

Salvete Omnes,

Convention draws ever nearer. Many of you have already made your reservations and are well along in your preparations. I am writing to update two items from the convention booklet. The first is that this year's Spirit procession contest will have a theme. The officers chose "The 12 Labors of Hercules". Please see the convention booklet if you have any questions about the judging of this event.

Also these are the details about this year's Olympika and chariot race:

#### Olympika/Chariot Race addendum 2012

Five new and old events will be appearing this year under the heading "Sillympika" from 2:00 to 4:00 on Friday. These events will bear sweepstakes points.

From 2:00 – 3:00

1. Chariot Race – one 5-person team per school maximum. All riders must have helmets. The "race" will actually be done in heats, which each school getting 2 trials, with the better score prevailing. Placement will be 1<sup>st</sup> through 5th. Participation is limited to the 1<sup>st</sup> ten schools to notify Sandy Hughes ([magisterlatine@gmail.com](mailto:magisterlatine@gmail.com)).

2. Frisbee Discus – The name speaks for itself. A school may have a maximum of 5 participants, and each participant will get two tries. We score the longer of the two attempts.

3. Javelin Toss – The javelin will be a swimming pool noodle. This event will follow the same guidelines as Frisbee discus above.

From 3:00 – 4:00

4. Toga Relay – One 4-person team per school, maximum. Participants will put on a tunic, toga, and laurel crown and race to the next relay point, where they will disrobe (not completely!) and give the clothes to the next participant. The Toga must not touch the ground while running the course.

5. Roman Aqueduct (Water Jug) relay – One 4-person team per school, maximum. Participants will attempt to fill an empty jug or bucket using only a sponge to carry water back and forth.

All of the contests (except the chariot race) are new, so some tweaking may occur, especially if a lot of children show up for any given event. If adjustments have to be made, the East Tennessee Sponsor will endeavor to announce them at the morning assembly on 4/13. However, it is possible that some on the spot decisions might be made. The East Tennessee Sponsor appreciates the understanding and forbearance of his colleagues in the event that adjustments do occur.

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