

September 1, 2018

Salvete Amici,

My name is Catherine Nicastro, your new CAWNY president for 2018-2020. For those of you who may not know me, I have been teaching Latin in WNY for seven years. I earned my BA in Classics and Archaeology, and my Ed.M. in Education at the University at Buffalo. My professional interests include involvement in NJCL, archaeology, and active Latin, and you can find me incorporating all of this into my teaching at Hamburg High School in Hamburg, NY.

As your new president, I am well aware that I follow the footsteps of giants, but look very much forward to learning from all of you as we bring CAWNY forward into the future. We have both new and familiar faces in our leadership positions as follows:

President: Catherine Nicastro (Hamburg High School)
Vice President: Pat Neveu (Orchard Park High School)
Treasurer: Gail Taylor (Williamsville South High School)
Secretary: Kate Hannon (Nardin Academy)

This year, we will again be working hard to produce reliable Checkpoint A and B exams, and provide professional development through our annual Fall meeting and Spring banquet. Moving forward, I hope to increase lines of communication between members, and provide additional opportunities for our students. As such, I look very much forward to your feedback. Please feel free to contact me any time with questions, comments, and suggestions for how we can best help you and your students.

In the meantime, please note the following announcements:

- It's time to renew your membership! Please send us the membership form available on the [About Us](#) tab of the [CAWNY website](#), along with your dues, or bring it to our Fall Meeting.
- Our annual Fall meeting will take place at on Saturday, October 13th at Canisius College, Old Main 303, at 10:00 am. Our speaker will be Davide Salvo, an adjunct professor at Canisius College and graduate student at the University at Buffalo. He plans to speak about immigration and racial prejudices in the Late Roman Empire.
- Your Fall Fest JCL invitation is forthcoming. Fall Fest will tentatively be held at East Aurora High School. Please stay tuned for details and registration forms.
- Please spread the word about a few recent [job postings](#) on our CAWNY webpage.
- "Like" and "Follow" the new [CAWNY Facebook page](#)! I will be using this page to spread news about CAWNY events, and to share information of interest with our

members. (Announcements will also continue to be posted on the [Forum tab](#) of our webpage.)

On behalf of the entire CAWNY executive board, I wish you all the best for the new school year.

Carpe annum,

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