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This year's fall meeting will be held on October 18th at Colby College. Susan Curry from the University of New Hampshire, Lois Hinckley, Professor Emerita from the University of Southern Maine, and Kate Sanborn from Trinity College in Dublin will give talks at the meeting. MCA President Erin Taylor will preside. The MCA award will be given to Sally Cody, longtime corresponding secretary of our organization. The meeting fee is \$15 (including breakfast and breaks), lunch is \$10, and MCA dues are \$10. Make sure to check with Treasurer Meg Cook about whether you owe dues for this year as some have paid well beyond this year.

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Register for JCL

December 1, 2014 Register your JCL by this date to have your chapter fee waived.

CANE Writing

December 15, 2014 Mail your best three student submissions to Heidi by this date.

Papers for ACL

January 15, 2015 Have your paper and workshop proposals in for the ACL institute.

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Upcoming Events

There are many things going on close by related to the Classics, and sometimes the dates can be hard to keep straight! Here are some highlights, all in one place.

Standards Workshop

Rebecca Manchester is hosting a Latin standards workshop and workday at the MSAD 6 central office at 94 Main Street in Buxton on Friday, November 7th, from 9 am – 2 pm. Please contact her at rmanchester@bonnyeagle.org for a space.

MEJCL Fall Convention

The Maine Junior Classical League Fall Convention will be held at Greely High School on Friday, November 14th from 4 pm – 9 pm. Schools that are new to JCL are more than welcome to attend. For more information contact state chair Seth Knowles at sknowles@msad51.org.

FLAME Conference

The Foreign Language Association of Maine will hold its annual conference at the Holiday Inn By the Bay in Portland on March 5th and 6th, 2015. Visit their website www.maineforeignlanguage.org for more information on registering for the conference and to fill out a presenter proposal form.

CANE Annual Meeting

The Classical Association of New England's annual meeting will take place at the Noble and Greenough School in Dedham, Massachusetts, on March 13th and 14th, 2015. The deadline for submission of paper proposals is December 1st.





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Maine Learning Results and Standards Hot Topics at Spring MCA Meeting

Fryeburg Academy was the host of this May's MCA meeting. The major topic of discussion was the standards movement and proficiency-based diplomas and how they affect Latin students and teachers.

President Erin Taylor opened the meeting with a roundtable. The high school Latin teachers that were present each discussed how their districts were coping with the move to standards based grading and a proficiency-based diploma for students. While some schools appear to be putting off action for the moment, some schools appear to be jumping into this work *praecipites*.

Rebecca Manchester, Latin teacher from Bonny

Eagle High School, then talked to meeting participants about what standards based grading and a proficiency-based diploma means for Latin teachers. Her advice to teachers was to search the internet for rubrics to use, because there are some already out there, and to try to adapt one's current curriculum to the new standards-based movement, not start from scratch.

A spirited discussion followed where concerns were raised about grade reporting, students not meeting standards, and keeping track of which students have met which standards and when. Much discussion still needs to happen, but this was a start.

Secretary's Notes

MCA Board Meeting 8/14/14

Freeport High School
Meeting called to order around 10:00 a.m.
Officers present: Erin Taylor, Sarah Moore, Meg
Cook, Seth Knowles.

We opened with a JCL update. Meg, Seth, and Sarah discussed upcoming JCL dates and their recent trip to the National convention.

Meg gave her treasurer's report.

Robin Colby is going to help Erin coordinate the meeting at Colby. October 18th is the date that we would like to set, but we will make sure it works with Colby. October 25th is our back-up date.

Erin is going to ask the staff at Colby if they want to speak and about what. She also has a contact at UNH that she might work on as well. Meg is going to contact Marilee and ask her to present the MCA award to Sally.

Mailing should go out mid-September. Heidi will need a title, speakers, and prices.

Meg motioned to raise meeting fee to \$15. Erin seconded. Everyone voted in favor.

\$15 meeting (including breakfast)

\$10 lunch

\$10 dues

_____ optional donation to MCA

Meeting adjourned at 11:05 am

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Latin is publicized!

At the National Junior Classical League convention this summer, awards for the publicity contest were announced. Maine placed 1st in percent of chapters participating in the publicity contest, and 4th in the number of entries to the publicity contest. For individual schools, Winthrop High School received 19th place, Cony High School 28th place, and Greely High School 29th place.





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