either flourishing, or in distress, are encouraged to contact NCLG. For more information go to: NCLG.

On this site there are also links to contact NCLG.

Check out TIRONES from NCLG on Facebook.
Certamina pro Discipulis Nostris

There are many contests open to our students to gain recognition for their achievements. As you make your plans for next school year, consider including these events to encourage and reward your students. Contact your local officers of these organizations to see what is available.

Other regional organizations with competitions for students at any level up through college/university, please send information and links to Nick Young newsletter@aclclassics.org

**NJCL:** on-line competitions for Etymology, Roman Civilization, and Latin Vocabulary. Registration for Etymology is closed, but there is still time to register for Roman Civilization and Latin Vocabulary. Go to the website for guidelines on preparation, and the registration procedures and deadlines. There are examples from previous years to challenge your students!

**ETC:** Excellence Through Classics has many offerings for the elementary and middle school level teachers and students. These include the two exams highlighted below. Go to the ETC website: for more offerings. You can ask for email updates also.

**ETC** [The National Mythology Exam](#)

**ETC** [Exploratory Latin Exam](#)

**CAMWS:** [School Awards](#): There are scholarships, a translation contest, and other items to stimulate your students. Don’t forget the Fox Writing Contest!

**ALIRA** [The ACTFL Latin Interpretive Reading Assessment](#): This isn’t really a contest, but it is for your students. ALIRA was created through a collaborative effort between The American Classical League (ACL) and ACTFL. It is a first-of-its kind assessment that is based on both the National Standards for Foreign Language Learning and the Standards for Classical Language Learning. It is a four-option, multiple choice, computer-adaptive assessment that can be delivered in a single class period.

The goal of ALIRA is to assess Interpretive Reading in Latin. ALIRA provides a performance rating from the Novice to the Advanced ranges. For more information go to [www.actfl.org/latin](http://www.actfl.org/latin)
THE 2017 BERNICE L. FOX
CLASSICS WRITING
CONTEST

sponsored by
The Department of Classics
at Monmouth College

Topic: A Figure from Classical History, Literature, or Mythology as the Next
President of the United States

Make a pitch for a classical figure as president, or depict that person acting as president or
on the campaign trail.

This contest is open to any student enrolled full-time in high school during the current school year.
An award of $250.00 will be given to the author of the best entry written in English on the
specified theme. The entry may be an essay, a short story, a play, a poem, or any original literary
work.

This contest was established in 1985 by the Department of Classics at Monmouth College in
Monmouth, Illinois, to honor Bernice L. Fox, to promote the study of Latin and the Classics in
high schools, and to recognize the good work of high school students.

Judging
The entry should make frequent, specific, accurate, and appropriate references to events from
historical or other classical sources, and to contemporary circumstances. Papers will be judged on
accuracy to ancient sources, appropriate use of those sources, originality, quality of material,
thematic development, appropriateness, correctness of English style, and effectiveness of
presentation.

Contest Guidelines
• Entries must be typed, double-spaced, and on 8-1/2 x 11 inch paper.
• Printing on both sides of a page is acceptable.
• No electronic submissions.
• The entry must fit the theme of this year's contest.
• No minimum or maximum length is required.
• The entrant's name and school must not appear on the entry.
• Contestants should place a personal identification code (a randomly selected nine character series)
on the top left-hand corner of every page of the entry and on a separate 8-1/2 x 11 inch sheet
of paper, which also contains the following information:
  o author's name, date of birth, the student's personal identification code, school name,
school address, teacher's name, and school phone number.
• No more than ten entries will be accepted from any individual school, and only one entry per
student.
• Failure to follow these guidelines will result in disqualification.
All entries must be postmarked no later than March 15th, and mailed to Dr. Robert Holschuh Simmons, Monmouth College, Monmouth, Illinois 61462 (e-mail: rsimmons@monmouthcollege.edu).

- All entries become the property of Monmouth College.
- The winner will be announced on or by April 15th on the contest website.
- Every entrant will receive a certificate of participation from Monmouth College.
- For further information, including a list of previous winners, please consult the contest website (http://department.monm.edu/classics/Department/FoxContest/).

About Bernice L. Fox
Bernice L. Fox taught courses in English, Latin and Greek at Monmouth College from 1947 to 1981, and served as chair of the Department of Classics from 1970 till her retirement in 1981. Throughout her long and dynamic career she worked tirelessly to promote the Classics in Illinois high schools and colleges. She is also the author of *Tela Charlottae*, the Latin translation of E. B. White's *Charlotte's Web*. In 1991 Monmouth College conferred on her the honorary degree of Doctor of Humane Letters. She died in 2003.
Organizational Scholarships to ACL Institute
Does your organization offer a scholarship that could be used to fund a teacher’s attendance at the ACL Institute? If so, please join our effort to create a unified listing of all funding sources our members can use to get access to the many benefits of participating in the Institute. The listing will eventually be published on the ACL website. Member organizations are asked to send information about their scholarships to attend ACL Institute to the ACL Secretary Patrick McFadden: secretary@aclclassics.org.

CAMWS: Classical Association of the Midwest and South  Go to the CAMWS website for the most up-to-date information. Plans are underway for the 2017 annual meeting to be held at Waterloo University, Ontario, Canada. Check the website for updates about the meetings there.

CAAS: Classical Association of the Atlantic States  Please consult the website or Facebook page for details and more information. Check the website for updates about elections and appointments for regional divisions, presentations, and outcomes from the annual meeting. Volunteers needed!

ACTFL:  go to the website for latest news, membership, and opportunities. Members will gather in November 2017 for the Annual Meeting in Nashville, TN.

The Tidewater Classical Symposium in Southeastern Virginia, puts on the Hampton Roads Latin Day for high-school and younger students annually, as well as meetings with other area Classicists. Find us on Facebook or online.

Vergilian Society  For more information about the Vergilian Society, go to the website. Trip itineraries and dates are posted there.

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Does your organization have news to broadcast? Please send the information to newsletter@aclclassics.org. We love to put in pictures of our members, especially when we get attention for all the right reasons
**Latin Immersion Experiences 2017**

The Paideia Institute Presents: Many exciting adventures are in the works! For Details see the [Paideia website](#).

**Living Latin In New York: February 18 - 19, 2017**
For Details see the Paidea website for the [New York program](#).

In July 2017 we will be delighted to welcome you to the **Conventiculum Dickinsoniense**, a very special Latin immersion workshop.

Something New for Students! Terry Tunberg has passed on this information about a new program for this summer for high school students. It is a program focusing on oral Latin like the adult Conventicula, but with aspects to help students with their school Latin studies, not just conversation. Follow this link for information [LatinPerDiem](#).

**LATIN SPEAKERS IN VIRGINIA** has been meeting monthly to practice Latin speaking and listening skills. Anyone interested in joining: A group of Latinists in South Hampton Roads (Virginia) should contact Mary Lou Burke by email: latinteachcarr@yahoo.com The Latin speaking group may also be located through the [Tidewater Classical Symposium](#).

**THE NEXT EUROPEAN LATIN WEEKS**
All you need to know about the [European Latin Weeks](#) you will find on their homepage.

Watch a little video on Roman [cuisine](#).

**Other Opportunities overseas**
- [http://www.circuluslatinusinterretialis.co.uk/html/conventus.html](http://www.circuluslatinusinterretialis.co.uk/html/conventus.html)
- [http://www.latinitatis.com/vita/circuli.htm](http://www.latinitatis.com/vita/circuli.htm)
**Nuntiata**

**Archaeology News:** *Nota Bene:* at the time of gathering the information, the links work. We do not take responsibility for links that expire before our publishing of them.

Is there another monument to be found at Amphipolis?  

Investigating a villa of Augustus.  
[http://www.ansa.it/english/news/lifestyle/arts/2016/12/01/emperor-augustus-last-villa-inspected_b4ff4e58-b8b0-4c3c-a91b-f3e32bd70c1c.html](http://www.ansa.it/english/news/lifestyle/arts/2016/12/01/emperor-augustus-last-villa-inspected_b4ff4e58-b8b0-4c3c-a91b-f3e32bd70c1c.html)

More to be found at Knossos - 2 articles  


**Opportunities for Continuing Credits: more items for people needing credits to keep certification:**

Note that some immersion experiences may be available for credits on your transcripts. Check the organization sponsoring the event about this possibility. Some state and regional groups offer continuing education credits for their meetings. Check about the possibility if you need such credits.

**As you become aware of programs available, please send information to newsletter@aclclassics.org.**

**The Athens Institute for Education and Research (ATINER)** in Athens, Greece, was founded in 1995. Our primary purpose has been to bring together practicing and training academics from around the world. In the past, this has been done primarily through conferences and publications. However, this summer we are hosting our first ever course for undergraduates, graduates, and professionals. The course explores art and architecture in Ancient Greece. More information can be found at our site. Although the application deadline for this year is past, we are hoping to offer this opportunity again next year.

ATINER is looking for ways to publicize this course. It is hoped ACL members will find their conferences and information interesting, and will apply for their conferences. Feel free to contact them through the website for more information.
Publications and On-Line Materials:
‘Melissa’ is an online publication which will be of interest to teachers at several levels.

Ascanius Information
Ascanius: a non-profit organization dedicated to advancing the knowledge of and inspiring lifelong learning about Latin, Greek, and the ancient Greco-Roman world, especially at the elementary and middle school levels. Check their website for new material and for information.

Classical Promise Scholarships – The Classical Promise scholarship provides funds for high school and college students with a desire to promote the Classics to take their love of the Classics out into their communities. Ascanius is eager to provide these funds for students in the US interested in creating promotional programs in their communities! This is also a great opportunity for Latin Clubs or Eta Sigma Phi chapters. See the Ascanius site for more information.

Check the websites of your local organizations for the latest information and deadlines of special programs, scholarships, and opportunities for yourself and/or your students. Appropriate forms may be available on those sites. Many local classical associations and conferences are listed on the ACL site.
ACL Member Memoranda

Go to [www.aclclassics.org](http://www.aclclassics.org) and [www.njcl.org](http://www.njcl.org) for the most recent information on registrations, upcoming programs, scholarship applications, and much more.

**INCLUDE ACL IN YOUR TAX-DEDUCTIBLE GIVING PLANS:** Remember to include ACL in your charitable donations this year. ACL is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization, so your donations may be tax deductible. We welcome donations to the general fund as well as the general scholarship fund.

**Amazon Smile benefits ACL:** Amazon will donate a portion of your purchases to ACL at no additional cost to you.

Check the [TMRC website](http://www.tmrc.com) often for your needs for classroom use, prizes, and gifts. Check often for specials. TMRC has *gift certificates*! These are great for those people to whom you want to show appreciation, but you are unsure of “what to get”. You can buy one at the TMRC website.

Is there something you have seen elsewhere which would be a good item for us to carry? If so, contact Todd Wegenhart, the TMRC Director at: [tmrdirector@aclclassics.org](mailto:tmrdirector@aclclassics.org). New items are being added frequently.

**The National Greek Exam:** Check the [website](http://www.aclclassics.org) for details for practice and study information. Although it is too late to register for this year, it is not too early to start planning for next year.

**The National Latin Exam** Check the [website](http://www.aclclassics.org) to print out a copy of the syllabus, or to print copies of old tests for practice. The 2016 tests and answer key are now available to print from the website. There is an option to administer the test on-line. The National Latin Exam has an app for practice testing. Check it out through the [NLE website](http://www.nlwebsite.org).
Important National Greek Exam Information

Important announcements

The NGE Committee is considering updating and revising the Syllabi for the 2017 exam year. Announcements about this will be posted on the website and emailed by the ACL Office.

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Pre-Institute Workshops
Wednesday, June 28 – Thursday, June 29

Institute
Thursday, June 29 – Saturday, July 1

Institute Information
aclclassics.org/events/2017-acl-institute

Institute features:
• Ann Patty, author of “Living with a Dead Language”
• Pre-institute excursion, “Art + Design in Grand Rapids: A Way of Life”
  • Pre-institute workshops
  • Teaching materials exhibit
• Annual banquet and reception featuring Stan Farrow at the piano

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