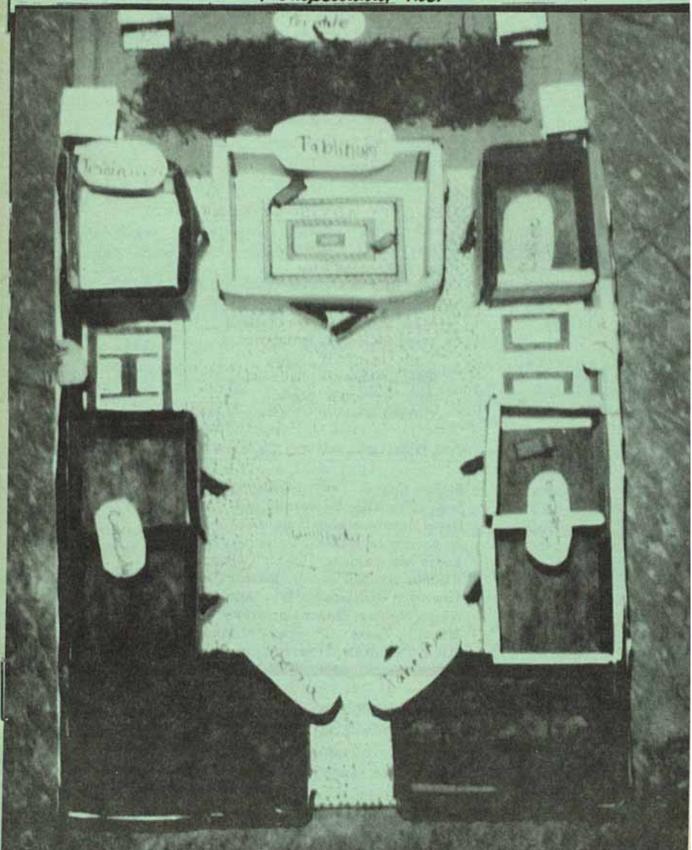
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COVER PICTURE: Model of a Pompeian house, 12" X 18", built by seventh grade Latin student Mindy Pasz(4) of Fulton Jr. H.S., Indianapolis, IN. Mindy's model won first place in the in-school judging.

LATIN ...

A Language Begging to be Part of a Living Culture.

By definition, a "dead language" is one that is not used as a vital, changing communications tool of a living culture. While Sanskrit seems to fit this definition, Latin continues to resist the classification. Latin is definitely a vehicle of communication for a current culture that's definitely alive...albeit it may be a sub-culture. Two strong advocates of this living Latin are Mr. William Torchia, president of the Philadelphia Classical Society and an active member of the Colloquium Latinum (a group whose sole purpose is to discuss current events using Latin), and Professor Joseph Tusiani, currently on sabbatical from City University of New York. Professor Tusiani's particular interest lies in writing Latin poems about events of interest to the modern world.

The February, 1981 issue of ATTENZIONE (p. 26) describes Professor Tusiani's efforts with the following paragraphs:

"Even for people who remember all five declensions, it's hard to take a Latin poem about riding the subway seriously. Nonetheless, Joseph Tusiani's "IN VEHICULO SUBVIARIO" has become one of the biggest hits on the classics circuit. JFK and even the astronauts have been the subjects of other verse by Tusiani, a professor at Lehman College of the City University of New York.

"Sending ablative absolutes to the moon might seem like enough for most poets, but Tusiani is also a widely recognized poet in Italian and English and a translator of Michelangelo, Tasso, Dante, Boccaccio, and more than a hundred other Italian poets. Recently Chicago's LA PAROLA DEL POPOLO dedicated a special issue to Tusiani--demonstrating once again that, as the old saying goes, 'Poets that lasting marble seek / Must come in Latin or in Greek.' "

Mr. William Torchia can be found at various socials in and around Philadelphia, chatting sociably and informally—in Latin—about the day's events. If you speak to him in English, he smiles and replies in Latin. He encourages you to try the Latin—beginner's mistakes and all. He makes you feel comfortable with Latin as a living language.

Two of Professor Tusiani's poems can be read in the May-June, 1980 issue of <u>The Classical Outlook</u>, p. 110.

THE HOUSE OF MARCUS LORETUS TIBURTINUS Citizen of Pompeii

It was February 5th, A.D.62 when (according to Tacitus, Ann. 15,22,4) Pompeii all but collapsed from an earthquake-especially unusual because it occurred in winter.

It was the winter of 1981 when, once again, "that densely populated city of Compania, where the Sorrentine and Stabian shores and the shore of Herculaneum merge, and the open sea provides a pleasant bay," was severely damaged by an earthquake—damaged to such an extent that the restored excavations have been closed to visitors.

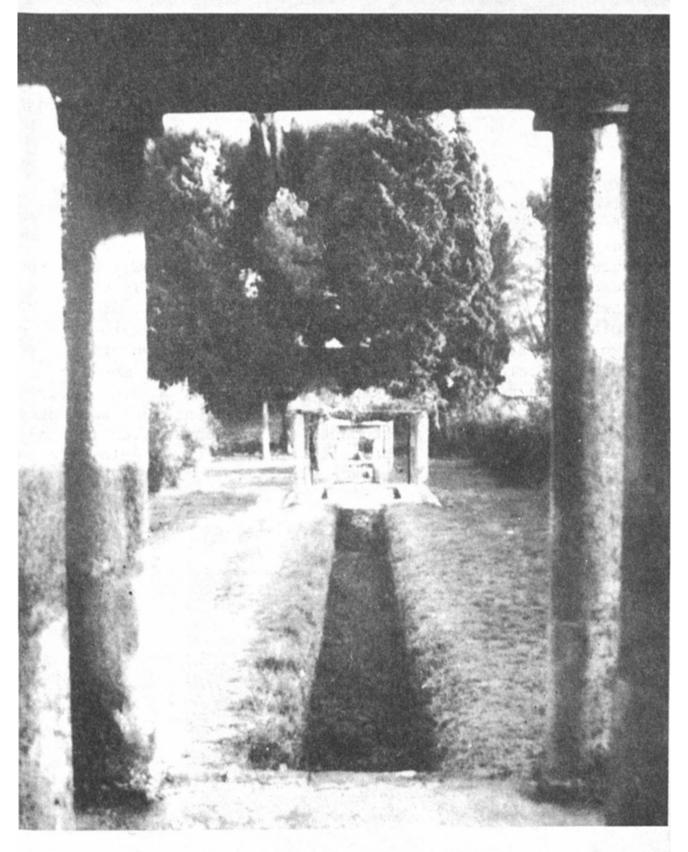
Can it be that this city, so carefully excavated for the past 240 years and painstakingly rebuilt is destined to be buried again by a forthcoming eruption of Vesuvius such as the one that followed 17 years after that tragic quake in 62?

Before the city was closed to visitors, one member of Pompeiiana, Inc., Mr. Frederic Luther of Waveland, IN, traveled to Pompeii to take these pictures of the house on the Via del Abbondanza that exemplifies the fine life style that could be enjoyed by men of wealth in a prosperous commercial city in ancient Italy.

It is this house and its garden that inspired Pompeiiana, Inc. to first set its sights on reconstructing and furnishing a house from Pompeii in the United States as an educational resource for those not fortunate enough to be able to travel to Italy to view the actual ruins—ruins which, in fact, can, at the moment, not be visited at all because of the recent earthquake damage.

The Narcissus fresco beside a summer triclinium in the garden of the house of M.L. Tiburtinus





View from the pergola overlooking main fish pond which runs the length of the unusually large garden planted originally with fruit trees and grape vines. An aeration fountain and a nymphaeum decorate the pond at intervals.

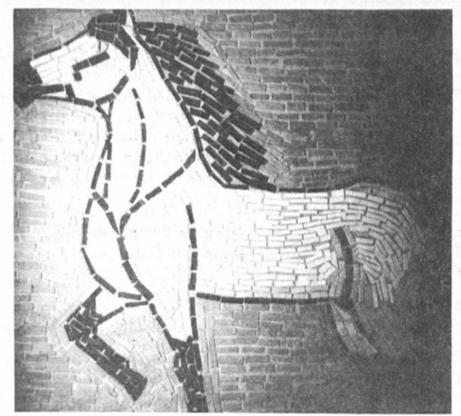
ROMAN MOSAICS

TESSERAED SPLENDORS OF ANTIQUITY APPRECIATED ONLY THROUGH REPRODUCTION

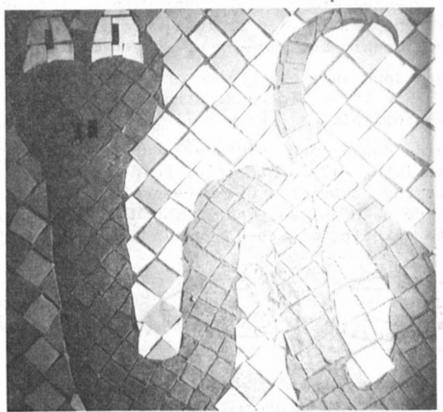
Give a student a thousand or so tesserae, a few hours of class time, and the proper motivation to finish the work at home, and you will probably end up with such outstanding works of art as those pictured below. Students were told to find and copy an actual Roman mosaic or a part of one as part of a Roman mosaic study unit at Fulton Jr. H.S., Indianapolis. After completing their own mosaics, students saw a special slide presentation featuring close to 100 different Roman mosaics, mosaics they could now better appreciate having slaved over their own creations for weeks in advance. Student work was voted on by all Fulton Latin students and displayed both in the classroom and in the school library. Pictured below are the first, second and third place winners.



FIRST PLACE: 6" X 6½" mosaic based on a detail of a floor mosaic found in Pompeii. The mosaic was created by Janet Meyer (Clara), a ninth grade Latin student.



SECOND PLACE: 10" X 11" mosaic based on a detail of a charioteer mosaic. The mosaic is the handiwork of Robin Walden (Lavinia), a ninth grade Latin student who is a frequent contributor to the Pompeiiana Newsletter.



THIRD PLACE: 8½" X 9½" mosaic inspired by a Lararium genius. The mosaic was created by ninth grade Latin student Cary Stewart (Portia).

POMPEIIAN BREAD

Pompeians enjoyed several different varieties of bread and used different kinds of flour to bake it. A fine white flour was considered the best, while dark bread was for everyday use or for unimportant visitors. The following suggested recipe for such "daily bread" is offered by Ms. Diane Werblo of Hamilton Heights H.S., Arcadia, IN. Dipped in honey, this bread is really yummy!

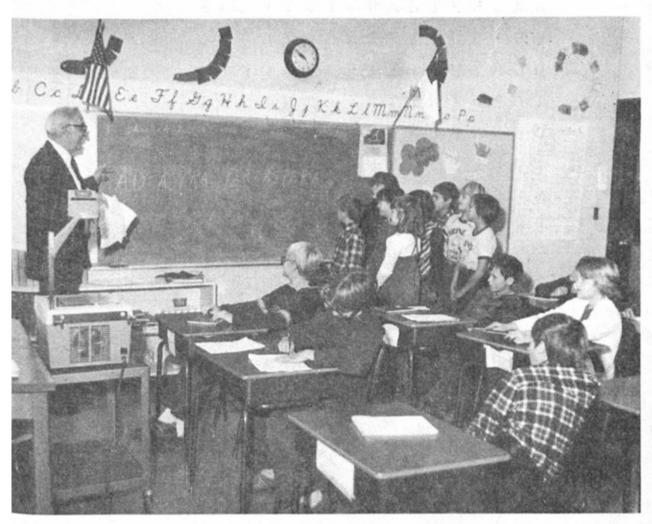
- 1. Place 3/4 cup warm water in a large bowl. Sprinkle on 3 packages dry, active yeast. Add ½ cup honey. Let stand 10 minutes. This will activate the yeast.
- 2. Add 1½ T salt, 6 T vegetable oil, 3 cups warm water and 4½ cups whole wheat flour. Mix well.
- 3. Add 3 cups more flour—enough to make the dough sticky. The humidity will determine the amount of flour absorbed. Mix thoroughly.
- 4. Turn out on a floured board. Use about one cup to flour the board. Knead 10 minutes or until the dough springs back when you push it in.
- 5. Place dough in a greased bowl and roll over so the greased side is up. Cover with a cloth and/or waxed paper, and set it in a warm place. Let the dough double in size—about an hour.
- 6. Punch down and roll the dough over. Grease 3 or 4 9-inch cake or pie pans. (You may also use ovenproof plates like Corelle.)
- 7. Divide dough into thirds or quarters. Roll each part into a 12-inch circle. Fold the outside edge into the center to make a 6-inch circle. Place upside down in pan. The top should be smooth. With a knife, make 6-8 deep indentations on the top.



- 8. Let dough rise, covered, another hour or so until doubled. Uncover and bake at 350° for 25 minutes. Remove from pans and bake another 5 to 10 minutes. Watch carefully.
- 9. Bread should be torn--not cut--and dipped in honey.

LATIN TEACHERS CAN BE RETIRED FROM THE CLASSROOM... BUT YOU CAN'T STOP THEM FROM TEACHING LATIN.

For many years Mr. Fred Hellman was the Latin Master at Lakeland High School in La Grange, Indiana. While working with students at the high school level, Mr. Hellman oversaw the construction of a record setting catapult named NEPTUNE IV which set a world record during the Fourth National Catapult Contest by firing a 1 1b spear Then Mr. Hellman retired from teaching--or so it was thought. Rather than retiring, however, Mr. Hellman simply changed the direction of his teaching. He has relocated his efforts at Trinity Lutheran School in Sturgis, Michigan, where he uses a combination of Philadelphia and Indianapolis FLES materials to teach Latin to fourth and fifth grade students, who seem to love every minute of it. As Cicero himself wrote, Manent ingenia senibus, modo permaneat studium et industria, neque ea solum claris et honoratis viris, sed in vita etiam privata et quieta.



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(Thanks to Miss Sally Simpson, Latin III student of Judy Grebe, Mt. Vernon High School, Mt. Vernon, Indiana.)

FUN

CONUNDRUMS

1,	What animals do you often see in the farmyard?
2.	What does the baker most often use?
	What does the Englishman say when his cup
	is empty?
	What is a synonym for vermin?
	What do soldiers carry on their backs?
	What is the opposite of east?
	What do you wear on your hands in winter?
	What Latin word do you often hear in the
	sick room?
	Where did little Willie have a pain after eating
	green apples?
	When a private meets his officers, what must he
	do?
	What is kitchen duty in the Army called?
	What did the old-fashioned doctor use as
	medicine?
	What does the tailor do to the trousers that
	don't fit?
	If a wave swallowed up a man, where would he go?
	What animal do all children love?
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DE BELLO GERENDO

by Robin Walden, Fulton Jr. H.S., Indianapolis, IN



Your head is filled with stories of war. Kill the enemy, find glory. You'll become a hero, known by all. That's your dream—fame, glory, and all. The life is easy and fun, winning battles. Women adoring you...you're a noble soldier.

Caesar hangs a medal of honor around your neck (already full of medals). But what about your comrades who were braver than you, who cannot have a medal of honor to wear proudly? What about them—for they are all now dead. They stayed by your side in battle, serving their chosen purpose. Now, they are not remembered, for the living live to be remembered, and the dead...they die and are forgotten.

What about those men less brave than you, yet destined to earn twice your medals, fame and glory? For they will go on living when you die. Is it fair? Is it wrong?

War is not for all men. It is for those men who want it. Let those men fight it, for they are the ones who want new lands, new fortunes, fame and glory. Let them die-or-let them live, only to remember the horror of seeing a man, a brother, a comrade, an enemy die. For this is war...or is it Hell?

A SECOND SCHOOL JOINS THE \$1,000 CLUB

On Saturday, February 21, 1981, a check for \$152.12 was presented to Pompeiiana, Inc. by the Latin students of Castle H.S. in Newburgh, IN, making them the second group of students to have contributed \$1,000.00 to the building fund for the Museum of Classical Heritage in America. The first school to reach the goal was Fulton Jr. H.S. in Indianapolis.

Groups contributing \$1,000 or more will have their names permanently displayed on a marble plaque to be hung in the completed museum.



Castle High School Latin student, Steve Yeager (right) presents Mr. Barcio with the check that makes his school the second member of Pompeiiana's \$1,000 Club.

The next ten schools in line for becoming members of the \$1,000 club are:

Clay Jr. H.S. (\$666.87) Mt. Vernon, Fortville (\$602) Mt. Vernon, Mt. Vernon (\$600.09) Hamilton Hts. H.S. (\$393.48) Perry Meridian (\$435.42) Fairmont West H.S. (\$404.10)

Brownsburg H.S. (\$395.48) Decatur Cent. H.S. (\$394.32) Ben Davis H.S. (392.50) Greencastle H.S. (\$327)

Pompeiiana, Inc. Announces

THE
SECOND ANNUAL
BOTTLES FOR LATIN
FUND RAISING DRIVE
APRIL 27 - MARCH 1, 1981

Once again, Pompeiiana, Inc. invites your participation in the BOTTLES FOR LATIN fund raising drive. To participate all you have to do is collect refundable bottles from family, neighbors and friends and cash them in at your friendly neighborhood grocer for refunds which are then mailed to the Pompeiiana, Inc. building fund.

To collect bottles seriously, you should get a map of your city or of the section of town surrounding your school and divide the map into areas small enough to be canvassed by pairs of students going door to door asking people to contribute one or more cartons of refundable bottles.

Prior to BOTTLES FOR LATIN week you should plan 1) how you will solicit bottles, 2) where you will store the bottles collected until they are redeemed, 3) to which store the bottles will be taken for redemption—if you plan to have a lot of bottles, it is wise to discuss this with the store manager beforehand, and 4) what information should be given to the school administration so they can answer inquiries they may receive concerning your BOTTLES FOR LATIN drive.

Once you have collected your bottles and redeemed them, the proceeds should be sent via a school or personal check to the Pompeiiana, Inc. Building Fund by FRIDAY, MAY 8, 1981 to qualify for the following prizes:

FIRST: The school sending the largest contribution will receive 36 copies of the book CATAPULT DESIGN, CONSTRUCTIOU & COMPETITION which they may distribute among the students or resell for their own club profits. (This is a \$360 value.)

SECOND: The school sending the second largest contribution will receive 20 copies of this same book (a \$200 value)

THIRD: The school sending the third largest contribution will receive 10 copies of this same book (a \$100 value).

So participants can speak intelligently concerning the fund raising drive and its purposes, we suggest that the next page be duplicated and given to each participant and that the participant carry it while collecting bottles.

STUDENT INFORMATION SHEET BOTTLES FOR LATIN APRIL 27 - MARCH 1, 1981

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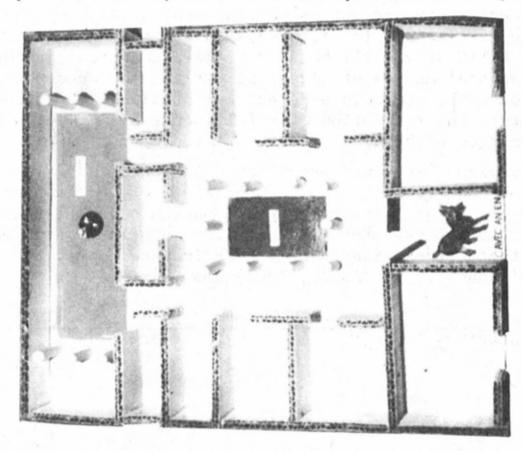
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IS THE SEVENTH GRADE TOO EARLY TO START STUDYING LATIN?

The answer at Fulton Jr. H.S., Indianapolis, is a resounding "Minime!" In fact, Fulton's seventh graders go at Latin with a rare enthusiasm. As a text, the students use an introductory reader entitled GATEWAY TO LATIN published by W.J. Gage and Co. Ltd., Toronto, Canada. The book presents only the 1st & 2nd declensions and only the present tense of the 1st and 2nd conjugations. It has excellent vocabulary building sections, cultural items that appeal to the students, readings they can handle and short English to Latin sentences the students take pride in memorizing. These sentences—used as model sentences by the teacher—become the basis for some hotly contested "sentence—bees" which are held each lesson.

The seventh grade Latin project at Fulton is the construction of an open-roofed model of either a Pompeian city house or of the villa at Boscoreale.

The completed models are displayed in the classroom and in the school library and are voted on by all of Fulton's Latin students. The first place winner is pictured on the cover of this Newsletter, and the second place winner is pictured below, and was built by Nathan Crum (**\)



THE GONG SHOW STRIKES AGAIN

Ninth grade Latin students at Fulton Jr. H.S., Indianapolis, recently participated in Fulton's "Last Annual Gong Show," complete with Master of Ceremonies Sextus Aurelius Propertius (Mike Giesman), judge Appius Claudius Caecus (Andy Abercrombie), a WDUM News Team sponsored by Hertz Rent-a-Chariot, Plautus (Matt Butterworth) the Unknown Comic, Lavinia (Robin Walden) and her sax, and Messalina (Janet Finch), who gave a special interpretation of "The Rose" by Bette Midler.

Competing against students of French, Spanish and German, Messalina tied for 1st place, and Lavinia won 3rd place.



Judges and M.C. (far right) ham it up.



The W.D.U.M. News Team & weather map



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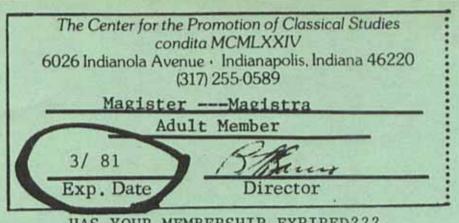


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Why not check your membership card now? If you already have a copy of this unusual book, why not take this opportunity to obtain a second copy for classroom use or as a gift to a special student or friend?

A NEW POMPEIIANA PRESENTATION IS NOW AVAILABLE!

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