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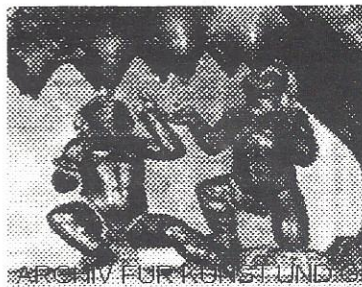
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## *When Rome Partied...*

by Carlton Kilpatrick

During the late December to early March, the ancient Romans celebrated three different major religious festivals. They are the Saturnalia, the Lupercalia, and the Equiria.

The Saturnalia was held during the Empire. It lasted for a modern week from December 17 to December 23. This week is also the period during which the winter solstice occurs. This celebration was intended to recall the



Golden Age's perfect peace and happiness. During the period of the festival all executions at military operations were postponed and visits and gifts were exchanged. Also, the slaves were given freedom and could sit at an honored place at meals and were served by the masters. This festival is named for Jupiter's father, Saturn, who ruled during the Golden Age.

On February 15, a festival honoring Lupercus, a pastoral god of the Italians began. The festival, called the Lupercalia, was celebrated at the cave of Lupercal on the Palatine Hill. This cave is the mythical site of the den of the she-wolf who nursed the twins Romulus and Remus.

The final festival, the Equiria, was celebrated twice, on February 27 and on March 14. It was in honor of Mars, which was appropriate because it was this time of year when military campaigns were being prepared. Horse races in the Campus Martius were a major part of the



### *Leesburg High School Latin Club*

The Leesburg Latin Club is sponsored by Aurelia Ogles, and is led by student officers Christopher O'Keefe, Pres.; Jennifer Christensen, 1st V.P.; Melanie Russ, 2nd V.P., Paige Binneveld, Sec.; Kimberly Young, Treas.; Simon van Beek, Parl.; and Sarah Richardson and Theresa Caridi, Co-Historians. Regional officers include O'Keefe and Carlton Kilpatrick, Regional Co-Chairmen. Kilpatrick is also FJCL State Editor.

Latin Club participates in the Homecoming Parade, as well as holding an annual Toga Day. Other activities include a holiday celebration, a Rent-a-Roman banquet, and an end of year banquet. Monthly meetings are held at a local Italian restaurant.

### *Palm Bay High School Latin Club*

The Palm Bay Latin Club is sponsored by Susan Wells. The student officers are Kevin Morris, Pres.; Jeremy Hillpot, V.P.; and Adam Bellaire, Sec.

Activities include a canned food drive for Thanksgiving and a Christmas gift wrapping fundraiser. Latin Club is also featured in a showcase exhibit at the Melbourne Library. Other activities include watching "I, Claudius."



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*Lincoln High School Troiani*

The Lincoln Troiani are sponsored Lois Ann Bower and the student officers are Jessica Schilling, Pres.; Jennifer Noda, V.P.; Matt Jordan, Sec.; Dan Nordby, Treas.; Mason Shamis, Parl.; and Lily Hyunh and Zhao Han, Co-Historians.

Fundraisers include rose sales, car washes, bake sales, and garage sales. Other activities include Saturnalia, Halloween Costume party, International Music Festival, Homecoming Banner contest. The Troiani also participate in the Big Brother/ Big Sister program.

*Bay High School Latin Club*

The Bay Latin Club is sponsored by Cynthia Hazard. The student officers are Shana O'Kane, Pres.; Tim Hazard, V.P.; Katie Jack, Sec.; Niki Walker, Treas.; and Katrina Slaughter, Hist.

Bay Latin Club helps its community by donating stuffed animals and toys to needy children in the local Pre-K program and the profits from its slave banquet benefit the March of Dimes. Other activities include a Christmas social with the singing of traditional carols in Latin and calendar and candy sales fundraisers.

*Vanguard High School*

*Primum Agmen*

The Vanguard Primum Agmen are sponsored by Josie Hunter and led by student officers Kim Martin, Consul; Jennifer Page, Co-Consul; Jimmy Hartisan, Sec.; Tina Framo, Treas., Stan Creel, Sargent-At-Arms; and Trianna Myrick, Hist.

Activities include a skit for Homecoming, as well as a castle for Homecoming decoration. The Primum Agmen also celebrate Saturnalia and hold an induction ceremony and slave auction at the Olive Garden.

*Escambia High School Latin Club*

The Escambia Latin Club is sponsored by Amy Hornick. The student officers are Jennifer Hotzman and Kate Bidwell, Consuls; Lavardo



Wilkins, Praetor; Marianna Rayner, Quaestor; Sean Gregg, Scriba; Holly Luciano, Aedile; David Talboy, Sarah Lane, and Airanne Liner, Hist.; Janel Bersabal, Vigil; and Kelly Davio, Pontifex Maxima.

The Latin Club hosts a "Welcome Back" ice cream social, a Greek food festival, a foreign language volleyball tournament, and a Saturnalia party. Fundraisers include an Optimus Christmas tree sale and a flower sale.

### *Coral Gables High School Latin Club*

The Coral Gables Latin Club is sponsored by Virginia Schrenker and led by student officers Holly Hopkins, Pres.; Danny Villa, V.P.; Ligia Etienne, Sec.; Ximena Antunez de Mayolo, Treas.; and Jeremiah Orgaz, Parl.

During the holiday season, the Latin Club collects toys to take to the Miami Children's Hospital. They also sell plants for a fundraiser.

### *Niceville High School*

#### *Junior Classical League*

The Niceville JCL is sponsored by Donna Winstanley and Marcia Hoeke. The student officers are Rona Smith, Pres.; Todd Haberbush, V.P.; David Kearly, Sec.; Sara Senechal, Treas.; Amy Vest, Parl.; and Jessica Wranu, Hist. Joy Brown, FJCL Secretary, also attends Niceville.

The NJCL celebrates Saturnalia and donates its time at the Waterfront Mission. The fundraiser is a car wash.

### *Taravella High School Latin Club*

The Taravella Latin Club is sponsored by Sylvia Marini and is led by student officers Slade Taylor, Pres.; Jill Tuttle, V.P.; Chris Ross, Sec.; Laura Brezinski, Treas.; Brad Vialpando, Parl.;

The Latin Club received a second place on its Homecoming banner. Members also participate in the National Latin Exam and the Broward County Foreign Language Competition. They also support service projects including clothing and food drives. They also celebrate Saturnalia and reenact a Roman Wedding and a Roman Funeral.

### *Suwanee High School*

#### *Junior Classical League*

The Suwanee Junior Classical League is sponsored by Melissa Woodrum. The student officers are Nathaniel Woodrum, Pres.; Maureen

Malancy, V.P.; Chan Renfroe, Sec.; Tony Pagliai, Treas.



*West Orange*

### *High School Latin Club*

The West Orange Latin Club is sponsored by Steve Reeves. The student officers are Sylvia Wilson, Consul; Chelsea Hester, Proconsul; Jim Brady, Praetor; Ian Watson, Quaestor; and Angela Brayer, Aedile.

They have about four socials a year, most of which are water-skiing parties. The Latin Club is the largest foreign language club at West Orange and has the highest G.P.A. on campus.

### *Berkeley Prep Middle School*

#### *Latin Club*

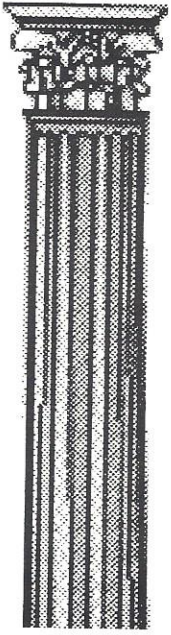
The Berkeley Prep Latin Club is sponsored by Lisa Masoni. Student officers have not yet been elected.

The club gave a presentation on Virgil's birthday and serve pizza to the students every Monday and Thursday.





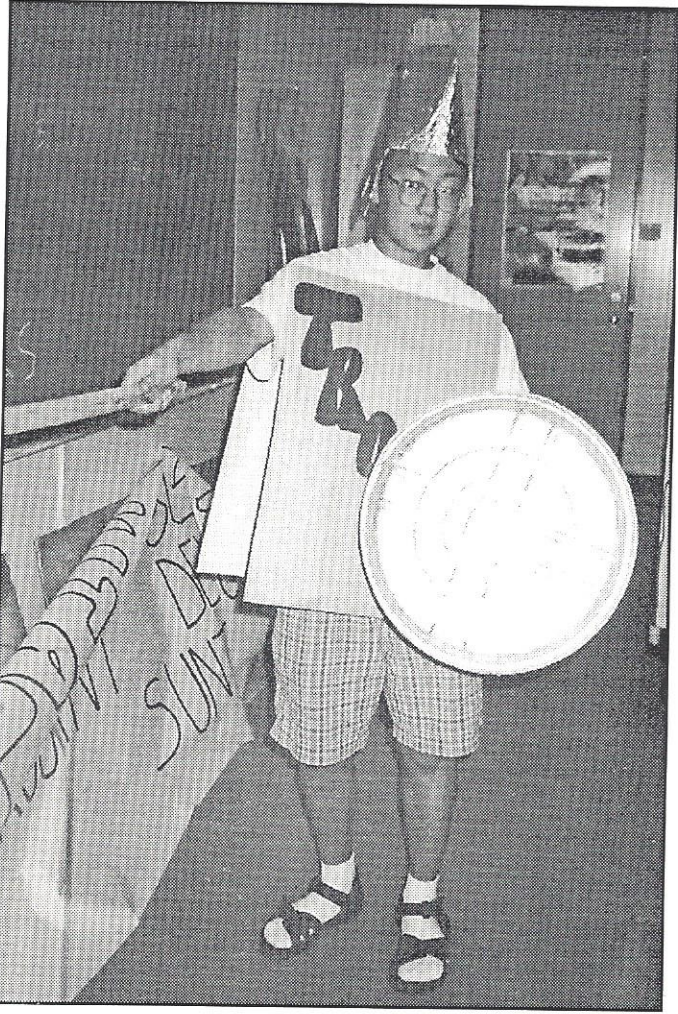
Forest High School Latin Club's newly inducted officers pose at the induction ceremony.



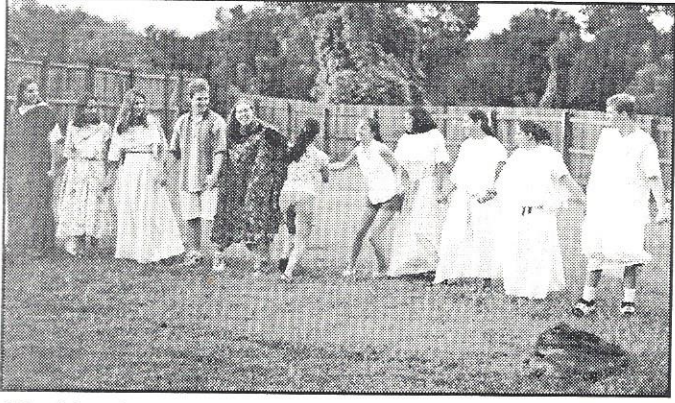
*Forest High School Latin Club*

The Forest Latin Club is sponsored by Linda Renick. The student officers are Christy Wilkie, Pres.; Erin Weldon, V.P.; Diane Harell, Sec.; Angela miller, Aedile; Rachel Franck, Treas.; Ashley Beatty, Parl.; and Jason Graham and Erin South, Hist. Neeli Nadella, State Parliamentarian, is also a member.

The Latin Club hosts Roman Week and has a slave auction. They celebrate the holidays with Secretus Amicus and a Saturnalia party. They have an induction ceremony at Olive Garden and visit middle schools. Service activities include campus beautification and the YMCA "Christmas Child". At the end of the year, they hold a Roman Banquet.

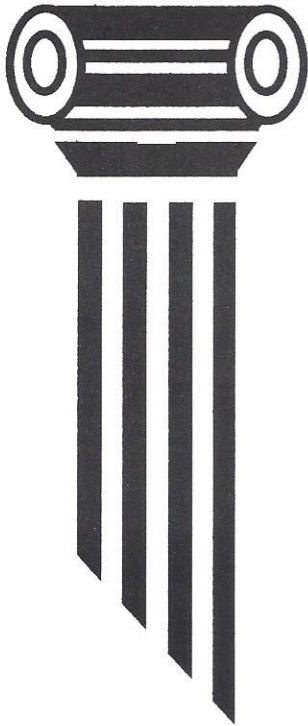


Sandalwood's Michael Lee dresses in Roman apparel as he prepares to march in the Homecoming Parade.



The Lincoln Troiani enjoy a game of "Red Rover".





### *Sandalwood High School Latin Club*

The Sandalwood Latin Club is sponsored by Nancy Allen and the student officers are Justin Ward, Pres.; Generosa Sangko, V.P.; Sidney Fullwood, Sec.; Stephanie Lachowicz, Treas.; and Michael Lee, Editor.

Sandalwood participates in a neighborhood canned food drive and makes stocking stuffers. They also plan to visit the Alexander the Great exhibit in St. Petersburg.

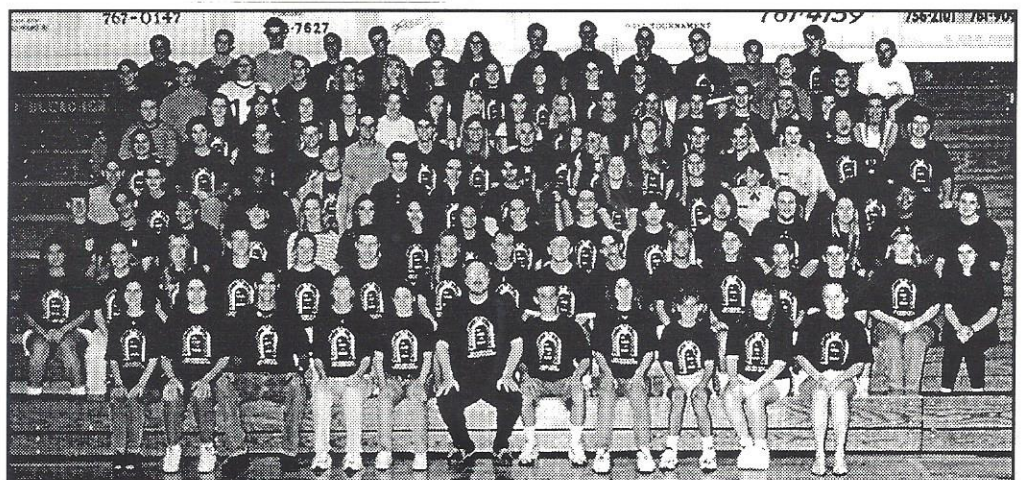


Togate girls from Sandalwood display their school spirit in the Homecoming Parade.

### *Spruce Creek High School Latin Club*

The Spruce Creek Latin Club is sponsored by Doug Keller. Angela Calderon, Pres.; Dana Giordane, V.P.; Ali Beavers, Nikki Graves, and Mickey Young, Assistant V.P.; Devinn Toth, Sec.; Meghan Phillips and Louie Steppe, Treas.; Malana Lubansky, Hist.; and Julie Glasnak, Parl. are the student officers.

The Latin Club participates in a candy sale, open house, Red Ribbon Drug Awareness, Homecoming Field Night, Homecoming Carnival, Latin Bonanza Week, Latin Week, food drive, and County Foreign Language Festival. They also have received awards including two 3rds and two Honorable Mentions at Homecoming Field Night and a first on their "Ben Hur" carnival booth. Other awards include School Club of the Year, Best School Spirit, Best School Scholarship, Best School Service, FJCL Club of the Year, and Region



The Spruce Creek High School Latin club poses for the school yearbook.



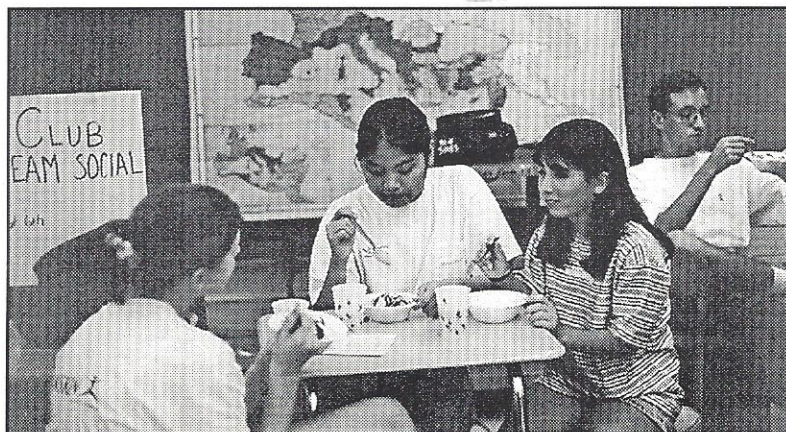
# National Latin Week

National Latin Week has been scheduled for the week of April 20-26. This date is only a suggestion and can be modified if it interferes with any other holidays or activities. The National JCL officers wish to encourage participation in National Latin Week. Suggestions for activities during National Latin Week include: Roman banquet, toga day, Roman slave sale, mini-certamen, a JCL-sponsored dance, a Roman athletic field day, and sharing facts about Roman life and Latin on the announcements. The main objective is to show that Latin is not a dead language!

## Club of the Month

The National JCL will award the title "Club of the Month" to two chapters each month. The winning clubs will be those that best exhibit the qualities of creativity, spirit, service, community impact, publicity, and overall effort. Interested chapters should submit a summary of activities to Paige Orman, NJCL Second Vice President, 112 Woodgate Dr.; Columbia, SC 29223. It is suggested that pictures, fliers, or other related information also be sent with the summary. Entries must be postmarked by the last day of the month during which the activity took place. Events occurring in the last ten days of a month may be submitted for the next month.

Escambia Latin I students Amy Diestro, LeighAnn Dominey, and Matt Christopher enjoy the Ice Cream Social.



## National Junior Classical League Forum

NJCL will take place for one week at the University of North Dakota. NJCL is a great experience and all are encouraged to attend. For more information contact Aurelia Ogles at 1401 W. Meadows Ave.; Leesburg, FL 34748; or at aureliao@aol.com and watch for NJCL information in future issues of the *Uvae Vitis*.

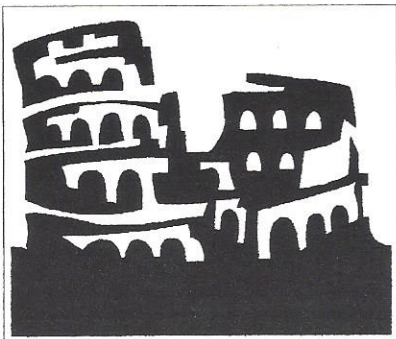




# STATE FORUM 1997 INFORMATION

The 1997 Florida Junior Classical League Forum will begin April 17 and will end April 19. The XLVIII

Forum will place Orlando Hyatt events year



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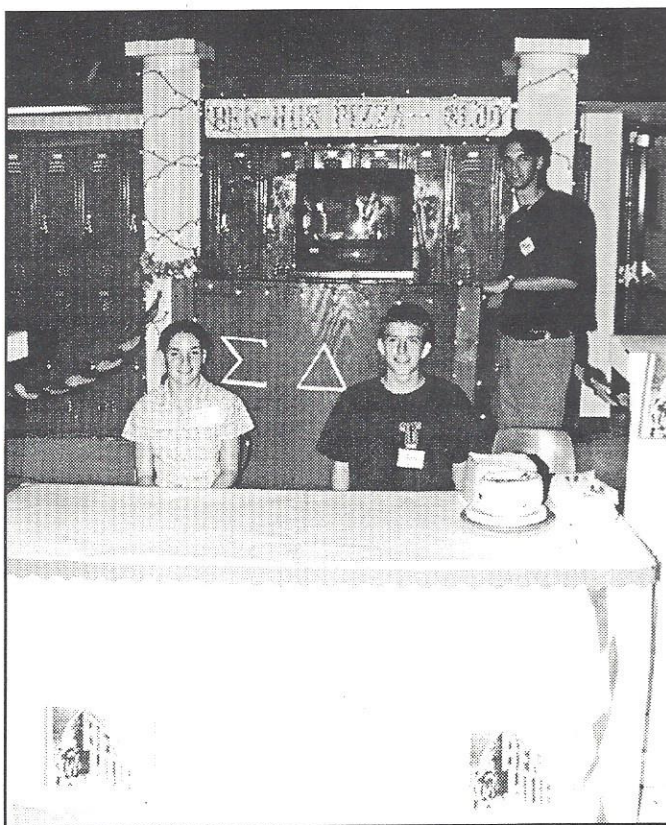
several NANC contests and rearrangements of some events. The next issue of the *Uvae Vitis* will contain more information, including the revealment of the Forum theme. All registration information must be returned by March 8, 1997.

## JCL CREED

We the members of the Junior Classical League, covenant to hand on the torch of classical civilization in the modern world. We believe an acquaintance with the civilization of Greece and Rome will help us understand and appraise the world of today, which is indebted to ancient civilization in its government and laws, literature and arts.

We affirm the JCL experience develops responsibility, fosters brotherhood, promotes enthusiasm, encourages competition, inspires dedication, and enriches our total growth.

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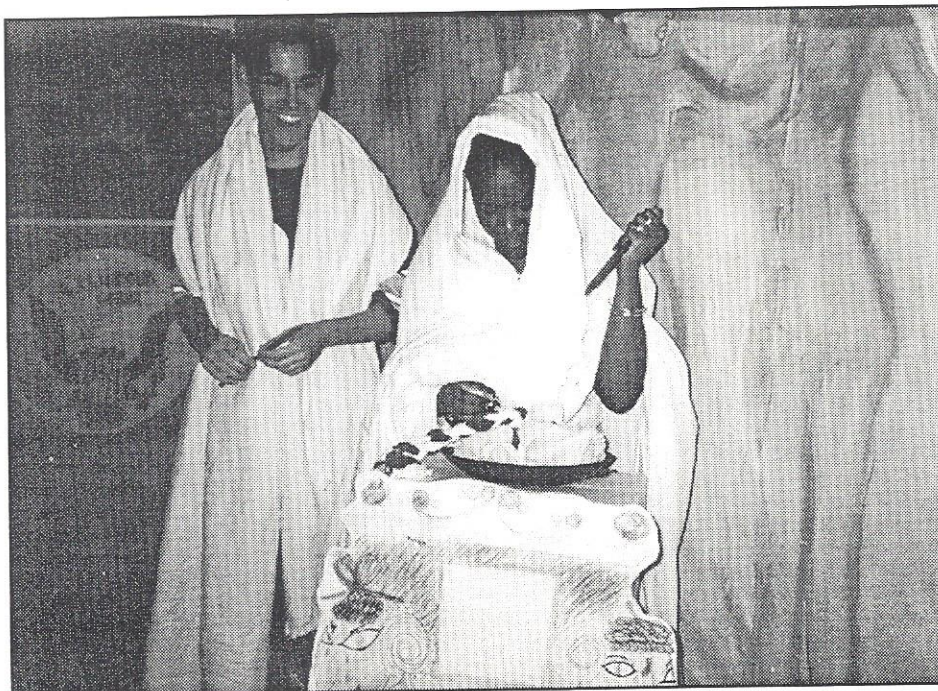


Spruce Creek Latin Club's Homecoming booth won first place. Its theme was Ben Hur, they sold pizza.





Taravella students participate in the funeral of Gaius Andrea Pannuccus (Raggedy Andy). The mourners are (L. to R.) Jill Tuttle, Karen Kelly, Kristen Zarbock, Jeanne Springer, and Laura Brezinski.



Performing sacrifices to the gods was an integral part of the Roman wedding. Here, Taravella students Eric Frey (L.) and Ezella Washington recreate a wedding sacrifice.

## FROM THE FJCL EDITOR

Salvete! The time has come again for me to beg for your submissions for future *Uvae Vitii*! The response for Club Spotlights was wonderful, and it's not too late to submit them for the next two issues. I would still like to encourage all lovers of Latin, students and teachers alike, to submit their creative works to the *Uvae Vitii*. Poems, black and white artwork, short papers, essays, or anything with a classical theme is appropriate.

Regional Fora are just around the corner, and State Forum is coming faster than you think (see related article on Pg. 8). It is suggested that students interested in running for state office go ahead and contact Neeli Nadella (her address is on Pg. 2). Feel free to contact any of the officers (addresses on Pg. 2), we like to hear from you.

Good luck to all competing in Regional competitions and good-bye until the next issue.

Yours in FJCL,  
*Carlton Kilpatrick*  
 '96-'97 FJCL Editor

HAVE YOU RENEWED YOUR JCL CHAPTER MEMBERSHIP?