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**Western Kentucky University**  
**UA68 Potter College of Arts & Letters**  
**Series 7: Modern Languages**  
**Subseries 2/1: FCG Classical Club**

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**Biographical/Historical Note:**

FCG is an abbreviation of Fides, Concordia, Gratia (Fidelity, Harmony, Goodwill) and is also the initials of Finley C. Grise, the club's first sponsor. The first meeting was February 10, 1925, and the first official meeting after the adoption of the constitution was March 17, 1925. There were 22 charter members. All Latin majors and minors were eligible for membership. The club temporarily disbanded in 1942 and was reinstated in 1949.

"The aims of this organization shall be: 1. To give those students of the Western Kentucky State Teacher's college who are preparing to teach Latin an opportunity to meet and discuss questions of common interest. 2. To develop a deeper and wider interest in the life, language, and literature of ancient Rome. 3. To consider the problems connected with the study and teaching of Latin in Kentucky high schools. 4. To encourage and promote sound and advanced scholarship in our own school and in the state at large." [Constitution, Section 2, 1925-1932 Minute Book, p. 3]

Regular club activities included presentations by club members and faculty on Roman life and culture, Roman-themed banquets, picnics, Roman games, and more.

**Charter members:**

Cherry, Mrs. Homer

Coffey, Ida

Crute, Maurine

Driskill, Ruth

Hardwick, Mrs. Morris

Highbaugh, Bettie

Holland, Fannie

Jacups, Edna

Kirby, Olivia

Lewis, Alice

Link, Annah Laura

Maigret, Mrs. John

Miller, Mrs. John

Pardue, Leona

Patterson, Zelma

VanZant, Sallie

Warner, Julia

Whitaker, Nettie

**Honorary Members:**

Grise, Finley

Grise, Mrs.

Patter, Belle

Prentiss, Ellice

Sledge, Jewel

Smith, Wallace

Thomas, Elizabeth

Wilson, Gordon

**Sponsors:**

Grise, Finley

Stonecipher, Sibyl

**Presidents:**

Mrs. Morris Hardwick 1925  
Katherine Kirtley 1925-1926  
Ruth Driskill 1926  
Edna Jacups 1926  
Emma Blewett 1927  
Charlene Roemer 1927  
Bess Shirley 1927  
Fadie Ryan 1927  
Mrs. O.T. Evans 1928  
Frances Barksdale 1928-1929  
Virginia Hall 1929-1930  
Lillie Bradford 1931  
Ethel Jones 1931-1932

Mary Frances McChesney 1932-1933  
Kathleen Williams 1934  
Hart Finley 1935  
Esta Webb 1936  
Frances Kingory 1937  
Marian Weigel 1938  
Dorothy Watts 1939  
David Matthews 1940  
Justin Lashbrook 1941  
Elizabeth Briggs 1942  
James Coke 1949  
Evelyn Bailey 1950  
Mary Alice Hanson 1951

**Vice Presidents:**

Leona Pardue 1925  
Otho Adams 1925  
Bethel Steen 1925  
Charlene Roemer 1926  
Fannie Holland 1926  
Olivia Kirby 1926  
Gladys Haliburton 1927  
Cecil Batson 1927  
Charlene Roemer 1927  
? Cotton 1928  
Ivy Stagner 1928  
Elsie Hammond 1929  
Almedia Pearce 1929-1930  
Ethel Jones 1931  
Ruth Martin 1931-1932

Lucy Glenn Wood 1932  
Elizabeth Henderson 1933  
Mary Hart Finley 1934  
Marguerite Shepherd 1935  
Emily Paine 1936  
Marian Wiegel 1937  
Joe Allen Bryant 1938  
Dave Matthews 1939  
June Vinson 1940  
Elizabeth Briggs 1941  
Maurine Ponder 1942  
Bill Dolan 1949  
Margaret Hall 1949  
James Alvey 1950  
Evelyn Bailey 1951

**Secretary/Treasurers:**

Zelma Patterson 1925  
Ruth Driskill 1925  
Ida Coffey 1925  
Olivia Kirby 1925-1926  
Emma Blewette 1926  
Fannie Holland 1926  
Olivia Kirby 1927  
Edna Mae Jacups 1927  
Nancy Sterett 1927  
Emma Nisbet 1928  
Blanche Hall 1928-1929  
Geraldine Adsit 1929-1930  
Thelma Dee Humphrey 1931  
Mary McChesney 1931-1932  
Trilby Moore 1932

Virginia Boston 1933  
Sarah Hobbs 1934  
Virginia Singleton 1935  
J.W. Galloway 1935-1936  
Richard Grise 1937  
Dorothy Watts 1938  
Pansy Lowe 1939  
Fred Dannaway 1940  
Maurine Ponder 1941  
Greta Napier 1942  
Betty Guess 1949  
Opal Willoughby 1949  
Margaret Hall 1950  
Ellen Mason 1950  
Carlos Porter 1951

**Reporters:**

Julia Warner 1925

Edna May Jacups 1925-1926

Emma Blewette 1926  
Charliene Roemer 1927  
Janice Pace 1928  
Hazel Turbeville 1929  
Thelma Humphrey 1929-1930  
Mildred Roark 1931  
Lucy Glenn Wood 1931-1932  
Essie Topmiller 1932  
Elizabeth Henderson 1933  
Clora England 1934

Theresa Meredith 1935  
John Brown 1936  
Catherine Payne 1937  
David Matthews 1938  
June Vincent 1939  
George Grise 1939  
Martha James 1940  
Opal Willoughby 1949  
James Alvey 1949

**Description:** Records created by and about the FCG Classical Club.

**Dates:** 1925-1942; 1949-

**Subject Analytics:**

Meetings  
Modern Languages (WKU)  
Potter College of Arts & Letters (WKU)

Programs  
Student organizations  
Western Kentucky University

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Flowers, Eula Mae  
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Holland, Fannie  
Howell, Ora  
Humphrey, Thelma  
Jacups, Edna  
Jewell, Bennie  
Jones, Ethel  
Jones, Martha  
Kimberlin, Leona  
Kirby, Mary  
Kirby, Olivia  
Kirtley, Kathrine  
Lafferty, Joe  
Lewis, Neta  
Martin, Ruth  
McChesney, Mary  
McPherson, Clara  
Membership  
Miller, Mrs. John  
Moore, Trilby  
Morris, Vista  
Pardue, Leona  
Patterson, Zelma  
Pearce, Almedia  
Perkins, Mrs. Presley  
Prentice, Ellice  
Roark, Mildred  
Roemer, Charliene  
Rogers, Ernestine  
Rothwell, Colonel  
Ryan, Fadie  
Scott, Lucille  
Shirley, Bess  
Simpson, Nina  
Smith, Wallace  
Stagner, Ivy  
Stein, Bethel  
Stone, Bill  
Stonecipher, Sibyl  
Summers, Bayliss  
Summers, Martha  
Thomas, Elizabeth  
Topmiller, Essie  
Turbeville, Hazel  
Upton, Arvin  
Upton, Jennie  
VanZant, Sallie  
Warner, Julia  
Weldy, James  
Wells, Mary  
Wentworth, Elizabeth  
White, Lola  
Wilson, Gordon  
Wood, Lucy Glenn  
Wright, Lula

Description	Presentations by club members and faculty continued, other activities include chapel programs (including Roman costumes), contest for best Latin recipe for making fudge (Feb 1934), roundtable discussions, Roman banquets, a Saturnalia celebration, picnics, and a visit to the Parthenon in Nashville.	Subjects	Banquets Meetings Student organizations
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The club disbanded temporarily in 1942 due to lack of active members. There was some interest in reinstating the club in summer 1945, but the next official meeting was on 01/12/1949.

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Alvey, James  
 Bailey, Evelyn  
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 Brown, John  
 Bryant, Joe  
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 Cheatham, Wanda  
 Coke, James  
 Dannaway, Fred  
 Dolan, Bill  
 Durham, Elizabeth  
 England, Clora  
 Financial records  
 Finley, Hart  
 Flowers, Eula  
 Galloway, J.W.  
 Geohagan, Hazel  
 Grise, Finley  
 Grise, George  
 Guess, Betty  
 Hall, Margaret  
 Hansen, Mary  
 Hart, Katie  
 Hobbs, Sarah  
 Isenberg, Barbara  
 Jenkins, Burton  
 Johnston, Roy  
 Jones, Lemar  
 Knight, Nicholas  
 Lashbrooke, Austin  
 Lowe, Pansy  
 Matthews, David  
 Matthews, Howard  
 Membership  
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 Showalter, Victor  
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 Sublett, Hazel  
 Topmiller, Essie  
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 Vinson, Lu  
 Watts, Dorothy  
 Wiegel, Marian  
 Willoughby, Opal  
 Wood, Lucy  
 Wright, Josephine

