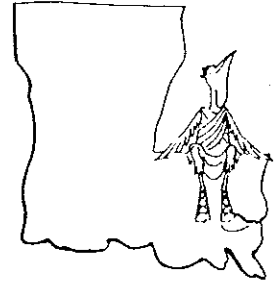


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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dear Colleagues in the Louisiana Classical Association,

On behalf of Northwestern State University and the Louisiana Scholars' College, I wish to express our great pleasure in hosting the Fall meeting of the Louisiana Classical Association. We hope that your stay in Natchitoches was as enjoyable to you as your visit was to us. During the course of the meeting, we were treated to a rendering of a scene from Greek drama, performed by the Fine and Performing Arts Theater Department as well as to illuminating talks from several of the members. I hope that we will be able to host other meetings in the future.

Next year the meeting will be held at Vandebilt High School in Houma. I urge those interested in giving presentations to send an abstract of projected talks to me by June 1. For details on the Fall meeting, see the separate entry in this newsletter.

In January the Executive Committee met in Lafayette to discuss pressing issues for the current year. Of particular importance is the Scholarship Fund. We expect to award \$500 to a worthy student in Classics or in a concentration that places heavy emphasis on classical training. In order to support this award, we ask the membership to make individual donations to Moffitt Aycock, who will handle the financial arrangements.

Dan Erickson sent out notices about the award, but has received few nominees. I urge all of you college teachers who think that you have a candidate worthy of this award to submit a nomination as soon as possible. Nominations should be sent to Dan Erickson at the Louisiana School for Math, Science, and the Arts, Natchitoches, Louisiana 71497.

At both the annual meeting and the meeting of the Executive Committee, plans were approved for the submission of a grant to the Louisiana Endowment for the Humanities to begin the establishment of a series of summer institutes for elementary and high school teachers. More details appear below in this newsletter.

The textbook issue, which has been of considerable concern to the Association, remains problematic. Any ideas should be sent to Jane Poynter, 2016 Cherokee, Baton Rouge, LA 70806.

Finally, membership and dues continue to be a problem. Please encourage any of your colleagues to join the Association or become current with their membership dues, if delinquent.

I hope that all of you are enjoying a successful and rewarding year in your various activities, and I look forward to seeing you in the Fall.

Best wishes,
Jean D'Amato

ANNUAL FALL MEETING

The 1992 Meeting of the Louisiana Classical Association will take place at Vandebilt High School in Houma on Friday, November 6 and Saturday, November 7. Accommodations can be made at one of the locations listed below. If you have any questions, contact Brother Ray Kuhn, Vandebilt High School, 209 South Hollywood Road, Houma, LA 70360, telephone (504) 872-1773. Abstracts for papers to be presented should be sent to Jean D'Amato, 332 Henry Avenue, Natchitoches, LA 71457 by June 1.

Economy Inn 224 S. Hollywood Road (one block from Vandebilt) (504) 851-6041. Single: \$25. Double: \$35.

Holiday Inn 210 S. Hollywood Road (directly across from Vandebilt) (504) 868-5851. Single: \$42. Double: \$64 (4 adults)

New Benedict Inn 1381 W. Tunnel blvd. (one block from Vandebilt) (504) 868-0500. Single: \$31.63 (second floor), \$37.09 (first floor). Double: \$48.02 (second floor), \$53.48 (first floor).

Ramada Inn 1400 W. Tunnel Blvd. (one block from Vandebilt) (504) 879-4871. Single: \$46. Double: \$48.

MINUTES OF THE 1991 ANNUAL MEETING

The business meeting of the Louisiana Classical Association was called to order by President Jane Poynter at 9:00 a.m. Saturday, November 2, 1991, at the Louisiana Scholar's College on the campus of Northwestern Louisiana College in Natchitoches. President Poynter began by thanking Vice President Jean D'Amato for having so graciously taken responsibility for hosting the Friday night festivities; then the President thanked the Scholar's College for providing the dramatic readings and such good accommodations for the meetings.

Liz Hall moved and J. Schexnayder seconded a motion that the minutes of the previous meeting be accepted as published in the spring edition of The Louisiana Classicist. The motion passed unanimously. Secretary-treasurer Moffitt Aycock, being absent, Jane Poynter gave the **treasurer's report**. As of November 1, 1991, LCA's savings account had a balance of \$59.94; the checking account, 395.67, including \$80.00 earmarked for the Scholarship Fund. The membership list included twenty-three names; Jane reminded members who had not paid 1991-92 dues to do so. On the recommendation of the secretary-treasurer and the executive committee, Carlos Fandal moved and J. D'Amato seconded a motion to raise the regular dues to \$10. The motion passed unanimously.

Dan Erikson reported for the **scholarship committee** that for 1991 two strong applications had been submitted and circulated to the committee for individual vote. The winner of the \$500 scholarship for 1991-92 was Lorena Richert, a student at LSU.

Lea Olsan reported for The Louisiana Classicist that the fall number had been compiled, printed at, and distributed from Northeast Louisiana University. Three hundred one copies were mailed. The postage for bulk mailing amounted to \$33.00; the cost of copying 3000 sides at .03 amounted to \$90. She reported that Althea Ashe, the managing editor, had said that \$75 could be reimbursed from the unused postage in Baton Rouge. Althea will continue to compile the mailing labels, so members should send new names or change of address to her. She asked that members contribute information on their individual and school's activities, especially at the high school level, for the spring newsletter.

Carlos Fandal, reporting for the **nominating committee**, proposed Jean D'Amato of the Louisiana Scholar's College (current Vice President) for President; Ray Kuhn (Vandebilt Catholic High, Houma), Vice President, and Moffitt Aycock (Episcopal School, Baton Rouge), Secretary-Treasurer. Dennis Kehoe moved to accept this slate, seconded by Jean Schexnayder. The motion passed unanimously.

Minor amendments to bring the language of LCA's **Constitution** in line with the usage and practice of the organization were accepted upon the motion of Jean D'Amato; Elizabeth Hall seconded. All those present voted affirmatively. Carl Frerichs of Episcopal High School in Baton Rouge and Jean D'Amato both offered to produce an official copy of the Constitution on diskette, which could then be distributed to all members by publication in the newsletter or by mail out. It was agreed that the Secretary-Treasurer (also at Episcopal in Baton Rouge) should have a hand in creating the official copy.

Jean Schexnayder reported for the **textbook committee** that the main thing needed at the moment is input for the state-approved book list, because the state has to be made aware of the publishers of Latin books. Publishers, rather than teachers, submit texts to the textbook committee; the committee, in turn, submits a list to the Board of Elementary and Secondary (BESE). He and Yuri Wedling, who sits on the East Baton Rouge Parish textbook committee, requested names of publishers that should be pursued. Information should be sent to J. Schexnayder, 104 Bluefield Drive, Slidell, LA 70458 (telephone 504-643-7846) or Yuri Weydning, Baton Rouge Magnet High, 2825 Government St., Baton Rouge, LA 70806.

Jean D'Amato announced that she had been contacted by the **LEH** about initiating **summer institutes**. She asked the membership to consider the possibility of the LCA proposing a set of institutes on classical studies, but of an interdisciplinary nature, to be offered successively in different areas of the state. The members present were enthusiastically supportive of the idea and asked her to undertake organizing the project. In turn, she said she would be contacting individual schools to help.

J. Poynter brought up the possibility of expanding the call for **scholarship donations** to businesses and announced that she was willing to pursue that objective.

Ken Kitchell reported for the Classical Association of the Midwest and South (**CAMWS**) that anyone who did not already belong should join because over the years Louisiana teachers and students had repeatedly benefitted from scholarships for study and training and from donations to projects from the (**CAMWS**) Committee for the Promotion of Latin.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned by the outgoing President Jane Poynter.

Respectfully submitted,
Lea Olsan for Moffitt Aycock, Secretary-Treasurer, LCA

**LCA SCHOLARSHIP DEADLINE EXTENDED TO MAY 15
\$500 FOR A COLLEGIATE CLASSICIST**

Undergraduate students of classics may apply for the LCA Scholarship until May 15. Application forms to be submitted by a university professor may be obtained from Dan Erickson, Louisiana School for Math, Science, and the Arts, 715 College Avenue, Natchitoches, LA 71457-3997, telephone (318) 357-3174.

SUMMER INSTITUTE PROPOSAL

At the Fall Meeting, the membership agreed to submit a proposal to the Louisiana Endowment for the Humanities for Summer Institutes in various aspects of classical studies for elementary and secondary school teachers. The precise subjects to be chosen would not only serve the classics community but also help integrate classical studies into a broad range of material taught in elementary and secondary education. The LEH has indicated that grants must develop one project per year. Because she was initially contacted to submit a proposal, Jean D'Amato has requested that the LCA allow her to develop the initial proposal. She suggests a program based on the classical tradition, with particular reference to the evidence of this tradition in northwest Louisiana, utilizing such resources as the Wedgewood collection at the Norton Museum and the Piranesi collection held by Centenary College.

Jean has already spoken with Judy Godfrey, Director of the Meadows Museum at Centenary, who has agreed to work with the LCA in this project by presenting an exhibition of artifacts from this part of the state. Judy and Jean would collaborate on a separate proposal for the exhibition, since the Summer Institute funds come from BESE and are specifically directed to the activities of the Institute itself. Institutes funded by the LEH generally have only regional appeal, since the stipend offered (currently \$500) would not allow participants from other regions in the state to live in the community in which the Institute is being offered without considerable personal expense. According to Jean, over time, each area within the state will sponsor such an institute under the aegis of a local college or university. If these projects are successful, the organization would then seek support for the National Endowment for the Humanities to offer programs that could attract teachers from a wider area. A model for such an Institute is that run by Tufts University, which, through NEH support, affords teachers from across the country the opportunity for intensive summer study. If you have ideas, please contact Jean D'Amato, 332 Henry Avenue, Natchitoches, LA 71457, telephone (318) 357-1429.

JUNIOR CLASSICAL LEAGUE WINNERS

Reported by Prudence Moreland

The Louisiana Junior Classical League convened March 19 and 20 at the Baton Rouge Hilton. In all, fourteen schools sent representatives for a total of 240 delegates and judges. The Guest Speaker was Dr. Gareth Morgan of the University of Texas.

Sweepstakes Winners

Academic. 1st place Casim Sarkar (Baton Rouge High), 2nd place Pallab Sengupta (Louisiana School for Math, Science and the Arts), 3rd place Elizabeth Patz (Chapel Trafton School).
Graphic Arts. 1st Sarah Moreland (CTS), 2nd Deborah Wagner (McKinley Middle Magnet), 3rd M. K. Bullard (Parkway High).
Creative Arts. 1st Hillary Latham (LSMSA) and Casim Sarkar (BRHS), 2nd Kate Tames (BRHS), 3rd Erika Wagespack (CTS).
Olympika Sweepstakes. 1st Matt Lane (BRHS), 2nd Catherine Tabb (CTS), 3rd Matt Pine (MMM).

More JCL Winners

Grammar. **Level 1/2** 1st Brian Hart (CTS), 2nd Rebecca Fleniken (Istrouma Middle Magnet), 3rd Fitz Louhig (MMM). **Level I** 1st Tiffany Anderson (BRHS), 2nd Chandler Sims (St. Frederick High) and Joshua Bennett (MMM), 3rd Jessica Blanchard (LSMSA). **Level II** 1st Lindy Cox (Episcopal High), 2nd Ronnie Braly (LSMSA) and Brian McMahon (McKinley High), 3rd Pallab Sengupta (LSMSA) and Tan Tring (LSMSA). **Level III** 1st Casim Sarkar (BRHS), 2nd Hubert Ho, 3rd Casey Due (EHS).
Derivatives. **Level 1/2** 1st Brian Hart (CTS), 2nd Shanna Stein (IMM), 3rd Fitz Couhig (MMM). **Level I** 1st Elizabeth Patz (CTS), 2nd Manisha Parekh (MMM), 3rd Chesley Baxter (Neville High) and Melissa Childre (PHS). **Level II** 1st Alexis Landry (EHS), 2nd Pallab Sengupta (LSMSA), 3rd Mary Bullard (PHS). **Level III** 1st Casim Sarkar (BRHS), 2nd Ryan Hackney (EHS), 3rd Timmy Lee (BRHS). **Upper Level** Casey Due (EHS).
Roman Life and Customs. **Level 1/2** 1st Jeff Landrum (MMM) and Valda Butler (IMM), 2nd Ana Rupnik (MMM), 3rd Casey Prine (CTS). **Level I** 1st Katie Frazier (CTS), 2nd Jean Lin (MMM) and Elizabeth Patz (CTS), 3rd Catherine Tabb (CTS) and David Williamson (CTS). **Level II** 1st Jonathan Cherry (BRHS), 2nd Pallab Sengupta (LSMSA), Nisha Basu (BRHS), Brian Perone (BRHS), Michael Lohman (BRHS), and Kristen Green (CTS), 3rd Alex Rav (MMM). **Level III** 1st Casim Sarkar, 2nd Hubert Ho (BRHS), 3rd Ryan Hackney (EHS).
Mythology. **Level 1/2** 1st Bobby Carver (MMM), 2nd Margoe Bell (SFHS), 3rd Trevor Brown (MMM). **Level I** 1st Florian Saile (MMM), 2nd Michael Henderson (MMM), 3rd Elizabeth Patz (CTS). **Level II** 1st Pallab Sengupta (LSMSA), 2nd Michael Lohman (BRHS), 3rd

Jonathan Shieber (MHS) and David McIntyre (MHS). **Upper Level** 1st Kate James (BRHS), 2nd Casim Sarkar (BRHS), 3rd Casey Due (EHS).

Mottoes/Abbreviations/Quotes. **Level 1/2** 1st Becca Heath (CTS), 2nd Brian Hart (CTS), 3rd Fitz Couhig (MMM). **Level I** 1st Eric Andries (BRHS), 2nd Elizabeth Patz (CTS), Manisha Barekh (MMM). **Level II** 1st Michael Lohman (BRHS), Kristen Green (CTS), and Pallab Sengupta (LSMSA), 2nd David McIntyre (MHS), 3rd Chris Berry (Vandebilt), Michelle Rivoire (SFHS), Julie Gottbrath (BRHS), and Japheth McKeithen (SFHS). **Level III** 1st Casim Sarkar (BRHS), 2nd Elaine McConnell (BRHS), 3rd Kate James (BRHS).

History. **Level 1/2** 1st Eric Landry (MMM), 2nd Andrew Hannaman (CTS), 3rd Jeff Landrum (MMM) and Tasha Yoes (CTS). **Level I** 1st Elizabeth Patz (CTS) and Florian Saile (MMM), 2nd Denee Deloach (LSMSA), 3rd Katie Frazier (CTS). **Level II** 1st Jonathan Shieber (MHS) and Kristen Green (CTS), 2nd Pallab Sengupta (LSMSA), 3rd Chris Cook (Bishop Sullivan High), Brian McMahon (MHS) and Ivan Rupnik (BRHS). **Level III** 1st Casim Sarkar (BRHS) and Ryan Hackney (EHS), 2nd Elaine McConnell (BRHS) and Kate James (BRHS), 3rd John Ranken (BRHS).

Reading Comprehension. **Level 1/2** 1st Becca Heath (CTS), 2nd Gina Gorenflo (IMM), 3rd Brian Hart (CTS). **Level I** 1st Kristin Hunt (NHS) and Melissa Kling (BRHS), 2nd Mystere LeMay (BRHS), 3rd Chesley Baxter (NHS) and Elizabeth Patz (CTS). **Level II** 1st Jonathan Cherry (BRHS), 2nd Pallab Sengupta (LSMSA), 3rd Japheth McKeithen (SFHS). **Level III** 1st Elaine McConnell (BRHS) and Casey Due (EHS), 2nd Kristi Dusik (EHS) and Kate James (BRHS), 3rd Ryan Hackney (EHS).

Vocabulary. **Level 1/2** 1st Kyle Farh (MMM), 2nd Deborah Scott (IMM), 3rd Rebecca Fleniken (IMM). **Level I** 1st Eric Andries (BRHS) and Tiffany Anderson (BRHS), 2nd Mystere LeMay (BRHS), 3rd Katie Frazier (CTS). **Level II** 1st Cate Paskoff (BRHS) and Lindy Cox (EHS), 2nd Daniel Moller (SFHS), Johathan Cherry (BRHS), and Japheth McKeithen (SFHS), 3rd Maggie Bailly (LSMSA). **Upper Level** 1st Casim Sarkar (BRHS), 2nd Casey Due (EHS), 3rd Sirida Graham (LSMSA).

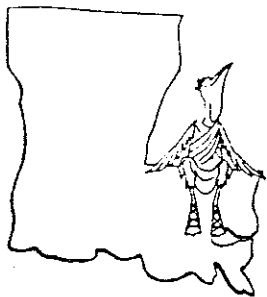
Academic Pentathalon. **Level 1/2** 1st Kyle Farh (MMM). **Level I** 1st Elizabeth Patz (CTS), 2nd Jean Lin (MMM) and Katie Frazier (CTS), 3rd Melissa Kling (BRHS) Mystere LeMay (BRHS). **Level II** 1st Tant Trinh (LSMSA), 2nd Pallab Sengupta (LSMSA), 3rd David McIntyre (MHS). **Upper Level** 1st Casim Sarkar (BRHS), 2nd Kate James (BRHS), 3rd Elaine McConnell (BRHS).

Classical Literature. **Level 1/2** 1st Tasha Yoes (CTS). **Level I** 1st Elizabeth Patz (CTS), 2nd Manisha Parekh (MMM), 3rd Katie Frazier (CTS). **Level II** 1st Pallab Sengupta (LSMSA), 2nd Michael Lohman (BRHS) and David McIntyre (MHS), 3rd Matt Lane (BRHS) and Kristen Green (CTS). **Level III** 1st John Ranken (BRHS), 2nd Casim Sarkar (BRHS), 3rd Elaine McConnell (BRHS). **Upper Level.** 1st Casey Due (EHS).

Judges for these events (and others!) were coordinated by Althea Ashe of LSU-BR.

Elaine McConnell, a student at Baton Rouge High School, was awarded the \$500 LJCL Scholarship. Elaine will attend Harvard as a classics major in fall 1992.

National JCL Convention will be held August 2-9 in San Diego, California. Students or teachers interested may contact Prudence Moreland at (504) 767-0860 or Yuri Weydling for details. Plans include flying to the convention site and taking in sightseeing, the Ocean, Sea World, and Old Town.



AROUND THE STATE

LCA Scholarship Fund Raiser. Once again, M. J. Schexnayder and his Latin Classes at Slidell High School have used their translation skills to fill the coffers of the LCA Scholarship Fund. Participating in a Marathon of which Phidippides would be truly proud, the students on the Ides of March translated in a day long effort to enrich our treasury with gold. The ghost of Caesar was said to smile, as did the officers of the LCA, who with gratitude joyfully accepted the 100 dollar check from these enterprising young classicists. Applaudite omnes! (Reported by Moffitt Aycock)

Middle School Latin Fest. Episcopal hosted the annual Middle School Latin Fest again this year on February 15. Sixth, seventh, and eighth graders from Baton Rouge participated in Olympic games, certamen, and art contests, closing the day with a Roman Banquet. Reports indicate it was the best festival yet; the students had a wonderful time.

LPB Workshop. Ken Kitchell and Moffitt Aycock presented a workshop under the auspices of Louisiana Public Broadcasting for the SERC network entitled "Culture in the Latin Classroom." Moffit was filmed using the Carmina Burana as a vehicle for teaching grammar. First, her students sang "In Taberna" then proceeded to conjugate, decline, etc., using the song as a focus. Then Ken and she talked about how "The Great Hits of the 1200's" can be utilized in class. The workshop is part of a series of in-service programs produced for teachers by LPB.

Stephen Hoffman of Baton Rouge High is the National JCL Historian.

National Latin Exam Gold Medal Winners. Elizabeth Hall's Latin II students at the Louisiana School for Math, Science, and the Arts--Tan Trinh, Aruna Akundi, Pallab Sengupta, Betsy Berry, Lillian Elders, Cherie BonneCarrere, and Ronnie Braly--received Gold Medals for their performance on the National Latin Exam. Congratulations!

Rome: URBS AETERNA. Louisiana Scholars' College and Northwestern's summer session in Rome will take place from July 20 - August 8.

Jean D'Amato has been awarded Mildred Hart Bailey Research Award by Northwestern State University CURIA (Council of University Research Institute Administration). Jean also presented a paper, titled "The U. S. Supreme Court: Art, Propaganda, and Democracy" at the CAMWS meeting in Austin



CULINA PORTIAE.

PILAE LEPORIS*

<p>1 rabbit fryer 1 pint honey 2 eggs 1 c. milk 2 c. pl. bread crumbs salt/blk. pepper to taste</p>	<p>Bake the salted and peppered rabbit, tossed in honey and olive oil, in a 450 degree oven; debone and chop fine. Add eggs, milk, bead crumbs and seasoning to taste. Mix well and form into balls. Cook again in 400 degree oven for 15-20 minutes. Take out and pour remaining honey over them while cooling. Serve warm. Excellent appetizer.</p>
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*(Great) Balls of Hare!
 [Editor's note: "Portia" is Jane Poynter. LCA members attending the 1985 meeting enjoyed this dish, contributed to the Roman Foods Contest by an Istrouma High student.]

CALL FOR PAPERS

The Ohio Classical Conference solicits papers and workshops from faculty at the university, college, high school, middle school, and elementary school level on all aspects of Classics for its Fall Meeting, Nov. 4-7. Special topics include: Encounters Between Cultures, Ancient Technology, and History in the Language Classroom. Send 300-word abstracts to John Sarkissian,

President, OCC, Dept. of Foreign Languages, Youngstown, State University, Youngstown, OH 44555, telephone (216) 742-1613. Deadline: June 1, 1992.

CAMWS

If you are not yet a member of CAMWS, please join now! Do you know a Latin teacher in Louisiana worthy of recognition for outstanding classroom performance? If so, nominate her or him for the CAMWS "Good Teaching Award." **Do you have** students in their final year of Latin whom you would like to have compete for college scholarships? If so, request an application now! **Are you interested** in spending the summer in Rome or Greece? Next summer may be YOUR year to apply for a CAMWS Summer Scholarship for the American Academy of Rome or the American School of Classical Studies at Athens. **Do you need** funds from the Committee for the Promotion of Latin? Monies are waiting to be claimed. Need some ideas? How about . . . mailings, festivals, speakers, demonstrations, contests advertising, or flights of fancy CAMWS DUES: \$30.00 (1991-92) to John F. Hall, Sec.-Treas., 118 KMB, BYU, Provo, Utah 84602. CPL REQUESTS to Mary Moffitt Aycock, 7950 Jefferson Hwy. #119, Baton Rouge, LA 70809.

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Send \$10 LCA membership dues to M. Aycock, Sec.-Treas., LCA, 7950 Jefferson #119, Baton Rouge, LA 70809

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The LCA Scholarship Fund needs YOU!!! Please, contribute to this worthy project to encourage the study of classics.

Donations to the Scholarship Fund should be sent to M. Aycock.