

Conventiculum Buffaloniense / Spoken Latin Workshop
June 26-28, 2013
University at Buffalo, SUNY

De Amicitia

Moderators: Neil Coffee, Catherine Nicastro, Kevin Roth

SCHEDULE OF SESSIONS

Wednesday, June 26

Byblos Restaurant, 270 Campbell Blvd, Getzville, NY, (716) 636-3102

6:30-8:30 PM	Welcome and Overview Warm-up: “Salve, quod est nomen tibi?”	Dinner, overview in English, brief warm-up exercises in Latin. Session languages: English and Latin.
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Thursday, June 27

9:00-9:30	Refreshments Served	
9:30-10:30	Session 1: “De nobis et de anno scholastico peracto”	Greetings and personal information: de urbe tua, de vita cotidiana, de schola.
10:30-12:00	Session 2: Reading activity	Reading and discussion of passage from Cicero, <i>De Amicitia</i>
12:00-1:00	Lunch	
1:00-2:00	Session 3: “De amicitia puerili”	Participants discuss their best friends in childhood. What were they like? What made you friends? Where are they now?
2:00 – 3:15	Session 4: “De imaginibus”	Discussion of cartoons and photographs.
3:15-3:30	Break	
3:30-4:30	Session 5: “Deambulatio”	Participants go for a walk in groups, finding a path that they have to describe to others.

Friday, June 28

8:45-9:00	Refreshments Served	
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9:00-10:00	Session 6: “De itineribus”	Discussion of past and future travel.
10:00-11:30	Session 7: Reading activity	Reading and discussion of Ennius <i>Annales</i> 8 fragment.
11:30-12:30	Session 8: Composition and speech	Participants write a short composition on a famous person, from the present or the past, they would like to be friends with, and why. They then give their speeches to the group and answer questions.
12:30-1:30	Lunch	
1:30-3:00	Session 9: “Imagines Photographicae”	Participants take photos of themselves and their travel companions on vacation, then present them to the whole group.
3:00-4:00	Session 10: “Infandum”	“Taboo”-style game in Latin using vocabulary from throughout the conventiculum.
4:00-5:00	Concluding Session: “Aestimatio conventiculi”	Participants give written evaluations of the workshop. Feedback from participants, idea sharing, discussion of practice of active Latin. Session language: English.