



# TEMPUS CANIS



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## State Champs!

April showers bring May flowers but March brings the Indiana Junior Classical League state convention! Annually held at Indiana University, schools from around the state gather to express their love for Latin and also to compete in various contests such as graphic arts, creative arts, Certamen, and academic tests. Chapters (schools) also fight for awards in publicity and spirit.

This March, Crown Point High School's Latin Club did exceptionally well bringing back the state title as well as more than tripling the second place school's points!

Countless other awards and trophies were also earned by CP Latin

club members. First places in the Helen Wampler spirit contest, Sharon Gibson Community Service Award, and publicity all helped to set the stage for the state championship title.

CP's Certamen teams also did very well with its novice (first year) and advanced (third and fourth years) teams placing first and the intermediate (second year) team finishing second.

Individual achievement awards are also given at convention to members of the IJCL who do extraordinarily well in either graphic arts, creative arts, or academics. 10 students from CPHS received these awards.

Brittany Krowiarz, a

sophomore at CPHS, was also elected to the Indiana Junior Classical League



board to serve as 2009-2010 Historian. At the IJCL board meeting in May, Josh Glass was

elected as the IJCL second vice president.

Convention is a great way for new friendships to be made and old friendships to flourish. Gathering with others from around the state who share one's love for Latin is a truly unifying experience. Memories and friendships made at convention are definitely ones that will stay with a person for the rest of their life.

Congratulations to all of Crown Point High School's Latin club state convention participants!

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## ***Crown Point Latin Club Summer Events...***

### ***Latin Summer***

This summer, Crown Point Latin Club is hosting the 7th annual Latin Summer, an enrichment program for students who have completed fourth, fifth, sixth, or seventh grade. The students will learn about a variety of aspects of the Roman world. Topics include mythology, Roman life, and the Latin language. Latin Summer is a great way for elementary and middle school students to get a jumpstart in Crown Point's Latin program.

Latin Summer will take place this year from July 6 through July 10 from 8:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. The cost is \$50 per student and forms and money are due by June 1.

Current Crown Point High School Latin students will lead the classes under the direction of Jeremy Walker, a CPHS Latin teacher.

For more information regarding Latin Summer, please contact Mr. Walker.

### ***Roman Banquet***



The annual Roman Banquet for the CP Latin Club will be held at Lucrezia's on June 11 from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. The banquet is a chance for the club to reflect on the year's events and to tearfully grant our seniors farewell.

### ***Taste of Crown Point***

The Crown Point Classical Association (CPCA), the parent booster group for the Crown Point Latin Club, will have its annual booth at the Taste of Crown Point where they will be selling walking tacos and bottled water.



### **upcoming.activities**

June:

1-3:: Jewel Shop and Share: Go shopping and give yellow slips to cashier

6:: Canoe Trip at Turkey Run State Park with German Club

11:: Roman Banquet @ Lucrezia's

26&27:: Taste of Crown Point

July:

4:: Fourth of July Parade—Pass out programs & Ride the LC float

6-10:: Latin Summer

11:: NJCL Picnic for all delegates

11:: Adopt-a-Highway for national convention delegates \*\*note new date\*\*

27- Aug 1:: NJCL National Convention at University of California Davis

**Adopt-A-Highway**  
**Come join the**  
**CPHS Latin Club!**  
July 11

4 p.m.—6 p.m.

Required for all members attending nationals and for state convention delegates who missed the last highway cleaning. All are welcome! Great for service hours!

## 2009 NJCL Convention

Every year, Latin-studying students from around the country meet in the summer for the National Junior Classical League National Convention. With delegates from nearly every state in the US, convention is always a great place for states to compete, for delegates to make new friends, and for JCL members to share their common, Latin-loving bonds.



This year's convention will be held at the University of California Davis in Davis, California and will take place from July 27 to August 1. Indiana (state) delegates will be participating in spirit rallies, toga parades, academic contests, graphic arts contests, and creative arts contests. They will also have the opportunity to participate in ludi (sporting) events, hear well-known speakers, and attend workshops on various Latin-related topics.

Before convention, IN delegates will fly out to California and then sight-see for a couple of days before traveling on to UC Davis. Places they will visit include Alcatraz, Fishermen's Wharf, and San Francisco.

This week-long trip is always considered one of the best events that the CP Latin Club participates in annually. Whether novice delegates or seniors graduating from the Junior Classical League and entering the Senior Classical League, all are eagerly awaiting an amazing time. With the friendly hand of JCL by their side, Indiana is sure to do very well this year!

### Rome-coming

The revered city of Rome is one of wonder and romance, with the cobblestone paths and famous architecture, this is definitely a wonderful city. Crown Point Latin Club members as well as other Indiana delegates will be traveling to Rome this summer on a 12-day long trip. Students will explore the Colosseum, the Roman Forum, the Bay of Naples, Florence, Delphi, Athens, and many other exciting places. Seeing Roman culture up-close-and-personal helps bring textbooks to life. Delegates from around the state eagerly anticipate this exciting vacation to Latin's homeland.



### 08.09 officers

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## Latin and You: A Winning Combination!

Guest Commentary by Wesley Wood  
08-09 IJCL first vice president; 07-08 CP Latin Club  
president; 06-07 CP Latin Club vice president; 05-09  
CPHS Latin student

My decision to major in the classics was not a difficult one for me thanks to my four years of Latin in high school. In fact, it was by far the easiest step in my college search! One question I am often asked from peers and adults alike is "What are you go-

ing to do with a classics major? Become a teacher?" While that is indeed an option, my official response to this is "Anything I want to." That is truly the beauty of a classics major. According to the Association of American Medical Colleges, a student who majors (or double-majors) in the classics has a much greater success rate of entering med school than even those with biology or other science majors. At the same time, *Harvard Magazine* reports that the same is true for classics majors in law school itself. Outside of teaching, medicine, and law, the benefits of a classics major extend into all facets of life - a mastery of grammar, excellent communication, precise analysis skills, and close attention to intricacies. Colleges and employers alike recognize this with great zeal as classics majors are often the first ones to be picked up. My advice to middle school students: take Latin in high school! My advice to those beginning their college search: look for universities that offer Latin or the classics! You'll thank me for it.



Good luck and farewell to all of our very  
*beloved seniors*  
as they make their way out of high  
school and into the world beyond!