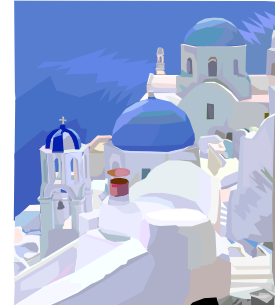


"THE WORLD IS FULL OF  
WONDERFUL THINGS, BUT  
NONE MORE SO THAN  
HUMANITY"  
SOPHOCLES ANTIGONE

## SALVETE OMNES

THE GREEKS CALLED IT AN AGORA, THE ROMANS A *FORUM*, BUT WHATEVER THE NAME, EVERY COMMUNITY NEEDS A PLACE TO GATHER AND SPREAD NEWS. *CLASSICS AT LUTHER* IS THE PLACE FOR ALL STUDENTS, ALUMNI, AND FRIENDS OF THE CLASSICS DEPARTMENT AT LUTHER COLLEGE. IN THESE PAGES WE'LL LET YOU KNOW WHAT'S GOING ON IN CLASSICS AND ANCIENT STUDIES, NOT ONLY AT LUTHER, BUT AROUND THE WORLD.



## QUALLEY LECTURE: KING ARTHUR AND THE FALL OF ROME

THIS YEAR'S QUALLEY LECTURER WILL BE CHRISTOPHER SNYDER, CHAIR OF THE HISTORY AND POLITICAL SCIENCE DEPARTMENT AT MARYMOUNT UNIVERSITY IN ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA. PROFESSOR SNYDER WILL SPEAK APRIL 28<sup>TH</sup> ON THE FALL OF THE ROMAN EMPIRE AND THE RISE OF THE KING ARTHUR LEGEND. HE WILL ALSO OFFER A SEMINAR FOR FACULTY AND STUDENTS.

## CLASSICS IN THE NEWS

**THE HILLS ARE ALIVE, WITH THE SOUND OF LATIN:** DO YOU LOVE CLASSICS? ARE YOU LOOKING FOR A SECURE FUTURE? HIGH SCHOOLS AROUND THE COUNTRY ARE IN SHORT SUPPLY OF QUALIFIED LATIN TEACHERS. THE LANGUAGE OF THE ROMANS IS A HOT COMMODITY, WITH MANY MAJORS RECEIVING MULTIPLE OFFERS FROM PUBLIC AND PRIVATE SCHOOLS. CHECK OUT THE WEB SITE OF THE AMERICAN CLASSICAL LEAGUE FOR MORE INFO ([WWW.ACLCLASSICS.ORG](http://WWW.ACLCLASSICS.ORG)).

**OLYMPICS:** DID YOU WATCH THE SHOT-PUT COMPETITION AT THIS SUMMER'S OLYMPIC GAMES? SHOT-PUT ALONE WAS HELD IN THE ANCIENT STADIUM AT OLYMPIA. IT WAS THE ONLY SPORT THAT ORGANIZERS THOUGHT WOULDN'T DAMAGE THE ARCHAEOLOGICAL RUINS. SPECTATORS SAT ON THE GRASS SLOPES AROUND THE STADIUM, JUST AS THEY DID 2500 YEARS AGO.

**QUID EST QUIDDITCH?:** THE NEW TRANSLATION OF J.K. ROWLING'S FIRST HARRY POTTER BOOK IS NOW AVAILABLE IN LATIN: *HARRIUS POTTER ET PHILOSOPHI LAPIS* AND IN ANCIENT GREEK: *AREIOS POTER KAI HE TOU PHILOSOPHOU LITHOS*.

**FAST FACT:**  
YOU KNOW PANDORA  
DIDN'T OPEN A BOX AT  
ALL? THE EARLY GREEK  
POET HESIOD DESCRIBES  
HER AS RELEASING EVILS  
INTO THE WORLD FROM A  
LARGE JAR (PITHOS). THE  
WORD WAS WRONGLY  
TRANSLATED DURING THE  
RENAISSANCE AND HAS  
BEEN PANDORA'S BOX  
EVER SINCE.



## OUR STUDENTS

THE HEART OF ANY ACADEMIC PROGRAM IS THE STUDENTS. HERE AT LUTHER, WE HAVE OVER THIRTY STUDENTS IN FIRST-YEAR LATIN AND ALMOST TWENTY IN FIRST-YEAR GREEK. WITH THE SECOND-YEAR AND ADVANCED STUDENTS, WE HAVE A TOTAL OF OVER SEVENTY LUTHER STUDENTS STUDYING GREEK AND LATIN. SEVENTEEN STUDENTS CURRENTLY MAJOR OR MINOR IN CLASSICS AND BIBLICAL LANGUAGES. THEY ARE:

CHRISTANNA BRAGA	MATHEW DZIUK	STEPHANIE WHERRY
ALLISON KIMBALL	JOY STUBER	DANIEL STARK
KATHRYN KONRATH	LORA STREY	BRANDON SIMONSON
LISA JACOBSON	DUSTIN ROSS	
MARIT POLLEI	JORDAN SMITH	
ERIKA STRANDJORD	KRISTOPHER WILLIAMS	
NATHAN WICKS	RACHEL YAUN	



"WITHOUT FRIENDS, LIFE IS NOT WORTH LIVING"

ARISTOTLE

## STUDENT INTERVIEW: STEPHANIE WHERRY

*WHERE ARE YOU FROM AND WHY DID YOU COME TO LUTHER?*

I'M FROM ORION, IL, A SMALL TOWN NEAR THE QUAD CITIES. I DECIDED TO COME TO LUTHER BECAUSE OF THE SENSE OF COMMUNITY THAT I FELT WHEN I VISITED. IT WAS OBVIOUS TO ME THAT THIS IS A PLACE WHERE STUDENTS, FACULTY, AND STAFF ALL WORK TOGETHER TO ENCOURAGE GROWTH AS A WHOLE PERSON AND NOT JUST AS A STUDENT OF A PARTICULAR SUBJECT.

*ISN'T THE STUDY OF GREECE AND ROME A LITTLE OUT OF DATE IN TODAY'S MODERN WORLD?*

I THINK THE STUDY OF CLASSICS HAS BEEN ONE OF THE MOST VALUABLE EDUCATIONAL EXPERIENCES I HAVE HAD. STUDYING THE LANGUAGE AND CULTURE OF ANCIENT GREECE AND ROME BUILDS A FOUNDATION FOR STUDYING OUR MODERN WORLD. THE CONNECTIONS BETWEEN THEN AND NOW NEVER CEASE TO AMAZE ME. IN ADDITION, THE STUDY OF THE SPECIFIC LANGUAGES HAS MADE ME A BETTER STUDENT. WHEN READING FOR CLASSES, MANY TIMES I AM ABLE TO IDENTIFY THE ROOTS OF WORDS OF WHOSE MEANINGS I AM UNSURE, AND IT SAVES ME A TRIP TO THE DICTIONARY. ALSO, INTENSE STUDY OF THE LANGUAGES HAS ALLOWED ME TO BETTER UNDERSTAND ENGLISH GRAMMAR.

*WHAT CHANGES WOULD YOU LIKE TO SEE IN THE LUTHER CLASSICS PROGRAM?*

I THINK IT WOULD BE WONDERFUL IF STUDENTS HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO TAKE MORE CLASSES BEYOND THE LANGUAGE COURSES AND THE OCCASIONAL MYTHOLOGY CLASS. ALTHOUGH IT'S SOMETIMES DIFFICULT TO MANAGE RESOURCES TO ALLOW THESE CLASSES, I THINK THAT THEY WOULD DO MUCH TO ENRICH THE EDUCATION OF LUTHER STUDENTS.



## NEW FACULTY—SHARILYN NAKATA

TWO NEW CLASSICISTS ARE JOINING THE LUTHER PROGRAM THIS FALL. THE FIRST IS SHARILYN NAKATA, WHO RECEIVED HER A.B FROM SMITH COLLEGE, M.A. FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAI'I, AND HER PH.D. FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, IRVINE.

SHARI HAS ESPECIALLY ENJOYED TEACHING BEGINNING AND INTERMEDIATE GREEK AND LATIN, AS WELL AS GREEK AND ROMAN MYTHOLOGY. HER RESEARCH INTERESTS INCLUDE AUGUSTAN LITERATURE, GREEK AND ROMAN COMEDY, AND CULTURAL STUDIES APPROACHES TO CLASSICS. HER CURRENT WORK EXAMINES THE ROLE OF COLONIZATION NARRATIVES AND FOUNDATION MYTHS IN SHAPING IMPERIAL IDENTITY AND AUTHORITY IN VERGIL'S *AENEID*. IN FUTURE WORK SHE HOPES TO INVESTIGATE THE

CULTURAL PHENOMENON OF TRAVEL IN ITS VARIOUS MANIFESTATIONS IN ANCIENT LITERATURE.

SHARI WAS BORN AND RAISED IN HONOLULU, HAWAI'I, AND HAS SINCE LIVED IN VARIOUS PARTS OF THE COUNTRY, INCLUDING NEW ENGLAND, CALIFORNIA, AND THE SOUTHWEST, BUT NEVER THE MIDWEST—THAT IS, TILL NOW (AND SHE'S VERY MUCH LOOKING FORWARD TO IT!). AMONG HER PERSONAL INTERESTS ARE READING, TRAVELING, AND THE STUDY OF HAWAIIAN CULTURE—AND SHE'S A NOT-SO-SECRET FAN OF BOTH MIDDLE EARTH AND THE STAR TREK UNIVERSE.

## NEW FACULTY—PHILIP FREEMAN

ALSO JOINING THE CLASSICS DEPARTMENT IS PHILIP FREEMAN. HAVING GROWN UP IN TEXAS, PHILIP COMPLETED HIS UNDERGRADUATE WORK IN CLASSICS AT THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS IN AUSTIN AND HIS DOCTORAL DEGREE AT HARVARD. HE TAUGHT IN THE CORE CURRICULUM PROGRAM AND CLASSICS DEPARTMENTS AT BOSTON UNIVERSITY AND AT WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY BEFORE MOVING TO LUTHER. HIS INTERESTS INCLUDE MANY ASPECTS OF GREEK AND ROMAN HISTORY AND LITERATURE, BUT ESPECIALLY MINORITY LANGUAGES AND CULTURES IN THE ANCIENT WORLD. PHILIP HAS TAUGHT ALL LEVELS OF CLASSICAL AND NEW TESTAMENT GREEK, LATIN LANGUAGE COURSES FROM PLAUTUS TO AUGUSTINE, AND NUMEROUS CLASSICAL CIVILIZATION CLASSES IN TRANSLATION. HE HAS WRITTEN FOUR

BOOKS — MOST RECENTLY A BIOGRAPHY OF ST. PATRICK (WHO WAS, BY THE WAY, NOT IRISH BUT A BRITISH NATIVE AND ROMAN NOBLEMAN).

PHILIP LIKES TO SPEND HIS SPARE TIME SIFTING THROUGH MEDIEVAL LATIN MANUSCRIPTS AND RIDING HIS BICYCLE TO THE WHIPPY DIP WITH HIS TWO YOUNG CHILDREN. HIS WIFE, ALISON DWYER, IS AN ARCHAEOLOGIST SPECIALIZING IN EARLY EUROPEAN SETTLEMENTS IN NORTH AMERICA.

*VOCATUS ATQUE NON  
VOCATUS, DEUS ADERIT*

*"CALLED AND NOT  
CALLED, GOD WILL BE  
PRESENT"*

A QUOTE FROM ERASMUS WHICH THE PSYCHOLOGIST CARL JUNG INSCRIBED ON HIS FRONT DOOR AND TOMBSTONE



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## DVD REVIEW: MICHAEL WOOD IN SEARCH OF THE TROJAN WAR

IF YOU LIKED BRAD PITT IN THIS SUMMER'S BLOCKBUSTER FILM, BUT WONDERED HOW MUCH OF THE MOVIE WAS TRUE, CHECK OUT BBC JOURNALIST MICHAEL WOOD'S SIX-PART SERIES ON FACT VS. FABLE IN HOMER'S *ILIAD*. THE SHOW FIRST AIRED IN 1985, BUT IT'S STILL A FIRST-RATE EXPLORATION OF BRONZE-AGE GREECE.

EPISODES INCLUDE SEGMENTS ON WOMEN IN THE TROJAN SAGA, THE HITTITE CONNECTION, AND SCHLIEMANN'S FAMOUS EXCAVATIONS AT TROY. (\$34.98)

NOTA BENE: IF YOUR TASTES RUN MORE TO GRAPHIC NOVELS (A.K.A. COMIC BOOKS), CHECK OUT ERIC SHANOWER'S NEW AND WONDERFULLY-ILLUSTRATED BOOKS *A THOUSAND SHIPS* AND *SACRIFICE* (\$29.95).

## CALLING ALL CLASSICS ALUMNI

HAVE YOU HIKEED THE GREAT WALL OF CHINA, KAYAKED DOWN THE AMAZON, ADDED A REC ROOM TO YOUR BASEMENT? WE'D LOVE TO KNOW WHAT ANY LUTHER CLASSICS ALUMNI ARE UP TO. JUST DROP US A LETTER

OR E-MAIL AND WE'LL INCLUDE YOUR NEWS IN THE NEXT EDITION OF *CLASSICS AT LUTHER*.

## WHY YOU SHOULD MAJOR IN CLASSICS

*WHAT KIND OF CLASSICS COURSES DOES LUTHER OFFER?*

WE OFFER A BROAD RANGE OF GREEK AND LATIN LANGUAGE COURSES, AS WELL AS HEBREW AND CLASSICAL STUDIES COURSES IN ENGLISH TRANSLATION.

*CAN I MAJOR IN CLASSICS?*

CERTAINLY. YOU CAN EARN A DEGREE IN CLASSICS EMPHASIZING GREEK, LATIN, OR BOTH LANGUAGES. YOU CAN ALSO EARN A MINOR IN CLASSICS.

*WHAT CAN YOU DO WITH A CLASSICS DEGREE?*

JUST ABOUT ANYTHING. SURE, YOU CAN BE A LATIN TEACHER IN HIGH SCHOOL OR COLLEGE, BUT MANY CLASSICS MAJORS GO ON TO MEDICAL SCHOOL, LAW SCHOOL, GRADUATE PROGRAMS IN BUSINESS, MINISTRY, OR START THEIR OWN SOFTWARE COMPANIES—YOU NAME IT. CLASSICS IS MORE ABOUT STUDYING SOMETHING YOU LOVE AND LEARNING SKILLS FOR A LIFETIME RATHER THAN SPECIFIC CAREER TRAINING. BESIDES, THERE'S SOMETHING ABOUT A CLASSICS MAJOR OR MINOR ON YOUR CV THAT SAYS *SERIOUS, HARD-WORKING CANDIDATE*.

*CAN I DOUBLE MAJOR IN CLASSICS AND SOMETHING ELSE?*

ABSOLUTELY. MANY OF OUR MAJORS AND MINORS COMBINE CLASSICS WITH A SECOND FIELD. FAVORITE COMBINATIONS WITH CLASSICS INCLUDE BIOLOGY, ENGLISH, COMMUNICATION, ANTHROPOLOGY, SPANISH, ART, RELIGION, PHILOSOPHY, AND COMPUTER SCIENCE

*HOW DO I FIND OUT MORE?*

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