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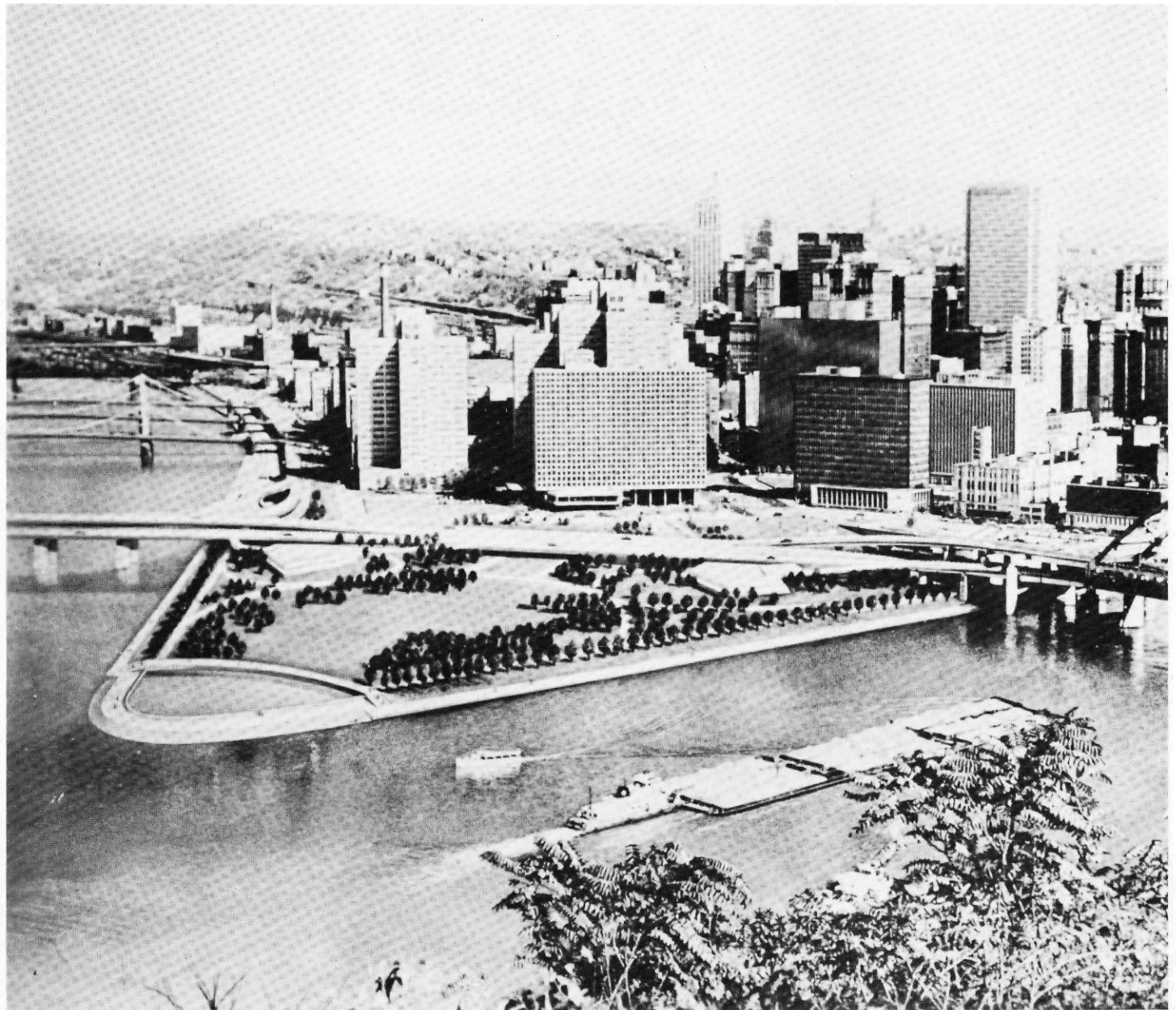
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FORTY-FIRST NATIONAL CONVENTION TO BE IN PITTSBURGH, MARCH 28 and 29



The Pittsburgh Hilton is prominent in the central foreground opposite Point State Park, named as the point where the Allegheny and Monongahela Rivers meet to form the Ohio.

CONVENTION REPORT, by Sharyn Lynch

The Forty-first National Convention of Eta Sigma Phi will convene at 9:00 a.m. on March 28, 1969, in the King's Plaza of the Pittsburgh Hilton Hotel in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. Megas Prytanis John Armbrust, assisted by Megas Hyparchos Lawrence Schmitt, Megas Grammateus Sharyn Lynch, and Megas Chrysophylax Michael Adelman, will preside at the business sessions on Friday, March 28, and Saturday, March 29. Delta Eta Chapter at Seton Hill College is the host for the meeting, and members of Gamma Mu Chapter at Westminster College are assisting. Prytanis Sharyn Lynch, Hyparchos Rosemary Warga, Grammateus Sandra Shaw, and Chrysophylax Delora Pelosi

are the officers of Delta Eta Chapter, and Sister Rose de Lima Henry is the Adviser. Philip Lawton is the Prytanis of Gamma Mu Chapter.

The business meeting on Friday will adjourn at 12:00 o'clock, permitting the delegates time for lunch. At 2 o'clock, chartered buses will provide transportation from the Hilton to Seton Hill College, about an hour's drive from Pittsburgh at a cost of \$1.00. Workshops will begin at 3:00. Eddie R. Lowry, an alumnus of Beta Theta Chapter and Eta Sigma Phi's Summer Scholar in Rome for 1968, will share some of his experiences with the delegates. Each Region will also meet and discuss their activities for the past year. It is hoped

that each Region will make definite plans for inter-chapter activities at the workshops. Members of Delta Eta Chapter will host a cocktail reception for the delegates in the Administration Parlors of the College from 5:00-6:00. Delegates will then proceed to Lowe Dining Hall for dinner. Dr. Anthony Podlecki of Pennsylvania State University will address the members of the convention. He has chosen for his topic "The Drama of *Prometheus Bound*." Buses will then return to Pittsburgh where the delegates may enjoy the convention city and meet informally.

The second Business Session, on Saturday morning, will complete the



The Allegheny County Courthouse and Jail is known in Pittsburgh as "a triumph of Romanesque architecture and the despair of traffic engineers."



Both the aluminum Steeple and the Alcoa Building are reminders that Pittsburgh is more than a city of steel.

TENTATIVE PROGRAM FORTY-FIRST NATIONAL CONVENTION

To Be Held at Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, March 28 and 29, 1969

Delta Eta Chapter, Seton Hill College, Host

Pittsburgh Hilton, Convention Hotel

Friday, March 28, 1969

- 8:00- 9:00 A.M. Registration
- 9:00 A.M. First General Session
Business Meeting
Minutes of the Fortieth National Convention
Roll Call of Chapters and Chapter Reports
Report of Megas Chrysophylax
Report of Chairman of the Board of Trustees
Report of the Executive Secretary
Report of Standing Committees
- 12:00 NOON Lunch
- 2:00 P.M. Transportation by buses to Seton Hill College
- 3:00 P.M. Workshops
Speech by Eddie R. Lowry, Jr., Eta Sigma Phi Scholar, American Academy in Rome, 1968: "Rome: Kairos and Chronos"
- 5:00 P.M. Cocktail hour
- 6:00 P.M. Banquet, Seton Hill College
Address: Dr. Anthony Podlecki, Pennsylvania State University: "The 'Drama' of the *Prometheus Bound*"

Saturday, March 29, 1969

- 9:00 A.M. Second General Session, Pittsburgh Hilton
Business Meeting (concluded)
Election and Installation of new officers
- 1:00 P.M. Adjournment of Forty-first National Convention



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regular business of the Fraternity as an incorporated society. During this session, new national officers will be elected and installed.

Pittsburgh, our convention city, known as the "Gateway to the West," is strategically located at the point where the Allegheny and Monongahela meet and form the Ohio River. Its importance as a "Gateway to the West" is evident from the struggle by the Indians, the French, and finally the English to control what was once Fort Pitt where the Blockhouse now stands. Pittsburgh's location at the junction of these three rivers was responsible for its early growth. More recently, Pittsburgh has undergone an extensive urban renewal project which has earned it the name "Renaissance City of America." The educational and cultural resources of the city, as well as its physical appearance, have improved tremendously under this program.

Pittsburgh offers much for the visitor. Delegates should enjoy Shadyside, Pittsburgh's own "Greenwich Village." The Gallery Downstairs, The Gazebo, and the Arts International Art Gallery are of special interest in Shadyside. The Carnegie Institute, a unique Museum of Science and Art, and the Cathedral of Learning are located in Oakland. Incline cars travelling 600 feet up and down Mt. Washington provide a spectacular view of the Golden Triangle and the City. Other spots of interest are the Heinz Memorial Chapel, Buhl Planetarium, the Civic Arena, Syria Mosque, and Mellon Square.

Home of Delta Eta Chapter, Seton Hill College was founded in 1883, and was a distinguished academy for girls and a lower school for boys until 1918 when the College was rechartered. The Seton Hill Campus is a tract of two hundred acres situated on a hill and a ridge overlooking Greensburg. Although a woman's college, Seton Hill enjoys shared activities, both academic and social, with its brother college, St. Vincent College located in Latrobe, Pennsylvania. In addition to the exchange program with St. Vincent College, Seton Hill offers a Summer Study in Greece, the Junior Year Abroad, a Washington Semester at The American University, and a United Nations Semester at Drew University. Students from both Seton Hill and St. Vincent are members of Delta Eta Chapter and will be our hosts.

(The Editor's notes on the Convention are on the next page.)

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FROM THE EDITOR:

Each chapter of Eta Sigma Phi is required to be represented by official delegates at a national convention each six years. Each chapter has been notified by the National Office of its record of attendance as recorded in that office. The Constitution also requires that a letter of regret be sent to the *Megas Grammateus* by each chapter which is unable to send delegates; and that this letter is to be accompanied by the annual report of the activities of the chapter. *Megas Grammateus Sharyn Lynch (Box 54, Seton Hill College, Greensburg, Pa. 15601)* should receive this letter of regret by March 25.

The Annual Report of each chapter should be prepared in typewritten form, to be presented by the official delegates at the Roll Call of Chapters at the Business Meeting on Friday morning, March 28.

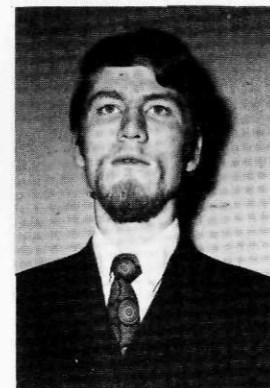
The National Convention of 1970 will be held in the Gamma Region (Southern states). If your chapter is in this area and wishes to be host to the next convention, address your invitation to the delegates to the Forty-first Convention, and send it to the *Megas Grammateus*.

ETA SIGMA PHI SCHOLARS, 1969



MRS. MARGARET ELLEN MAYO

MRS. MARGARET ELLEN MAYO, a graduate student at Rutgers University, has received the Eta Sigma Phi Scholarship for study at the American School of Classical Studies during the summer of 1969. Mrs. Mayo received her A.B. degree from Randolph-Macon Woman's College in 1966. There she served as Hyparchos and later Prytanis of the Delta Alpha Chapter, and was a member of Phi Beta Kappa. In addition to her work at Rutgers and at RMWC, she has taken courses at the University of North Carolina and at the University of Richmond. Mrs. Mayo, the former Miss Margaret Ellen Apperson, is married to Mr. Herbert Mayo, a doctoral candidate in economics. Upon her return from the summer's study in Greece, she will write her dissertation, a study of Archilochus as a poet and as a representative of his age. She plans to be a college teacher of Classics.



MR. THOMAS MICHAEL FALKNER

MR. THOMAS MICHAEL FALKNER has been awarded the scholarship for study at the American Academy in Rome. Now a senior, Mr. Falkner is serving his second term as Prytanis of the Gamma Phi Chapter at Le Moyne College in Syracuse, N. Y. Although he has given concerts of folk music at Le Moyne, he is primarily known there as a Classics student. Besides his duties as President of an active chapter of Eta Sigma Phi, Mr. Falkner is editing the *Phos* magazine, which is published by the Classics Department, and is doing a senior honors project on the *Bacchae*. Upon graduation from Le Moyne, he plans to obtain a doctorate in classical philology, and then to teach on the college level.

WHEN IN ROME, by Eddie R. Lowry, Jr.

Mr. Lowry received the 1968 Eta Sigma Phi Scholarship to the American Academy at Rome. Last year, while a classics major at Hampden-Sydney College, he served as Megas Chrysothylax of the Fraternity. Presently, he is enrolled at Harvard Divinity School.

Although a description of a typical day in Rome may be trite in its topic, unscholarly in its generality, and even dishonest in its unreality, nevertheless I have chosen to write on such a subject because most people have asked me not "What did you see in Rome?" but instead, "What did you do?" This latter question suggests a general familiarity with the monuments of the city, which is reasonable to assume, I suppose, owing to such widespread phenomena as "Ben-Hur," "National Geographic," and last and indeed least, first-year Latin books. In fact, I shall the more gladly write on the manner of our life in Rome for six weeks, for I feel deeply that Rome is obviously not another European capital which one visits casually, nor even THE eternal city that one examines in awe, as much as it is a place (for want of a better word) that one should live in, participate in, and experience to the greatest extent.

The typical day that I have chosen to describe began around 7:30 a.m. with a nefarious continental breakfast consisting invariably of crusty rosette rolls, mud-brown coffee, and peach preserves (a good year for peaches, presumably). Accordingly fortified for the morning, we dragged cameras, map plans, guidebooks, and ourselves onto the chartered bus that five days a week carried us from our hotel on the residential Aventine Hill to the American Academy across the Tiber on the Janiculum. Our route customarily took us past the Circus Maximus, about two blocks from our hotel (a site that impressed me very little and which I admit unashamedly that I considered to be a parking lot when I first stumbled upon it), past the Forum Roarium, along the Tiber, and past the Tiber Island, easily overlooked in the thick morning rush traffic but responsible for the very founding of Rome in that it created a fordable spot in the River Tiber. Once at the Academy, a handsome, imposing edifice with fountains and immaculately tended gardens, we had an hour lecture on the site we would inspect as a group for the next two hours.

Our group of 36, consisting of chiefly high school Latin teachers and a few graduate students, returned to the

Academy shortly after noon, and most of us elected to have lunch in the pleasant portico surrounding the Academy's inner courtyard. The resident fellows of the Academy, who engaged in the independent study of architecture, music, sculpture, landscape, or classical literature, also had lunch at the courtyard and there were occasional opportunities for conversation between the two groups.

The remainder of the day was our own, and the first order of business was our independent return from the Academy to our hotel, which on Roman public transportation was seldom uneventful. If I tell you that buses in Rome carried signs announcing the capacity as 21 persons seated, 79 persons standing; that passengers, hot, tired, and perspiring, enter from the rear and eventually exit from the front (hopefully); and that American students with books, cameras, and other paraphernalia are not the most agile, adept, and aggressive persons on the bus, then you can appreciate the various trials, always humorous but still exasperating, that we had in these our closest contacts with the customarily friendly, even if aggressive, Italians. I use the words "closest contact" advisedly, for, since we were among fellow Americans with kindred interests, the opportunity was seldom ours to mingle individually with the Italians. English was spoken at our hotel, of course at the Academy, and at many places in Rome, where tourism is perhaps the main industry, as it has been throughout the ages, with bureaucracy—civil and ecclesiastical—running a close second.

In the afternoon those of us who wanted to be Roman in practice (and those who were simply tired in fact) had a siesta, a very sensible custom in the midday heat, when stores and offices shut down universally for two to three hours. Afternoons provided an opportunity for going to the beach near Ostia, easily accessible by Rome's only subway line, which stopped at the Circus Maximus near our hotel and which, coming above ground in the suburbs, carried us to the coast in about 30 minutes, taking us past the brick ruins

of Ostia, to which we gave due classical regard from the train window.

Also open in the afternoon were the Academy's impressive library, some museums, and the larger churches. Here I might say that the churches and basilicas of Rome always caused me to reflect upon contrasts: the contrast of their gilded splendor with the poverty of many of the parishoners to whom they ministered; and the contrast of the dignity of the mass which was being celebrated with the casual attitude of tourists milling about, as children of all nationalities often ran gaily around the pillars and columns. The acme of the contrast surely came at the papal audiences, when the Pope, in all formality and dignity, was borne aloft in a chair, down the main aisle of St. Peter's amid thunderous applause and unrestrained cheers, the floodlight of thousands of flashcubes, and the waving of placards announcing that the faithful of various parishes had come to see the Holy Father.

A large part of the evening was devoted to dinner, which seldom was undertaken before 8 p.m. except by famished Americans. The relaxed pace of Italian life was perhaps nowhere more apparent than in a Roman restaurant, where the waiters were in no hurry to prepare the customer's check and to leave it with the unctuous yet final "thank you, good night, and come back to see us" (i.e., please leave), so characteristic at home.

Evening activities were rich and varied. Twice a week there were concerts in the ruins of the Basilica of Constantine or Maxentius in the Roman Forum. Three operas were presented in a roughly alternating sequence at the Baths of Caracalla, the most famed being Verdi's "Aida," renowned for the spectacle of its camels and horse-drawn chariots. No special opportunity was needed for going to the popular Piazza Navona, whose elongated oval shape reflected Domitian's stadium, on whose outlines it was laid out; to the Via del Corso, formerly a race track, as its name suggests, and now the main street of downtown Rome; or to the Via Veneto, where everyone scrutinizes

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ed everyone else in the hopes of spotting some famous movie star. And no evening was complete without Italian ice cream, so delightfully light and devoid of the lardy texture peculiar to American products. Finally, some attention had to be given to the reading assignment for the next day's lecture.

It was by our daily living in Rome rather than by our studies that the classical past came truly alive. We experienced the city and thereby experienced the continuous influence of classical Roman life upon our own. Perhaps unique to Rome are both the influences of the past, as in her culture, and the very substance of the past, as in her monuments.

In the grind of academia, I was well on my way to overlooking that we study language to learn about a culture other than our own. As the result of my experiences this summer in Rome, I look forward to communicating and to sharing some of this experience with other students of ancient languages, to the end that classics, like Rome, might be something not merely studied but experienced.

ETA SIGMA PHI MEDALS

All chapters are encouraged to award Eta Sigma Phi medals in local high schools. Three medals are available from the former Executive Secretary, Professor H. R. Butts:

No. 1—Fourth Year Latin Award (silver, 1½") \$3.75

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No. 3—Second Year Latin Award (bronze, ¾") \$1.25

Please allow three weeks for delivery. Send orders to Prof. H. R. Butts, Birmingham-Southern College, Birmingham, Alabama 35204.

BETA DELTA REACTIVATED

The Eta Sigma Phil Chapter at the University of Tennessee, Beta Delta, was reactivated in an initiation ceremony on January 21, 1969. Fourteen new members were initiated, and officers were elected for the remainder of the school year: Dwight Sullivan, Prytanis; Chris Moser, Hyparchos; Eleanor Hackney, Grammateus; and Eugenea Pollock, Chrysophylax.

Dr. Harry Rutledge, the new chairman of the Department of Classical languages, was one of the first recipients of an Eta Sigma Phi Scholarship. Mrs. Mary Louise Henbest has been selected as the faculty adviser of Beta Delta. To them and to all the members of the Beta Delta Chapter, congratulations!

IMPORTANT NOTICE

Orders for membership certificates which are desired before the end of the present academic year should reach the National Office by April 24. Because of the heavy load of work at the end of the school year Balfour is unable to give the usual service. Orders which reach the National Office after April 24 will be mailed during the summer or at the beginning of the new academic year. All initiates not yet reported to the National Office should be reported at once.

DELTA NU, A New Chapter

La Salle College is a Catholic college for men in Philadelphia. It was founded in 1863, and is conducted by the Brothers of the Christian Schools, a religious order dedicated solely to teaching. The "Christian Brothers" number 18,000 around the world, and they work under as many as seventy national flags.

The college in Philadelphia derives its name from the founder of the teaching brotherhood, St. John Baptiste de La Salle, who pioneered in teaching methods which made schooling more accessible to persons of modest means; specifically, by introducing the system of one teacher instructing a number

of students of the same age, all using the same textbook.

La Salle College has met a variety of challenges in its 106 years of life. Its location within Philadelphia has shifted several times, as the demands for space have required. (At the turn of this century, it occupied the Bouvier Mansion, the home of ancestors of Mrs. Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis.) Enrollment at La Salle suffered during the Depression, and before the end of World War II was down to 90 students. A year later 1200 veterans were utilizing their G. I. Bill benefits at La Salle. Today, a twenty-million dollar plant serves a day-school student body of 3200, with an even greater number attending evening classes.

The Delta Nu Chapter of Eta Sigma Phi was installed just over a year ago, on February 10, 1968, by members of

the chapter at Marywood College in Scranton. Seven undergraduates were initiated as charter members, and three faculty members were named honorary members. The members chose these officers: Peter Aton, Prytanis; Michael Palumbo, Hyparchos; Neal Hebert, Grammateus and Chrysophylax. Brother David Kelly worked with the chapter during its initial organization, and Brother G. Jude Sapone now serves as the faculty adviser.

Latin and Greek thrive at La Salle, where many modern languages are taught: French, German, Italian, Polish, Spanish, and Russian. The curriculum includes many fields: theology and business administration, linguistics and military science.

NUNTIUS congratulates the members of the Delta Nu Chapter, and the Christian Brothers of La Salle College.

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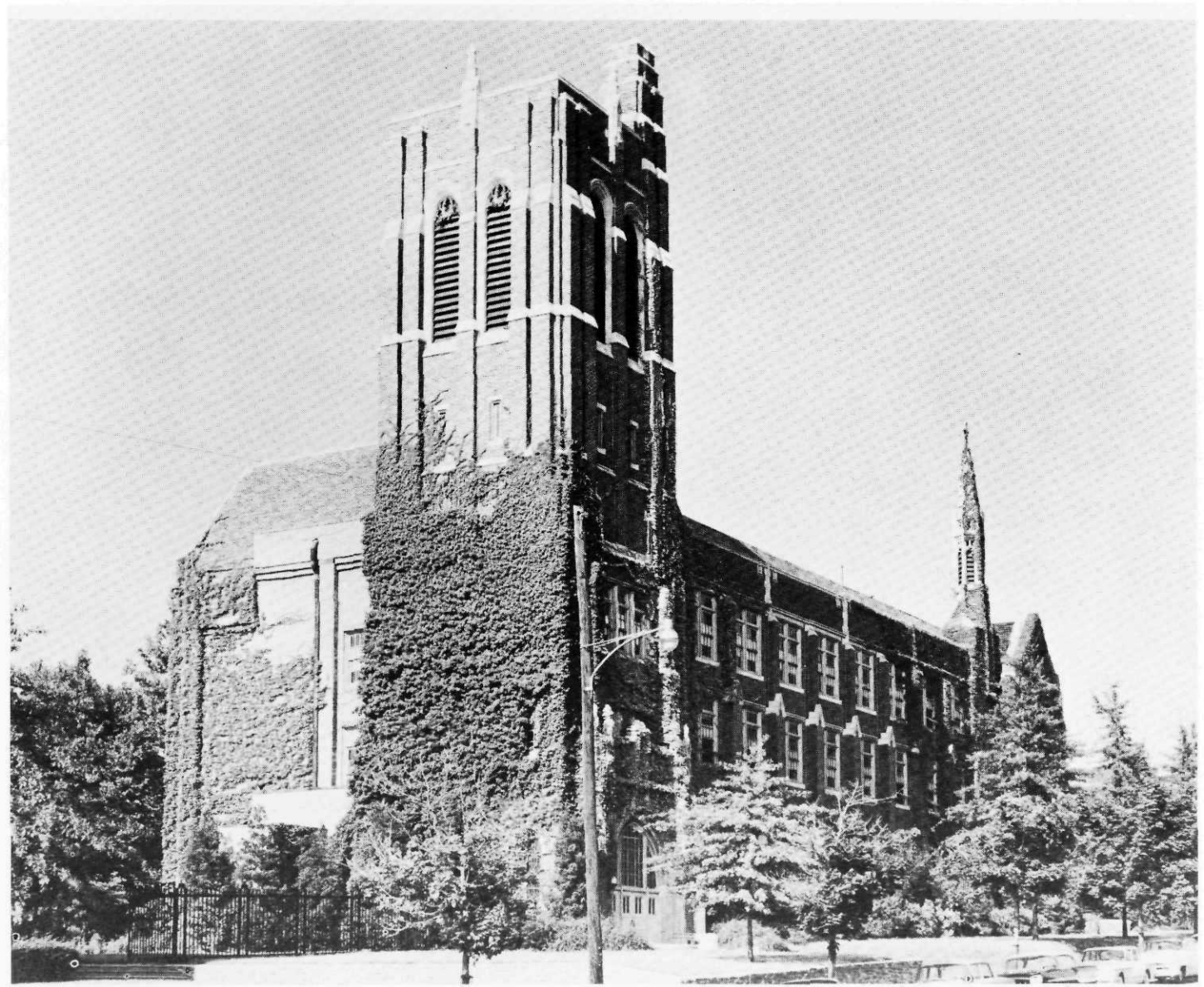
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Our New Chapters --- DELTA TAU

When Delta Tau Chapter of Eta Sigma Phi was officially installed at the University of Delaware on May 21, 1968, it became the most recent in a long series of events that have contributed to make Delaware a highly respected university. Tracing its origin to 1743, when it opened as a Presbyterian School in the manse of the noted colonial scholar, Dr. Francis Alison, the University has progressed through various stages in the course of its development; becoming Newark Academy in 1769, Newark College in 1834, joining the ranks of land-grant institutions as Delaware College in 1867 and adopting the name University of Delaware in 1921. Delaware today boasts an undergraduate student body of approximately 7,300 and is fully accredited by the Middle States Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools, offering undergraduate degrees in 96 different fields, in addition to 46 master's and 13 Ph.D. degree programs. This September the University welcomed its 22nd president, Dr. Edward Arthur Trabant, who came to Delaware from the Georgia Institute of Technology where he served as Vice President for Academic Affairs.

Located in Newark, Delaware, a city with a population of approximately 19,000, the University enjoys the advantages of a small community; but it is close to educational,

cultural and social centers in Philadelphia, New York, Baltimore and Washington, which its students frequently visit.

When Delaware's chapter of Eta Sigma Phi was installed, eight undergraduate students became its charter members, along with two honorary members: Dr. Evelyn Holst Clift, Professor of History at the University and Mother M. Aloysius Peach of Wilmington's Ursuline Academy. At that meeting Louis A. Baer was elected Prytanis. Also elected were Hyparchos Mary Anne Llewellyn and Grammateus-Chrysophylax Antonia Anne Funk. Mr. Anthony O. Leach II, Instructor of Languages and Literature, serves as faculty adviser. Among the programs planned for this year are a lecture by a guest professor and a dinner for secondary-school Latin students from the State of Delaware.

On their arrival in September, the Class of 1973 will find an increase in classics faculty from the present one and one-half to two full-time faculty members who, along with Dr. Clift in ancient history, will be able to offer students a comprehensive program in classics for the first time in five years. Latin and Greek are once again thriving at Delaware and Delta Tau Chapter is there to give a helping hand.

We thank Louis Baer for this report, and wish good omens for him and the other members of Delta Tau.



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FORTY-FIRST NATIONAL CONVENTION

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The business meetings moved swiftly and with good humor each day, testifying to both the work of the Grand Executive Council and the mood of the participants.

National Office to Move

In a special report for the Board of Trustees, Professor Theodore Bedrick announced that Dr. William L. Odom, the Executive Secretary, was leaving

Hampden-Sydney College to become Academic Dean and Professor of Greek at Keuka College, in Keuka Park, New York. Because Keuka College has no chapter of Eta Sigma Phi, it was necessary that the Board secure a replacement for Dr. Odom. Professor Bedrick recommended and the National Convention approved "that Dr. Odom continue to serve as Executive Secretary until the Board of Trustees can suggest a suitable replacement to the Grand Executive Council, with official ratification of the appointment by the 1970 National Convention." Dr. Odom, in his own report to the delegates, concluded with these words: "It has been a privilege for me to serve as your Executive Secretary during this year. The difficulties of corporation reports and NUNTIUS deadlines have been more than counterbalanced by the opportunity for the Executive Secretary to become acquainted with you as participants in the work of local chapters. If Eta Sigma Phi is to continue to grow, both in numbers and in significance, its growth will reflect not so much the

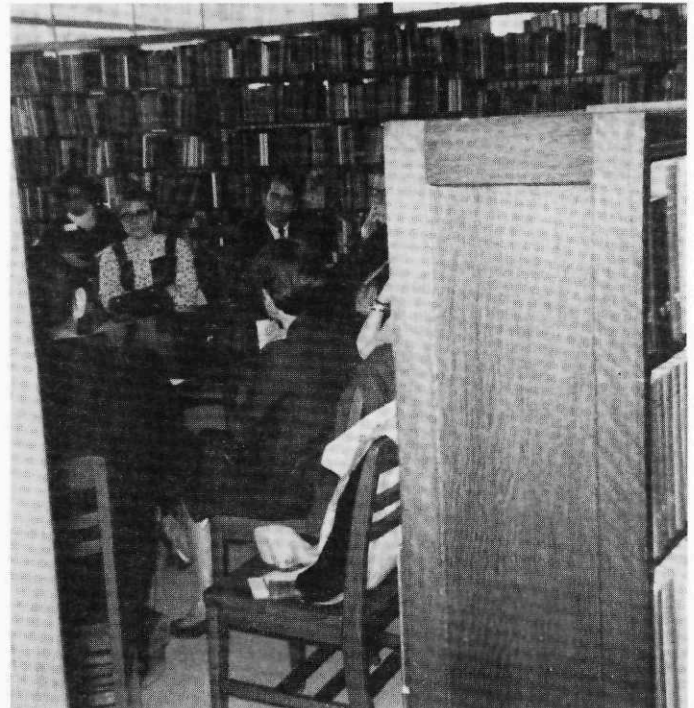
zeal of the Executive Secretary as the dedication of the chapter faculty advisors and the initiative and imagination of the officers and members of the individual chapters."

New Officers Chosen

The highlight of the Saturday session was the election of National Officers for 1969-70. With only one office contested and with rather little controversy generated, the delegates elected these leaders: Megas Prytanis Michael J. Adelman of Hampden-Sydney College, the retiring Megas Chrysophylax; Megas Hyparchos H. Lee Perkins of Hampden-Sydney College; Megas Grammateus Delora Pelosi of Seton Hill College; and Megas Chrysophylax Thomas DeMoss of the University of Mississippi. Mr. Adelman, speaking for the new officers, thanked the delegates for their expression of confidence and urged the members to render the support to the Grand Executive Council without which the programs of the Fraternity could not succeed.



National Officers perform their first duty—posing solemnly for pictures.



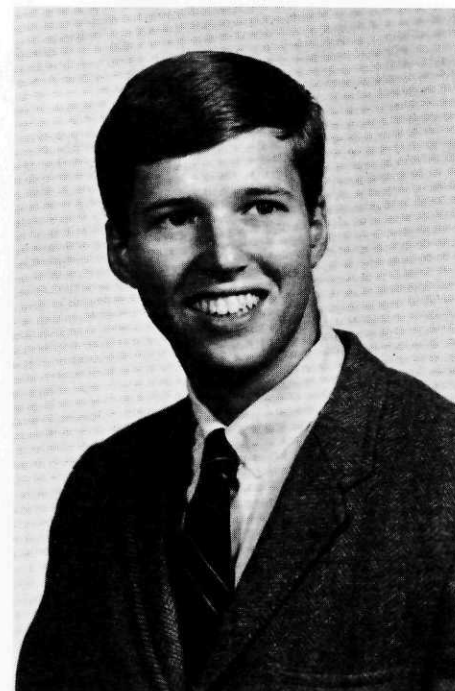
Workshops in the Seton Hill Library were highly successful.

Seton Hill Entertains

The host chapter, Seton Hill College, entertained the delegates Friday afternoon and evening with a program which was both intellectually and socially stimulating. Mr. Eddie R. Lowry, Jr., who was the 1968 Eta Sigma Phi Scholar in Rome, gave a lively slide presentation, which he called "Rome, Kairos and Chronos." The audience agreed that their time had been well spent. Following Lowry's talk, meetings of delegates by Regions were held. The recent innovation of Workshops at the National Convention was utilized effectively by the Seton Hill planners, who offered for discussion such timely topics as "graduate school opportunities for classics majors" and "Greek and Latin authors who hold most relevance for young people and their problems." After a refreshment hour and a quite lavish banquet, the delegates and visitors heard Dr. Anthony Podlecki of Pennsylvania State University unravel the meaning of his favorite Greek tragedy, Aeschylus' *Prometheus Bound*.

Forty-Second National Convention

Richmond, Virginia, was selected as the site for the next Convention of the Fraternity. Beta Gamma Chapter, of the University of Richmond, will be the host chapter; and will be assisted by several other chapters in the Richmond area. The date of the meeting will be announced in the next issue of NUNTIUS.



New National President Mike Adelman.

Dr. Burns Becomes Executive Secretary

Dr. Mary Ann Burns, Professor of Classics at the University of Wisconsin at Milwaukee, has been named by the Trustees and the National Officers as the new Executive Secretary of Eta Sigma Phi and Editor of NUNTIUS. Professor Theodore Bedrick, Chairman of the Board of Trustees, announced recently that Dr. Burns, whom the Trustees had regarded as their first choice to succeed Dr. Odom, had agreed to accept the position, effective September 1, 1969.

Professor Burns is no stranger to the work of the Fraternity. She has advised the Gamma Gamma Chapter since 1960, and has participated in the work of many area and national conventions. Most recently, she has offered effective leadership as chairman of the important Committee on Contests.

She received the B.A. degree from Rosemont College in 1949, and the A.M. the following year from the University of Pennsylvania. Such a scholar as Mary Ann Burns never "completes" her schooling; but Professor Burns studied at the University of Rome during the 1954-55 session, and obtained the Ph.D. degree from Pennsylvania in 1960. Prior to and during her period of graduate study, Professor Burns taught at the high school level, first at Wellsboro and then in Springfield, Pennsylvania. She came to Milwaukee from Pennsylvania in 1960, and has served the University in several special capacities: as Acting Chairman of the Hebrew Studies Department, for one year; and as Chairman of the Classics Department, for four years. She has also been a Visiting Lecturer at Marquette University, during the summers of 1963 and 1965.

Dr. Burns is an author, who with two other scholars has published the book *Lingua Latina: Liber Primus* (1964) and *Liber Alter* (1965). Her articles and book reviews have appeared in the *Classical World*, the *Classical Journal* and the *Classical Bulletin*. She is a member of the American Philological Association, the Classical Association of the Middle West and South, the American Association of University Professors, the American Classical League, the North Central Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools' High School Evaluation Committee, and the Wisconsin Latin Teachers Association. In addition, she presently serves as President of the Fox River Valley Classical Association.

NUNTIUS congratulates Ted Bedrick and the Fraternity, in the very good fortune of having secured Mary Ann Burns as Executive Secretary. Eta Sigma Phi Fraternity is a quite fragile organization with a rather low-level bureaucracy. It depends for its growth—indeed its survival—upon the maturity and enthusiasm of its collegiate officers, both locally and at the national level. Eta Sigma Phi cannot succeed by Dr. Burns' strength alone; but it is obvious that the work of the "National Office" is crucial. Hence, it is understandable why Professor Bedrick began his report about the selection of Dr. Burns by announcing:

"All is well!"

The National Office of Eta Sigma Phi Fraternity will close at Hampden-Sydney College on June 1, 1969, and reopen on September 1, 1969, at the University of Wisconsin in Milwaukee. Correspondence to Dr. Burns should be addressed to: Dr. Mary Ann Burns, Department of Classics, The University of Wisconsin—Milwaukee, Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53201.

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Congratulations to the Sigma Chapter, which has recently been reactivated at Miami University, Oxford, Ohio.

Charter Granted To Valparaiso

The delegates received a recommendation from the Grand Executive Council to approve the petition from Valparaiso University's Classics Club, and to grant to Valparaiso a charter for a chapter of Eta Sigma Phi. The vote to approve the petition was unanimously endorsed by the Convention. Plans are now being made for the installation of this new chapter before the end of the academic year. NUNTIUS congratulates the students and faculty in classics at this fine Indiana school, whose petition for a chapter was orderly, detailed, and successful.

ETA SIGMA PHI CONTESTS

The Pittsburgh Convention received the results of the annual contests from the Committee on Contests, Professor Theodore Bedrick, Sister Mary Isaac Joques, and Professor Mary Ann Burns (Chairman). Professor John F. Charles of Wabash College worked with committee members in the preparation and judging of papers, and the Fraternity is indebted to them all for this good service. *Kudos*—which TIME magazine has popularized—follows the awards of money which these winners have received:

ESSAY: *The Contemporary Relevance of Plato's Description of Athenian Youth* (Five participants)

FIRST PRIZE: Harry E. Preston, Wabash College

SECOND PRIZE: Mrs. Clio Anderson, University of Alberta

GREEK TRANSLATION (Twenty-one participants)

FIRST PRIZE: L. A. Nerwinski, St. Louis University

SECOND PRIZE: H. Lee Perkins, Hampden-Sydney College

THIRD PRIZE: Andrew Forteith, Austin College

FOURTH PRIZE: Sandria J. Ewers, Randolph-Macon Woman's College

FIFTH PRIZE: Alan M. Zaitchik, Yeshiva University

LATIN TRANSLATION (Forty-three participants)

FIRST PRIZE: Mary E. Gushwa, Butler University

SECOND PRIZE: Andrew Forteith, Austin College

THIRD PRIZE: H. Lee Perkins, Hampden-Sydney College

FOURTH PRIZE: Jeanne A. Reid, Marywood College

FIFTH PRIZE: Andrew R. Dyck, University of Wisconsin

GREEK COMPOSITION (Two participants) No award

LATIN COMPOSITION (Sixteen participants)

FIRST PRIZE: Michael E. Clark, St. Louis University

SECOND PRIZE: Barbara J. Scharnke, University of Wisconsin

THIRD PRIZE: Michael G. Colvin, Wabash College

FOURTH PRIZE: William C. Cole, Jr., Randolph-Macon College

FIFTH PRIZE: Joseph A. Vitrano, Marquette University

FOREIGN LANGUAGE CENSUS (Nineteen chapters participating)

FIRST PRIZE: Delta Beta, Canisius College (William Sisler)

SECOND PRIZE: Gamma Iota, Wabash College (William F. White)

THIRD PRIZE: Gamma Epsilon, University of Wisconsin (Andrew R. Dyck)

The Amendment Amendment

The only action of the Convention affecting the Constitution of Eta Sigma Phi was to change the procedure for amending the Constitution, although there is reason to doubt whether this amendment can ever become "law."

The Convention of 1967 amended Article XVI, Section 1, so that it reads now: "Any article of this Constitution may be amended in the following manner: The proposed amendment shall be presented in writing at one annual convention and, if passed by a two-thirds majority of those entitled to vote, shall be submitted to the several active chapters for ratification by the end of that academic year after the convention adjourns. Upon ratification by two-thirds of the several active chapters, the amendment shall become ac-

cepted as part of the Eta Sigma Phi Constitution."

The only difficulty associated with this procedure is that it does not work. Neither the present Executive Secretary nor his predecessor was able to get chapters to return the forms indicating their approval of an amendment, for reasons which may occur to you. Consequently, the delegates in Pittsburgh approved a request that the Fraternity return to the *old* way of amending the Constitution, by submitting it to two National Conventions, rather than to one Convention and then to the local chapters.

Now, the method of amending the Constitution is prescribed in and by the ineffective amendment which we must eliminate. The procedure which does not work is the procedure which we must follow. This amendment will self-destruct automatically as soon as two-thirds of the chapters concur. Mission: Impossible!

New Chapter . . . DELTA OMICRON

The Delta Omicron Chapter of Eta Sigma Phi was installed at Texas Technological College in Lubbock, Texas, on April 28, 1968. Dr. John Bodoh, Professor of Classical Languages, and Dr. Thomas Hamilton, Professor of Classical and Romantic Languages, conducted the installation of the fifty-one charter members. Dr. Peder Christiansen was instrumental in organizing the chapter and will serve as its faculty adviser.

The addition of Delta Omicron to Texas Technological College is in keeping with the progress and rapid growth of the school, for in the brief forty-three years of its existence, Texas Tech has increased its enrollment from nine hundred and ten in 1925 to nineteen thousand in 1968. On a campus of nearly two thousand acres, six buildings were open to the first Texas Tech students in 1925. Today there are one hundred and eighty buildings housing the operations of Texas Tech and its eight schools: Agriculture, Arts and Sciences, Business Administration, Education, Engineering, Home Economics, Law, and the Graduate School.

Texas Technological College is one of the youngest major universities in the nation. Many special research facilities contribute to the overall academic scene, including the Computer Center, the Seismological Observatory, and the Southwest Historical Collection.

One of the newest buildings on the Texas Tech campus is the Foreign Language and Mathematics Building, in which Latin and Greek classes are conducted. The new building is an excellent facility for study and research as well as being beautiful in its architectural design.

Ann Nicholson was elected Prytanis of the newly formed Delta Omicron Chapter. Other officers include Hyparchos Janice Merrick, Grammateus Sherry Burrows, and Chrysophylax James Pickford.

The Editor is grateful to Miss Laura Harbin for this report, and wishes to congratulate the Delta Omicron charter members and more recent initiates. He regrets that photographs of Texas Tech could not be secured for publication with Miss Harbin's story.

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In Passing

A notice of a convention for classics students to be held in August, 1969, includes this admonition: "No delegate may wear such informal dress as shorts, pedal pushers, culottes, tiorador pants, or jeans of any kind; exceptions will be allowed only during practice for and competition in the Olympics."

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Pittsburgh delegates will understand: One chapter submitted its annual report to the Convention on the stationery of Pittsburgh's Roosevelt Hotel.

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An experienced tutor advertised in an off-beat Boston newspaper that he would give instruction in ancient Greek in exchange for psychiatric counseling. (Is this a sign of some occupational hazard?)

Endowment Grows

The Endowment Fund, upon which the Scholarship Program of the Fraternity depends, grew by \$213.50 at the National Convention. This was the amount of contributions which chapters and individuals brought with them to Pittsburgh. Generous gifts came in from these chapters: Alpha Epsilon at Lehigh University; Beta Alpha at the University of South Dakota; Beta Kappa at the College of Notre Dame of Maryland; Beta Upsilon at Marshall University; Gamma Alpha at Indiana State University; and Gamma Omicron at Monmouth College. In addition, two faculty advisers who are generous in giving time and energy to Eta Sigma Phi were donors to the Endowment Fund, Professors Grace L. Beede and Gertrude Ewing. All members of the Fraternity can appreciate these contributions, which represent tangible (and negotiable) votes of confidence in the work of Eta Sigma Phi.

LOCAL NEWS, CONVENTION REPORTS

As is usual in the May issue NUNTIUS speaks in the words of our members. The reports of the delegates to our National Convention and letters from chapters which were unable to attend are printed below with the name of the person who prepared the report given at the end of each article, if this is known.

GAMMA

Ohio University

We were extremely busy in the 1967-68 year. The major project was paying tribute to Dr. Paul R. Murphy for his dedicated service as faculty advisor for the past twenty years. Our chapter decided to start a collection of books in the classical language section of our recently opened, modern library. We contributed a sizable portion of our treasury toward this collection, and Dr. Murphy selected the books. Both this gift and a more personal one were presented to him at a barbecue honoring Dr. and Mrs. Murphy. Also that spring three members, Rick Baker, Cynthia Cook, and Nola Hemley, presented a scene from a Latin play for the Latin Club of one of the local high schools. For this year our main project is the re-establishment of the Ohio University Museum. We are working with the history honorary in our attempt to uncrate the museum and to find a room in our old library where it can be displayed. *Alan Stanley*

THETA

Indiana University

In December we held our annual Christmas party at the home of Dr. Skefich, our sponsor. There was lots of conversation and socializing over Christmas cookies and eggnog. We played Charades, which proved quite enjoyable. The party ended as Dr. Downey, professor of Roman history, donned a red stocking cap and played Santa Claus. On March 4, 1969, we held a business meeting and afterwards Dr. Robert Dyer spoke on new developments with IBM machines and Latin, telling us about machines that can scan the whole *Aeneid* in a matter of minutes. On March 23, 1969, we held our initiation banquet. Thirteen new members were initiated with twelve more students becoming members who were unable to attend the banquet. After our initiation ceremony Dr. John Wilson gave a talk on Aeneas and his emotional conflicts. Now we are making plans for a pizza party the latter part of April where we hope to get our new initiates actively involved. We are planning to present humorous skits with a classical theme. *Charlotte Oursler, Prytanis.*

PI

Birmingham-Southern College

Pi Chapter has recently held its annual initiation at which twenty-one new members were initiated. The ceremony was followed by a dinner in honor of the new members in the Student Center of the College. We are planning some interesting meetings for the rest of this year. *Robert W. Ostberg, Prytanis.*

SIGMA

Miami University

Sigma Chapter at Miami University was reactivated in February of this year. The meetings for the rest of the year will be

devoted to reorganization of the chapter, the writing of by-laws, and plans for next year. Tentative plans for the year 1969-70 include some sort of program for high school students, and particularly plans to talk with high school Latin students about the opportunities for classical studies at Miami. Our department is growing and the interest of the students is high. Sigma chapter intends to be an active and valuable extension of Eta Sigma Phi in Southwestern Ohio. *Susan K. Doll, Grammateus.*

ALPHA EPSILON

Lehigh University

Since 1967, when a co-operative program in classics was inaugurated by Lehigh University and Moravian College, students from the latter institution have attended various classes on the Lehigh campus. Those who were eligible for membership have been initiated. In the current academic year students from Lafayette College have been taking courses at Lehigh and next month one will be initiated along with Professor W. E. Brown of Lafayette. Our group has been pursuing an ambitious venture in the form of a highly successful film series. This activity has a two-fold purpose: primarily we have the goal of advertising ourselves on the Lehigh campus but the financial success of this series provides resources for many of our local projects. Foremost among the projects are the Eta Sigma Phi Scholarship Fund, and the Latin Translation Contest for secondary school students in the greater Bethlehem, Pa. area. Members of the chapter assist the officers of the Lehigh Valley Society of the Archaeological Institute of America in making arrangements for the lectures presented to the society. In return the members of Alpha Epsilon are privileged to attend lectures and to meet distinguished archaeologists. *Charles Leutzinger, Prytanis.*

BETA ALPHA

University of South Dakota

Chartered in 1948, Beta Alpha is the only chapter in South Dakota. In memory of its first faculty sponsor, Beta Alpha Chapter grants an academic prize each year for excellence in Greek, from the income on "E" Bonds accumulated over a period of years. The Chapter has also made an annual \$25.00 contribution to the national Endowment Fund. In its program of fostering the study of Latin in South Dakota high schools, the chapter is administering a Translation Contest and will present book awards. We are also sponsoring the observance of National Latin Week, awarding the best scrapbook report of activities a travelling trophy of a Balfour Roman Lamp of Learning. The Chapter is also making preliminary plans for a university Classics Weekend for high school students, their Latin teachers and counselor next spring. We shall be represented at a regional JCL meeting in April, with our Chapter Advisor participating in the program.

BETA GAMMA

University of Richmond

It has been a very good year for Beta Gamma Chapter, and next year looks even better. We owe much of this success to ideas gained at the Chicago Convention. Namely the chapter has become financially solvent through the revision of our dues structure; we are increasing our activity among the local high schools, and we are initiating this spring an Eta Sigma Phi Annual Latin Translation Award to accompany the existing Tanner Greek Award. Certainly the highlight of the year was the lecture given by Dr. John Ferguson, an Englishman formerly the Chairman of the Classics Department at the University of Ibadan, Nigeria, who gave an outstanding talk on the classics in Nigeria. This month

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The Ninth annual Latin College Bowl at Marywood College attracted contestants from sixteen schools in New York and Pennsylvania.

we initiated 34 new members, bringing our roll to 96 active, 3 associate and one honorary member. *Greg Daugherty*, Chryso-phylax.

BETA DELTA

The University of Tennessee

Beta Delta chapter of Eta Sigma Phi was reactivated at the University of Tennessee on January 21, 1969, with fourteen students initiated. After the initiation ceremonies a banquet was held honoring the new members. Brent M. Froberg, instructor in classical languages, was the toastmaster, and Arthur H. Moser, professor of classical languages, was the after-dinner speaker. Eta Sigma Phi acted as hosts for a lecture by Dr. Bernard Knox on February 25, and for the coffee hour which followed. Plans are underway for two spring activities—a picnic with initiation of eligible students and the annual Eta Sigma Phi lecture to be given this year by Professor John Zarker of Vanderbilt University. *Eleanor J. Hackney*, Grammateus.

BETA THETA

Hampden-Sydney College

"*Gaudeamus igitur iuvenes dum sumus*" is an applicable motto for the activities of Beta Theta Chapter of Eta Sigma Phi at Hampden-Sydney College, because we are interested in rejuvenating the study of the classics. In our continuing efforts to this end, we held our annual classics emphasis weekend on October 19th and 20th. In November, Richmond Lattimore of Bryn

Mawr College addressed the entire student body on the problems of translating the *Odyssey*, and members of Beta Theta helped to host the event. The scholar's enlightenment prevailed in spite of the power failure that blackened the auditorium and deadened the microphone. In May, Beta Theta is planning to administer an annual Latin contest at a local private school. The year will end with the traditional chocolate punch initiation in May. Finally, we have been particularly honored to have the national office of Executive Secretary at Hampden-Sydney this year. *H. Lee Perkins*

BETA KAPPA

College of Notre Dame of Maryland

At our monthly meetings we have had some interesting panel discussions, lectures, and films. Some of our associate members presented a panel discussion on the Olympic Games, and a discussion of the Roman Saturnalia was given by three of our active members. Recently we had a lecture at the college on the imitation of the classics in contemporary poetry. In April we will attend an exhibit of Tunisian mosaics and an illustrated lecture at the Walters Art Gallery. Earlier this year we enjoyed two films on Greek drama at the college, and we are looking forward to a film presentation of Euripides' "The Trojan Women" in April. Some of our members attended the new film, "Oedipus the King" recently, and some of us hope to attend the Greek film "Antigone" at the Catholic University of America in May. *Rosemary Rita*, Grammateus.

BETA MU

Butler University

Last spring the chapter awarded four medals to outstanding fourth-year Latin students in Indianapolis high schools. During the summer, members helped write letters explaining Butler's Latin program. These were sent to incoming freshmen who had taken three or four years of high school Latin. This increased our class size. We have had three meetings this year. At the fall meeting, Sandy Mayer showed us slides she had taken in Rome. At Christmas we enjoyed a dinner at the Italian Village. On March 7, Beta Mu Chapter initiated five new members, increasing its size to eight. Guests arrived after the initiation and slides of Greece were shown. *Mary Gushwa*, Prytanis.

BETA SIGMA

Marquette University

Other than normal organizational meetings we have had two main events in the past and are planning a third for the future. In December, 1968, we held our semi-annual initiation banquet, after which we listened to Professor Barr of the Marquette Theology Department speak on ancient letters and letter writing. On February 21, 1969, we sponsored an all-university dance on the Marquette Campus. In April we will host the state convention of the Wisconsin Chapters of Eta Sigma Phi. *John M. Loomis*, Prytanis.

BETA UPSILON

Marshall University

In the year 1967-68, Beta Upsilon chapter of Eta Sigma Phi initiated five members. Eta Sigma Phi fourth year medals were awarded to students of outstanding achievement in Latin at Huntington High School and Huntington East High School. In 1968-69, Beta Upsilon chapter invited students from various high schools in the area to visit Latin and Greek classes on the Marshall University campus in the hope that the experience might encourage many to continue their classical studies after graduation.

GAMMA ALPHA

Indiana State University

We have just finished in March initiating 3 new members and the pledging of 8 students. Dr. Hipple of the ISU Humanities Department was kind enough to give us an informative talk on Ancient and Modern Ideals in Life. Our further plans for this year include helping the Indiana Latin Teachers Recruitment Committee send letters concerning Indiana Classical Conference Scholarship which is awarded to high school seniors who plan to become Latin teachers. We also annually award certificates of achievement to high school seniors ranking high in scholastic achievement in Latin. Plans are now being made for our Roman Banquet, Festival of May, to which we plan to invite students from local high schools as guests. *Judith Smith*, Prytanis.

GAMMA BETA

Bowling Green State University

Some of our members attended a Toledo Area Classical Association meeting (the local organization for high school and college teachers), at their invitation, to partake of a discussion and presentation of the Encyclopedia Britannica *Artes Latinae* program. The major project this year has been the institution of bi-weekly Latin Tables in one of the dormitory cafeterias, open to all interested Latin students. Under the supervision of faculty members, those attending discuss various topics of interest in classics, and may speak only Latin while seated at the table. The response has been gratifying, ranging from four hardy souls up to twelve. As you can imagine, some of the conversations become quite animated with body English ("body Latin"?). *Faith Paroubek*, Prytanis.

GAMMA GAMMA

University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee

On May 11, 1968 UWM held its city-wide contest for first and second year Latin students. Over 140 students attended the contest for which members of the fraternity made up the tests consisting of comprehension, grammar and vocabulary. Books and Latin medals were awarded in each category. This is an annual event for which the fraternity holds a bake sale to obtain funds. On November 24, 1968 Gamma Gamma held the second Milwaukee area College Day for all area high school students. The purpose of

the event was to encourage students to continue on in Latin, and also to familiarize them with a typical college day. Classes were scheduled in various fields connected with Classics, a tour of the campus was held and luncheon served. This event will pass from one area chapter to the next each year. Roman Drama, poetry and mythology were some of the classes offered. Again Gamma Gamma was very pleased with the turn out—167 students from various parts of the state. *Kathy Schuerger*, Grammateus.

GAMMA DELTA

Yeshiva University

We are a small chapter, whose paucity of number is matched only by its vivacity of spirit. On the Ides of March, we inducted three new members, thus doubling the size of our active membership, and heard a scholarly dissertation, "Past, Present, and Future in the Epic: *Aeneid VI*" delivered by an alumnus. During the year, we discussed plans how to further the knowledge and appreciation of the Classics, especially in the High Schools affiliated with our University. *Shaye Cohen*, Grammateus.

GAMMA THETA

Georgetown College

The chapter meets once a month. Each October the chapter has a program to which all Latin and Greek students on campus are invited. Following the program is a reception for these students so that our members can get to know them—and perhaps to influence some to continue their study of Latin beyond the twelve-hour language requirement. This year the program was given by five Georgetown students who had traveled in Europe rather extensively last summer, each of the five taking an area of interest to tell about through slides. (The undersigned secretary took Rome.) In March the chapter hosted the Kentucky Federation of Latin Clubs. Because of bad weather the number of high school students attending was about 600. Nine hundred had been expected. *Ann Ford Longacre*, Grammateus.

GAMMA IOTA

Wabash College

In the course of the year 1968-69 Gamma Iota Chapter assisted in developing and grading the written screening test for those participating in the Honors Abroad Program for Indiana High School Students of Latin, sponsored by the Indiana Classical Conference, Inc. Medals were awarded to Latin students in Montgomery County on both the second and fourth year levels. The chapter also participated in the Eta Sigma Phi Contests. *Michael G. Colvin*, Prytanis.

GAMMA LAMBDA

St. Mary's College

Our main activity of the year was the Minnesota Classical Weekend for high schools students from southern Minnesota. These kids, which number about 450, are accommodated at the college dorms during the

Easter vacation. They are provided with a program of classes taught by some of the best classical college professors in the mid-west. Movies are shown and we put on a play by Plautus for the young men and women. For entertainment a Latin Bowl Contest and a Roman Teen Hop are arranged. The whole affair lasts for three days.

GAMMA MU

Westminster College

In September a Latin contest for high school students, sponsored by Eta Sigma Phi of Westminster College, was announced. Seven county area high schools replied. The translation consisted of one passage from Ovid and one from Cicero. All third and fourth year students were eligible to enter. The winners will be announced after Easter when three Eta Sigma Phi medals will be awarded as prizes. In December, members of the Latin honorary along with students of the other three language honoraries at Westminster held a Christmas party. Each honorary supplied foods from the foreign country which it represented and customs of different lands were demonstrated. *Kathleen DeLuca*, Grammateus.

GAMMA XI

Howard University

Recently the Gamma Xi Chapter of Eta Sigma Phi attended a presentation of "The Twin Menaechmi" a thoroughly enjoyable comedy by Plautus, done in excellent taste by the American University theater group. We try to take advantage of all events of a classical nature which occur in the Washington area. *Andretta Fowler*, Grammateus.

GAMMA OMICRON

Monmouth College

This is the thirteenth consecutive year—ever since our installation into Eta Sigma Phi in 1956—that Gamma Omicron has had delegates at the national convention, and also for a number of years we have contributed annually to the Endowment Fund. Programs for the year have included talks on Alexander the Great; slides on Virgil's *Aeneid* and on Sicily; and a picture-tour of Paris, Rome, Naples, and Athens, highlights of a trip taken last summer by an Eta Sigma Phi member and by our sponsor Miss Fox. In November Peter Arnett of the University of Iowa Drama Department came to our campus for several days. With his unique marionette show he presented two Greek plays, *Oedipus Rex* and *Medea*, and he talked to the Latin and mythology classes about classical drama. Another high point was in December when we held our annual Saturnalia "orgy." Two activities have been continued from past years. We send two newsletters a year to our Alumni, and we write personal letters to all incoming students who have had Latin, encouraging them to continue their interests in Classics in college. Our biggest project of the year has been the sale of a small book called *Paraphrases from the Latin Poets* by Miss Fox and Dr. Garrett Thiessen, who until his death two years ago divided his interest between Chemistry and Latin. *Cathy Blake*, Prytanis.

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GAMMA PHI

Le Moyne College

The highlight of the fall semester was a lecture sponsored by Gamma Phi by Dr. Elizabeth Milburn, professor of Archaeology at Cornell University on "Kea: Archaeological Exploration on a Greek Island." Attended by over 300 students, the lecture and reception stimulated interest in the Classics at Le Moyne. December witnessed the publication of the fall issue of *Phos*—a literary and philological magazine published by the Classics Department. In January, national recognition was won by the chapter when it was announced the Prytanis Thomas Falkner had won the Eta Sigma Phi Summer Scholarship to The American Academy in Rome for 1969. *Geryle Tracy*, Grammateus.

DELTA GAMMA

Marywood College

Our activities for the beginning of first semester included reports given by the members on their favorite mythological characters, film strips on the history of the Roman Republic and the formation of plans for our forthcoming Annual College Bowl. Preparation for this event occupied most of our time during the remaining meetings of first semester. Since this contest was scheduled for February 15, 1969, it became our immediate concern as we began second semester activities. Such plans for the Latin College Bowl included the formulation of questions in both English and Latin involving the use of syntax, grammar, mythological knowledge and translation ability and accuracy. This contest somewhat followed the format of the television College Bowl. Sixteen area schools participated and were divided into two sections: Division I included first and second year students; Division II included third and fourth year students. Questions were geared in relation to the amount of knowledge and material known by the participating teams. The winners of our ninth annual Latin College Bowl were as follows: First place: Wyoming Valley West and Allentown, Central Catholic High School; Second place: St. Peter's Cathedral High School and Susquehanna Valley, Conklin, New York. *Cheryl Callahan*, Chrysohylax.

DELTA ETA

Seton Hill College

Delta Eta chooses at this time to make no mention of the many movies, lectures, and exhibits sponsored by the chapter throughout this past year. We do, however, wish to take this opportunity to announce the various awards Delta Eta will present to those individuals meriting special honor in the field of classical study. Among these we list: Two bronze and two silver medals to be presented this June to qualified students of nearby high schools. Two \$25 savings bonds to be awarded *ex aequo* at commencement to Seton Hill students having completed with honor four years of classical study. Finally, Delta Eta looks forward to presenting a \$500 scholarship to an Eta

Sigma Phi member in partial finance of Seton Hill's Summer Study Program in Athens, Greece. *Sandra Shaw*, Grammateus.

DELTA THETA

Dickinson College

Delta Theta Chapter held a tapping for new members and an initiation of new members in 1968-69. It also cooperated with the Department of Classical Languages in reviving the Morgan Lectures in Classics at the college. The first series of lectures under the endowment were given in 1939 by the late R. S. Conway and published by the Harvard University Press. This year's lecture, delivered by Professor D. J. Conacher of the University of Toronto, was entitled, "Some Profane Variations on a Tragic Theme." Professor Conacher discussed the search for a father, as it appears in the *Oedipus Rex*, Euripides' *Ion*, and Synge's *Playboy of the Western World*. Eta Sigma Phi entertained Professor Conacher at tea the afternoon of his lecture.

DELTA KAPPA

Carroll College

In the spirit of the ancient world, Delta Kappa Chapter has sought to create an atmosphere of the agora and the forum—an atmosphere of openness, of willingness to listen to any point of view. We started our schedule of regular programs with a slide presentation of a visit to "Rome in January" made by J. Terry Downen, one of our members. Then we heard Mr. Tom Bruneau, a new professor in Carroll's speech department, voice his opinion on the Rhetoricians of Greece, Rome, and the 1968 Presidential campaign; then, a student debate on "The Case for Latin;" then, a love affair revealed—noted Biblical archaeologist, Dr. Lawrence Sinclair, speaking on his true love—archaeology. Future activities at our Forum will include a dinner meeting with Mr. Don Goodwin, president of Wisconsin's association of high school Latin teachers, and our annual high school night. *Lawrence W. Schmitt*

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The National Office of Eta Sigma Phi Fraternity will close at Hampden-Sydney College on June 1, 1969, and reopen on September 1, 1969, at the University of Wisconsin in Milwaukee. Correspondence to Dr. Burns should be addressed to: Dr. Mary Ann Burns, Department of Classics, The University of Wisconsin—Milwaukee, Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53201.

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DELTA NU

La Salle College

During the past year, members of Delta Nu Chapter have centered their activities on an intra-departmental, student-faculty evaluation in which students and faculty of the various areas within the department have discussed curriculum changes, methods of implementation, methods of language instruction, the role of students in departmental decisions, the functions of the various areas within the department, and their relationship with the College as a whole. Currently, the Chapter vice-president is serving as a member of La Salle's newly-created Academic Affairs Council. In this capacity, he represents all foreign language majors at La Salle.

DELTA XI

Florida Presbyterian College

The Delta Xi Chapter of Eta Sigma Phi here at Florida Presbyterian College in St. Petersburg, Florida, regrets that it is unable to send any representatives to the National Convention this year. The evening address of Dr. Podlecki would have been of especial interest to us, as the main project of our chapter this year was a production of Aeschylus' *Prometheus Bound* for our Core program. (Core, as you may know, is Florida Presbyterian's central academic experience, common to all members of the community.) We have initiated no new members yet this year, but plan on doing so in May. *David J. Landis*, Prytanis.

DELTA PI

Randolph-Macon College

One of the first activities of our chapter was the sponsoring of an illustrated lecture by Professor George E. Mylonas, now of the Institute of Advanced Study at Princeton. Professor Mylonas spoke on the "Recent Excavations at Mycenae." During our most recent meeting the faculty advisor of Delta Pi chapter, Mr. Robert Epes Jones, showed slides of Pompeii and Herculaneum. At the upcoming initiation of new members on April 24, Professor Laura V. Sumner of Mary Washington College will deliver the companion papers, "Who Was Romulus?" and "Who Was Remus?." *Dwane H. Miller*

DELTA RHO

Radford College

We have monthly meetings at which members present the program. Anyone in the college who is interested in Classics may attend these programs. Each fall Campus Carnival is held on the Radford campus. Last fall Delta Rho constructed for its booth the Oracle of Apollo. The sale of fortunes written on leaves brought a good sum for the campus chest. This spring we will again host the Latin Tournament which is sponsored by the Classical Association of Virginia for area students. *Winnie Lytton*, Prytanis.