

CAMWS AWARDS FOR STUDENTS AND TEACHERS

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CPL Award for Best High School Activities

In order to support high school programs and activities in a positive way, the CAMWS Committee for the Promotion of Latin (CPL) annually recognizes with a plaque and a certificate the high school group which develops the most outstanding and effective activity for promoting Latin in CAMWS territory during each academic year (including the preceding summer). The winner of this award is announced every spring at the annual CAMWS meeting.

Any group wishing to compete for this award must be sponsored by a current CAMWS member and must submit a letter of application to the CPL chair by March 15th of each year. (Applications for CPL grants may also serve as applications for this award.) The application letter must include the following: a 100-word summary of the project and a more detailed project description not to exceed 500 words in length. Applicants are encouraged to attach supporting materials such as photographs, flyers, pertinent newspaper articles, etc.

Latin Translation Contest 2004

Application Deadline: February 1, 2004

The Classical Association of the Middle West and South will offer \$250 cash prizes, book awards, and letters of commendation to qualifying winners in its 2004 School Awards Latin Translation Contest.

This year's competition is open to advanced Latin students enrolled in secondary schools in the 31 states and 3 provinces of CAMWS. Their teachers must be members of CAMWS, or their school libraries must subscribe to *Classical Journal*. Following an annual alternation of Prose and Poetry the one-hour exam will, this year, offer Latin hexameters or elegiacs as exemplified by Vergil and Ovid. Contestants should translate as literally as possible without violating English idiom, and they should know the relevant vocabulary presented in Colby's Latin Word Lists, since words cited there are normally not defined on the test. The examination is intended for students who have had at least three years of Latin, but is also open to superior second-year students. It must be administered by a school official other than the Latin teacher during the week of February 23-27, 2004.

Writers of the ten most outstanding papers will each

receive a \$250 cash prize. An additional 20 outstanding contestants will receive a book prize relevant to classical antiquity. Other writers of meritorious examinations (10-20) will receive letters of commendation.

Manson A. Stewart Teacher Training and Travel Awards

The Classical Association of the Middle West and South sponsors two awards for primary-, middle-, and secondary-school teachers under the Manson A. Stewart Awards. Recipients must be members of CAMWS.

Teacher Training Awards: Designed to provide some financial assistance to those who wish to obtain certification to teach Latin at the primary through the secondary level, whether the specific courses are needed in Latin or Education. The award is not intended to cover all costs of the training, and the size of the award varies according to the actual costs (primarily tuition and travel), the size of the committee's budget, and the number of applications. Previous awards have been as high as \$700. Deadline: postmarked by February 17, 2004.

Travel Awards: Designed specifically to assist teachers of Latin with a cash award to offset the costs of attending the annual CAMWS meeting, or the Southern Section meeting. The award is not intended to cover all costs of the travel, and the size of the award varies according to the actual costs the travel will entail, the size of the committee's budget, and the number of applications. Awards for travel to annual meetings have ranged from \$300 to \$500; for travel the Southern Section, somewhat less. Deadline: postmarked February 17, 2004 for the CAMWS meeting April 15-17, 2004 in St. Louis, MO.

CAMWS Award for Special Service

This year marks the third year for a new CAMWS award that aims formally to acknowledge specific accomplishments that have been done "above and beyond the call of duty" for the profession and/or for the promotion of the classics in CAMWS territory. The award will be given *pro re nata*; some years there may not be a suitable candidate; other years there may be more than one recipient.

Eligibility: CAMWS membership is not required.

Recipients can be Classicists or non-Classicists who have made special contributions to the promotion of Latin and Classical studies, especially at the state and local level in CAMWS territory. Ideal candidates are people involved in our field who do much for their local communities or classics in general, but do not interact frequently if at all at large meetings. Nevertheless, these people make MORE than a difference. Suitable candidates for this award could also include parents or community members who have supported local Latin programs in notable ways, companies that donate money or other resources for the promotion of Latin, school administrators who have helped Latin teachers by giving access to school rooms or supplies or extra funds, newspapers or magazines that have given free advertising for events, benefactors who have given money for books or scholarships, or students who have promoted Latin in an original manner.

Nomination and selection process: Please submit to the address below, by February 20, 2004, a signed statement of nomination, 500-600 words in length, that describes the nominee and his/her work. Supporting documents are not required but they may be solicited if questions arise. The chair of the Steering Committee on Awards and Scholarships with advice from the five subcommittee chairs will then determine the winners. Announcement of the results will be made at the spring meeting.

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CAMWS Teaching Awards

1. Kraft Award for Excellence in Secondary School Teaching

Named for CAMWS benefactor Eunice E. Kraft, this award recognizes outstanding teachers of Latin in public or private schools (middle schools included) within our area. The honoree will receive \$500, airfare to the annual meeting at the Saturday stayover rate, and two nights' accommodation at the convention hotel. On Saturday of the meeting, the recipient will give a brief talk at the CPL panel. Nominees must teach in the CAMWS area and will be eligible for consideration for three consecutive years. Nominations should be accompanied by the following supporting data (not to exceed ten pages):

- information about the school(s) in which the nominee teaches;
- levels of Latin courses and enrollments;
- success of students in competitions and further study;

- information about any special courses or forms of instruction developed by the teacher;
- testimonials from school administrators, fellow teachers and/or students.

The recipient of the 2003 Kraft Award was Mark Haynes of Creighton Prep in Omaha Nebraska.

2. Award for Excellence in College Teaching

The winner of this award will receive \$500. The nominee must be a member in good standing of CAMWS, teaching classical subjects full-time at a college or university. Nominations should be accompanied by such evidence of teaching excellence as:

- student course evaluations or other student comments (which may include alumni comments), and
- at least two letters of support from the recipient's teaching colleagues at the same or other institutions.

These letters should normally include one from the nominee's department or program chair. Other evidence of teaching excellence, such as pedagogical publications, is also welcome. Professional service may be considered a tie-breaking factor. Nominees who have not already been recognized through a national teaching award will be given preference. No sitting member of the Subcommittee on Good Teacher Awards or of the CAMWS Executive Committee is eligible for this award.

Semple, Grant, and Benario Awards

The CAMWS Travel Awards Subcommittee is pleased to announce a competition for the Semple, Grant, and Benario Awards.

- The Semple Award is a \$2,500 fellowship for attending the summer session of the American School of Classical Studies at Athens
- The Mary A. Grant Award is a \$2,500 fellowship for attending the summer session of the American Academy in Rome
- The Janice and Herbert Benario Award is a \$1,500 fellowship that the recipient may apply to the summer travel program of his or her choice

Recipients of these awards must be current members of CAMWS who either:

- currently hold teaching positions in Greek or Latin in an elementary or secondary school in the CAMWS territory (click to see a [map](#)); or
- are enrolled as graduate students in a degree-granting program in Classics