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Amicis Salutem Dico:

As I looked over some old copies of the *Nuntius* one day I realized that Eta Sigma Phi has been facing the same problems for years: insufficient funds, falling national enrollment, weak local chapters, decreasing attendance at the National Convention, and fewer people entering the annual contests. Fortunately this year we are financially sound, therefore let us turn our minds, as Virgil said, to greater things.

This year's convention was a busy time for everyone. We all enjoyed ourselves, but we did some serious work as well. We were appalled at the number of chapters which have lost or will soon lose their charters. This loss hurts not only the national organization, but also the individual chapters since there is a ten dollar readmittance fee. The requirements for chapter membership in the national organization are minimal, but if a chapter is having trouble financially or in any other way Prof. Den Adel should be notified so that special allowances may be considered.

I was especially concerned because several of our dormant chapters failed to respond to mailings. We do not wish to lose any chapters, but what can we do when we receive no response at all?

One of our committees at this year's convention discussed the many problems which plague local chapters and came up with these suggestions: (1) all secretaries should order a sufficient number of copies of the *Nuntius* and personally see that each member receives his copy; (2) local chapters should procure enough copies of the Eta Sigma Phi Constitution (order them from Prof. Den Adel) so that new members will be more informed about their organization and, therefore, be more interested; (3) local chapters should hold frequent student run meetings featuring interesting Classics-related programs; (4) always open a good program to the public and use all the resources at your disposal to advertise your chapter of Eta Sigma Phi.

It is always good to see the delegates who attend the National Convention, but very few of our chapters send delegates more often than once every five years. The importance of sending delegates to the National Convention is tremendous. Not only is this a requirement for chapter membership (one delegate must be sent every five years), but it is also vital to the Classics since delegates make important decisions governing our organization. At the convention delegates may acquaint themselves with the job market, meet other people in the field of the Classics, receive ideas for programs and money-making schemes, but most of all, delegates can discover that they are not alone in the struggle to revitalize



Lynn Ann Dunnagan
Megas Prytanis

I am a senior at Indiana State University on a secondary teaching program majoring in Latin and mathematics. My cumulative average is 3.70 and I belong to Alpha Lambda Delta, am Secretary of ISU Senior Classical League, and am presently working with the Gamma Alpha Chapter of Eta Sigma Phi in our high school extension program. I have also received the freshman and sophomore Lillian Gay Berry Latin awards.

I hope to teach for a short time after graduation and then plan to earn my MA and PhD in the Classics.

liberal arts and academic excellence. Granted some chapters simply cannot send two delegates every year, but each chapter should try. Just imagine what we could accomplish at one convention with two delegates from each chapter!

We were also surprised that we could not award all of the prizes for this year's National Contest. We had so few entries compared to the number of tests sent out, that we had to assign this problem to a

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CONTEST ANNOUNCEMENT

1) TWENTY-NINTH ANNUAL GREEK TRANSLATION CONTEST

This contest will consist of the sight translation of a passage in Greek which is considered within the comprehension of students in the second year or above of the study of Greek.

2) TWENTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL LATIN TRANSLATION CONTEST

This contest will consist of the sight translation of a passage in Latin, chosen in reference to students who have had two or more years of Latin in high school (or the equivalent in college) and at least one or more semesters in college.

3) TWELFTH ANNUAL LATIN PROSE COMPOSITION CONTEST

This contest will consist of the translation of a passage of English into Latin. This contest is intended for advanced students of Latin who are in their third or fourth year of college Latin.

PRIZES

First prize in each contest will be \$35.00; second prize \$25.00; and third prize \$15.00.

ELIGIBILITY

The above contests are open only to students in classes in Greek and/or Latin in colleges and universities which have active chapters of Eta Sigma Phi Fraternity.

Written notice of a desire to participate, postmarked not later than January 13, 1978, must be sent to the Executive Secretary, Professor Raymond L. Den Adel, Department of Classics, Rockford College, Rockford Illinois 61101. Materials will be mailed by him in time for the contests to be administered simultaneously in all competing schools during the week of February 6, 1978. Contest papers in all of the above contests are to be forwarded to the Executive Secretary and must be postmarked not later than February 17, 1978. Each paper must be accompanied by an identification page, which will be supplied in advance of the contest. There is a limit of three papers from any one school in each contest.

Decision as to place in the various contests will be made by members of the Eta Sigma Phi Committee of Contests, who will identify the papers by code designation only.

Committee on Contests
BRENT M. FROBERG
Chairman

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3. Cheryl Thomas, Psi, Vanderbilt
- B. Latin translation: 1. Elizabeth E. Zakarison, Epsilon Zeta, University
2. of Idaho
3. Richard Hamblen, Psi, Vanderbilt
John R. Bibb, Psi, Vanderbilt
- C. Latin Composition -no award

Salvete, Omnes!

Colgate University was the setting for another fine convention. Dr. John Rexine, David Evans, and their helpers were most gracious hosts, and the program was varied and inspirational. Now we look ahead to the meeting at Indiana State University at Terre Haute, Indiana, on April 6-8, 1978. Lynn Dunnagan and staff are already planning to continue our excellent convention tradition. Since we are meeting in a rather central location, many of the chapters which need to attend to uphold constitutional requirements should be able to do so. According to my records, these are: Gamma, Epsilon, Zeta, Lambda, Tau Omega, Alpha Epsilon, Alpha Iota, Alpha Mu, Alpha Omicron, Alpha Rho, Alpha Psi, Beta Gamma, Beta Omicron, Beta Sigma, Beta Chi, Gamma Delta, Gamma Lambda, Gamma Xi, Gamma Rho, Gamma Upsilon, Gamma Chi, Delta Beta, Delta Gamma, Delta Epsilon, Delta Theta, Delta Iota, Delta Mu, Delta Nu, Delta Omicron, Delta Rho, Delta Phi, Delta Omega, Epsilon Zeta. If chapters will start planning now, this could be the largest convention in recent years.

Again I ask student officers and local chapters to try to interest students and faculty in schools without chapters to start them and in schools which once had them to re-activate them. We were pleased to welcome Duquesne University's Epsilon Theta Chapter into our ranks this spring!

We also welcome as a new member of the Board of Trustees, Dr. John Rexine of Colgate University, and we thank Dr. William de-Grummond of Florida State University for his past service. Professor Theodore Bedrick continues as Chairman of the Board, and we appreciate his willingness to continue in that capacity. I am pleased that Professor Froberg and Professor Fitts will once again be in charge of the contest and scholarship competitions, respectively. Please note that the Rome and Greece scholarships

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will have a value of \$1000 and \$1200, respectively. We need more entries for both contests and scholarships!

Please send membership information to me promptly during the year so that I may expedite the process of ordering certificates. After May 1 orders are not processed by the Balfour Company until September. Medals are also available from me, and sales have again been quite good this past academic year. A report of that fund will appear in the next issue of *Nuntius*.

If I can be of assistance, please let me know. I appreciate the interest of many who have followed the activities of Eta Sigma Phi for many years. At the convention we honored Estella Kyne of Washington and Lois Larson of Illinois for 50 years of membership and support. We shall be happy to recognize others upon knowledge of similar records. We hope that our old friends will continue to support us in any way possible.

Best wishes to all for a prosperous academic year!

Sincerely,
R. L. Den Adel
Executive Secretary

The Gamma Alpha chapter of Eta Sigma Phi cordially invites everyone to attend the Fiftieth Annual National Convention which will be held at Indiana State University, Terre Haute, Indiana, on April 6, 7, and 8, 1978. The theme of this year's Convention is "The Golden Ages of Greece and Rome". Our featured speaker will be Professor Paul MacKendrick. We hope every chapter will be represented on this momentous occasion.

Mark R. Ewald
Program Chairman

ETA SIGMA PHI MEDALS

Eta Sigma Phi medals for honor students in second and fourth-year Latin are one of our best contacts with high school students of Classics. Chapters can use them as prizes in contests or in other ways to recognize achievement.

There are two silver medals available: the large silver (1½ inches) at \$12.00 and the small silver (¾ inch) at \$5.00. The bronze medal is also ¾ inch and costs \$4.00. Please add \$1.00 total per order for postage and handling. It is suggested that the silver medals are appropriate for excellent fourth year

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special committee. The committee suggested that old tests be sent out upon request, so that everyone may become familiar with the format. We hope that this coming year we shall receive all of the tests issued and be able to award all of the prizes.

I wish to welcome our new chapter, Epsilon Theta, at Duquesne University and encourage the formation of other new chapters. Prof. Den Adel has readily available material to give to schools which do not now have a chapter of Eta Sigma Phi and might be interested in beginning a new chapter.

I also wish to thank Colgate University for their hospitality at this year's convention and invite everyone to attend the 50th annual National Convention, April 6-8, 1978, which will be hosted by my own chapter, Gamma Alpha, at Indiana State University in Terre Haute, Indiana.

Valete,
Lynn A. Dunnagan
Megas Prytanis

Minutes of the 49th Convention April 15-16, 1977

Colgate University in Hamilton, New York was the site of the Forty-Ninth National Eta Sigma Phi Convention. Delegates and guests arrived on Thursday, April 14. The Delta Zeta chapter at Colgate entertained visitors—that evening with the film *Oedipus the King* and a subsequent reception in the Gifford Classics Center. During the same evening there was a meeting of the Trustees and the Grand Executive Council to determine the procedure of business during the first and second general sessions and to determine a loose structure for the convention itself.

At 9:00 A.M. Friday morning, Karen Cochrane, President of Delta Zeta chapter, welcomed convention participants to Colgate, this year's host of the Eta Sigma Phi Convention. Dr. Thomas Bartlett, President of Colgate University, also extended his sincerest greetings to the delegation. Megas Prytanis James Stephen Freeman of Furman University then called the First General Session to order. After introducing the Executive Council and present Trustees, the Megas Prytanis requested a roll call of Eta Sigma Phi chapters. The chapters represented were:

Psi, Vanderbilt University
Alphi Pi, Gettysburg College
Alpha Upsilon, College of Wooster
Beta Beta, Furman University
Beta Zeta, St. Louis University
Gamma Alpha, Indiana State University
Gamma Theta, Georgetown Collg
Gamma Iota, Wabash College
Gamma Omicron, Monmouth College
Delta Zeta, Colgate University
Epsilon Gamma, University of Scranton
Epsilon Epsilon, Rockford College
Epsilon Eta, Kent State University
Epsilon Theta, Duquesne University (Later approved)

Stephen Freeman thanked those attending and explained that each chapter would be allowed two votes, even if it was represented by only one delegate.

The Chairman of the Board of Trustees, Dr. Theodore Bedrick of Wabash College, next presented the report of the Board of Trustees, which included a report of the Endowment Fund and the financial status of Eta Sigma Phi. Dr. Bedrick stated that due to wise management of Executive Secretary Den Adel the financial position of the fraternity is secure. He ended his report with the advice that as long as chapters and individuals continue to donate to the Endowment

Fund that it will remain secure, but that these contributions are very important. It was then moved and seconded that the report be accepted.

Dr. Raymond Den Adel of Rockford College then delivered the report of the Executive Secretary. He reminded the delegation that it must attempt to find a solution to the problem of delinquent chapters and to consider a procedure with which to handle individual cases. Duquesne University he stated, was petitioning for a new chapter while the chapters of Omega at the College of William and Mary and of Alpha Psi at Washington and Jefferson College had become inactive. Dr. Den Adel recommended that the delegation vote the two chapters inactive to establish a precedent for future cases of this sort. He urged all to encourage the growth of new chapters and the revival of old ones.

The Executive Secretary advised an increase in the scholarship amount to the Athens winner from \$1,000 less the rebate to \$1,200 less the rebate while leaving the amount offered the Rome scholarship winner at \$1,000 less the rebate. This suggestion, Den Adel stated, was due to the fact that the rebate from Athens was substantially larger than the rebate from Rome. He proceeded to thank Professor Fitts of Dickinson College for handling the scholarship competition. Dr. Den Adel also extended his gratitude to Professor Froberg of South Dakota for taking care of the written contests. More interest he added, was greatly desired in these contests.

The Executive Secretary commented on the financial status of the Medal Fund, the Eta Sigma Phi Savings Account, and the Checking Account. He further recommended that the travel allowances for officers and trustees be augmented. He stated that a suggestion had been made during the meeting of the Trustees and the Executive Council that a proviso be added that the amount allotted should not exceed the actual cost of the expenditures. Dr. Den Adel urged that the date and place for next year's convention be settled while at Colgate. He concluded by thanking Dr. John Rexine of Colgate and David Evans, Megas Hyparchos, for planning the convention and also Professor Bedrick for his financial assistance and Professor Roy Lindahl for editing the *Nuntius*. The report was then accepted by the delegation.

Stephen Freeman proceeded to state that there were several issues raised by the Executive Secretary's report which would need to be acted upon either through amendments or proposals during the Second General Session. He informed the delegation that there would be committees to work on these and other items, and he encouraged all to participate.

Stephen next brought to the delegation's attention the issue of the minutes of the Forty-Eighth National Eta Sigma

Phi Convention. The minutes were approved as amended by the delegation.

Stephen then proceeded to the petition of Duquesne University for a new Eta Sigma Phi chapter, which would be Epsilon Theta is approved. Dr. Den Adel read the letter of application. The delegates subsequently accepted Duquesne's petition for charter by the necessary two-thirds vote.

Megas Grammateus Cheryl Thomas of Vanderbilt University gave a brief report of the proceedings of the meeting of the Trustees and of the Executive Council. Some of the suggestions made at the meeting were: 1) to encourage more participation in the written contests and to send old copies of tests to chapters upon request; 2) to increase the travel allowances; 3) to initiate a fifty-year award; and 4) Stephen Freeman proposed a convivium, to be held Friday evening, consisting of the committee meetings and a time afterward for candidates for national offices to talk with present national officers. Cheryl Thomas then mentioned that anyone wishing to run for office would need to deliver a speech the next day and would also have to present a petition. Stephen Freeman proposed that the candidates acquire five signatures for the petition.

Dr. Roy Lindahl of Furman University proposed that since next year's convention would be the fiftieth that the second edition of the *Nuntius* could be expanded to celebrate the event, or at least that certain articles could be dedicated to the subject.

Stephen Freeman then stated that four committees had been established by the officers for the convivium that evening. These committees were:

- 1) Committee on Expansion headed by David Evans
- 2) Committee on Purpose and Re-definition of Eta Sigma Phi headed by Lynn Dunnagan
- 3) Committee on Proposed Amendments headed by Stephen Freeman
- 4) Committee on Time and Place (for the following convention) headed by Cheryl Thomas

The time set for the convivium was the end of the production to be presented by Professor Arnott with the place to be announced at a later time.

Stephen then progressed to the problem of delinquent chapters, specifically Omega chapter at William and Mary and Alpha Psi chapter at Washington and Jefferson. These chapters had not attended a convention or had an initiation for eight to ten years. It was passed by a two-thirds vote to declare both inactive. [Note: Dr. Den Adel stated that the formality of this procedure was necessary due to the fact that he was required to report additions and subtractions each year to the Internal Revenue Service].

A copy of the proposed amendments

for this year's convention was handed to the delegates by Randy Bibb, Prytanis of Psi chapter at Vanderbilt. Stephen urged everyone to study the amendments and requested that any delegates who were able to attend the committee meeting concerning these proposals.

Megas Prytanis Freeman asked if there was any further business from the floor. There being none, Megas Hyparchos David Evans of Colgate University made announcements pertaining to the addenda. Stephen Freeman again requested if there was any business which had not been attended to. Dr. Bedrick asked if there were any chapter reports to be given. Cheryl Thomas read the reports available. Following the approval of the delegation, Stephen Freeman declared the First General Session adjourned.

Friday afternoon there were several entertaining lectures which convention guests were fortunate enough to hear. Dr. Robert Murray, Jr., Chairman of the Colgate Classics Department, gave a slide presentation on "Delos-Birthplace of Apollo: One Hundred Years of Excavation." Dr. Frederick Dose, also of Colgate University, spoke on "The Nature of Greek Theatre Design." The convention was especially privileged to have Professor William Scott, Chairman of the Classics Department at Dartmouth College, as a guest speaker. Dr. Scott's topic, "The Wrong Hero in Euripides' Bacchae", was as intriguing and fascinating as its title.

During the evening there was a reception for delegates and guests followed by the annual banquet. Guest speaker at the dinner was Professor Johnathan Kistler of Colgate University. Dr. Kistler talked on "Dramatic Irony in Sophocles' *Antigone*."

The Second General Session of the Eta Sigma Phi Convention was convened at 9:30 Saturday morning, April 16, by Stephen Freeman. The first order of business was the roll call, for which there were no new chapters present. Gamma Alpha and Beta Zeta chapters submitted their reports, and Dr. Den Adel requested that any chapters which had not submitted theirs to mail them to the *Nuntius* Editor, Dr. Lindahl.

The election of trustees was the next procedure. Dr. Lindahl presented the nominations for the Board of Trustees. Dr. Bedrick was renominated for Chairman of the Board while Dr. John Rexine was nominated for a term. The Megas Prytanis called for discussion, and David Evans asked for a clarification of the duties of the trustees for the benefit of the delegation. Dr. Lindahl replied that the trustees were in charge of financial items such as the Endowment Fund, scholarships and travel expenses. Dr. Bedrick also stated that the trustees had legal responsibility for Eta Sigma Phi matters. It was then moved and seconded to accept the nominees who will serve for the next three years.

Dr. Lindahl was renominated for position of *Nuntius* Editor as was Dr. Den Adel for Executive Secretary. Lynn Dunnagan, Megas Chrysophylax from Indiana State University, moved to reelect both, for which everyone was in favor.

The committee reports were then delivered by the national officers. Cheryl Thomas first reported for the committee concerned with selecting the time and place for next year's convention. Two invitations had been given to host the Eta Sigma Phi convention for 1978, one from Gamma Alpha chapter at Indiana State University and the other from Gamma Omicron chapter at Monmouth University. Mark Ewald, Prytanis of Gamma Alpha, presented the invitation for Indiana State, while Dr. Lindahl delivered the request on behalf of Prof. Bernice Fox of Monmouth College. Ms. Thomas stated that it was the consensus of the committee that Indiana State University be chosen as next year's host, primarily because there was easier access to this university and more delegates might be encouraged to attend. After some discussion the delegation voted to accept the recommendation of the committee. The weekend of April 7 and 8 was suggested as a tentative date which would conclusively be determined by the national officers and the Executive Secretary.

Megas Hyparchos David Evans gave the report for the Committee on Expansion. First he stated that he himself had pursued his official duties for encouraging the expansion of Eta Sigma Phi by writing letters to chapters. David expressed the great necessity for written guidelines for next year's Vice-President, for he himself had had nothing to go by. David recommended five ways in which the Expansion Committee could further its endeavors in the coming year:

1. national mailings or announcements in national publications;
2. presentation of certificates to chapters which start new chapters at other schools;
3. greater publicity for scholarships and contests;
4. regional action should be left to individual chapters; and
5. a method of judicious review of chapters on the verge of delinquency was required and needed to be examined. He announced that the Vice-President needed direction in these areas and that this list of ideas would be of some assistance to him. The measures suggested were voted upon and approved by the delegation.

Megas Chrysophylax Lynn Dunnagan of Indiana State University next reported for the committee concerning the purpose of Eta Sigma Phi. Lynn stated that the purpose of Eta Sigma Phi was to promote the classics to all people on a broader level. Several things were suggested to facilitate this purpose:

- 1) a national poster;
- 2) more communication between chapters for which the *Nuntius* could be utilized;
- 3) meet-

- ings with guest speaker should be open to the public;
- 4) emphasis on high school extension, particularly so as not to lose Latin and classics students when they come to college;
- 5) make programs more student-oriented and broader in scope. Several people agreed that the *Nuntius* needed to be utilized for the expression of these ideas. Ms. Dunnagan also advised that a committee be provided to write to encourage chapters. David Evans added that student word-of-mouth could be extremely helpful in encouragement, especially to chapters in one's area. Randy Bibb of Vanderbilt University remarked on the great amount of free publicity provided by student publications which could be utilized by chapters. He suggested that chapters could attach Eta Sigma Phi's name to several programs, not merely their own, by interacting with other departments and collaborating on sponsorship. The report stimulated a great deal of interest among delegates and several other possibilities were also discussed.

The report was then heard from the Constitutional Revision Committee headed by Stephen Freeman. First to be discussed were the amendments up for their second reading at this year's convention. The first of these was:

"Article XIII, Section I: add paragraph "b": A chapter petitioning for reactivation must present its petition and a fee of \$10.00 in person at the National Convention. In cases of extreme hardship the attendance requirement may be waived at the discretion of the Executive Secretary.

It was the recommendation of the committee that the proposal be stated in paragraph "a" of Article XIII, Section I, which reads: "A reinstatement fee of \$10.00 shall be paid to the Grand Treasurer by each local chapter before reinstatement." The committee stated that to add paragraph "b" would be redundant and suggested that the proposal should henceforth read as paragraph "a". The recommendation was passed by the delegation.

The second proposed amendment up for its second reading was:

"Article VIII, Section 5: add to subparagraph "f": At the discretion of the Executive Secretary, the duty of editing the *Nuntius* may be assigned to another individual with the same membership qualifications as the Executive Secretary, with the honorarium to be divided equally between the two."

The committee accepted this amendment as stated. Dr. Bedrick, however, asked whether the Executive Secretary felt that the stipend should always be divided equally between the *Nuntius* Editor and the Executive Secretary. Dr. Bedrick suggested that as the circumstances might differ in future years that the wording of the amendment be changed from

"equally" to equitably". A motion was so made and passed. The amendment, now reading "to be divided equitably between the two", was passed by the delegation.

The next amendments were those to be considered on their first reading. The first of these was:

"Article XI, Section 4: strike the present section and replace it with: Alumni membership shall include all members of this society not presently a student at a college or university. Alumni members shall not be eligible to hold the four undergraduate offices of this society. However, they may be elected to the Board of Trustees, to the office of Megas Presbyter, or such other office as the society may create and not prohibit them to hold. (b) Upon payment of annual dues of \$3.00 alumni members shall be entitled to receive the *Nuntius* and all other communications of this society. (c) Life alumni membership shall be awarded upon payment of \$50.00 to the National Executive Secretary. Benefits of life alumni membership shall include exemption from annual alumni dues and a life subscription to the *Nuntius*."

It was the opinion of the committee that this amendment be changed from Section 4 to Section 6, for if Section 4 were replaced there would no longer be any mention of associate membership in the constitution. This suggestion was passed by the delegation. The altered proposal was then passed on its first reading.

Next to be heard for its first reading was:

"Article VII, add Section 6: Duties of the Megas Presbyter shall be to promote the interests of active graduate and alumni members, to advise the Executive Committee accordingly, and to perform such other duties as the Executive Committee shall appoint and as such officers normally perform."

This proposal was accepted as stated by the committee. Dr. Den Adel noted that if the delegation desired the Megas Presbyter to be a member of the Grand Executive Council a paragraph "c" would need to be added to Article VI, Section 1 clarifying this. Randy Bibb then suggested that the wording of the amendment be changed to conform to the style of the other amendments. This recommendation was approved and the amendment was changed to read as: "The Megas Presbyter shall promote the interests of active graduate and alumni members, advise the Executive Committee accordingly, and perform such other duties as the Executive Committee shall appoint and as such officers normally perform." The amendment was then passed on its first reading. A motion was then made to add paragraph "c"

to Article VI, Section I which would read: "The Megas Presbyter, who shall be a graduate student or alumni member." This proposal was also passed on its first reading.

The last amendment up for first reading was:

"Article VII, Section 2: Insert 'undergraduate' after 'all'."

It was suggested that this not be accepted and that the word 'undergraduate' be inserted between 'any' and 'office' instead. This proposal was carried by the delegation.

Certain business measures which did not involve the constitution were then discussed. The first of these matters was the increase in travel allowances of officers and trustees. It was suggested that these allowances be augmented in each category: to \$75.00 for 25-500 miles, to \$100 for 501-1000 miles, and \$125.00 for over 1000 miles. A proviso was included that the stipends not exceed the actual travel expenses. The increase was approved by the delegation.

The second issue to be considered was the idea of a fifty-year award which would be presented to an individual who had been a member of Eta Sigma Phi for fifty years and who had assisted the fraternity during this time. It was determined that the award would be a certificate to show the organization's appreciation. Dr. Lindahl noted that perhaps the award should not be limited to fifty years, but should be lowered, possibly to twenty-five years. Dr. Den Adel said that he could send letters now to those whom he knew would be eligible for a fifty-year award in order to thank them. He also stated that a committee should be formed to study and to make decisions about this and other meritory awards, such as the chapter service award. Stephen Freeman made the proposal that the new Megas Prytanis establish such a committee to consider these matters for the coming year. This proposal was passed.

The next item was the matter of a judicious review for delinquent chapters. The suggestion was made that the convention delegation approve of a judicious review of such chapters before they be declared inactive. Stephen Freeman noted that this had been the de facto policy carried out by the Executive Secretary. He supported the review and stated that all chapters should be given this opportunity. The recommendation was voted on and passed. Dr. Den Adel added that in future cases he would address letters of warning to delinquent chapters personally rather than making them anonymous.

Dr. Den Adel then brought forward the question of the scholarship increase to the Athens winner. The motion carried that the scholarship be raised to \$1200 less the rebate.

The next order of business was the election of national officers. Stephen Free-

man asked for the candidates' petitions and requested that they keep their speeches brief. The first office to be contested was that of Megas Prytanis for which Lynn Dunnagan of Indiana State University and Richard Gorsuch of Gettysburg College were candidates. (Dr. Den Adel stated at this time that officers would not vote unless they were the sole representative of their chapter.) Lynn Dunnagan was elected.

There were no petitions for the office of Megas Hyparchos. Richard Gorsuch was nominated from the floor and was subsequently elected.

Bridget Flood of St. Louis University was the sole candidate for the office of Megas Grammateus. She was elected by acclamation. The office of Megas Chrysophylax also went uncontested. Melanie Ellis of Colgate University was elected to this post.

After the installation of the new officers, Dr. Den Adel commented that he had been glad to work with the old officers and that he was looking forward to collaborating with the new ones. The new Megas Prytanis, Lynn Dunnagan, reminded the delegation that the business of dividing the honorarium between the Executive Secretary and the *Nuntius* Editor still needed to be attended to. It was proposed to divide the honorarium equally. This motion passed.

Dr. Bedrick gave his warmest appreciation to Colgate University and the Delta Zeta chapter for hosting such a wonderful convention. Stephen Freeman then moved to adjourn the meeting. Megas Prytanis Lynn Dunnagan requested that the new officers meet with the old ones before leaving Colgate. Stephen's motion was then seconded and carried, and the convention adjourned at 11:50 A.M.

Respectfully submitted,
Cheryl Thomas
Megas Grammateus

ETA SIGMA PHI MEDALS (continued) work and the bronze for second year. (Perhaps the small silver could also serve for a third-year award.) Unfortunately, increased cost of materials has made the price increase mandatory.

If you are interested in using these medals, they may be ordered through Professor Raymond Den Adel at Rockford College. Checks should be payable to Eta Sigma Phi Medal Fund, and should accompany the order. Also, orders should be placed at least three weeks before the date desired.



THE ETA SIGMA PHI

SUMMER SCHOLARSHIPS FOR 1978

The Trustees of Eta Sigma Phi Fraternity are pleased to announce that two scholarships will be offered in 1978 to enable one member of Eta Sigma Phi to attend the 1978 Summer Session of the American School of Classical Studies at Athens, Greece, and another to attend the 1978 Summer Session of the American Academy in Rome, Italy.

The Scholarship to the American Academy in Rome will have a value of \$1000.000, less the tuition fee remitted by the American Academy.

The Scholarship to the American School of Classical Studies at Athens will have a value of \$1200.00 less the tuition fee remitted by the American School.

Six semester hours of credit may be earned at either summer session, which is applicable toward an advanced degree in Classics at most graduate schools, provided advance arrangements have been made.

Selection of candidates for the scholarships is exercised by the Eta Sigma Phi Scholarship Committee, whose members are Professors R. Leon Fitts of Dickinson College, Chairman, Justin Glenn of Florida State University, and Carrie Cowherd of University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee. Enquiries and requests for blanks should be addressed to Professor R. Leon Fitts, Dickinson College, Carlisle, Pa. 17013.

Eligible to apply for the scholarships are Eta Sigma Phi members and alumni who have received a Bachelor's degree since January 1, 1972, or shall have received it in or before June 1978, and who have not yet received a doctoral degree. In selecting the winner of each scholarship the Committee will give attention to the quality of the applicant's work in Greek and Latin and his intention to teach at the secondary school or college level.

The applicant must submit a transcript of his undergraduate work, letters of recommendation and a statement not to exceed 500 words of his purpose and reasons for desiring the scholarship. Applications must be submitted to Professor Fitts by December 16, 1977. The winner of each scholarship will be announced about January 15, 1978.

For the Scholarship Committee

R. Leon Fitts
Chairman