

Lorica Nostra: Halloween Edition

Key Dates: A Story from Magistra

Thursday,
October 26:
Halloween Party

dē perīculō in urbe

*olim erant in urbe meā mōnstra terribilia. omnēs valdē timēbant.
interdiū nihil audītum est. populus poterat negōtium facere atque in
agrīs labōrāre et amīcīs frūtī.*

Saturday,
November 18:
Ludi Novembres

*nocte, autem, omnia erant alia. nēmō audēbat exīre; omnēs domī
manēbant. ubīque strīdōrēs terribilēs audiēbantur – in viīs, in vīllīs, in
silvīs, etiam in montibus. quid erat? multī timēbant nē multa mōnstra in
urbem ventūra et cīvēs necātūra essent.*

Saturday, March
3: Carcer
Friday and
Saturday, April
13 & 14: CJCL
Convention at
Menlo School

*tandem vigilēs(cops) scīvērunt aliquid sibi faciendum esse.
mediā nocte mōnstrōrum inveniendōrum causā convēnērunt. multī
tēlīs silvās intrāvērunt. petēbant strīdōrēs horribilēs.*

*subītō vēnērunt in nemus(grove). in mediō erant multa sed parva
animālia, ululantia et sibilantia. erantne vigilēs necāndī? minimē!
mōnstra terribilia erant tantum fēlēs domesticae.*

nunc magistrae aut magistrō Anglicē dīc quae sint in nemore.

mōnstra terribilia!



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A Note from the Editor

October is already coming to a close! As the spooky month concludes with an abundance of candy, it is important not to lose sight of the true joy of Halloween: spending time with friends and sharing (candy, generally) with others. Along those lines, I want to once again emphasize the theme of convention this year: friendship. While I won't dip into a historical allusion this time, I will once more quote Cicero's *De Amicitia* 17 to emphasize the point: *ego vos hortari tantum possum ut amicitiam omnibus rebus humanis anteponatis* (I urge you as much as I am able, to put friendship before all human issues). And since Cicero was undoubtedly not considering those undead things which are now at the forefront of our minds for Halloween, I propose including our zombie, skeleton, et al. friends on that list too.

Enjoy Halloween everyone, and to the Seniors: by the time you read this you'll hopefully have finished those pesky November 1st applications... Congratulations! It's only down hill from here!

Stay spooky, friends!

Warmly,
Trevor Bernard



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<http://jcl.menloschool.org/>

You can find pictures, copies of past and present renditions of the Lorica, a calendar of upcoming events, and weekly summarizes of JCL meetings.

Memento Mori mosaic from the Museo archeologico nazionale di Napoli (National Archaeological Museum of Naples)

The Halloween of Ancient Rome

By: Will Abbott

Lemuria was celebrated in May on the 9th, 11th, and 13th, as even numbered days were considered unlucky. The purpose of the festival was to expel the ghosts of the dead, called *lemures*, from Roman homes. The Vestal Virgins would also prepare sacred salted flour cakes from the first ears of wheat of the season during the festival. It was customary to appeal to or expel the *lemures* by walking barefoot and throwing black beans over the shoulder in the middle of the night. The head of the household was responsible for getting up at midnight and performing the ritual repeating, "I send these; with these beans I redeem me and mine" (*Haec ego mitto; his redimo meque meosque fabis*) nine times. At the same time, other members of the family would bang on pots chanting "Ghosts of my fathers and ancestors, be gone!" (*Manes exite paterni!*). Because of this annual exorcism of the noxious spirits of the dead, the whole month of May was rendered unlucky for marriages.



Famous Quotes:

“auribus teneo lupum”

- Terence

“brutum fulmen”

- Pliny the Elder

“Carthago delenda est”

- Cato the Elder

“vestis virum reddit”

- Quintilianus

“aequam memento rebus in arduis servare mentem”

- Horace

“Semper idem”

- Cicero

“vitanda est improba siren desidia”

- Horace

Scram!

By: Natalie Hilderbrand

On October 28, 2017, SCRAM (Southern California Regional *Amici* Madness) was held at Loyola High School in Los Angeles. Every year, there are two regional conventions: *Ludi* in the north and SCRAM in the south. Menlo, therefore, attends *Ludi*. As Convention President, I had the opportunity to travel to Los Angeles for SCRAM. There were approximately 800 students from thirty different schools in attendance.

A myriad of activities were held, including jelly bean mosaics, a spelling bee, a Roman rap battle, dodgeball, ultimate frisbee, swimming, and many more. One of the highlights was Roman speed dating, to which delegates flocked in order to participate. For lunch, there were two In-n-Out food trucks on campus. There was also shaved ice (“Nectar on Nix”) and a snack bar called “Grumio’s Spice Shack,” running throughout the day.

During the day, I helped run testing and then I ran between all the different events to see how they were going and whether we might want to run them for convention. After most of these events were over, I helped my fellow CAJCL board members run a candidacy workshop for those considering running for the state board. While there were only about five students in attendance, we were able to give them information about each position and the election process. I also gave a speech at closing ceremony and announced information about the schedule and the events we’re hosting. Delegates are now able to look online for the schedule and email us for suggestions.

Overall, SCRAM was a great event! Jarmayne Deal (the Southern Representative on the CAJCL board) and Loyola High School did an amazing job, and all of the Southern CAJCL delegates had a fun time! I can’t wait to discuss some of the events with our MJCL Board.

*“Dum inter
homines sumus,
colamus
humanitatem”*

- Seneca

*“transit umbra, lux
permanet”*

*“forsan miseros
meliora sequentur”*

- Virgil

*“ubi concordia, ibi
victoria”*

- Publius Syrus

Halloween Party

By: Rachel Howard

Cookies, candy, costumes, and the carving of pumpkins: all integral parts of any successful Halloween gathering. On October 26, JCL hosted its annual Halloween party for the Redwood Family House. Prior to the event, Menlo students donated costumes of their choice for the 15 children at the shelter, anything from Minnie Mouse to the Scream. Students also helped to make friendship bracelets for each child prior to the event, which were a big hit.

At the party, we offered various activities like cookie decorating, candy bag designing, friendship bracelet making, and pumpkin carving. One of the most favorite activities was the candy/toy hunt where the kids ran around the yard trying to find as much candy as they could fit in their paper bags. In addition to the candy, there were styrofoam planes, Snoopy bubbles, Halloween stickers, and some small Halloween-themed stuffed animals for the children to find.

Seniors Rachel Howard and Katelyn Eustace after having given Juliana her Mini Mouse costume



List of Latin Classes:

Menlo offers classes in Latin ranging from an introductory class (Latin 1) up through a Post-AP class. The classes are as follows:

Latin 1

Latin 2 (regular and accelerated)

Latin 3 (regular and honors)

Latin 4 & 5

AP Latin

Post-AP

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At the end of the evening, ten JCLers, Magis, and the 7 families along with the shelter supervisors sat down to a Buca di Beppo meal including spaghetti with meat sauce, baked ziti, Caesar salad, and bread and butter. Then we finally passed out those costumes the kids had been so excited about. Once they had received their costumes, many of the kids immediately rushed to put them on and spent the rest of the evening running around as their chosen characters while we cleaned up from the party. The shelter was very grateful to us and even asked us to write up a to-do list for other groups who want to give parties there. The small space and the large number of people make carefull planning absolutely essential.

Middle School Ice Cream Social

By: Sophie Reynolds

On October 5, the Upper School JCL members hosted an ice cream social and scavenger hunt for the kids in middle school Latin. When the kids arrived after school, they enjoyed many flavors of ice cream with many different toppings, and talked to the upper school JCL members for a bit. While they finished their ice cream, the upper school JCL members introduced themselves and explained what we do in JCL. We also encouraged them to come to *Ludi* and state convention.

After everyone had finished their ice cream, the middle schoolers were split up into three teams and given a list of clues. The clues were written in Latin by the Post-AP class, and the kids worked quickly to translate them with some help from the upper school Latin students. After they translated the clues, the kids had 45 minutes to race around the school and take pictures of themselves at different locations, including the dance room, the campus store, and the library. Magistra counted how many they had gotten right and determined the winner.

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The winning team was able to pick a Halloween themed decoration to take back to the middle school Latin room. The other teams were then also able to pick decorations.

We wrapped up the day by playing volleyball together on the quad. The ice cream social and scavenger hunt was a great event to bring the middle and high school JCL together.

Middle School Latin students enjoy ice cream on the high school campus



King and Peridot fortify themselves for the scavenger hunt ahead.



Games!

Sudoku:

Rules: Try to fill each row, column, and square with the numbers

I - IX once and only once

Easy:

		IV	V					IX
				VI				
	II		VIII	VII	III	V		VI
VI						IX		
II			VI		VIII			III
		IX						VIII
VII		III	I	II	IX		VIII	
		II		IV				
IX					V	III		

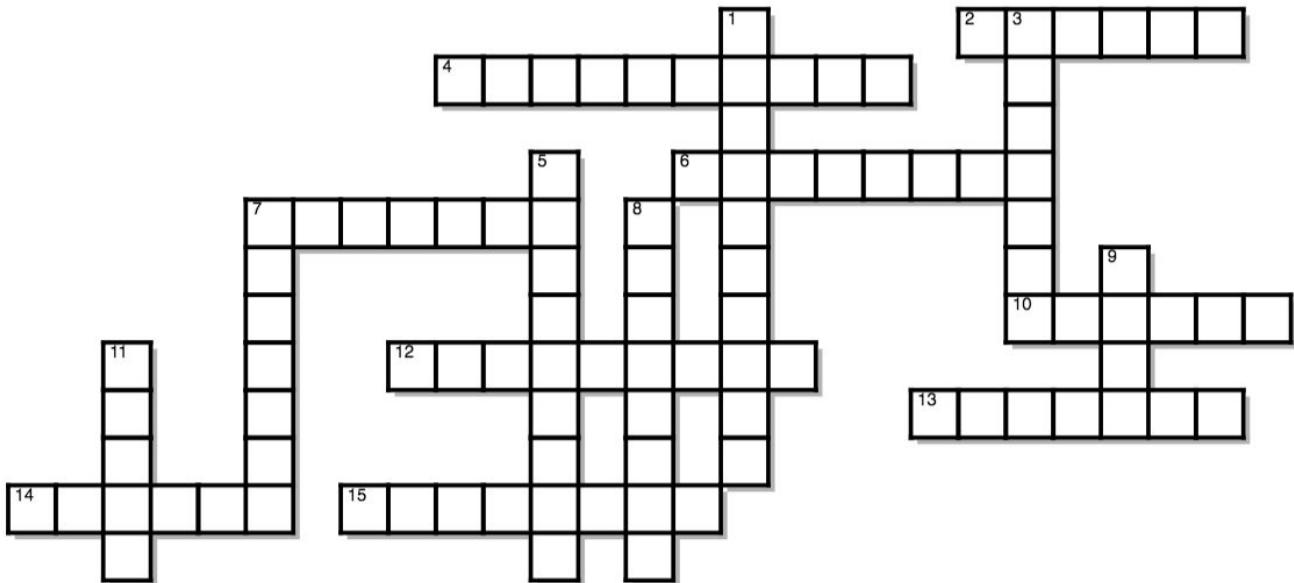
Hard:

	III	V		IX			IV	VIII
		IX			VIII			III
			IV	VI	V			I
				VII	IV			
	II						VI	
			I	V				
VIII			IX		II		VII	
IX			V			II		
VI	I			IV		V	III	

Crossword Puzzle:

By: Drew Wadsworth

Mythical Monsters 2018



ACROSS

- 2 Those who could not answer this monster's riddle suffered a horrible death
- 4 This monster had his eye poked out by no one
- 6 This great hero rose to Olympus upon his death
- 7 Has the head of a lion, a goat, and a snake
- 10 Many sailors did these monsters lure to their deaths on the rocks with beautiful song
- 12 Whirlpool between Italy and Sicily
- 13 Three sisters with snake hair
- 14 Sisters who constantly tormented people for their wrongdoings
- 15 Part man and part bull

DOWN

- 1 This monster, the first labor of Hercules, was impervious to mortals' weapons
- 3 This hero used a polished shield as a mirror to keep from being turned to stone
- 5 Built by Daedalus, this was the home of the Minotaur
- 7 The sons of Poseidon, these monsters had no depth perception
- 8 This large hound was guard of the underworld
- 9 Jason's ship
- 11 Hercules' second labor was to kill this monster