Zeus was never very faithful to his wife. Ever. Here you can read about the best 7 affairs from mythology and fully understand just how many dalliances he had.

Ludi Augusti
Ludi Augusti is a wonderful opportunity to spend time with JCL members around Colorado. Find out where, when and what Ludi Augusti entails for Northern and Southern Colorado here!

State Convention
Are you coming to state convention this year? You should! Find out why here!
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**Important Dates**

- **COJCL Convention**: April 5-6
- **Ludi Augusti: Northern Colorado**: Jan 27
- **Ludi Augusti: Southern Colorado**: January
Members of the Junior Classical League and of the Classics Department of CU Boulder gathered to listen to lectures on campus. The students came to learn more about the ancient world and about the Classics Department. In the morning, students listened to lectures, given by grad students, regarding different subjects such as daily life of gladiators, Roman and Greek writing, and anatomy of temples.

After lunch, JCL students were offered a multitude of activities including a service project and a raffle. The service project was the making and decorating of cards for hospitalized children in Colorado. To enter in the raffle, students had to complete four tasks and were then given the opportunity to win rubber ducks and t-shirts. The four tasks were Laocoon's Javelin, where students had to throw pool noodles; Pyrrha's Throw, in which students threw bean bags; Psyche's Task involving sorting several types of beans and rice; and finally Atalanta's Race, where students entered in a scavenger hunt to find several golden apples hidden throughout a classroom.

Classics Day, also known as Fall Forum, is an excitement packed day of learning about classical antiquity and participating in classically themed activities. It is a great opportunity to meet fellow JCL members and learn more about the Classics Department at CU Boulder. The day is also an amazing chance to win some JCL merchandise. We hope to see you there next year!
What is Classics Day?

Classics Day is a wonderful time to learn more about the classical world. Members of Junior Classical League enjoy both the morning activities put on by both the university on by COJCL. It is the perfect time to see CU Boulder's campus, have a blast learning about the classics, take part in classical activities, meet fellow COJCL members, and earn spirit points for your school.

We hope to see many past attendees as well as new members in future years. Make sure to plan your costume in advance to have a shot at winning the contest and putting your school first in the spirit point competition for convention in April.

Fall Forum is the perfect time for COJCL members to get a small taste of what convention is like. You get to experience the joys of learning more about the classics while surrounded by your friends. You can make new friends, prepare for Olympika, and show off your costume design prestige. Make sure to be on the look out for dates regarding next year's Fall Forum at CU Classics Day. We always hope to see more and more students attending this event each year. If you could not make it to Fall Forum and want to experience some of what convention will be like, make sure to attend Ludi Augusti for your region.

Thank you to all presenters, students, teachers, and others who came to Fall Forum at CU Boulder’s Classics Day this year!
Northern Colorado Ludi Augusti will be a Certamen tournament at Ridgeview Classical Schools. Members of COJCL in Northern Colorado are welcome to come and enjoy Certamen in preparation for state convention in April. It is also a wonderful time to meet some of the new members of COJCL since last convention as well as strengthen relationships. We hope to see many repeat people in attendance and for each chapter to bring new members to the event!

Make sure to think about whether your chapter would like to plan and/or host Ludi Augusti next year for Northern Colorado. Any school is welcome to host any number of classically themed activities. If you would like more information, feel free to contact any COJCL chair who can be found on the website.

**WHEN:** January 27, starts at 9 am

**WHERE:** Ridgeview Classical Schools
Unfortunately, nothing has been planned for Southern Colorado Ludi Augusti yet. If you are interested in planning and/or hosting an event for the other JCL chapters in your area, anything would be greatly appreciated. If you need ideas, you can email any of the COJCL state officers or the state chairs, whose contact information can be found on the Colorado Junior Classical League website.

COJCL would appreciate any and every idea you have regarding this event. Ludi Augusti typically takes place in January and can range from bowling in togas to movie screening and board games to Certamen contests and much more. Any school willing to host or plan an event would be in great standing for convention in April as they would have great relationships within COJCL. If any school in Southern Colorado would be willing to step up, it would be appreciated by all of COJCL, especially those chapters in that area.
State Convention is a fun-filled stay at the YMCA of the Rockies in Estes Park. JCL members are invited to show their classics knowledge, gain more knowledge, meet fellow members, and have fun (and skip school)! There is truly something for everyone with activities ranging from athletic events to poem recitation to arts and crafts. Going to convention means meeting new friends, seeing everybody's individual talent, learning more about the classical world, and spending two days in the beautiful Rocky Mountains. State Convention is also where COJCL officers for the upcoming year are chosen. Make sure to be working on Pre-Convention Contests as soon as you can!

Pre-Convention Contests

One Entry Per Category Per School:
- essay writing
- t-shirt design
- board game design
- poetry
- program cover design
- videography

Up to 5 Entries Per Student:
- map making
- chart making
- poster design
- ink drawing
- mosaic
- pencil drawing
- photography (traditional and computer-enhanced)
- jewelry
- cartoon making
- greeting card design
- sculpture
- pottery
- charcoal drawing
- small and large models
- watercolor painting
- oil and acrylic painting
- decorative stitching
- mixed media art
- militaria
- pastel drawing
- doll making
- textile creation
Spirit Points come into effect during the annual COJCL State Convention. If you have any questions, feel free to contact our vice president, Emma Salas (vicepresident@coloradojcl.org), or look on the COJCL website (coloradojcl.org)!

Make sure to plan your costumes, work on pre-convention contests, and sharpen your academic prowess for competition all for State Convention in April in order to win your school’s league and take home a duck trophy!
Across
2 Religious center in Athens, location of the Parthenon
5 Bravest of the Greek warriors during the Trojan War
8 Lawyer, politician, and most famous orator of the 1st century BCE
9 Slayer of the Minotaur
10 Greek goddess of love and beauty
12 Augustan altar dedicated to peace from the 1st century BCE
13 Epic poem describing the events of the Trojan War

Down
1 Leader of the Argonauts on his journey for the Golden Fleece
3 Ancient city that was buried by a volcano and has since been excavated
4 Another name for the Colosseum
6 Author of 13 across
7 Famous ancient sanctuary, home of the oracle Pythia, center of the universe for the Greeks
11 Hero of the 12 labors
13 Country in the Mediterranean that contains Rome, Pompeii, and Venice
14 Abbreviated motto of the Roman Republic
Zeus was known for having a series of affairs and girlfriends (or boyfriends). Here are the 7 best affairs from mythology with an added dose of sarcasm.

**Io**

Out of all the ways to hide a mistress from your wife, I think transforming her into a cow is probably one of the worst. Also, it seems kind of insulting to Io; Zeus doesn't just say she looks like a cow, he literally makes her one. Then having to give the cow/your lover to your wife? It doesn't get much worse than that. However, being constantly pestered by a fly sent by your boyfriend's wife causing you to wander forever may be worse.

**Callisto**

Apparently taking on the form of your daughter to force yourself on one of her followers is okay. Also, good friends would not kick you out of the clique just because you are pregnant. I guess being a bear could have its perks but overall it seems more preferable to be a human, especially when your son is about to kill you. Oops. Being a constellation could be cool; good ratings, so many stars.

**Metis**

It is generally not ideal to swallow a fly, especially when that fly is pregnant with your child and trying to make a helmet inside your body, giving you a giant migraine. The best solution to any headache may not be to have Hephaestus cut open your head with an axe, but it all worked out in the end. Personally, I would not recommend birthing a child through your head, but it works for the ruler of the universe.

**Taygete**

Even being turned into a doe with golden horns and invoking the protection of Artemis does not help you avoid Zeus. Also, some distinction between heroine, goddess, and doe would probably help; however, continuing to exist after being sacrificed and hunted multiple times would be a pretty cool deal.
Ganymede

Being carried to Mount Olympus by an eagle that may or may not be Zeus himself might be interesting, but probably is not in your best interest. Once there, becoming the cupbearer of the gods seems like a cool job, but when it is coupled with Hera's burning rage for anyone else receiving affection from Zeus, it does not seem like fun anymore. Again, becoming a constellation is probably the best thing for them, especially when surrounded by so many stars.

Leda

Seeing a swan escape certain death from an eagle may be an exciting spectacle, but does not warrant getting up close and personal with said swan, especially on your wedding night. Also, Zeus, there are better ways to get close to girls (or people) you find attractive than turning into a bird and either kidnapping them or getting them pregnant. At least beautiful Helen came out of this; nothing bad ever happened because of her, right?

Europa

Again, there are better ways to get another significant other than turning into an animal and kidnapping them. Also, running up to and eventually getting on the back of a bull that is particularly beautiful is not how I personally deal with animals, but to each his own. Once it starts running away with you on its back, I think you should start getting a little worried, but apparently not.

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