

# Torch: MDJCL



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Ah, yes! Spring is in the air and do you know what else is? Latin! It's that time of year where we're all looking forward to the 2016 MDCJL State Convention! (additional details on page 2). I'm ready to slap some desks and fight some gladiators! Let's not jump too far ahead though. Our lovely March certamen is hosted by Dulaney High School, which should satisfy our table-smacking needs, at least, for the rest of the month. After your day is spent enjoying the splendors of the classics, and after you finally sit down to relax and re-read your copy of the *Torch*, make sure to check out [mdjcl.org](http://mdjcl.org) for your State Convention needs.



**STATE CONVENTION** "*Ubi Concordia, ibi victoria*" Where there is unity, there is victory.

The MDJCL 2016 State Convention is fast approaching! It will be hosted this year on April 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> by Easton High School and the event will be located at the Country School in Easton, MD (address can be found on mdjcl.org). If you plan on attending, please visit mdjcl.org and fill out both the Convention Registration Form and the T-Shirt Design Form.

**Be prepared to participate in a variety of events ranging from...**

- I.** ...certamen, to ludi (sports such as "Ultimate Discus" and "Capture the Helen"), to colloquia, and of course, to Gladiator Fights!
- II.** We also have a neat bazaar where goods are sold, so if your school has shirts, buttons, bracelets, etc. to sell, feel free to bring them.
- III.** New officers will be elected during convention, so if any are interested in running for office, be sure to speak with your chapter's teacher.
- IV.** Make sure your chapter discuss any constitution amendment ideas and have them prepared to be presented.
- V.** We're even having a canned food drive! So please bring whatever canned goods you...can!
- VI.** This year's convention is sure to be a blast! We are looking forward to seeing you at this year's convention and we cannot wait for all the Classical fun!

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**National Convention**

The NJCL 2016 Convention will be held at Indiana University, Bloomington from July 25-30. For more information, visit [www.njcl.org](http://www.njcl.org).

REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN!!!! SPACES ARE LIMITED!!!!

**The Torch and YOU!**

Did you know that YOU, yes YOU can contribute to the Torch?! Well, you can! And you should! If you have something interesting to say or just feel like submitting something Classical related, do it! Send submissions to [lizmcapuano@gmail.com](mailto:lizmcapuano@gmail.com).

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