

## WINCHESTER AREA LATIN STUDENTS SHINE IN NATIONAL COMPETITIONS

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Ten local Latin students from the Classical Cottage School, a local home-schooling consortium, have returned with high honors from the 2010 National Junior Classical League Convention at North Dakota State University in Fargo July 26-31, where they were among approximately 1300 Latin students attending.

**Isaiah Spinney** was one of Virginia's four players on Virginia's Latin Two Certamen team which won the national championship on his level. Spinney also placed third in academic contests of Greek Life and Literature, Latin Derivatives, and Mythology, fourth in Reading Comprehension of Latin, fifth on the Academic Heptathlon which tests a student's all-around knowledge, sixth in Latin Grammar, eighth in Greek Derivatives, and tenth in Latin Vocabulary. He will attend Vanderbilt University this fall.

**Carolyn Manion** placed first among all delegates in Creative Arts competitions and eleventh among all delegates in overall achievement. She won first place in the Essay contest, Dramatic Interpretation of Latin, and Sight Latin Prose Reading; third in the Couples' Costume contest with Maeve Juday for their depiction of the mythical characters Paris and Helen; fourth in English Oratory and in Latin Oratory. In academic competitions she placed second in Reading Comprehension of Latin Prose; fourth in Advanced Latin Grammar, Latin Literature, and Latin Vocabulary; fifth in Latin Derivatives; eighth in Latin Mottoes-Abbreviations-Quotes, and tenth in Greek Derivatives. Her non-competitive Certamen team placed fourth among advanced Latin teams. Her mosaic placed second in graphic arts. In Olympika events, Manion placed fourth in the 50-yard Jr. Girls' Butterfly, fifth in the 50- and 100-yard Jr. Girls' Backstroke, and seventh in the 50-yd Breaststroke.

Joining Manion in third-place in the Couples Costume contest, **Maeve Juday** also won second-place ribbons in Olympika swimming events of 100-yd junior girls' Medley, 50-yd Freestyle, and 50-yd Breaststroke. She placed third in 100-yd Freestyle and 50-yd Backstroke, and fourth place in the 100-yd Backstroke, taking tenth place overall in Olympika events. She also won third-place ribbons in Dramatic Interpretation of Advanced Latin Prose, Jewelry, and Pottery. Maeve placed seventh in Cartoons and in Art: Colored Pencil; eighth in Art: Chalk/Pastel; and ninth on Level III Latin Oratory.

**Ingrid Heidelberger**, who has completed seven years of Latin, placed fourth overall in creative arts. She won first-place in Reading Comprehension of Latin Prose and in Latin Oratory; second-place in Reading Comprehension of Latin Poetry, Dramatic Interpretation of Girls' Advanced Prose, and Sight Latin Prose Reading; third-place in Greek Derivatives and Eleventh-grade Essay; fourth in the test of Latin Mottoes-Abbreviations-Quotes; fifth-place in the Academic Heptathlon, Latin Derivatives, Advanced Latin Grammar, and Latin Vocabulary; and seventh in Roman History.

**Tashi Treadway**, a middle-school student who has finished one-half year of Latin, placed first in Ancient Geography, Classical Art, Dramatic Interpretation of Latin, Constructed Posters, and Traditional Photography; second in Pottery; third in Latin Oratory, Modern Myth, and Constructed Charts; fourth in Multimedia, in Art: Mixed Media, and for her Slogan promoting Latin; fifth in Mythology, academic Heptathlon, and the 100-yard swimming medley for junior girls; eighth in Reading Comprehension of

Latin, and ninth in Latin Grammar. She brought home the sixth-place overall award in creative arts and the eighth-place overall award among all student delegates.

**Simon Whittle**, who has completed one-half year of Latin, claimed first place in Boys' Dramatic Interpretation of Latin; second place in Latin Oratory and in Traditional Photography; fourth place in Latin Grammar, Computer-enhanced Photography, and in Olympika events of 100- and 200-meter Jr. Boys' Track. Whittle also placed sixth in Latin Derivatives and in Reading Comprehension of Latin; ninth on the Latin Mottoes test; and tenth on the Mythology test. He was tenth overall in creative arts.

**Alan Whittle**, a rising junior who has also completed one-half year of Latin, captured second-place ribbons in Greek Derivatives and in Dramatic Interpretation of Latin; third in Sight Latin Reading; fourth in the Latin Mottoes test; fifth in Latin One Grammar and in non-competitive Certamen; eighth in Reading Comprehension of Latin; and ninth in Latin Derivatives.

Winning first place for her costume depicting the mythological character Niobe was **Camille Leeds**, who has completed grade nine and Latin Three. She also placed third in the Roman Daily Life ninth in Latin Oratory.

**Maria Cascio** received a third-place ribbon for her 10th-grade Girls' Essay, fourth in Dramatic Interpretation of Latin, fifth in Jewelry, and ninth in Sight Latin Reading.

Their Latin teachers at the Classical Cottage School are Susan and Hartley Schearer, formerly Winchester Latin teachers at Handley and Daniel Morgan. Susan Schearer was recognized for attending her fiftieth consecutive National Junior Classical League Convention.