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Your House, City of Zoom

A Message From Ear Chair Kristian Jackson, FSCL Tech Coordinator

Salvete Omnes!

On behalf of the FJCL and FSCL I want to thank each and everyone of the students, teachers, chaperones, and officers who participated in the 73rd Annual Florida Junior Classical League State Forum! We wish we could have all been together, but we will look forward to next year. I hope you all have enjoyed the first issue of *The Florida State Forum Ear*, writing articles and working on the Ear is one of the awesome things you can participate in when you join the FSCL so I encourage any high school seniors to join the FSCL and for rising seniors to begin looking into being slashers for next year's Forum.

Until the dawn of the next forum,

Kristian Jackson

*2020-2021 FSCL Tech
Coordinator*

A Message From 2020-2021 FJCL President, Anya AitSahlia

Dear FJCL,

Congratulations on a great Virtual State Forum! Thank you to our almost 800 participants for making the 2021 State Forum by far our best-attended online event. Though I'm sure we all eagerly await the return of in-person conventions, your enthusiasm even when we are physically apart reassures me that the JCL will always find ways to come together. I am so proud of each and every one of your JCL accomplishments at State Forum and throughout the past year. With every service project, Zoom activity, Greek question, and spirit video, you have brought joy to a year characterized by trial and change.

It has been an honor to serve as your president and I cannot wait to see where you all take the JCL next.

Ab imo pectore,

Anya AitSahlia

2020-2021 FJCL President

*2019-2020 FJCL Recording
Secretary*

New Study Finds Certamen Makes Babies Cry with 80% Efficacy

Camp Wannabuzzin, Florida -

A double-blind clinical trial revealed recently that when exposed to the popular, nationwide phenomenon known colloquially as Certamen, children under the age of 12 months are statistically likely to experience adverse reactions. Most notable among the groups studied was the peculiar case of an infant, Abraham Quintus Marcus Lisenby, recent child of Laci Lisenby.

While all groups in the study had a significant decline in categories such as “happiness” and “general good vibes,” the bambino in question experienced a stark increase in crying. “Yeah, I don’t know what happened,” commented Laci “the mother” Lisenby. “He normally cries when he wants basic amenities like food, water, or shelter, but all of the sudden, right as I started reading the first toss-up in the Certamen round I was moderating, he began crying with what I would call at least an 80% efficacy” (Figure 1). The child tested positive for tears, and tested negative for peace and joy. The Center for Diseased Certamen recommends that no child under the age of 18 months engage in the sport.

All infants and toddlers should follow the following guidelines set forth by Dr. Antonius Faucius:

- Stay six feet away from any room in which Certamen is being played
- Wash hands for at least 20 minutes after playing a round of Certamen
- Face coverings should be worn during matches, as well as ear plugs, sleep masks, and oven mitts
- Spread awareness at your local chapter meetings of the dangers of Certamen to infants

So long as these and other precautions are taken, the CDC suspects we should be rid of the Certamen epidemic within two weeks to a year.

At press time, Johnson & Johnson announced that they had begun work formulating an extra-strength version of their popular "No More Tears" baby shampoo to counteract the adverse effects of babies exposed to Certamen.

If you or a loved one has been exposed to Certamen you may be entitled to financial compensation. Call now.

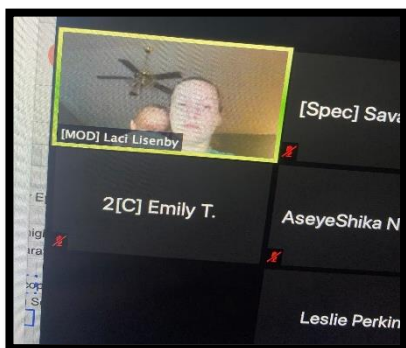


Figure 1: “the mother” seen caring for her infant, who was diagnosed with exposure to Certamen.

FJCL Convention Sponsorship Deal Struck: Eris, Goddess of Discord, Thrilled



ERIS

Olympia Heights, Florida —

Outgoing FJCL President Anya AitSahlia announced following the end of State Forum a new exclusive sponsorship deal between the Florida JCL and the primeval natural force of Discord to provide communications support for the remainder of the 2021 school year. The announcement comes following Discord’s great success enjoyed over the weekend. The Olympian deity, sower of chaos, harbinger of strife, and CEO of Discord Inc. known as Eris joined AitSahlia at a press conference to answer questions about the deal and express her gratitude to the FJCL. “I get a lot of great work in Florida just generally,” Eris commented, “Florida Man? Me, every time. But it’s a real pleasure to build this close of a relationship with folks who have a real appreciation for the work that I do.” The goddess went on to note that while her most legendary feat of chaos remains the instigation of the Trojan War, she appreciates the newfound reach afforded by internet communications. “My pivot to social media was only natural,” she said. “By building a platform for total strangers to communicate with one another anonymously and with little accountability, I can now help millions of people get in nonsensical online fights every single day! And after all, isn’t that what it’s all about?” By the end of the press conference, a visibly pale AitSahlia was heard remarking that “I’m not sure what we’ve gotten ourselves into here...I just thought their server structure was better than Hermes’ Zoom platform!”

The Classical Association of Florida declined to comment.

Wild Weather in Florida Threatens State Forum

REPORTING LIVE FROM JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA-

It was a rough day for the State of Florida during Forum, from heavy rain in many areas like Gainesville and Pensacola, to- wait what was that? TORNADOES in Tallahassee???? I was wondering why FSCL President Racheal Cox was doing her Instagram takeover from her bathroom while her roommate and animals huddled in the bathtub. Needless to say it was a rough day for our Northern Florida members. I wonder if the marathon would have still went on? I know everyone was ready to be up at 5am... maybe? Well at least we were able to turn in our Olympika submissions in early this year.



??? Marathon ???



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The Misery of the Mystery Test

A few anonymous SCLers were found in a shocking state last Saturday. Driven mad by having to brainstorm 40 questions on charges for the mystery test, the unfortunate individuals appear to have sought some hands-on experience with the subject matter.

FSCL President Rachael Cox took the idea of taking charge a little too seriously. Deciding to branch out from being in charge of the FSCL board, Rachael took things to the next level and attempted to overthrow the government. Dashing into the White House, donning her JCL headband and swinging a rubber gavel around, she was quickly apprehended by the Secret Service. She is now sitting in jail, her face painted in purple and gold: a reminder of her failed cause. The charges against her are still pending.

FSCL Vice President Skyler McLeod was charged with disturbing the peace last week. Getting a little too caught up in the excitement of Ludi and Olympika, she paid a visit to her college campus. There, she rounded up students and forced them to participate in convention activities like Venus and Adonis and the Greek dress relay race. The unfortunate college students report feeling “confused and disturbed,” by their participation in the events. Skyler was bailed out of jail by her friends in the SCL and is currently in their charge.

FSCL Secretary Alena Freyhofer was in charge of taking minutes at the board meetings, but accidentally submitted them to the Senior Clothing Launderers instead of the Senior Classical League. The elderly laundry experts were reportedly excited to receive correspondence from the community, but were confused as to why they were being sent notes on convention plans.

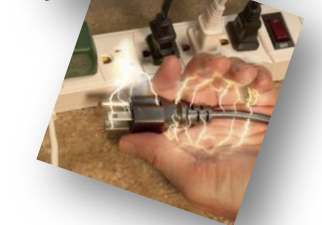
FSCL Treasurer Kimberly Le’s duties with money seem to have gotten to her head. She reportedly bought Jacksonville’s famous “Orange Dinosaur of Beach Boulevard.” Paying \$2,000 for the vibrant reptile, she was last seen trying to (unsuccessfully) load it into the back of her car. She told onlookers that she may have to charge an engineering team with the task of transporting the enormous T-Rex back to her house.

FSCL Parliamentarian Savannah France was charged with defending Rachael after her attempt to overthrow the government. Showing up to court with absolutely no legal experience beyond the FSCL Constitution, Savannah lost the case. Apparently, it was not effective to claim that since staging a coup is not grounds for removal from FSCL office, Rachael should be spared prison time. Savannah is currently charged with amending the Constitution to set Rachael free.

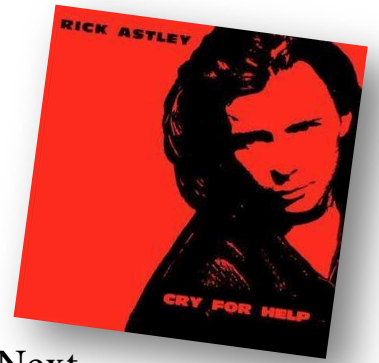
FSCL Historian Grace Weston charged \$500 to the FSCL account by buying fake followers on the organization’s Instagram. SCL members are puzzled as to why she would do such a thing, especially when she won’t even pay less than that to remove the watermark from all of her posts. Grace is currently waiting to receive her charges from the board.

FSCL Technology Coordinator Kristian Jackson experienced a literal first-hand charge. Trying to step up the audio and lights for That’s Entertainment, she was shocked by an exposed wire. Kristian is reportedly feeling fine and has made a great recovery, but states that she wishes she could have been shocked DURING the show, since it could have been a “show-stopping, award-winning act.”

The 2020-2021 board is facing regular intervention and receiving emotional support under the charge of their advisor, Shannon O’Neill.



Personals



I called the number in the first ear. I was expecting a reward :(
-Skyler McLeod, FSCL

Finally, unlimited power! At last, I control all aspects of FJCL! Next stop, the world! Mwahahaha!! -Robert Muniz, probably

I just wanted to say thank you to all the wonderful JCLers who helped run all the events! This was my first State, and I'm so glad I can come. Thank you Ms. Ogles! I would also like to say that everyone was so kind, and sweet. It really made my day! -Nora Clabby, St. Johns Country Day School

Picture this: a tribe of asparagus children buuut <redacted>
-Lincoln Ream

It's storming in Pensacola, tornado warning in Tallahassee, raining in Gainesville. just know that if forum was in person right now, the marathon would still be canceled
-Rachael Cox, FSCL

Thank you to Laci's baby for participating in the Cermaten study.
-Savannah France, FSCL

Big, BIG shoutout to Magistra Hornick for letting our team gather and spend time in our school's library today! -Sarah Kidder, Escambia High School

Special thanks to Ms. Robinson, FJCL Officers, CAF members, and FSCLers for helping put on convention and making it run smoothly!

Thank you for attending the 2021 Virtual State Forum!

**Thank You Everyone for Attending the 73rd
Annual Florida Junior Classical League
State Forum, We Can't Wait to See You Next
Year**

