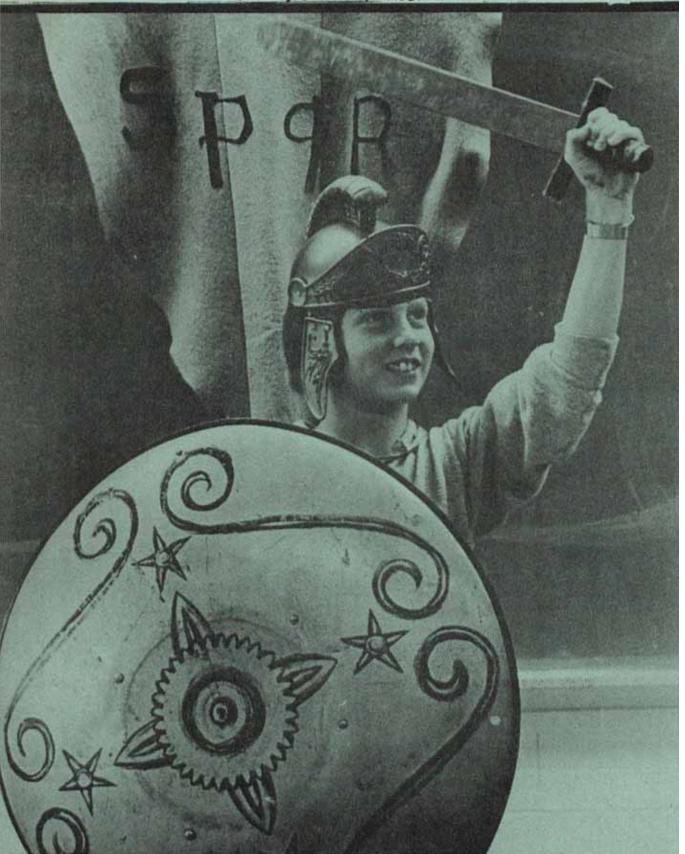
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COVER PICTURE: Eric Hendricks, "Hector", a 7th grade Latin student at Fulton Jr. High School, Indianapolis, Indiana. (Photo by Dan Blake, Photographer for MSD Wayne Township.

POMPEIIANAE PRAEFECTUS SALUTEM DICIT LITTERARUM CLASSICARUM STUDIOSIS!

Fifteen schools agreed to participate in Pompeiiana's BOTTLES FOR LATIN fund drive, and the total funds raised through this effort will soon be sent in. The prizes offered for the drive will be awarded according to the rules published on the initial poster enclosed in the last Newsletter, and the balance will go into the Building Fund. We regret that more schools did not elect to participate, but perhaps more will join in next year's fund raising efforts. By banding together, we, the Latin teachers and students of this generation, can leave the Museum of Classical Heritage as an educational resource for the future!

The 200 slides on Caesar's travels and the Roman remains in France that were donated to Pompeiiana by Mary Machado and Emily de Montluzin have been incorporated into one two-filmstrip presentation (requiring that both filmstrips be shown simultaneously with two projectors) entitled IN SEARCH OF CAESAR. The slides are currently being converted into filmstrips and the text for cassette commentary has been composed. Teachers wishing to show this presentation this year may request it for use beginning April 1, 1980. There will be 30 copies available for circulation.

Spring is traditionally a time of the year for Latin special events such as a Roman Holiday being planned for May 3, 1980, in Indianapolis for teachers in a three-county area. If your school has special events or programs planned, we ask that you send photographs and information for publication in our Newsletters to share with the other members of Pompeiiana. As is shown by the articles in this issue, the creativity of Latin teachers and students is reaching new highs across these United States!

Any teachers with students attempting to set new catapult records are reminded to contact Pompeiiana, Inc. for the proper registration forms, so that new distances may be included in the official records.

Bernard Barcio Director

BEWARE THE IDES OF MARCH!

The Latin students of Norwood Junior South studied the life of Julius Caesar. They noted that Julius Caesar showed a strong interest in politics very early in his life, even before the age of twenty. Their studies also revealed the military genius of Julius Caesar, as displayed in the Gallic Wars.

The course of study also included a trip to the Fine Arts Museum in Boston. Here the students were taken on a guided tour of the Classical Department which exposed them to Roman Art.

The program concluded with an exhibit to which most of the Latin students contributed. Contributions consisted of the preparation of helmets, a Roman legionary soldier, togas for dolls, and a reproduction of the death scene of Julius Caesar on the Ides of March with Brutus among the group of assassins, at the foot of a statue of Pompey. Pictured below is a display of the student's work.



(Thanks to Gianna Sweeney, Latin teacher at Norwood Junior South, Norwood, Massachusetts, for submitting this article and picture.)

In the same spirit, the student body of Fulton Junior High School, Indianapolis, Indiana, was cautioned to beware in March!

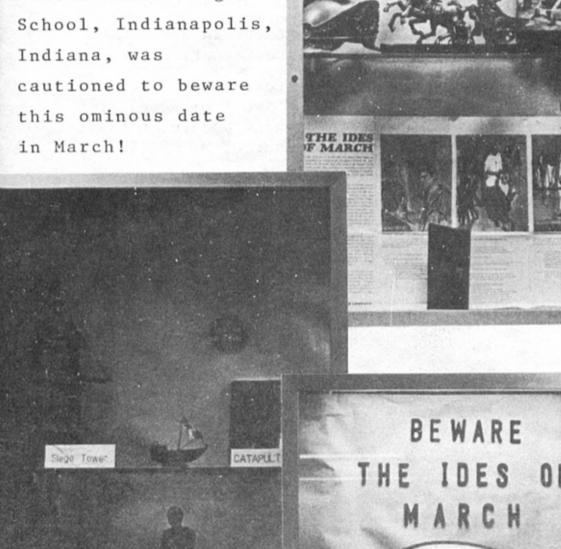


Photo by Don Blake, Photographer, MSD Wayne Township.



LINCOLN FREED THE SLAVES ... didn't he?

Maybe so, but he missed a few! Thus, it became necessary to free the Freshman Latin class on March 12, 1980, at the Fifth Annual JCL Manumission Ceremony at Hamilton Heights High School, Arcadia, Indiana, under the direction of Magistra Diane "Caesar" Werblo.

March was chosen for this ceremony in honor of the Roman New Year, Mars, and Julius Caesar.

Second-year Latin students entertained the spectators with their version of "Live from Rome! It's Saturday Night!" complete with Weekend Update, a visit with the Loopner family, and, of course, Mr. Bill.

The first-year class performed a skit "Androcles and the Lion" and allowed the audience to participate in some of the life/death decisions. At a later date, Miss Werblo and the cast will entertain some of the elementary school students with a presentation of "Androcles." Pictured below are some of the students being aided by "Caesar" prior to their peformance.



After the skit, the slaves prepared to compete in the Olympic Games--shot put, discus, archery, javelin, and relay race.

Slave Week, which was February 25 through March 3, found the slaves busy performing jobs for their masters and providing them with delicious treats. During Manumission prizes were awarded to the slaves for Best and Worst Costumes, Best and Worst Candy, Best and Worst Slave, and Best Project.

Then came the high point of the evening! The slaves were freed, an offering was made to Jupiter by breaking bread and pouring wine, and Pompeiian bread and the juice of the sacred grape were served to all.

"The Lion" better known as Roxanne Wicker

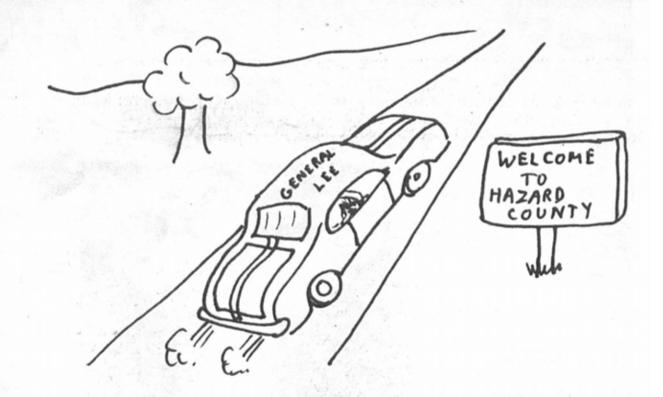




"Androcles" played by Brad Pickett, shown removing the thorn from the lion's paw.

"Welcome" by
hostesses, Claire
Burns and Tammy
Hiatt.





Duces Aleae

MULTI CREDUNT HANC COMOEDIAM, APPELLATAM "DUKES OF HAZARD"
IN LINGUA ANGLICA, ESSE RIDICULISSIMAM COMOEDIAM IN
TELEVISIONE. SI AMATIS HANC COMOEDIAM, AMABITIS HAS
DESCRIPTIONES PERSONARUM QUAE VOBIS LATINE SCRIBUNTUR.

Personae Bonae Comoediae

BOUS ET LUCUS DUX. Duo pulchri, fortes et iucunditatem

amantes iuvenes qui nescio quomodo ex turbatione non possunt manere.

DAISIA: Boi Lucique consobrina. Tam pulchra

est ut ab ea non potes oculos movere

(si vir es). Haec puella viris

periculosa est!

AVUNCULUS JESSEUS: Boi Lucique avunculus. Senex astutus

est qui Aleam ita cognoscit ut manus

suae tergum cognoscit.

COOTERUS: Loci carrorum faber. Ducibus semper

auxilium dat, atque astutus est.

Personae Malae Comoediae

PORCUS PRINCEPS:

Urbis praefectus et aedilis Aleae est. Multa opera et facinora agit-contra leges liquorem stillat,
tabernas pro permutatione agit,
et plura! Porcus Princeps est vir
circumscribens, vir pecuniam
esuriens, et vir corpulentus qui
semper vestibus candidis indutus est.
Nemo eum praetermittere potest!

ROSCUS:

Porci Principis vir dexter (vel sinister) est. Roscus est custos ineptus qui etiam auxilio aliorum nihil recte agere potest.

ENOS:

Sub-custos est quem Roscus et Porcus Princeps semper puniunt. Non est sub-custos malus nisi Daisia adest minima veste induta. Enos inutilis est quando Daisia adest.

LULUA:

Porci Principis uxor corpulentissima est. Haec femina numquam laborat, sed edit et edit et edit. Lulua quoque est Rosci soror. Roscus semper laborare debet aut Porcus Princeps divortium faciet cum Lulua et ea cum Rosco habitabit.

LEAVING
HAZARD COUNTY

Y'ALL COME BACK'
REAL SOON

(English character descriptions composed by Robyn Walden, an eighth grade Latin student at Fulton Jr. H.S. in Indianapolis.)

BERNARD SZYMCZAK: DEDICATED CLASSICIST

No matter what takes place elsewhere, you can be sure that Bernie Szymczak will be busy doing what he does best--teaching and promoting the teaching of Latin! And, for the past 18 years, he has been busy doing this at Anoka Senior High School in Anoka Minnesota--one of the 17 public schools in Minnesota that still offers Latin.

Magister Szymczak and his students publish a monthly newsletter called ROMANITAS (from which Pompeiiana has used many articles). The publication consists of a compilation of writings by students, Latin word games, reports on the progress of foreign language in the United States, book reviews, jokes, and information about classical language organizations. ROMANITAS is also in its 18th year at Anoka.

Szymczak stresses the influence of Roman civilization on modern America. Grid layouts for city streets, the use of legal precedent and the right to a fair hearing are a few of America's debts to the Romans, he tells his students.

Because students might never have a chance to hear Latin in a conversation, Szymczak emphasizes speaking in class. His students have learned the Junior Classical League's creed and recite it along with the Pledge of Allegiance in Latin.



Pictured below are some of Mr. Szymczak's students as they prepare an issue of ROMANITAS.







Our thanks to the <u>Minneapolis Star</u> for some information included in this article and to Bernard Szymczak for being an active, informed and dedicated Latin teacher.

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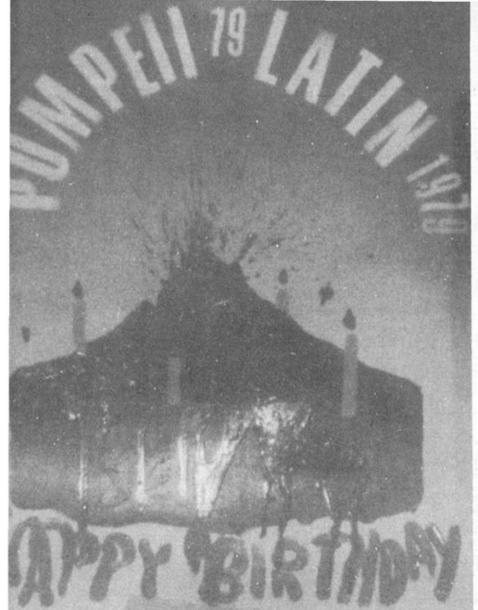
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Amherst High School
Amherst, N.Y.
Third Place

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Tied-First Place







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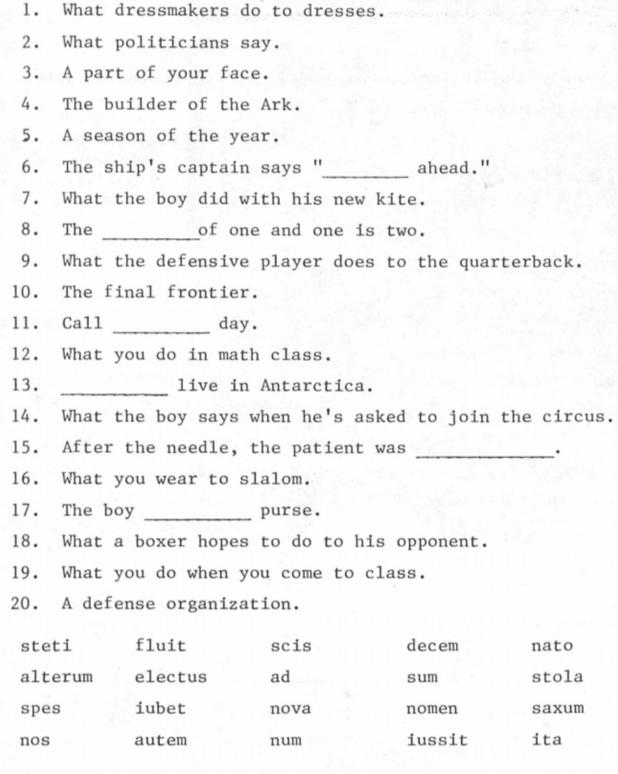
(Thanks to Donna Cadwell, Latin teacher, J. F. Kennedy H.S., Cheektowaga, NY, for sending the pictures of winning posters.)



DON'T TAKE CHANCES...CALL THE HUMANE SOCIETY!

(Thanks to Pedro Ribera-Ortega, Santa Fe Sr. H.S., Santa Fe, New Mexico, for sending the above cartoon.)

WORD GAME



(Special thanks to the 7th and 8th grade Latin students of Betty Lou Chapman of Welsh Valley Middle School, Narberth, Pennsylvania, for sharing this word game with the members of Pompeiiana.)

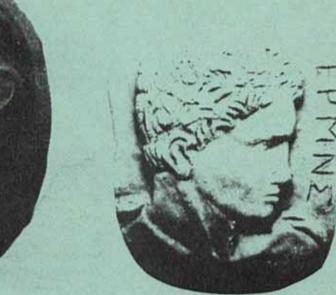


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