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Thank you to everyone who gave compliments on the Classical Newsletter. I hope all my reader's are enjoying the issues. If you have anything you wish to publish (pictures or articles) send it to me. As for this week, our annual Christmas caroling is this Tuesday. I hope to see everyone there with their newsletters - I published the words to the songs on the back of this issue.

Sarah Rust
 Editor

THE CLASSICS IN THE NEWS

The Wall Street Journal

Michael Poliakoff of the University of Colorado in Boulder wrote "The Ne Plus Ultra of Languages" in the weekend edition of the Wall Street Journal. His article compared two books recently published "Ad Infinitum" by Nicholas Ostler and "Carpe Diem" by Harry Mount. These books discuss the past, present, and future of Latin. You can find this interesting article online at:

http://online.wsj.com/article_print/SB119706372408017571.html

Washington Post

The Washington Post published a five webpage article about the National Junior Classical League in Tennessee this summer. The article is called "The Passion of Latin Lovers"

When Virginia's all-star team of young scholars competes in a national quiz bowl, a dead language is very much alive...

By Catherine Price

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<http://www.washingtonpost.com/wp-dyn/content/article/2007/12/04/AR2007120401556.html?hpid=features1&hpv=national>

FAMOUS CLASSICAL PHRASE

forsan et haec olim meminisse
 iuvabit
 perhaps one day it will give us
 pleasure to recall even these things
 ~Aeneas

CALENDAR:

CHRISTMAS CAROLING
 Szany's House December 11th

CHRISTMAS BREAK
 December 21st - January 6th

ROADTRIP TO FLORIDA
 January 4-5 Jacksonville, FL

SPRING CERTAMEN
 Wake Forest U. March 29th

SPRING CONVENTION
 Wake Forest U. April 25th-26th

Helen, Beautiful?

Is Helen really as beautiful as you think? After discovering a coin with an ugly Cleopatra engraved on it, rumors have come about that Helen might not be as beautiful as you think.



Cleopatra's Coin as seen at the Met pretty ugly isn't she?



Elizabeth Taylor as Cleopatra.



O Sing Us Songs of Christmas

Christmas caroling this time of year is simply wonderful! If you enjoy singing or just having a good time come to the Latin christmas caroling party Tuesday night at 7:00 p.m! Bring your newsletter, we have published the words to the Latin songs below.

O Come All Ye Faithful

Adeste Fideles, Laeti triumphantes
Venite, venite in Bethlehem
Natum videte, regem angelorum
Venite adoremus, venite adoremus
Venite adoremus, Dominum.

O Come O Come Emmanuel

Veni, veni Emmanuel!
Captivum solve Israel!
Qui gemit in exilio,
Privatus Dei Filio,
Gaude, gaude, Emmanuel
Nascetur pro te, Israel.

Silent Night

Nox silens! Sancta nox
En tranquilla omnia!
Cubat virgo cum nato mater.
Infans sancte, mollis, tener,
dormi tu placide,
dormi tu placide.

Angles We Have Heard on High

Angels we have heard on high
Sweetly singing o'er the plains,
And the mountains in reply
Echoing their joyous strains.

Refrain

Gloria, in excelsis Deo!
Gloria, in excelsis Deo!

Shepherds, why this jubilee?
Why your joyous strains prolong?
What the gladsome tidings be
Which inspire your heavenly song?

Refrain

Come to Bethlehem and see
Christ Whose birth the angels sing;
Come, adore on bended knee,
Christ the Lord, the newborn King.

Refrain

See Him in a manger laid,
Whom the choirs of angels praise;
Mary, Joseph, lend your aid,
While our hearts in love we raise.

Refrain