

Lorica Nostra: Happy Halloween!



Save the Date!

Saturday, November 10:

Ludi at Saint Ignatius High School

December TBD

Christmas Party at the Redwood Family House

Saturnalia Party

January

The Metamorphoses at Berkeley Rep.

Saturday, February 23:

Carcer at Acalanes High School

March 29-30:

State Convention at Miramonte High School

July 25-30:

National Convention at North Dakota State University

A Note from your Co-Consul

Salvete omnes! Menlo JCL has been very busy for the past few months planning events and entering contests. Thank you to everyone who has contributed! We have won the Club of the Month contest, earned currency points in the website contest, planned for Ludi Novembres, worked on beginning the Aequora program with Menlo's Peninsula Bridge program, and much more.

Halloween is one of the most exciting times of the year for JCL. We have recently hosted the Middle School Ice Cream Social and Halloween party with the Redwood Family House, both of which were outstandingly successful. We are also looking forward to having a great Ludi Novembres. The Menlo JCL sports commissioner, Jack Pimlott, will be working with all of Menlo JCL to set up sports teams. Treasurer Morgan Wyatt has also been gathering forms from everyone and ensuring that Menlo JCL has as many people as possible in attendance. It is our first California JCL event of the year, hosted by Saint Ignatius. There will be academic tests, sports, workshops, games, and more. I hope all of Menlo JCL will be able to be there!

More about the Club of the Month contest: Hosted and judged by National JCL First Vice President Aleah Malik, this contest is open to JCL clubs all across the country. Clubs report all the service activities they have done in the past month. Our Second Vice President of Menlo JCL, Victoria Wat, worked hard to put together a presentation of all that Menlo JCL does, and we won first place!

Overall, it has been a very successful few months for Menlo JCL. Thank you to everyone who has contributed and keep up the hard work for the rest of the year!

E corde,
Natalie Hilderbrand
Menlo JCL Co-President 2018-19



2018-19 Menlo JCL Officers:

Presidents:

Natalie Hilderbrand, Naomi Rubin

1st VP:

Sophie Reynolds

2nd VP:

Victoria Wat

Parliamentarian:

Ethan Yan

Treasurer:

Morgan Wyatt

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Anna Guiragossian

Webmaster:

Ahna Kim

Historians:

Sonia Agarwal, Ava Ford, Madeline Levin

Sports Commissioner:

Jack Pimlott

Lorica Nostra Editor:

Sophie Scola

Random Thoughts from Magistra

We have been in school now for only a quarter, but I want to take a few moments to recognize some of the outstanding accomplishments you all have achieved in that short time.

First, we had the largest turnout for the zoo ever! Everyone just jumped in to help wherever we were needed, and the families had a great time. Then we did not have to beg for people to register for JCL. All we needed was a little healthy bribery. In addition, you were very gracious about offering your homes for Progressive Supper. Thanks to the Fergusons, the Hilderbrands, and the Golubs for hosting us. It was a great night! Next everyone contiruited to our first waffle sale. Whether you brought in supplies, made and served the waffles, or cleaned up, you worked hard and the whole process seemed easier than ever before. Plus we made more money for the shelter than usual. Now, if those waffle irons would just wash themselves...

When we started discussing what to do with the profit we made at convention, everyone was thoughtful and kind. I was proud of you all for wanting to support Financial Aid; I just wish I had taken Natalie with me when I met with the Business Office. Her concepts are really on target. We still have to meet to see if we can move a higher percentage of our profit into Financial Aid. I was even more impressed that you all were so ready to supply Latin texts and workbooks for the inmates at the Correctional Institution at Tehachapi. This is not a group we would identify with (I hope!), but you recognized that we were in a position to help. I saw the same caring and enthusiasm when we asked for donations for the Halloween Party at the shelter. You all signed up as if you were buying a raffle ticket. The children may never know how much you did for them, but I do.

On to the officers! In totally random order, let me recognize some of the great moments: Morgan has been managing our finances like a pro. He keeps track of every penny and has taken care of all our



Menlo JCL Wins Club of the Month for September!

Shoutout to Sophomore Victoria Wat for all her hard work this past month as 2nd VP! She did a great job, and Menlo JCL is so excited to have won club of the month for September. memberships and our *Ludi* registration. Ethan has taken the Parliamentarian job to a new level. He runs the parliamentary procedure at each meeting and has worked to improve the Constitution and By-Laws with enthusiasm and efficiency. Now we finally have a working document for the club. Sophie R. created great stickers for our publicity contest and is always thinking about new things for us to do. She is also making an online Activities Folder which she is constantly updating to submit to NJCL at the end of the year. Our Historians (Ava, Maddie, and Sonia) created and ordered our t-shirts ahead of time and have even started assembling the scrapbook, and Maddie took the time to enter the NJCL Picture of the Month Contest. Jack has thought about costumes for state convention and has taught the officers one of the cheers. Anna has taken careful minutes and is quick to send them to Ahna for the website. When she has to miss a meeting, she finds a substitute. Ahna has kept our website updated and vital. She also has taken the time to submit our website each month for currency points to Natalie, our own representative on the national board as the NJCL Communication Coordinator. Meanwhile Sophie S. has already published one outstanding *Lorica* and this is her second. She is able to get people to write for her without hounding or cajoling. Victoria has spearheaded more community service projects in two months than most clubs do in a year: the zoo, the ice cream party for Facilities, the MS Scavenger Hunt, and the Halloween Party at the shelter. AND she took the time to submit our outreach program to the Club of the Month, which we won the very first time we ever entered! Wow! Finally, it takes great leadership at the top to motivate the officers, and Nat and Naomi run the meetings with efficiency and thoroughness. In addition, Naomi is the California JCL Secretary. In all the years that I have worked with secretaries at both the state and national level, no one has sent edited minutes to me more quickly than she does. It is a pleasure to work with her.

Overall, this is the strongest, most responsible board I have worked with in many years. Everyone does the job and then some, and our presidents lead the way. Congratulations and thanks to all of you.



Visit the Menlo JCL Website!

Visit this link below to learn more about our upcoming events and find weekly summaries of JCL meetings. On our website you can also see pictures from the year and past editions of *Lorica Nostra*!

http://jcl.menloschool.org

Magis has her palm read at Caesar Maximus in the city.

Parvi sed potentes! We may not be a large group, but we are indeed powerful! You all are the best!

Caesar Maximus

By Ava Ford

Caesar Maximus is an interactive theatrical production that members of the JCL viewed at the Music Concourse in Golden Gate Park in San Francisco on the last Saturday of September. A modern adaptation of William Shakespeare's *Julius Caesar*, *Caesar Maximus* tells how the Roman general Julius Caesar gets murdered by his friend Brutus and 22 other conspirators, which results in chaos in Rome, and, like so many of Shakespeare's tragedies, everyone dies.

As soon as we arrived at Golden Gate Park, the actors and actresses immediately began to talk to us and invite us into ancient Rome. We even got to learn the "Caesar Shuffle"! The play utilized different areas of the park, so in every scene, we would bring our chairs to the different location, including the stage and even into a tunnel, which truly brought the performance to life. The show included some musical components as well with trombone, trumpet, and percussion harmonizing with vocals. Overall, the play was very entertaining and was a modernized way to interpret an older work of literature.

After the performance, we walked over to Marnee Thai, where we shared plates of delicious noodles, rolls, and rice. On the whole, it was an enjoyable night of friends, food, and the classics.





Latin Classes Offered at Menlo:

Latin I

Latin II

Latin II Accelerated

Latin III

Latin III Honors

Latin IV

Latin V

AP Latin

Post AP Honors

Middle schoolers enjoy the ice cream bar as they take a break from their games!

Middle School Ice Cream Social

By Sophie Reynolds and Victoria Wat

On October 12, the Upper School JCL hosted an ice cream social and scavenger hunt for the middle school Latin students. When the kids first arrived after school, we made name-tags and introduced ourselves to one another. We then set up the ice cream right in front of the middle school quad, where people from all grades were crowding around the tables.

After stuffing themselves with ice cream, we started the scavenger hunt based on the 12 Labors of Hercules. For bringing Cerberus from the underworld, the kids went to the lowest part of the gym and took selfies with a stuffed animal Cerberus (really Fluffy!). They had to translate the Latin clues with the help of a dictionary and the high school Latin students and then take pictures with their team in places all around Menlo. All of the middle school kids got prizes in the end.

After the scavenger hunt, we played volleyball on the Middle School quad to wrap up the afternoon. Everyone from both the middle and the upper school had a great time!







Upcoming Dates from Ancient Rome!

November 4th: Ludi Plebeii: these games took place in the Circus Flaminius which was dedicated in 220 B.C. and were celebrated by plebeian aediles.

November 8th: Nerva made emperor after the assassination of Domitian in 96 A.D.

November 13th:

Feroniae in Campo: a fair or a market to honor Feronia, worshipped by Roman freedwomen

November 18th: a 3-day fair after the *Ludi Plebeii*.

Progressive Supper

By Anna Guiragossian

On September 23, Menlo's JCL had its annual Progressive Supper! Each year all the students and teachers in the Menlo JCL community join together and eat delicious food at the houses of three families who are gracious enough to host! This event in particular is always a favorite amongst the students and teachers, not only because of the sweet and savory treats, but also the ability for students from different classes to get to know each other. After all, JCL is a family, and this very event kicks off the beginning of a new family every year!

The first house that we went to was Lauren Ferguson's for the appetizers. This included typical Mediterranean foods such as caprese kabobs, bread and olive oil, and flatbread pizzas. At the Ferguson's we were all able to introduce ourselves to each other; there were many new faces, and it was a great way to kick off the year! This events confirms the continued growth of the Menlo JCL community and cultivation of our tight-knit bonds.

Next, we took the bus to Natalie Hilderbrand's, one of the JCL co-consuls, for the main course. The Hilderbrands made a beautiful baked pasta dish, paired with a classic Caesar salad and bread. Here, alongside the dinner, we were able to soak in the dazzling view of the evening sunset. We continued to socialize and get to know new and already familiar faces.

Sophie Golub's house for dessert was the last stop. At the Golubs, we were spoiled with chocolate cake, ice cream, brownies, and chocolate chips cookies! As we gorged on these delectable desserts, the entire Menlo JCL family gathered by the cozy fire pit, along with Sophie's dog, Miles. The night ended later than expected, as always, and we wrapped up by saying goodbyes and piling back onto the bus to head back to Menlo.



Like every year, the annual Progressive Supper was a success and one of the best nights of the year! We hope that the tradition will carry on for as long as possible, and that the Menlo JCL continues to flourish!

Left: The Fergusons pose before their lovely spread of appetizers for the first stop of Progressive Supper. Right: Students enjoy yummy Italian food at the Hilderbrands house during the second stop of the evening.





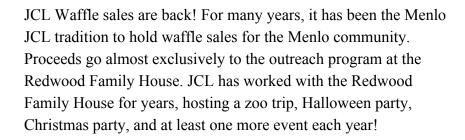
All the students pose together after enjoying some delicious ice cream and cake in the Golub's backyard.





Waffle Sale

By Naomi Rubin





We most recently hosted a waffle sale on September 13th where we made a grand total of \$487. All our JCL members took part in contributing to the waffle sale. Students brought in a plethora of toppings including fruit, chocolate chips, syrup, and whipped cream. Menlo JCL truly provides the best waffles around! Thank you to all who participated in bringing in food, making the waffles, and cleaning up. A special shout-out to Morgan Wyatt for helping with clean up! Look out for an upcoming waffle sale in November!

Natalie and King pose in front of the waffle sale set up before students arrive and the frenzy of the morning begins.





Jokes!

IOCĪ SINE RESPONSĪS

scripta ā Noēmī, Elīsā, et Magistrā

- 1. ūnō diē senātor quīdam ad Cūriam tardissimē advēnit. magnā cum dīligentiā in sellam corrēpsit et, Cicerōne loquente, rogāvit amīcum quid ōrātor praeclārissimus dīceret. amīcus respondit, "nesciō. ille nōndum ad verbum vēnit!"
- 2. discipulus prīmus: putō mē in amōrem magistrae meae incidere. discupulus secundus: nōn est inūsitātum! sed nōnne tū domī studēs, Oedipe?
- 3. sex hominēs ē quīntīs sunt pessimī frāctionibus.
- 4. centūriō in tabernam ambulat et dīcit: "ūnus Martīnus mihi, obsecrō!" caupō rogat: "nōnne vīs dīcere Martīnōs?" "minimē!" respondet centūriō, "sī duplicem voluissem, rogāvissem."

DATE ANGLICĒ MAGISTRŌ AUT MAGISTRAE RESPŌNSA TUA.

scripta ā Noēmī, Elīsā, et Magistrā

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- 2. quōmodo NASA potest adparāre convīvium?
- 3. quī equus numquam per diem apparet?
- 4. Rōmānus quīdam loquī nōn potest, sed in tabernam modernam ambulat. quīnque cervīsiās emere vult. cūr caupō eī modo duās dat?
- 5. quis in mythologia pictūrās de se (Selfies) amāvisset?
- 6. quid Buddhist venditōrem cībī rogat?
- 7. cūr zombie numquam ad scolam it?





Games!

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Halloween Word Search!

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