The TORCH: WI

STATE EDITION

Note from the Editor:

Salvete Omnes!

First off, let me start by saying how honored I am that you chose me to be your editor. It has always been my goal to help the WJCL and now thanks to you I can. I'll do my darndest to make you guys proud! Anyways, contained in this issue is all the awesomeness that happened at state; this includes a little meetand-greet from your newly elected officials, a few articles on the happenings of the WJCL and its chapters, crafts, advice, and more! If there is anything you would like to be included in a future issue, please don't hesitate to email me about it at maddiefrank 1012@yahoo.com or wjcleditor@gmail.com

> Ave atque vale<mark>,</mark> Maddie Frank WJCL Torch E<mark>di</mark>tor

Contents:

Positive Plans for Parliamentarian-2

State Memories- 3-5

Officer Bios- 6-10

Happenings at BA- 10

Advice- 11

Sudoku and Riddles- 12

Activities and Nationals Information- 13

POSITVE PLANS FOR PARLIAMENTARIAN

Every officer in the WJCL faces tough decisions regarding how to improve their respective office, but probably none more so than the parliamentarian. In years past, the political position has had some issues with average-Joe communication and incoming members. However, new parliamentarian, Lexi Slater, a junior at Madison West, has thought up some exciting solutions to these daunting problems-- one of which is an online communications system.

Slater plans to set up a Dropbox or specialty parliamentarian email in order to ease communications. Recognizing that distance can be a big deterrent to some delegates when considering when and if to attend board meetings, Lexi believes that an online system will be much easier for our far away members to propose new insights without having to caravan to the designated meeting place. "Transportation to and from board meetings can be difficult for people," says Lexi. "With an online setup, I'm able to represent everyone's ideas." Tech Coordinator Dina Carpenter-Graffy and Lexi have collaborated to create this new set-up and plan for it to be up and running before the February board meeting. Continued on page 13



Left: Dropbox is a free software that enables people to easily share documents, ideas, and pictures. It is a prospective candidate for the new communication system's platform.







OFFICERS

Elana Gratton Historian wjclhistorian@gmail.com

Hi! I am so very excited to be this years Historian, I am a Junior at Madison West. Other interests of mine, besides photography, are music and splashing in puddles. Also I'm not afraid of spiders and if you ever need one dealt with I will gladly help. I am so excited to see everybody at Emory university this summer for the NJCL convention. We're going to turn it up to 11.

Lexi Slater
Parliamentarian
wjclparliamentarian@gmail.com

I want to be the very best, like no one ever was (I will love Pokemon forever). Music is my true love! My main instruments are piano, ukulele, and guitar. Community theater is also a huge part of my life. As for the WJCL, I decided to take Latin because I'm Greek, I didn't know that signing up for a class simply to learn more of my ancient roots would bring me such a wonderful community and such amazing memories. You guys mean the world to me and I am so excited to serve on the board as your parliamentarian!

Simon Rosenblum-Larson 2nd VP wjcl2ndvp@gmail.com

I'm Simon Rosenblum-Larson and I'm second Vice President. But in really much more interesting as a cow. I was born on the Nowhere Ranch in Wyoming, I grew frustrated at my master, because happy cows live in Wisconsin, I began my trek eastward. I stopped in Fargo to pay a visit to all my homies at Fargo North High School and then quickly left because apparently they're only cool during nationals. Trekking through Minnesota I ran into a lot of lakes and taught myself to swim, crossed the Mississippi and found a home in the great city of Madison. I enjoy standing still and pretending to be a statue and then scaring people by mooing at them.

Andrew Mullins 1st VP wjcl1stvp@gmail.com

I am enthralled to be your WJCL 1st Vice-President. Apart from school, I am an avid tennis player and downhill skier. When I'm not studying Latin, playing tennis, or skiing, I usually spend my time suffering from post-convention depression. It takes a while for me to get over it. Then, I think about the upcoming convention and how I will have so much fun with all of my nerdy friends. If you're reading this, you're probably a nerd too, so I'm in good company. Be proud. If you have any questions regarding national convention, feel free to ask! Hope to see you at Emory!

Michael Kearney Treasurer wicktreasurer@gmail.com

Avēte cunctī, My name is Michael Kearney, your newly elected treasurer, and I am a sophomore at Marquette High. I attended University School of Milwaukee for grade school and currently reside in Whitefish Bay. In my free time, I enjoy spending time with my two younger brothers and being involved in policy debate and the JCL (who doesn't?). Recently, I have worked with the MUHS JCL in coordinating our fifth annual chariot races, a boisterous event <mark>t</mark>hat will have pictures available in a few months. If you have any questions, comments, or ideas, feel free to contact me at wjcltreasurer@gmail.com.

Maddie Frank Editor wjcleditor@gmail.com

Hi everybody,
I'm Maddie Frank, the
new editor. In my free time,
I love to read, swim, run,
sail, practice my many
instruments, and bake. I
have one cat, a German
Shepherd, an English Mastiff,
and two fish. The only thing
that can rival my love for
the WJCL is my love for the
Packers and cheese. Hope to
see you at nationals!

Dina Carpenter-Graffy Tech Coordinator wjcltech@gmail.com

I've been doing Latin at West since I was a freshman, My mom was really the one who got me into it; she convinced both me and my brother to take Latin as a "family requirement." Three years later, I'm as involved with Latin as I think I'll ever be. Besides JCL, I'm also involved in several other schedule-cramming activities: Ultimate Frisbee, horseback riding, and theater (more specifically stage crew). But don't worry, dear JCLers. Nothing could keep me from coordinating our technology to the best of my ability.

Aliyah Quereshi secretary aliyah1522@gmail.com

Salvete omnes,

I am honored to be serving as WJCL Secretary-- I am/looking forward to a spirit-filled year! Fun facts about myself: I am a second degree black belt in Tae-Kwon Do. I take pride in my nerdiness of Latin grammar :3 While I enjoy wide ranges of music, I have most recently acquired a taste for rap and hip hop. Say, have you ever heard that one about the hobo ...?; Please feel free to message me at any time if you have ques<mark>t</mark>ions or want a friendly conversation!

Eli Judge President wjclpresident@gmail.com

Salvete,
I'm so excited to be your
new president. If you
have any questions,
comments, or concerns,
please don't hesitate to
contact me.

Valete, Eli

HAPPENINGS AT BA'S LATIN CLUB

Courtesy of Aliyah Quereshi

Brookfield Academy Latin Club helped the school get into the JCLove spirit with Cupidgrams on Valentine's Day! Earlier in the school year, the Latin Club had celebrated Halloween by Toga Trick-or-Treating to raise funds for Heifer International, a charitable organization that sustainably empowers impoverished persons. This past week, Brookfield Academy hosted a 'language week,' celebrating each of the languages taught, including Latin. Decked out in togas, the entire school participated and relished in the opportunity of keeping it classy.

To top it off, seven Brookfield Academy students, as well as one Brookfield Central and one Marquette University High School student, plan on attending the annual certamen tournament at Harvard University on March 29. Be sure to root for Wisconsin!

ADVICE

Dear Sybil,

It seems like there's always too much work and not enough time! Every night I have around three hours of homework (that I can barely finish) and an hour of viola practice, plus chores at home and basketball practice. On the weekends, I babysit and have early morning basketball practice, so I can't find anytime for my friends; I can't find time for me. It's driving me insane! How can I find time to relax while still keeping up with all of my obligations?

Sincerely, Hectic



Dear Hectic,

Hm. Seems troubling. There are a few things that I think could help you with your predicament. Number one: try making a list to plan out your time after school. This way, you have a set schedule for your expectations and are able to set apart some personal time. Remember not to deviate from it though! An off schedule is the same as no schedule. If that doesn't work, try fitting homework into any nook of unused time. Waiting in the locker room for ever<mark>y</mark>one <mark>else to finish chan</mark>ging? Read a few pages of Great Gatsby. Bus arrived at school fifteen minutes early? Get to work on that geometry. Lunch is also a gold mine of study time, so take advantage of that as well. With a few assignments out of the way, a few minutes of 'me time' open up at home. Finally, if you are stretched too thin, then consider dropping some activities. It may not be what you were hoping for, but at some point, one of the bazillion balls you're juggling will fall along with all the others tumbling after-- so its better to eschew one activity than have all your others suffer from it.

Hope this helps!

-Sybil

POSITIVE PLANS FOR PARIAMENTARIAN (cont.)

(Continued from page 2)

Furthermore, Slater hopes to produce a newcomer meeting to enlighten freshly joined delegates of the opportunities the WJCL provides. Candidate positions, state and national conventions, elections, and a general Q&A would be among many of the topics discussed at this greenhorn gathering. Lexi knows that through this meeting, "[new members] would get a taste of how wonderful this organization is!"

Lexi also aims to foster interstate relations and candidate and officer elect meetings at State. She strongly urges anyone who has any questions, concerns or prepositions to contact her at: wjclparliamentarian@gmail.com or at lexi.slater@gmail.com.

SUDOKU AND RIDDLES

7	4			2				3
					7	1	9	
8			1	3				7
		8	5					
2								8
6	7					5		
	6	2	8		1	П	3	
9	3	5		7		4	8	
			9					

Roman Puzzle:

How can it be? Half of nine is one plus three?

How can it be true? Half of eleven is 4 plus 2?

Now can you see? Half of 3 is also 3.

From fishermen to Homer:
What we caught, we threw away; what we didn't catch, we kept. What did we keep?

ACTIVITY OF THE ISSUE

Make a Mosaic!

What you'll need: Colored Paper Scissors Glue Sticks



Above: A finished mosaic

Instructions:

1. Find an image you would like to recreate or think of an original design

2.Cut up the paper into small shapes

3. Glue the small pieces of paper onto a full sheet of paper in resemblance of step one.

4. Done!

NATIONALS INFORMATION

Are your parents teetering on the decision to allow you to go to nationals? Are they concerned that the date will interfere with Uncle Lenny's doggy wedding or Aunt Judith's annual baklava eating competition? Do they question the Stymphalian defense system of Emory? If so, this is for you. Here's all the information you'll need to successfully pursued the Parental Control into letting you go to Nationals.

When: July 28th- August 2nd

Where: Emory University, GA

Price: \$485.00, without

transportation.

Who will be taking the delegation? The Magistri of each school and chaperones.

Are the dorms gender seperated? Yes. They are gender separated by building.

Is it a closed campus? Yes. Is foo<mark>d</mark> included?

What do you do?
All sorts of things! Colloquiums,
ludi, tests, contests, dances, and
more! For the full list, check out
the convention page on the NJCL
website.

Are there scholarships? Yes. Look at the NJCL website under members for more info

Where can I get more information? www.NJCL.org