WELCOME:
Welcome to the second MDJCL Certamen of the 2018-19 year! We are now in full latin mode for the MDJCL. Our events come up quickly one after another, but the months between these events should be used wisely. To advance further and score higher in our certamina, always try to retain all of the knowledge you gain in class. Be trying to incorporate certamen practice into your week. Coming back to information specifically designed to be a certamen question will make you into the best certamen player possible. But still remember to have fun!

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UPDATES:
We are now in the full swing of MDJCL. Now, state convention is getting closer and closer. This means all MDJCLers should start preparations for all competitions that are offered at state convention such as:
- 2D Art
- 3D Art
- Dramatic Interpretation
- Scrapbook
- Spirit
- Catapult Contest
- Academic Testing

UPCOMING KEY DATES:

February 2nd: Certamen
- At The Gilman School
March 2nd: Scavenger Hunt
- At Walters Art Museum in Baltimore

April 6th - 7th: State Convention
- At Easton High School
July 26th - 31st: National Convention
- North Dakota State University, Fargo ND
**THE JCL CREED:**

We the members of the Junior Classical League, covenant to hand on the torch of classical civilization in the modern world.

We believe an acquaintance with the civilization of Greece and Rome will help us understand and appraise this world of today.

Which is indebted to the ancient civilization in its government and laws, literature, language and arts.

We affirm the JCL experience develops responsibility, fosters brotherhood, promotes enthusiasm, encourages competition, inspires dedication and enriches our total growth!

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**THE MONTGOMERY BLAIR CERTAMEN:**

Reno erat Rudolphus
Nasum Rubum habebat;
Si quando hunc videbas,
Hunc candere tu dicas.

Omnes renores alii
semper hunc deridebant;
Cum misero Rudolpho
In ludis non ludebant.

Santus Nicholas dixit
Nocte nubulae,
"Rudolphe, naso claro
nonne carrum tu duces?"

Tum remores clamabent,
"Rudolphe, delectus est!
Cum naso rubro claro
Historia descendes!"

Auqifolia ornate
Fa la la la la, la la la la
Tempus hoc hilaritatis.
Fa la la la la, la la la la
Vestes claras inauamus;
Fa la la la, la la la la
Cantilenas nunc promamus.
Fa la la la, la la la la

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**ANNOUNCEMENTS AND QUOTES**

**From State Editor, Josiah Sanders:**

- Be aware that submissions for The Torch are now open. Those who have anything Latin related in any forms such as pictures, essays, articles, paintings, or even just simple ideas should submit! Email me to send in anything you or your local chapter have made!

**From State Historian, Mary Chavez:**

- "Please contact me by my email or talk to me in person! I would love to get submissions of art related to bees, and bees in general for the scrapbook! I will be making both digital and a physical scrapbook and I want as many of you involved as possible!"
LATIN MEME OF THE DAY:

Idea originally by CJCL Editor: Sofia Abolfathi
Made by MDJCL Editor: Josiah Sanders

NOTE FROM THE EDITOR:

I am trying to make the Torch as collaborative as possible with all MDJCLer, but I need to know what you would like to see. On the last page of the Torch there is a QR code that you can scan with your phone camera that is linked to a google form. This quesstionaire asks a range of essential questions that are needed for me to better The Torch. Please remember that submissions for The Torch and the scrapbook are always open, and we want whatever you can give. Also as a precursor to the next Torch, I will be creating a writing contest to be put into the Torch. This contest will be formally announced at the Gilman Certamen, and will be due a few days before the State Convention.

Lastly, thank you to everyone who has submitted some media to the torch, it means a lot!

-Josiah Sanders

SOCIAL MEDIA:

MDJCL has many Social Media Platforms! Updates, reminders, pictures and more can all be found at:

@MarylandJCL
@Maryland_JCL
@Maryland Junior Classical League
@MDJCL
MDJCL.org
FOR THE READER:

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- CERTAMEN
- CLASSICAL
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- NICE
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- ROLE-REVERSAL
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TO ALL READERS AND LATINERS:

This is a Google form from the State Editor, it is a questionnaire about submissions, and content of the MDJCL Torch. Please fill this out at some point today.

This qr code can be scanned with your phone camera: