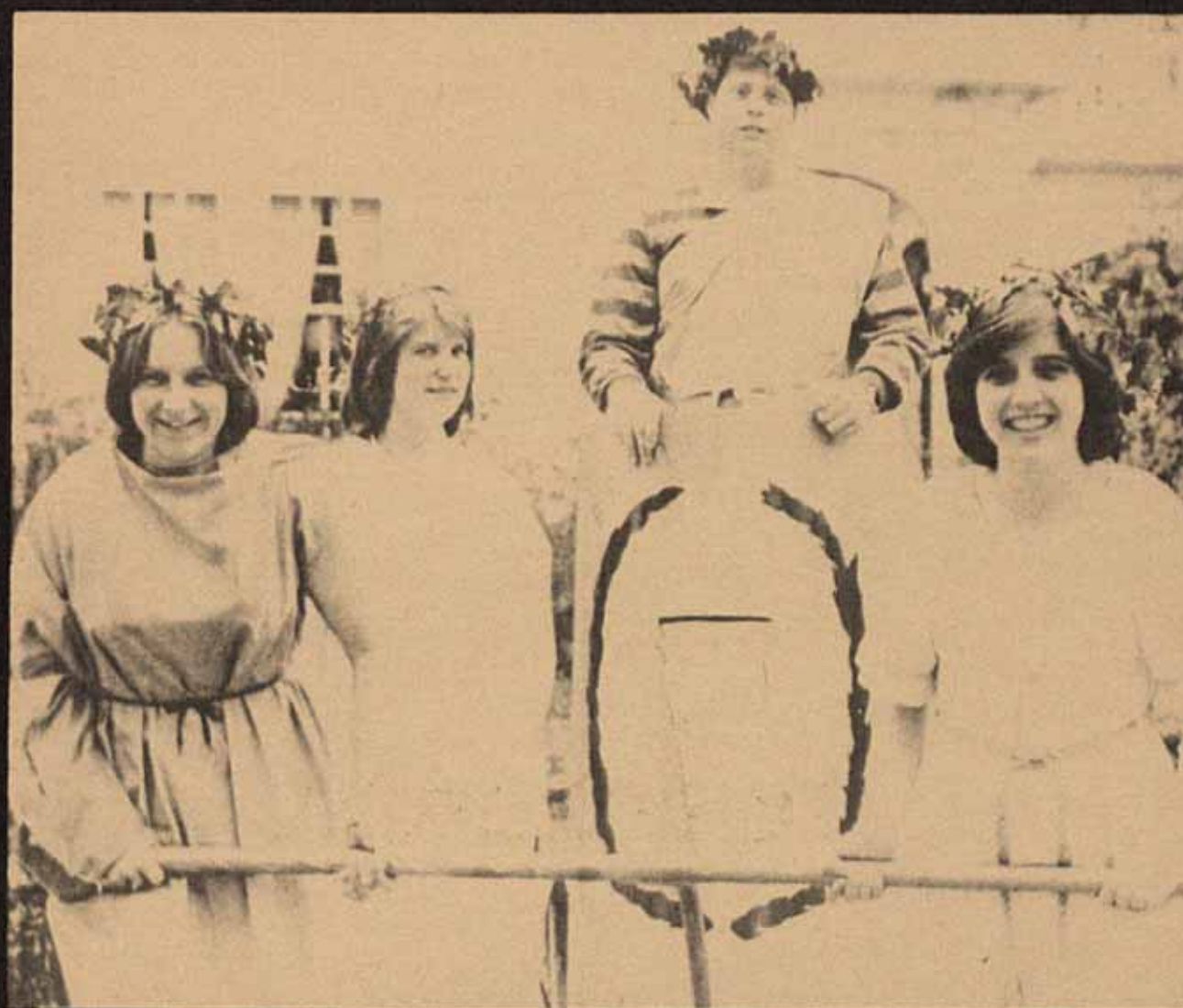


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January, March, and May.



COVER PICTURE: Students of Mrs. Muncie Smith,
Brookhaven High School, Brookhaven, Mississippi, pictured
with their chariot, Romabile.

Pompeiianae Praefectus Salutem Dicit
Litterarum Classicarum Studiosis!

\$250,000 sounds like a lot of money, but it's the goal we have set to be raised this summer. A full-fledged fund raising program is currently being planned and, if successful, will place us much closer to recreating the Roman house of Marcus Loreius Tiburtinus as a center for classical studies in America.

Because of complications in mailing our Newsletter during the summer months, the publication dates will be changed beginning next fall. Members will still receive six issues--September, November, January, March and May and a Special Edition which will be published at random. We recently received a grant of \$1,800 from the Clowes Fund for the second printing of "Latin... Your Best Educational Investment," an earlier Special Edition.

Another change to watch for next year is a restructuring of our sponsorship of high school catapulting. Now that a formidable list of catapulting records has been compiled, it is our wish to create a format that will encourage enthusiasts to set new records within the established guidelines while removing the limitations of a formal catapulting contest. It is also our wish to publish and preserve as many specifics as possible on the catapults that have set the current records. Who knows, such a publication may some day share a spot on the shelf with Vitruvius.

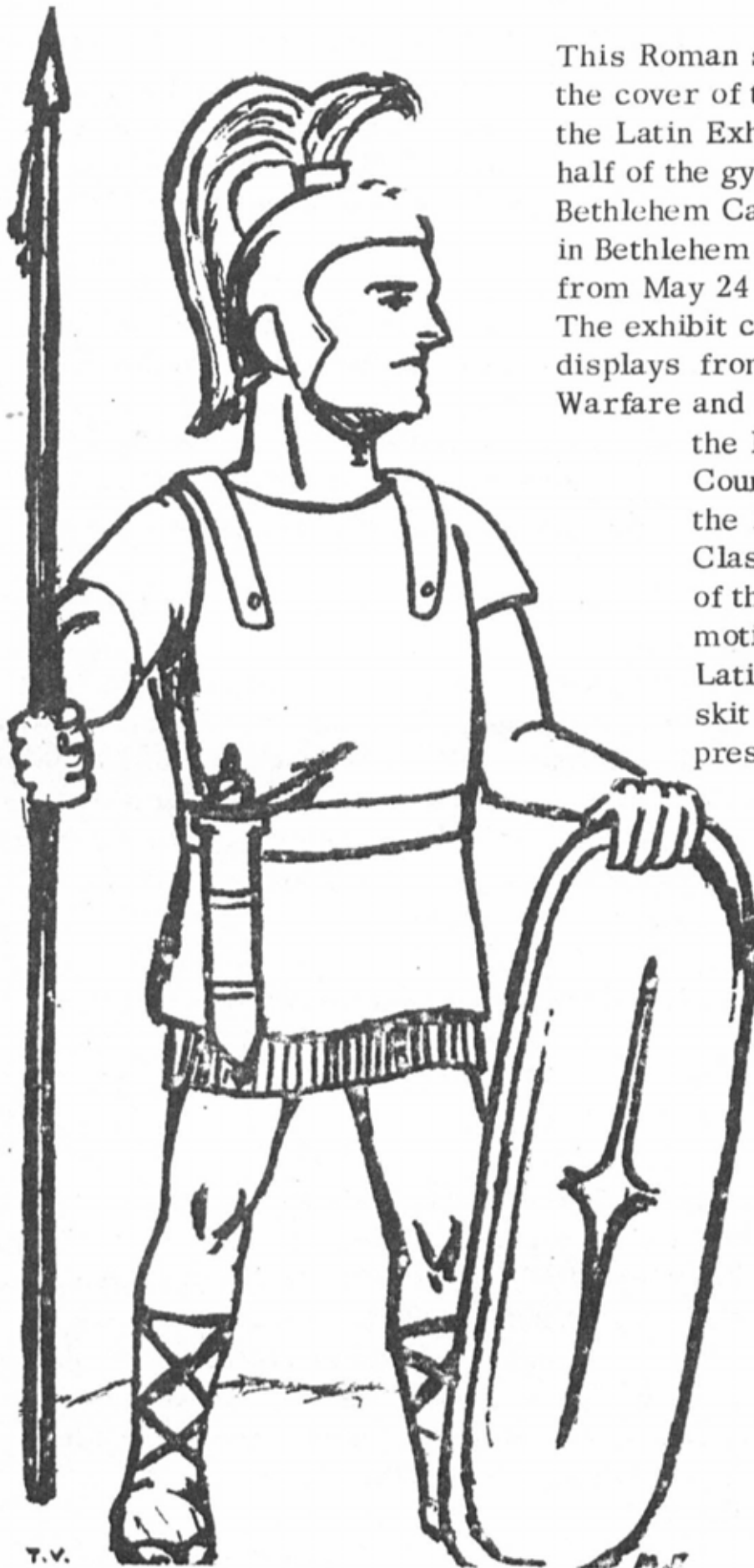
Pompeiana has been invited to participate in two national meetings this summer: the Council Meeting of the American Classical League in Illinois in June, and the August meeting of the NJCL in Florida.

Finally, if you are planning a study trip this summer, we invite you to create a slide/cassette presentation capsulizing your trip. If you would compile a set of 80 to 100 slides while you travel, compose a script when you return, and share these with us, we would produce a free filmstrip/cassette presentation to be shared with our members. This past year 580 requests for our presentations were filled. The student audience for these presentations numbers in the thousands. Why not share your experiences with them?

Bernard Barcio
Director

LATIN EXHIBIT

Bethlehem Catholic High School, Bethlehem, PA .

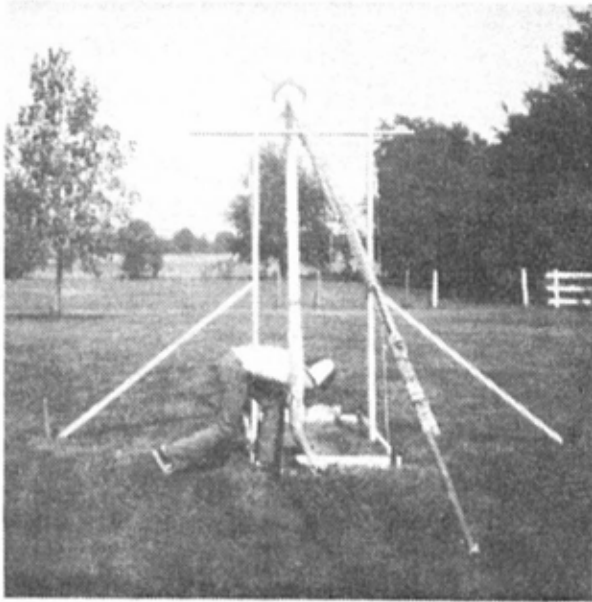


This Roman soldier decorated the cover of the program for the Latin Exhibit which covered half of the gymnasium of Bethlehem Catholic High School in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, from May 24 through May 26 . The exhibit consisted of 27 displays from Astronomy to Warfare and was presented by the Friends, Romans, Countrymen Club and the 1976-'77 Latin Class . One highlight of the three-day promotion "to show that Latin is alive" was a skit showing how our present-day wedding ceremony has derived from the Roman Wedding Ceremonies .

(Our thanks to Rev. Louis M. Solcia for submitting this information)

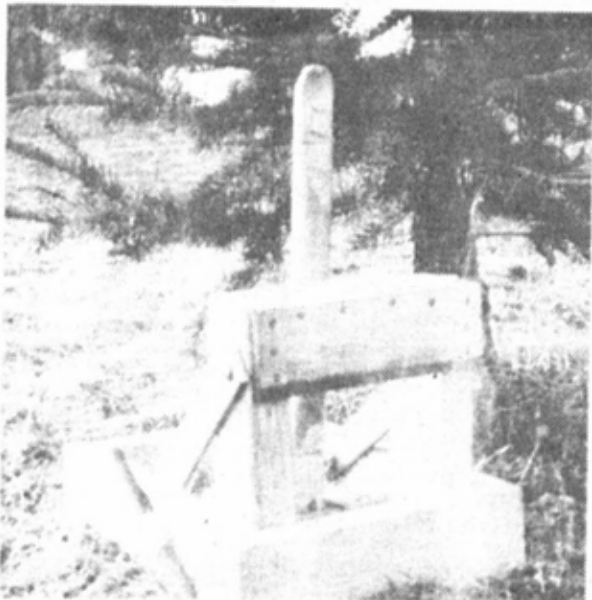
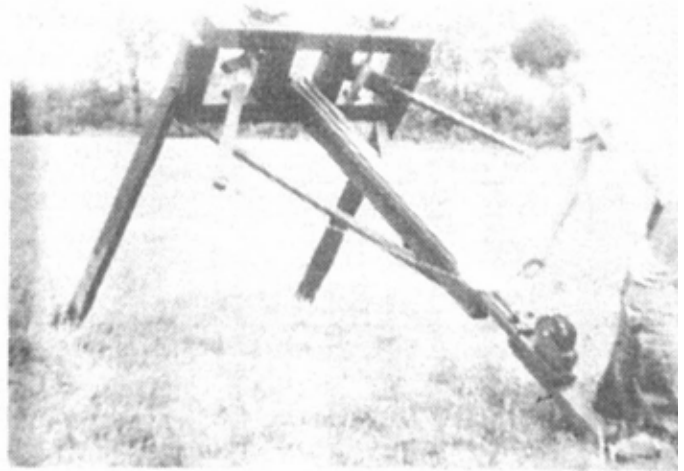
HEADS UP, AMERICA!!

When the huge catapults of old fired, it was a spectacular sight--missiles leapt forward silently arching hundreds of yards down field before crashing to rest with bone-jarring accuracy. The scene was recreated this year when over forty catapults entered the Sixth National Catapult Contest. As the results and awards show, it was a record-setting year!



MACHINA BELLI
St. Mary's School
Rushville, Indiana
One lb. rock - 191'6"

REMUS II
Eastwood Jr. High School
Indianapolis, Indiana
One lb. spear - 701'



REX PARVUS
Williamson High School
Williamson, New York
One lb. rock - 133'3"

RESULTS OF THE 6TH NATIONAL CATAPULT CONTEST		
DIV.	CATAPULT	SCHOOL /CITY/STATE
A	Americanus '76	Grand Ledge H.S., Grand Ledge, MI.....
	Faces Caelestes	Fulton Jr. H.S., Indianapolis, IN.....
	Felix Funditor	Williamson H.S., Williamson, N.Y.
	Vesuvius	Ben Davis H.S., Indianapolis, IN
	Zephyrus	North Central H.S., Indianapolis, IN.....
B	Hastatus I	Wayne H.S., Ft. Wayne, IN
C	Imperator	Wayne H.S., Ft. Wayne, IN
	Sanguinarius II	Brookhaven H.S., Brookhaven, MS
D	Remus II	Eastwood Jr. H.S., Indianapolis, IN
	Neptune VI	Lakeland H.S., LaGrange, IN
	Torqueator	Blair H.S., Hattiesburg, MS
E	Magnus Ignis	Wayne H.S., Ft. Wayne, IN
F	Arculus	Wayne H.S., Ft. Wayne, IN
	Orbitas	Wayne H.S., Ft. Wayne, IN
	Pegasus III	Brownsburg H.S., Brownsburg, IN
	Pilactor IV	Warren Central H.S., Indianapolis, IN ...
	Rex Kongus	Blair H.S., Hattiesburg, MS
G	Jactura II	Brownsburg H.S., Brownsburg, IN
	Machina Belli	St. Mary's School, Rushville, IN
	Parva Vipera	Wayne H.S., Ft. Wayne, IN
	Polyphemus	Grand Ledge H.S., Grand Ledge, MI
	Rex Catapultarum	Westlane Jr. H.S., Indianapolis, IN
	Romulus	North Central H.S., Indianapolis, IN.....
	Saxum	Wayne H.S., Ft. Wayne, IN
H	Aquila Nobilis	Westlane Jr. H.S., Indianapolis, IN
	Hastatus II	Wayne H.S., Ft. Wayne, IN
	Rex Catapultarum	Westlane Jr. H.S., Indianapolis, IN
I	Argus Saxeus	North Central H.S., Indianapolis, IN
	Bellator I	Brookhaven H.S., Brookhaven, MS
	Caligula	Wayne H.S., Ft. Wayne, IN
	Dux Parvus III	Wayne H.S., Ft. Wayne, IN
	Dux Parvus IV	Wayne H.S., Ft. Wayne, IN
	Rex Parvus	Williamson H.S., Williamson, N.Y.
	Salacia I	Lakeland H.S., LaGrange, IN
J	Marauder	Mt. Vernon H.S., Fortville, IN
	Mars	Warren Central H.S., Indianapolis, IN ...
K	Leo Primus	Roosevelt H.S., Seattle, WA
	Machina Gigantum	Ben Davis H.S., Indianapolis, IN
	Pila Ignis	Wayne H.S., Ft. Wayne, IN
L	Argus Sagittarius	North Central H.S., Indianapolis, IN
	Catapultus	Mt. Vernon H.S., Fortville, IN
	Curvum Lignum	Brownsburg H.S., Brownsburg, IN

WEIGHT CLASSES --DISTANCES

I	II	III	IV	V	VI	VII	VIII
..... 55'							
.... 131'5"							
.... Heaviest Rock - 1,400 lbs. - 8'							
.... 186'	340'	246'					
.... 779'6"	737'	763'	798'	750'	618'	(100 lb.-579')	
.....							103'1/2"
... 544'11"	333'9"	198'	151'8"	106'7"	60'10"		
... Unable to compete							
.....							701'
.....							471'8"
.....							95'
... 58'2"	37'5"	24'	19'	13'5"	7'		
.....							178'
.....							276'
.....							294'2"
.... Did not compete							
.....							88'
.....						54'2"	
.....						191'6"	
.... Did not compete							
.... Unable to compete							
.....						114'7"	
.... Unable to compete							
.....						64'	
.....							16'9"
.....							106'5"
... Unable to compete							
.....						57'9"	
.....						41'7"	
... Unable to compete							
.....						119'8"	
.....						248'	
.....						133'3"	
... Unable to compete							
... Did not compete							
... Did not compete							
.....						100'	
.....						186'3"	
.....						170'6"	
.....							15'7"
.....							55'11"
.....							218'3"



AB OVIS

There are many interesting aspects of an annual banquet held at Catholic Memorial High School in Waukesha, Wisconsin: the use of slaves, the consulting of the omens, music, food, and uncanny forms of entertainment. The banquet traditionally is a formal "ab ovis, usque ad mala" affair. The school cafeteria was transformed into a setting for Roman triclinia with decorations in purple and gold.

The meal consisted of four courses: GUSTUS, CENA PRIMA, CENA ALTERA, and SECUNDA MENSA. Each Roman (Latin student) reclined for the meal and was waited upon by a personal slave. The slave master was an uncaring gentleman who saw that no slave got out of line as long as the master was present with his whip.

The guests attended in Roman garb and marched into the banquet hall to the sound of trumpets. The slaves assisted their masters as they reclined, brought in finger bowls before and after each course, and did other things that were demanded of them. Between each course there was special entertainment.

The dining Romans were entertained by a wrestling match, singing, and dancing. At the end of the banquet the freshman Latin students became official members of the WJCL in a ceremony prepared by the Latin II students.

(Our thanks to the staff of the WJCL MERCURION for placing Pompeiana on their mailing list.)



USQUE AD MALA



On May 22 the National Awards Banquet for the Sixth National Catapult Contest was held at Holliday Park in Indianapolis, Indiana .

Ribbons were awarded to the first, second, and third place winners in each weight class in each division .

Plaques were awarded to the following catapults' crews:

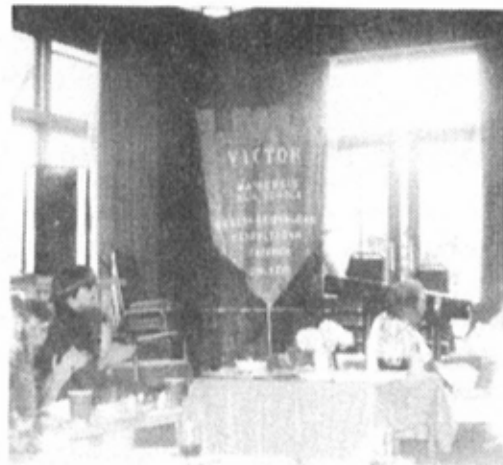
HEAVIEST ROCK THROWN - Felix Funditor
ROCK THROWN FARTHEST - Zephyrus
SPEAR THROWN FARTHEST - Remus II
MOST POINTS DIVISION A - Zephyrus
MOST POINTS DIVISION C - Imperator
MOST POINTS DIVISION E - Magnus Ignis

Cash awards were presented to the Latin Departments of the following schools to be used for the promotion of Latin:

\$50.00 - North Central High School, Indianapolis, IN
\$50.00 - Brownsburg High School, Brownsburg, IN
\$50.00 - St. Mary's School, Rushville, IN
\$50.00 - Wayne High School, Fort Wayne, IN

Pompeiana was assisted in the presentation of the cash awards by donations from Indiana National Bank and the Rock Island Refinery Foundation, both of Indianapolis .

The pennant was awarded to Wayne High School, Fort Wayne, Indiana . Wayne accumulated 52 points in the Sixth National Catapult Contest .



R_x

Or, Do Doctors Really Know Latin?

If you contract a common cold,
The kind that grows and grows,
Sic habe tu felicitas,
Which means "go blow your nose."

For gastric ulcers, pluribus
Quantum es marvellorum;
They don't do anything for you,
So just do nothing for 'em.

Errata plus de gustibus
Non est per demonstrandum;
Translation: "You need vitamins.
Just choose a few at random."

Quod antipasto summa cum
Ad astra per aqui;
"A nice vacation's what you need,"
The cure for housemaid's knee.

So now you know just how to cure
That feverish sensation;
You pick yourself a Latin phrase
And make your own translation.

(Our thanks to Miss Gertrude Johnson for submitting
this poem.)

Editor's Note: It is a little known fact that R_x is
a degeneration of R_p, an abbreviation for "Recipe"
(take!) with which doctors commonly began their
prescriptions.

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Athenian HERALD



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