



# TORCH: WI



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# CANDIDATES

## PRESIDENT



### **ELI JUDGE, MADISON WEST**

#### **Favorite Pokemon?**

*Kirby, because she's the original party girl.*

#### **Best Latin pick-up line?**

*Are you Latin? Because you don't look dead.*

#### **Star Wars or Lord of the Rings?**

*Star Wars, because LoTR is for nerds.*

#### **Would you survive the Hunger Games?**

*I've been told I would excel at an eating contest, so I'd probably survive.*

#### **How many WJCL board members does it take to screw in a lightbulb?**

*One. We're not idiots.*

#### **Where's Waldo?**

*Take the 1st left onto W Main St. Turn left onto S Pinckney St. Turn right onto E Washington Ave. E Washington Ave becomes US-151. Take the Johnson St / WI-23 exit. Turn right onto WI-23 E. Take the WI-57 ramp toward Kiel / Plymouth. Turn right onto WI-57 S. Turn right onto WI-28 / W 1st St. Welcome to WALDO, WI (106.3 miles total).*

#### **What's the #1 most played song on your iPod?**

*Bye Bye Bye by \*NSYNC.*

#### **What are your plans if you are elected to the WJCL board?**

*Win.*

## FIRST VICE PRESIDENT



### **ANDREW MULLINS, HOMESTEAD**

#### **Best Latin joke?**

*Q: What did the verb say to the noun?*

*A: I'd ask you to conjugate, but I'm afraid you'd decline.*

#### **What does the fox say?**

*Ring-ding-wa-pa-pa-pa-pa-tchoff-tchoff-mo-o-o-ores-fraka-kaka-kaka-kow-WWW-WWJJJCCCL!! #wazup*

#### **How many WJCL board members does it take to screw in a lightbulb?**

*It should only take one member because anyone taking Latin is pretty dang smart to begin with, but the board likes to work as a team, so we would screw the bulb in together.*

*#team #light #bulb #caesar #hashtag*

#### **What are your plans if you are elected to the WJCL board?**

*I would like to spread the JCLove to all of the chapters in Wisconsin, increasing chapter size and participation. Surprisingly, not everyone knows how much of a blast Convention can be, so I want to promote the WJCL to all of those classicists who miss out on the fun. Also, I want to increase the Wisconsin delegation size for NJCL Convention. I hear that there are some perks to having someone from your own state as President, but keep that info on the down low for now. We don't want any other states getting jealous!*

#### **What's the #1 most played song on your iPod?**

*The Goofy Goober Rock from The SpongeBob SquarePants Movie.*

# CANDIDATES

## SECOND VICE PRESIDENT



### SIMON ROSENBLUM-LARSON, MADISON WEST

**Favorite Pokemon?**

*Dunsparce because who doesn't love a worm that flops around and can't battle to save its life?*

**Best Latin joke?**

*Q: What disease do you have if you can't remember where Sparta is?*

*A: Pelopamnesia.*

**How many WJCL board members does it take to screw in a lightbulb?**

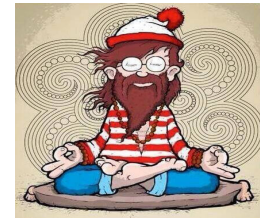
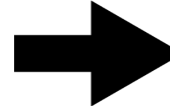
*We work in candlelight. These "lightbulbs" you speak of are not authentic Roman culture; therefore our lives cannot involve them. Once elected to the board, you take an oath that you will live your life EXACTLY as the Romans did.*

**What's the #1 most played song on your iPod?**

*The song Bohemian Rhapsody was written about me.*

**Where's Waldo?**

*Plot twist: Waldo finds himself.*

**Star Wars or Lord of the Rings?**

*Well, I think Lord of the Star Rings would be a great trilogy, because imagine Gimli in a space suit fighting a droid on a space fell-beast.*

**What are your plans if you are elected to the WJCL board?**

*I plan to be the greatest guy in a cow suit anyone has seen. I'll take it to the next level, man.*

## PARLIAMENTARIAN



### PETER ARNDT, BROOKFIELD EAST

**Favorite Pokemon?**

*Squirtle, because it's fun to say, and its final form is super cool.*

**Best Latin joke?**

*I never joke about Latin.*

**What does the fox say?**

*I googled it and foxes actually make terrifying noises.*

**What are your plans if you are elected to the WJCL board?**

*I plan to do my best as Parliamentarian while using my new position on the Executive Board to continue to make Convention a great experience for everyone involved.*

**Would you survive the Hunger Games?**

*I would probably paint myself to look like a rock and take a nap. Then I guess someone would kill me while I was asleep.*

**What songs would be on the playlist of your life?**

*Get Home by Bastille, Budapest by George Ezra, Big Bad World by Kodaline, Demons by Imagine Dragons, This Side of Paradise by Coyote Theory, Babel by Mumford & Sons*

**How many WJCL board members does it take to screw in a lightbulb?**

*That's easy. Three: One to present the motion, another to second the motion, and a third to recognize both of the delegates.*



# CANDIDATES

## PARLIAMENTARIAN



### LEXI SLATER, MADISON WEST

**Favorite Pokemon?**

*Competitively, I'd say Gardevoir (as long as we're in Gen VI), but overall, Blaziken is my favorite because Gen III is the best!*

**Best Latin pick up line?**

*Did King Minos have Daedalus build your eyes? 'Cause I could get lost in them.*

**Would you survive the Hunger Games?**

*I'd win the Hunger Games by trapping all of the competitors by the side of a cliff. Then I'd channel my inner Sciron and throw all of them over the edge.*

**What are your plans if you are elected to the WJCL board?**

*I would like to make amendments to the constitution, including connecting officer elects and their sponsors with the officer currently holding their position so as to better transfer office duties. I also want to establish a better connection between the WJCL and the Ohio delegation so we can do even more fun stuff together like the fandom Certamen round we had together at Nationals this year! I'd love to bring my passion for the Classics to the board!*

**How many WJCL board members does it take to screw in a lightbulb?**

*One, only after having a gigantic Ludi tournament to decide on the board member to do it. Basically, it would be a WJCL board survival of the fittest.*

**What's the #1 most played song on your iPod?**

*Bohemian Rhapsody by Queen.*



### THOMAS DEGUIRE, HOMESTEAD

**Favorite Pokemon?**

*My favorite Pokemon is Charivari because it's a classic, and who doesn't want to fly around on a dragon that can burn things?*

**Best Latin joke?**

*A centurion walks into a bar and asks for a martinus. The bartender says, "Don't you mean a martini?" The centurion responds, "No, if I wanted a double I'd have asked for one."*

**Star Wars or Lord of the Rings?**

*Lord of the Rings because who doesn't love hobbits and elves and 2nd lunch?*

**Would you survive the Hunger Games?**

*I would be killed by Jennifer Lawrence.*

*That would be pretty cool.*

**What songs would be on the playlist of your life?**

*Definitely Disney music. That's my jam.*

**Where's Waldo?**

*Waldo is hidden in my basement.*

**How many WJCL board members does it take to screw in a lightbulb?**

*It only takes 1 because Latin students are geniuses.*

**What are your plans if you are elected to the WJCL board?**

*My plan if I were to be elected would be to do all I could to help the WJCL.*

# CANDIDATES

## SECRETARY



### **ALIYAH QUERESHI, BROOKFIELD ACADEMY**

#### **Star Wars or Lord of the Rings?**

*Star Wars because it gave Benedict Cumberbatch the opportunity to imitate Chewbacca.*

#### **Would you survive the Hunger Games?**

*I would fashion multiple doppelgangers and trip up the whole system by making everyone think that I was dead. They would kill each other and, driven mad by the fact that he/she couldn't find the last tribute, the final tribute would starve. I emerge bloodless and victorious. Capitol, PWNED.*

#### **What does the fox say?**

*TWO CHAINZZZZZZZ.*

#### **How many WJCL board members does it take to screw in a lightbulb?**

*It would take an exponential number of board members to screw in a lightbulb. Or Mullins.*

#### **What are your plans if you are elected to the WJCL board?**

*If elected to the WJCL board, I will fulfill the duties of secretary, taking thoroughly accurate and, when appropriate, humorous notes. Moreover, I will be an extremely active member of the board, bringing in ideas for our state JCL that other states have found successful and fun. I plan to lay foundations for better record-keeping to keep transitions between boards smooth without losing any details, so that future boards can focus on advances for the WJCL rather than trying to remember events from the past.*

## TREASURER



### **LAUREN ARNDT, BROOKFIELD EAST**

#### **Favorite Pokemon?**

*Xerneas because it has a regal pose just like a Caesar would.*

#### **Best Latin pick-up line?**

*Socrates once said "Nosce te ipsum". I know myself pretty well; how 'bout I get to know you?*

#### **Star Wars or Lord of the Rings?**

*Lord of the Rings. I'm a girl who loves jewelry, and it's all about a ring.*

#### **Would you survive the Hunger Games?**

*No, I would probably trip and die as soon as the games started.*

#### **What does the fox say?**

*Wa-pa-pa-pa-pa-pa-pow?*

#### **How many WJCL board members does it take to screw in a lightbulb?**

*Just one because Latin prepares you for easy household tasks.*

#### **What are your plans if you are elected to the WJCL board?**

*To effectively perform the duties of the treasurer.*

# CANDIDATES

## TREASURER



### **MICHAEL KEARNEY, MARQUETTE**

#### **Star Wars or Lord of the Rings?**

*Lord of the Rings, because even though I'm a fan of Star Wars, I feel that the depth offered by the Lord of the Rings books (and, to some extent, the movies) can't be matched by Star Wars.*

#### **Would you survive the Hunger Games?**

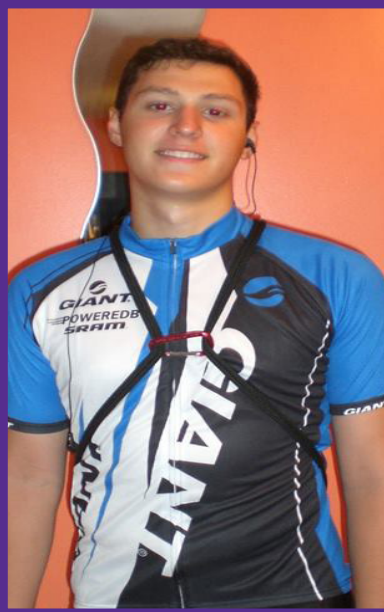
*If it were a WJCL Board Hunger Games, I would have a pretty good shot. If it were a Hunger Games of the general populous, I would probably not survive. I would not make a good Re-tiarius, so if I were to die, it would probably be in some sort of hand-to-hand combat.*

#### **What are your plans if you are elected to the WJCL board?**

*As I am running for the position of treasurer, my foremost focus would be on securing/keeping the finances in order and also working with the other board members on various projects. Second, I plan to try and create some sort of fall event in which different schools can compete (whether it be in Certamen, Ludi, or something else), or an event in which Wisconsin could compete against neighboring states. Third, I would try to make the inner workings of the WJCL more transparent by getting people from schools who don't normally attend meetings to come (and hopefully encourage them to run for the board) or at least getting their input on what should be done. Finally, I would like to introduce Nationals to everyone and encourage those who haven't come to entertain the possibility.*

#### **How many WJCL board members does it take to screw in a lightbulb?**

*Eh, two, Brute.*



### **MAX REYKOV, HOMESTEAD**

#### **Favorite Pokemon?**

*Ursaring because it resembles the mighty Russian bear.*

#### **Would you survive the Hunger Games?**

*I would not win the Hunger Games unless everyone died within a day or two. I'd probably die of starvation.*

#### **What are your plans if you are elected to the WJCL board?**

*If elected to the board, I would encourage all to join the WJCL and try to spread the joy of Latin to the non-believers.*

#### **How many WJCL board members does it take to screw in a lightbulb?**

*2 current members and 1 former member. Simon Rosenblum-Larson will be holding Andrew Mullins on his shoulders while Sam Silver stands in the background, trying to recite the number correctly.*

#### **Where's Waldo?**

*Waldo is actually an alien locked up in a top secret Soviet government laboratory somewhere in the ruins of Chernobyl, explaining the "nuclear breakdown" and being experimented on and tested for the secrets of ever-lasting invisibility. This is why no one ever finds him.*

#### **What's the #1 most played song on your iPod?**

*Dat New "New" by Kid Cudi*



# CANDIDATES

## HISTORIAN



### ELENA GRATTON, MADISON WEST

#### Best Latin joke?

Q: How did the Roman empire get split in half?

A: With a pair of Caesars.

#### Star Wars or Lord of the Rings?

Lord of the Rings. I must admit I love space travel and light sabers; but nothing compares to elves and hobbits, Gimlie and Legolas's bromance, and the awesome Ents/super big tree people. Also, Darth Vader's breathing freaks me out.

#### What songs would be on the playlist of your life?

Always Look on the Bright Side of Life (Spamalot), Baba O'Riley (the Who), Blackbird (the Beatles), Crystal Silence (Chic Corea), Hello Goodbye (the Beatles), I'm a Believer (Smash Mouth), Little People (Les Miserables), Walk like an Egyptian (Bangles)

#### Where's Waldo?

If you can't find Waldo, he'll find you.

#### How many WJCL board members does it take to screw in a lightbulb?

It takes one WJCL board member to screw in a lightbulb, but the other eight would stab him/her for attempting to overthrow the republic.

#### What are your plans if you are elected to the WJCL board?

If I'm elected I hope to make sure everybody has access to photos from Convention and other WJCL activities. I also hope to make a awesome scrapbook that will win at Nationals.

## EDITOR



### MATHILDA HARRIS, MADISON WEST

#### Favorite Pokemon?

Pichu, because it's my friend's nickname.

#### Best Latin joke?

Q: What do you call Santa's little helpers?

A: Subordinate clauses

#### Star Wars or Lord of the Rings?

Lord of Rings, because I know slightly more about it.

#### Would you survive the Hunger Games?

I would die from spontaneous combustion, because violent deaths are way too mainstream.

#### What's the #1 most played song on your iPod?

My favorite song is Wagon Wheel by Darius Rucker.

#### Where's Waldo?

Obviously, Waldo is one of the senators who murdered Romulus, so he's most likely in Rome.

#### How many WJCL board members does it take to screw in a lightbulb?

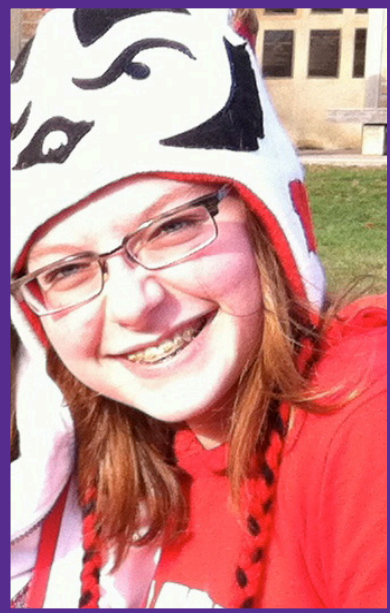
None; that's what the plebs are for.

#### What are your plans if you are elected to the WJCL board?

Write good, entertaining editions of the Torch.

# CANDIDATES

## EDITOR



### **MADDIE FRANK, HOMESTEAD**

#### **Best Latin pick up line?**

*You put the FINE in "imperium sine fine!"*

#### **Star Wars or Lord of the Rings?**

*Star Wars. We perform the music in orchestra all the time, and I absolutely love it. Also, my sister and I play it whenever we can on our Playstation 2. I love me some throwbacks!*

#### **Would you survive the Hunger Games?**

*I would definitely survive. My plan is to hide until all the other competitors have killed each other off and then lay a snare trap for the last survivor.*

#### **What's the #1 most played song on your iPod?**

*I have four: Flaws by Bastille, The Real Slim Shady by Eminem, Come on Eileen by Dexys Midnight Runners, and Young Volcanoes by Fall Out Boy.*

#### **What does the fox say?**

*The Fox is saying "RIFGJNDSBJKHDVFKFDJKHFDKVJSABCV," which roughly translates as a cry for help.*

#### **How many WJCL board members does it take to screw in a lightbulb?**

*One? We're Latin geeks, not monkeys...*

#### **What are your plans if you are elected to the WJCL board?**

*I want to revamp the Torch's graphical design to make it more aesthetically pleasing. I also want to increase the number of stories in each issue and create a more interactive paper.*

## TECHNOLOGY COORDINATOR



### **DINA CARPENTER-GRAFFEY, MADISON WEST**

#### **Favorite Pokemon?**

*Darkrai. Just look at that Sp. Attack, Speed, and Ability. Also, its fashion sense is fabulous.*

#### **Best Latin pick up line?**

*Will you be the Narcissus to my Narcissus?*

#### **Star Wars or Lord of the Rings?**

*Lord of the Rings all the way. We have Will Turner, Sherlock AND John, the Seventh Doctor, Magneto, Agent Smith, Leonard McCoy, and Stephen Colbert. Not to mention the dozen-plus original languages, about 20 hours of movies, and unexpectedly attractive dwarves.*

#### **What are your plans if you are elected to the WJCL board?**

*My main goal if I am elected is to improve communication and information access. I can't even count the number of times I've had to go on a convoluted search through the various website iterations and my email archive to find information for my parents. Corwin has done a great job improving the email list and the website, and I would love to continue that work. I want to ensure everyone's inclusion on the email list that wants to be and provide as much information as possible on the website.*

#### **How many WJCL board members does it take to screw in a lightbulb?**

*The entire board would try before giving up and calling Danny Trunzo for help.*

#### **Where's Waldo?**

*Far over the Misty Mountains cold...To dungeons deep, and caverns old...*



# ADVICE

**WORK HARD,  
PLAY HARD.**

-CORWIN WEEKS,  
TECHNOLOGY  
COORDINATOR

**START WORK-  
ING ON THE  
TORCH EARLY**

-LIVVIE MAY,  
EDITOR

**I KNOW IT  
WILL BE HARD,  
BUT TRY YOUR  
BEST TO LOOK  
BETTER THAN  
ME IN A COW  
SUIT.**

-CIARA  
CORRIGAN,  
2ND VP

**TAKE PICTURES  
EARLY AND  
OFTEN.**

-EMILY ESSER,  
HISTORIAN

**THERE IS ALWAYS  
GOING TO BE  
DISSONANCE,  
BUT JUST RE-  
MEMBER THAT A  
LEADER ALWAYS  
PUTS HIS PEOPLE  
BEFORE HIMSELF.**

-VINAY RAGHAVAN,  
PRESIDENT

**IF YOU NEED TO  
TYPE A LOT OF  
INFORMATION  
AND YOU MISS  
SOMETHING,  
JUST SKIP IT AND  
ASK FOR CLARI-  
FICATION AFTER  
ADJOURNMENT.**

-ANDREW  
MULLINS,  
SECRETARY

**MULLINS,  
DON'T SCREW  
UP.**

-SIMON ROSEN-  
BLUM-LARSON,  
1ST VP

**CONSIDERING  
YOUR BIGGEST  
JOB IS TO READ  
OFF A NUMBER,  
DON'T FOLLOW  
SAM SILVER'S  
EXAMPLE AND  
MESS UP  
READING THE  
NUMBER**

-MARGARET  
DUFFEY,  
TREASURER

**IT'S EASIER  
THAN YOU  
THINK TO RIG  
ELECTIONS.**

-ELI JUDGE, PAR-  
LIAMENTARIAN

# MISCELLANEOUS

## REMINDERS FOR CANDIDATES:

WELCOME TO THE WORLD OF CAMPAIGNING! WHILE WE ENCOURAGE THE USE OF CAMPAIGN POSTERS, PLEASE USE ONLY BLUE PAINTER'S TAPE TO PUT UP POSTERS. ALSO, PLEASE REMEMBER THAT STICKERS ARE NOT ALLOWED. GOOD LUCK!



**RANDOM ACTS OF SPIRIT ARE ENCOURAGED!  
SPREAD THE WJCLOVE!**

## NATIONALS

THIS YEAR'S NJCL CONVENTION WILL BE HELD AT EMORY UNIVERSITY IN ATLANTA, GEORGIA. JOIN THE WJCL DELEGATION FOR A WEEK OF SPIRIT, ART, ORATORY, TESTING, CERTAMEN, LUDI, AND MORE! REGISTRATION MATERIALS WILL BE AVAILABLE THIS SPRING.

## SPIRIT REMINDERS:

AS IN PREVIOUS YEARS, STUDENTS MAY NOT USE NOISEMAKERS, THROW ITEMS, USE BUBBLES, OR CLIMB ON CHAIRS OR PEOPLE. IN ADDITION, HAIRSPRAY, FACE AND BODY PAINT, AND GLITTER ARE NOT PERMITTED THIS YEAR. HAIR GEL, HOWEVER, IS ALLOWED. REMEMBER TO BE RESPECTFUL OF OTHER SCHOOLS. CHEER LOUDLY AND HAVE FUN!

## QUESTIONS, COMMENTS, OR SUGGESTIONS?

THIS IS MY FINAL EDITION OF THE TORCH, BUT IF YOU HAVE ANY COMMENTS, FEEL FREE TO CONTACT ME AT [MAYOL@STUDENTS.MTSD.K12.WI.US](mailto:MAYOL@STUDENTS.MTSD.K12.WI.US). I'VE ENJOYED CREATING THESE NEWSLETTERS AND KEEPING EVERYONE UPDATED. THANK YOU FOR READING!  
-LIVVIE MAY, WJCL EDITOR