



Salvete amici,

As our chapter was planning fall activities for this year, I realized that this is the time to begin planning to attend the Convention next spring. In recent years the number of chapters attending the Convention has declined, and this decline adversely affects our national unity. Inflation has hit everyone hard, but if we start planning now, then the financial burden can be eased next spring. As you know, the 1981 Convention is going to be held on March 26-28 at the College of Notre Dame in Baltimore, Maryland, home of Beta Kappa Chapter. Geographically, Beta Kappa lies at the heart of our organization and is within easy driving distance for many of our chapters. The effort to attend will be well worth your while because the Convention is an enjoyable and valuable educational experience. The Convention is the place for you to discuss your concerns and triumphs, and it is also where you can personally insure that the proper policies concerning the welfare of the Classics are enacted.

From the findings of our chapter survey last year, we reduced our mailing list some, but we also reactivated several long-dormant chapters. Consequently, we enter this next year optimistically. Our finances are strong, and our prospects for future expansion and development have never been better. With just a little more communication between chapters, I believe that we can fulfill many of our goals.

I should like to take a moment to welcome the Epsilon Lambda Chapter of the College of St. Catherine, St. Paul, Minnesota, into our organization and wish them luck with their new chapter. Its presence in our roll of chapters adds to our vitality.

Valete,

Laura Hackbarth
Megas Prytanis



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1) THIRTY-SECOND ANNUAL GREEK
TRANSLATION CONTEST

Tier One: This contest will consist of the sight translation of a passage in Greek which is considered within the comprehension of students beyond the second year of college Greek.

Tier Two: 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 of college Greek.

2) THIRTY-FIRST ANNUAL LATIN
TRANSLATION CONTEST

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3) FIFTEENTH 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

Cash awards will be made only to contestants who participate in Tier One competition or in Latin Composition. First prize in each contest will be \$50.00; second prize \$40.00; and third prize \$30.00. Names of all winners will appear in the Nuntius.

Eligibility

The 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.

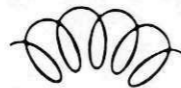
Written notice of a desire to participate postmarked not later than February 6, 1981, must be sent to the Executive Secretary, Professor Brent M. Froberg, Department of Classics, University of South Dakota, Vermillion, South Dakota 57069. Materials will be mailed by him in time for the contests to be administered simultaneously in all competing schools during the week of February 23, 1981. Contest papers in all of the contests are to be forwarded to the Executive Secretary and must be postmarked not later than February 28, 1981. 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 tier of each contest.

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

Committee on Contests
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Gamma Mu
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Salvete Omnes:

This issue is late, and so the scholarship committee has extended its final date for receiving applications to February 11. Please check the last page of the Nuntius for further details.

Laura Hackbarth has suggested to me that we might have a certamen this year as part of our convention in Baltimore. Questions similar to those used in college bowl competitions and based on all phases of the classics would provide the format for the competition. Some of the trustees and I could write the questions. Please write to me and let me have your thoughts on this proposal.

Members will frequently ask me what sorts of activities they can be doing to promote the vitality of their local chapters. The Res Gestae section in this issue has a wealth of suggestions. Not everything will work at every chapter, but there is certainly something here for everyone. These chapter reports are evidence that we have a lively and imaginative membership; anyone looking for ideas could treat the Res Gestae as a handbook. Imitation is the most sincere form of flattery.

No one contributes to a chapter's vitality more than the member who strives to realize his fullest capabilities as a student of Latin and Greek. The reward for this effort is great, for learning Latin and Greek is its own reward.

We want to encourage students to excel as early as possible in their learning. Eta Sigma Phi through its local chapters awards medals to recognize high achievement in Latin. Eta Sigma Phi has awarded these medals to outstanding high school students for close to fifty years. I have a large stock of medals on hand, and this year's prices are the same as last year's prices. A list of available medals and instructions on how to order them is in this issue.

My best wishes go to each of you for a successful school year.

Valete,

Brent M. Froberg
Executive Secretary

1980 WINNERS

GREEK TRANSLATION

1. David Joseph Schenker, Psi Chapter, Vanderbilt University

LATIN TRANSLATION

1. Kevin Kern, Psi Chapter, Vanderbilt University
2. David S. Fott, Psi Chapter, Vanderbilt University
3. L. G. Sirhall, Jr., Epsilon Zeta Chapter, University of Idaho
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LATIN COMPOSITION

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American School in Athens
David Lamar Wray, Alpha Sigma Chapter, Emory University

American Academy in Rome
Peter A. Persuitti, Epsilon Gamma Chapter, University of Scranton

RES GESTAE

Eta Chapter
Florida State University



This year has been busy with the planning of the 1980 National Convention, but we have been able to find time for some other activities. Last spring we had our first Greco-Roman Gallop, and we were pleased with the number of participants--over 300. This year we are already in the process of planning our second, annual Greco-Roman Gallop on May 4, and we anticipate an equally good turnout this spring.

A continuing source of pride for the Eta Chapter has been our 1979-80 lecture series which we started last spring with a lecture by Dr. Walter Forehand on Catullus 76. This past academic year we have been equally successful with the quality of visiting lecturers whom we were able to acquire. This fall our first lecturer was Dr. Bruce Lenny, a professor

in the Department of Religion at Florida State University, who lectured on, "A Greek Buddhist in India." Also, the same quarter, we had Professor Theodore Tarkow from the University of Missouri at Columbia. He lectured on "The Prometheus Bound: A Consequence of Choice." This winter we feel fortunate that Professor Guillian Bonfante was able to take time from his busy schedule and lecture for us in Tallahassee. Professor Bonfante presented two lectures which the FSU Italian Club sponsored with us: "From Latin to Italian" and "Dante, Poeta Italiano." This spring Dr. Edward Best from the University of Georgia will come and present a lecture on Pompeian graffiti, and Michael Hoff, one of our own graduate students in archaeology, will present a lecture entitled, "Roman Republican Coinage and Propaganda in the Age of Caesar." The Eta Chapter is pleased and excited about Mr. Hoff's lecture, since it is the first of what we hope will be a continuing series of lectures given by graduate students here at Florida State University. The purpose of beginning such a lecture series is to provide the opportunity for students to present lectures on topics which interest them. Some students may present lectures on the topics of their theses and provide at the same time a forum for their ideas and scholarly research. Also we hope that the lecture series will provide good, professional training for these students interested in continuing in an academic career.

Michael Painter,
Chrysophylax

Alpha Pi Chapter Gettysburg College

Alpha Pi held its annual initiation and banquet on November 14, 1979, and R. Pavlantos, Chairman of our Classics Department, was the after-dinner speaker. We also held a Christmas party in December and a wine and cheese party in February. Alpha Pi was pleased to be represented at this year's convention in Tallahassee.

Mary A. Smith,
Prytanis

Alpha Rho Chapter Muhlenberg College

Alpha Rho began an active year in December with a trip to the Allentown Art Museum to see a Classics exhibit and to hear several lectures. In January, we celebrated the

New Year at a Greek buffet dinner. Four new members were initiated in March, and all of us are eagerly looking forward to our April meeting when members of the Latin seminar on Plautus's Casina will read the results of their research.

Christina Salowey
Prytanis

Alpha Omicron Chapter Lawrence University

Alpha Omicron, having had a formal initiation ceremony last term, is enjoying a busy year. We presently have twenty-three regular and honorary members. In addition, we have at least three prospective initiates for our spring ceremony. Some of our activities this year have included the initiation ceremony (followed by a celebration) and a study break during finals. We shall be showing the film, "Oedipus the King," free of charge to the Appleton and Lawrence communities as a chapter service project that will provide good public relations for our organization. Our chapter is going to have a variety of events, both light-hearted and academic, this spring. We shall have mini-lectures given by members on such topics as the City of Rome; we shall have slide shows on Roman and Grecian themes. Also there will be an initiation ceremony, a spring picnic, and possibly an evening of bowling.

Next year's events, including our "Classics Week" which is held every other year in the spring term, is already being planned. Our budget for next year has been drawn up also.

Ann S. Derse,
Grammateus/Chrysophylax

Beta Alpha Chapter University of South Dakota

Last autumn Beta Alpha held a combined meeting of the faculty in Classics and of Chapter members at the home of Professor and Mrs. Brent Froberg. Professor Froberg presented some slides taken during his study tour (with the Vergilian Society) in Sicily in 1973.

We have had this year a large beginning Latin class, and so we expect to make some substantial additions to the membership of our chapter. Our initiation and banquet will be held in mid-April, and Kathryn Thomas, chairman-elect of the Department of Classics and Modern Languages at Creighton University, Omaha, Nebraska, will be our special after-dinner speaker. Professor Thomas

will speak on the Omaha vase painter whose work is represented in the Joslyn Art Gallery in Omaha.

Once again, our banquet menu will feature, inter alia, our famous South Dakota seafood a la Newburg on flaky pastry shells. We wish that all of you could join us.

Mary Kristine McGowen,
Grammateus

Beta Beta Chapter Furman University

The Beta Beta Chapter began the year with five active members. During the fall the chapter heard a report from Dr. Lindahl, our adviser, on his summer travels in Greece. Other meetings included a lecture on Latin palaeography and another on vocational opportunities for Classics majors. In February we initiated nine new members and planned an additional initiation to include several honorary members. The Chapter will award medals again this year to local high school students for excellence in second and in fourth-year studies.

Deborah Cowan
Megas Chrysophylax

Beta Theta Chapter Hampden-Sydney College

Last spring, Beta Theta sponsored a program on the writings of Archilochus by Dr. Margaret Ellen Mayo, a former winner of an Eta Sigma Phi summer scholarship. Mrs. Mayo, from the Virginia Museum of the Arts, spoke on the author's writings and philosophy and the way they reflected his times. On Tuesday, May 1, 1979, Tim Keena was elected Prytanis, Bill Leach Hyparchos, John Keesling Chrysophylax, and Fritz Ritsch Grammateus. Eleven members were graduated in 1979. The treasury had \$70 before we removed \$40 of it for our trip here. The organization presently has twenty-three members, including eleven outside the student body, i.e., faculty, administrators, or faculty wives. Eleven people this year, including a woman from Longwood College and a daughter of a faculty member, have qualified for initiation. They will be initiated Tuesday, April 22. The following day our chapter is sponsoring Dr. William H. Willis of Duke University to speak on, "A Pagan Family in the Fourth Century A.D." Beta Theta is advised by Dr. Graves Haydon Thompson.

Fritz Ritsch,
Grammateus

Beta Iota Chapter Wake Forest University

We began the 1979-80 school year with thirty active members, and all in all we have had a busy year. We had a total of four formal meetings, one in the fall and three in the spring. In our first spring meeting Brenda Swan, our Prytanis, gave a slide presentation and talk about her fall semester overseas in Venice. In the next meeting, Dr. Rick Heatley, Associate in Academic Administration at Wake Forest, delivered a lecture concerning his week in Pompeii during August, 1979, to celebrate the millennial anniversary of the eruption of Vesuvius. He focused primarily on the ruins at and near Pompeii, and he spoke about several recent discoveries and new research in the area.

Brenda Swan attended this year's National Convention. She was able to give us much information about what is going on in Eta Sigma Phi on a national level. She also learned some new techniques (used at Florida State) for teaching Latin--some techniques which should come in handy, since she is going to teach Latin in a high school next year.

We ended the year by initiating sixteen new active members and two honorary members. We have been pleased with the size of our membership, and we hope to keep growing!

Parker Grannis,
Grammateus

Beta Kappa Chapter College of Notre Dame of Maryland

The Beta Kappa Chapter has been active this past semester and plans to finish the year soon with a bang. We invited, again this year, high school students from all over the Baltimore Metropolitan area to come and participate in a variety of activities.

Our year began in October as we broadcasted the coming of Professor Peter Arnott. Professor Arnott from Tufts University gave a marionette performance of Euripides's Bacchae on November 2, 1979. We hope to have Dr. Arnott back next year, perhaps for the next national convention.

Beta Kappa held its annual Classics Day for high school students on February 23, 1980. We had guest lecturers who discussed everything from Epicureanism to the ancient Olympic games. Recently we held the Latin Day Competition for high school Latin teams. More people than ever before attended this year's competition; one high school entered twenty-seven teams.

Our chapter is slowly but surely growing; we shall induct seven new members at the end of this month. Our alumnae are active, and our support is growing. Many of our new inductees this year are from Loyola College in Maryland whose chapter became inactive in recent years. Also, during our activities for Classics Day, we talked with Professor Sienkewicz of the Classics Department at Howard University, Washington, D.C., where the Gamma Xi Chapter has recently reactivated. Their revitalization has greatly encouraged us.

Cathleen Cawley
Megas Hyparchos

Beta Upsilon Chapter Marshall University

Shortly after the last convention, to which our chapter sent two representatives, we held our annual initiation and inducted Misses Beverly Skeans and Becky Adams. The ceremony was followed by a reception and a slide presentation from Dr. Charles Lloyd, our adviser, on the archaeological sites of Greece. The slides were particularly enjoyable since they represented Dr. Lloyd's own experiences in Greece in the summer of 1978.

Since our initiation ceremony took place so close to the end of the semester, we were unable to begin any new activities and so adjourned for the summer. Dr. Lloyd did have one more official duty--presentation in behalf of Eta Sigma Phi and the Department of Classical Studies, of our annual award to the most outstanding fourth-year high school Latin student. Miss Karen Gebhardt, of Huntington East High School, received the award and is now one of our promising Classics students at Marshall.

Fall began, and so did Beta Upsilon. We started writing, rewriting, and rewriting our version of the Saturnalia, in order to make it the most festive, frolicking, and fun-filled Saturnalia that Marshall and Martial had ever seen. Our President, Miss Sally Johnson, and Vice-President, Miss Cynthia Wolfe, collaborated (with great help from Martial) in the reworking of the old traditions. Plautus and Terence just may be replaced by Johnson and Wolfe in the comedy realm if audience response is any indication. The festival was attended by high school students, their teachers, Marshall students, and faculty members from the history and modern language departments. We were so good (not that we want to brag) that we are thinking of

taking our Saturnalia on the road. Look out Broadway!

Throughout the fall and spring semesters we have been working on a plan to bring 'culture' not only to Classics students, but also to all language students. It involves the movement of three plaster-cast classical statues and three large pictures from the original office of the Classics Department, where they are somewhat in peril, to the hallway outside the modern language classrooms, where they will be housed in glass cases and on view to many more students. It seems appropriate for modern language students and professors to be reminded from whence their languages and cultures come! In connection with these statues, we have also discussed a trip to Morehead, Kentucky, to see how they have displayed the classical statue copies that belong to Morehead State University.

After recuperating from the Saturnalia and Christmas break, Beta Upsilon was back at work, planning the activities for the spring semester. First was our initiation of new members, which we accomplished in grand style on March 12. We gladly received three new Beta Upsilon--Miss Jan Waltz, Mr. Ford Price, and Mr. Mark Thayer--and brought our total to thirteen active members. We may be small, but, puer, are we active! After our candlelight ceremony, all the members took part in a celebration dinner at a local Italian restaurant where we imbibed of the grape and sampled the pasta. We have found that Eta Sigma Phi makes the most convivial group.

Almost immediately after the initiation, the Dean of Liberal Arts sent out a memo that he wanted each of his departments to bring him a ten to fifteen minute cassette tape representative of each department's goals and programs so that he could play them for high school students when he went out to do some recruiting. Eta Sigma Phi's natural intellectual and inventive superiority is evident as we produced a remarkable tape recording; remarkable, both logistically and materially. Logistically, because we presented the 'same old stuff' in an innovative manner. For background music we used the soundtrack from the movie, Zorba the Greek; the swelling music allowed a thread of continuity while we presented such topics as: majors in Latin and Greek, the courses available in Classical Studies, students' comments on the Department, Eta Sigma Phi and the Classical Association, and original excerpts from the Iliad and from the Aeneid. Also included, as an addition to the musical interlude, were slogans that have been used in the last few years to attract attention to the offerings of the

Department of Classical Studies such as: "Take Latin 'Cause You're Worth It!", "Close Encounters of the Classical Kind!", "Three's Company--Latin, Greek, and Classics!" and (everyone's favorite) "Don't be Meek--Take GREEK!!!" The Dean said that our tape was the best that he had received and that he was going to use it as a model for other tapes that are to be done. He also enjoyed the musical background.

For the remainder of the semester we are going to raise money by selling T-shirts with classical motifs on them; one will be the Julio-Claudian line of emperors, from the series, I, Claudius, and the other will be a beautiful, Corinthian capital. We think that these will go over in a big way, not just among students of Latin and Greek but also among those taking the Classics courses.

In addition to the T-shirt sale, Beta Upsilon plans to go with the classical archaeology class on their field trip to Cincinnati, Ohio, for a visit to the University Museum and its excellent collection of ancient antiquities, especially those from Greece. Many of our Beta Upsilon students are enrolled in the archaeology class and have found it most enjoyable.

And, as is our custom, we are presenting \$50.00 to the Eta Sigma Phi Scholarship Fund. None of our students will be able to attend the convention, but we feel that Dr. Louise Hoy will represent us extremely well in Tallahassee. We hope to see you at the convention next year, but until then--ave atque value.

Sally Johnson
Prytanis

Gamma Alpha Chapter Indiana State University

While part of our chapter was attending the fifty-first Annual Convention in St. Louis in April, 1979, the rest of us were hosts for the Junior Classical League's State Convention at home. After both conventions were over and we were once again reunited, we initiated Leslie Hoggatt and Chin Lan and pledged Kelly Comer, Barbara Huffman, Leanne Crumin, Ardelle Geis, and Donna Stuck. We elected new officers for the 1979-1980 year: Laura Hackbarth, Chrysophylax; Mark Wiseman, Hyparchos; and Leslie Hoggatt, Prytanis-Grammateus. At that meeting, Dr. Marjorie Windelberg presented a program on Vulgar Latin. We finished the month with the production of Plautus's Amphitryon for the public and netted eighty dollars over costs. Members from Beta Zeta of St. Louis University drove over to see the play.

We started the fall semester with an organizational meeting and instituted a tutoring program for an exceptionally large 101 Latin class. Then we met at Dr. Loyd's home on the first of October for our annual Greek dinner. Members prepared the food as authentically as possible, and several prospective members were invited to acquaint them with our organization. At the last of the month, during Autumfest (a time when the University invites high school students on campus), we set up a booth and won the Motivation Award and fifty dollars.

Our annual Foreign Language Day in November was again a success. We presented a slide show and a short play (written by Dr. Windelberg) to the students and then had them participate in a quiz bowl. At our November meeting, we initiated Barbara Huffman and pledged Patti Parkes, Janet Ulrey, Ron Rinaldi, Evelyn James, Joyce Richards, and Marycolette Hruskocy. Randy Richardson presented a program on Pompeii, also.

In December, Ron Rinaldi won \$100.00 for our organization by making three consecutive baskets in the Pizza Hut's Shoot for Dough contest held during the half-times of our home games. At the first of the year we put together our first team for the College Quiz Bowl. We hope to do better next year.

On the first of February, we drove to Indiana University in Bloomington for a production of Plautus's Rudens produced by their theatre department. Our meeting in February was devoted to completing plans for our April production of Aristophanes's Birds, arranging for a guest speaker (Cecil Wooten of Indiana University's Department of Classical Studies), and planning the annual Italian Dinner. Also, Dr. Windelberg and Randy Richardson spoke on Homeric Formulae.

The Department sponsored the Second Annual Oral Recitation Festival in March, and Randy Richardson won the Greek division and Laura Hackbarth won the Latin. With some trepidation Gamma Alpha trooped down en masse to donate blood during the annual blood drive on campus; it wasn't so bad.

Laura Hackbarth,
Megas Prytanis

Gamma Omicron Chapter Monmouth College

We entered a float in the Homecoming parade again. Although we put more than usual time and effort into our float, it won no

prize. But it was the first float in the line-up rather than the last (as it had been in previous years), and it received many compliments.

Our monthly meetings have included the showing of slides from our sponsor's various trips to Greece and to Italy, a Saturnalia party, and in March, ice cream and strawberries with non-member students who are currently studying Greek or Latin at Monmouth College.

We recently initiated four new members into our chapter. We have been represented at every National Convention since the installation of our Chapter in 1956. We are making our annual contribution to the Scholarship Fund, an unbroken tradition.

We are proud that the National Endowment for the Humanities this year offered Monmouth College a challenge grant to establish a Chair of Classics on our campus. When we meet this challenge (we have three years in which to do so), this chair will become the first on our campus to be fully endowed. An endowed chair will add a great deal of prestige to the Department as well as ensure a permanent place for Classics in our curriculum.

Bernice L. Fox,
Sponsor

Delta Upsilon Chapter Valparaiso University

This year was productive for Delta Upsilon. First we elected officers: Bev Feldkamp, Prytanis; Kent Scheiwe, Hyparchos; and Yvonne Bichsel, Grammateus/Chrysophylax. Our main events centered on our now annual Lecture and Film Series open to the entire campus and co-sponsored by the Department of Foreign Languages. We presented: an illustrated lecture by Bernard Barcio, M.A., on "Vesuvius Nineteen Hundred Years Later" (September 24, 1979); "Greek Antiquity in Twentieth Century Drama," by Mr. Carol Petersen, M.A., Valparaiso University (October 29, 1979); Tyrone Guthrie's film production of "Oedipus Rex" (November 15, 1979); "Cosmic Man, Cosmic Christ: The Milestones in the Migration of an Idea from Vitruvius to Durer," by Professor Gottfried Krodol of Valparaiso University (February 11, 1980); Gregory Alles, M.A., former prytanis of the Delta Upsilon Chapter, returned from his studies at Lutheran School of Theology, Chicago, to present, "Religion and Ethics in the Iliad" (March 24, 1980); our feature lecture, still to come, will be, "The Heroic Ethic of the Greeks," by Professor Arthur

Adkins, Ph.D., of the University of Chicago on April 21, 1980.

Other special events for this year included our annual Christmas Party in Chicago's Greek Town. We also went on an expedition to Chicago to see an exhibit of Greek Vases. In February we initiated two new members, Marcia Klatt and Steve Burrow. To conclude the year, we shall award our annual scholarships to beginning students at our May reception.

Beverly Feldkamp
Prytanis

Epsilon Epsilon Chapter Rockford College

The Epsilon Epsilon Chapter co-sponsored a talk by Dr. William Scott in October on, "Story Telling in Homer." In November the chapter co-sponsored a lecture, "Sicilian Carousel," by Professor Raymond Den Adel, our adviser, at Rockford's Society of the Archaeological Institute of America. In December we performed our usual Christmas singing in Latin at the Continental Coffee Hour Party. In February we had our Lupercalia Dinner and then a reception of new members at the home of our adviser. The speaker was Professor Sally Ware, Professor of French, who spoke of her sabbatical experiences in France and in Morocco. In April certificates will be awarded to new members at the annual Honors Day. Chapter members also attended several other of the AIA lectures given at Rockford College.

Dan O'Neill
Prytanis



NEH Awards \$150,000 Challenge Grant to Monmouth College

Monmouth College, home of Gamma Omicron Chapter, was one of approximately fifty colleges to receive a Challenge Grant for a project that would enhance the humanities. The NEH awarded \$150,000 to Monmouth College to help endow a chair in Classics. Terms of the grant require Monmouth College to raise three dollars for each federal dollar, or \$450,000. Monmouth College has three years to raise this money, and when the project, known as the "Campaign for the Classics," is completed, \$600,000 will have been added to the permanent endowment of the college. The annual income from the endowment will be restricted to support the program in Classics. The endowed chair in Classics would be Monmouth College's first fully endowed chair. To date, over \$50,000 has been raised.

For 126 years from the founding of Monmouth College in 1853, Classics has been an unbroken tradition at the College and an integral part of its curriculum. In 1956, Gamma Omicron Chapter was established and has, since then, set an enviable record of: perfect attendance at the National Convention; strong support of Eta Sigma Phi's Endowment Fund; several national officers, including the first woman to be Megas Prytanis of Eta Sigma Phi. Many of Gamma Omicron's alumni are teaching Latin and Greek in high schools and colleges across the country. Professor Bernice Fox, chairman of Monmouth College's Classics Department, served two terms as a Trustee of Eta Sigma Phi.

Now we all have an opportunity to thank this loyal chapter for nearly twenty-five years of unstinting support. We can help to put this campaign for the Classics over the top. Anyone who wishes to send a contribution should make his check or

money order payable to Monmouth College and send it to: Development Office, Campaign for the Classics, Monmouth College, Monmouth, Illinois, 61462.

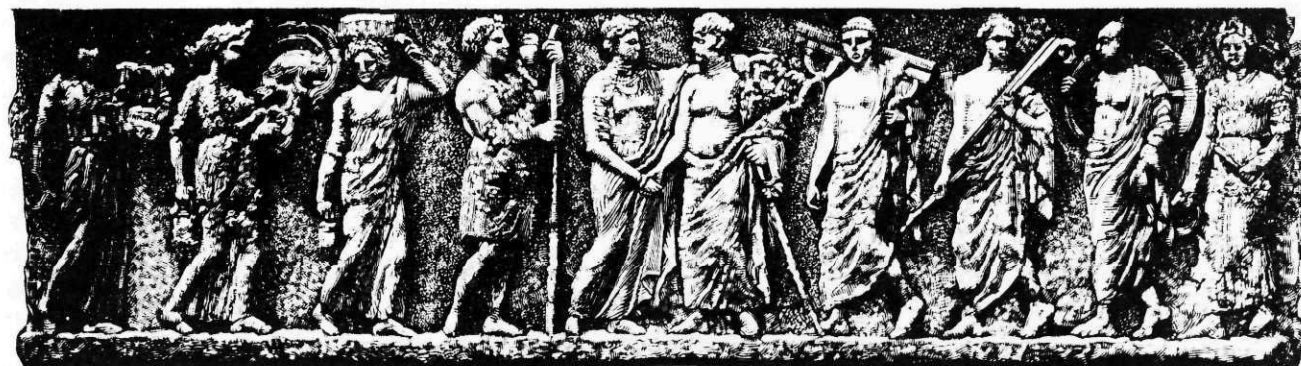


Eta Sigma Phi Medals

Eta Sigma Phi medals awarded to honor students in second and fourth year Latin help to promote the study of Latin in high school and give Eta Sigma Phi an excellent contact with high school students of the classics. Chapters can use them as prizes for contests or as a way to recognize achievement.

Two silver medals are available: the large size (1½ inches) at \$13.00 and the small size (¾ inches) at \$7.50. A bronze medal (¾ inches) is available for \$4.00. Silver medals are excellent prizes for fourth-year students while bronze medals make good prizes for students in their second year of Latin. The smaller, silver medals could serve as prizes for third-year students.

If you or your chapter would like to award these medals, they may be ordered from Professor Brent M. Froberg at the University of South Dakota. Checks should be payable to Eta Sigma Phi Medal Fund and should accompany the order; please add \$1.00 total per order to cover the costs of postage and handling. Orders should be placed at least three weeks before the date desired.



Letter from a Life Member

Dr. Laurence Welch became Eta Sigma Phi's ninth life member early this fall and recently donated his jewelry to the fraternity to be awarded to seniors who will continue their study of Classics. Here are some excerpts from a letter sent by him to the National Office:

"I began the study of Latin and Greek in West Philadelphia Boys High School in 1921. This study was continued under the brilliant galaxy of professors--John C. Rolfe, George Depue Hadzits, Roland Grubb Kent, Walter W. Hyde, Walton Brooks McDaniel--who at that time constituted the Classics Department at the University of Pennsylvania. I received my A.B. in Greek and Latin in the fateful summer of 1929. While at Pennsylvania I became a charter member of Eta Sigma Phi, Omicron Chapter in 1927.

I came to Los Angeles in 1930 and later began graduate studies at USC in

Comparative Literature, doing most of my work in Latin, French, and Spanish. The shift in major was necessitated by the lack of teaching positions in Latin and Greek during the Depression of the '30's. Eventually I earned an A.M. and Ph.D. in Comparative Literature at USC. My doctoral dissertation was *The Prometheus Myth: A Study of Its Literary Vicissitudes*, in which, among others, I examined the myth as related by Hesiod, Aeschylus, Isidore of Seville, Tho. Campion, Goethe, Shelley, Gide, and Vasconcelos.

I taught in the Los Angeles High School System for twelve years, mostly English but a few classes in Latin and Greek. I also served as Chairman of the Department of English, Foreign Languages, and Social Studies.

In 1949 I transferred to Los Angeles Harbor College, part of the community college system of Los Angeles. I taught here until I retired in 1970, being for

some years Chairman of the Division of Humanities. Although I taught a course in Greek, most of my classes were in Philosophy, Comparative Literature, and History of Ancient and Medieval Art.

Over the years I have travelled extensively in Europe and the Orient, and I made several trips to Italy and Greece. At present I am studying privately Arabic and Egyptian hieroglyphs in addition to continued reading of Latin and Greek (also modern Greek), ancient history, art, and philosophy.

I am convinced that the study of the Classics in my distant youth under such inspiring teachers as those mentioned above has had a most beneficial influence on my life. And I add for those who have a practical side to their nature that my knowledge of the fields of Latin and Greek has over the years paid off financially very handsomely."

Life Membership List Grows

Since the Fraternity initiated a category for life members in 1978, the list has grown to nine. Life membership is available for fifty dollars, and such membership entitles each life member to a life-long subscription to the *Nuntius* and official recognition by the National Office. All money for memberships is added to the Endowment Fund and is used solely to support the summer scholarship program. Life memberships may be presented as gifts, and they make thoughtful and lasting presents for graduating seniors. These people have become life members; the date of their membership follows their chapter affiliation given in parentheses:

1. Raymond L. Den Adel (Epsilon) April 8, 1978
2. Ruth L. Froberg (Theta) April 27, 1979
3. Lois Ashton Larson (Alpha Eta) March 24, 1980
4. Grace L. Beede (Beta Alpha) March 31, 1980
5. Ruth F. Longacre (Gamma Theta) March 31, 1980
6. Louise P. Hoy (Beta Upsilon) April 12, 1980
7. Beverly Feldkamp (Delta Upsilon) April 16, 1980
8. Bernice Fox (Gamma Omicron) May 28, 1980
9. Laurence C. Welch (Omicron) September 8, 1980

Fraternity Insignia Available

Dr. Laurence Welch, charter member of Omicron Chapter (1927, University of Pennsylvania) and life member of Eta Sigma Phi, has sent his insignia to the National Office and has requested that they be awarded to two senior students who plan to continue their study of Latin and/or Greek in graduate school. One piece of jewelry is an attractive tie clasp with a pendant owl key; the other piece is a beautiful badge.

At Professor Welch's request, the National Office and the Scholarship Committee have agreed to award these two pieces of jewelry--the tie clasp to a man and the badge to a women--on a competitive basis. Those interested in having one of these attractive insignia should send a letter to Professor Raymond Den Adel, Rockford College, Rockford, Illinois, 61101. Each contestant should also have sent by April 10 a copy of his transcript and one letter of recommendation from a professor of Classics. Winners of the jewelry will be notified by mail by May 1, 1981.

Cathleen Cawley, Our New Vice-President

Cathleen Cawley has attended the last two National Conventions. Now, as a senior, she will be in charge of the committee on local arrangements for the National Convention in Baltimore, Maryland. Cathleen is also directing

chapter development this year. She gives us a glimpse of her many activities in the following account:

"I am a senior majoring in history at the College of Notre Dame of Maryland. I became involved in Eta Sigma Phi as a first-semester Latin student in my sophomore year. I decided to take Latin to fulfill my language requirement and to increase my vocabulary, since I thought that Latin would help me in my preparation for law school. Along with serving as Megas Hyparchos of Eta Sigma Phi I am involved in the history honor society, Phi Alpha Theta.

The College of Notre Dame is a small, women's college, and as such, I have been able to arrange my school schedule so that I am able to take a full course load (sixteen to seventeen credits a semester) and still work sixteen to twenty hours a week. I have worked for the Justice Department, Drug Enforcement Administration, and I am now working for an attorney in Baltimore. I enjoy working during school because work offers some variety to the school routine. I have also been able to complete several internships while working with the Public Defender's office of Baltimore City and with the Consumer Council of Maryland.

My major problem during the school year is trying to keep my schedule straight to keep from showing up at the wrong place at the wrong time. So far, I have been lucky!"





Fritz Ritsch, Our New Secretary

Fritz Ritsch, our new secretary is an experienced writer. Last spring, he sent our office the following biographical notes:

"I am going to be president of Beta Theta Chapter next year. I am an English major studying for the ministry. I came to Hampden-Sydney College on a Freshman English Scholarship, based on writing ability. In my sophomore year I received the Phillip H. Ropp Memorial Award for Literary Excellence. I have worked for three years for our paper, *The Tiger*, serving these past two years as Feature Editor, a position from which I recently retired to take on the role of Editor of our literary magazine, *The Garnet*, next year.

I was secretary for Beta Theta Chapter this year and also Treasurer for Hampden-Sydney/Longwood's chapter of Inter-Varsity Christian Fellowship (where I learned that I was not intended in life to be a treasurer). I have been a small group leader for IVCF and will be again next year. I wrestled college varsity for two years; love to dance; love Renaissance poetry, Shakespeare, and mythology with a passion. I enjoy writing, especially poetry, and I think all women are neat, which is why I am going to enjoy being a national officer this year, serving with three very attractive young ladies."



NEW INITIATES

September, 1979 - August, 1980

ETA (Florida State University): David Larrick, Laurie Gersh, Erin Herzberger, Joseph Lindsey, Claudette Gatlin, Ron Turner, Lee Robertson, Lisa Stearns.

LAMBDA (University of Mississippi): Jamie Carolyn Penny, Sherri Elizabeth Fraser, Henry Creed Fox, Roy Cecil Fox, Malcolm Sidney Moore, Jr., Terry Jean Meneley, Nanci Claire Platt, Melanie Frances Landrum.

SIGMA (Miami University): Carol Anderson, John E. Budde, Stephanie A. Burk, Claudia Engle, L. Anthony Freeman, Suzanne G. Haag, David Lockwood, Lori M. Maundrell, Christine Morton, Steve E. Oehlerts, Martha Pardee, Randal L. Strickler, William P. Wagner.

PSI (Vanderbilt University): Helen C. Bailey, Marianne N. Brown, Lou Ann Burnett, Gregory Bryant Cliburn, David Samuel Fott, Frank Stuart Gulley, Clio Armitage Harper III, Jeffery Norman Haynes, Miriam Eliza Hiser, John Keith Jenkins, Earp Franklin Jennings, Paul Francis Kingsbury, D. Wayne Laney, Jr., Melanie Danielle Mattson, Siobhan Elizabeth McLaughlin, Rebecca Ann Rasco, Barbara Jeanette Rich, Richard H. Seay, Jr., Catherine Elizabeth Snell, Barrie E. Todd

ALPHA DELTA (Agnes Scott College): June Derby, Carol Chapman, Sarah Toms, Hannah Griffith (1978), Diane Shaw (1978).

ALPHA IOTA (University of South Carolina): Constance P. Culp, Samuel Poore, John Padgett, Elizabeth G. Thomas, Joseph L. Caldwell, Kenneth Sumner

ALPHA OMICRON (Lawrence University): Constance A. M. Skowronski, Henry W. Stevenson, MaryElizabeth Kirk, Heidi R. Nielsen, Sarah H. Warrington, Barbara Lynn Kloehn, Jeffrey M. Pines, Eleanor Kerlow

ALPHA PI (Gettysburg College): Katherine E. Anderson, David Barnes, Hilary

Baskerville, Susan Ecker, Timothy Hamm, Hilary Ann Hastings, Darcy Howe, Polly Ann Magee, Terry L. Piggott, Lorna J. Rice, Lynn M. Stetler.

ALPHA RHO (Muhlenberg College): Thomas Brandecker, Aggeliki Katjilieri, Dawn Egazarian, Virginia Hristofas, Mary C. Kelly, Michael Bottos, Frank Korich, Mary Redline, George Ericsson, Patricia Knox, Daniel Betts McKinney.

ALPHA CHI (Tulane University): Damaris Moore, Cynthia Gee, Dorothea Atwater, Tracie Aycox, Edward Duplantier, James Faron, Dawn Deanna Sturgill, Elizabeth Zolfoghary.

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BETA ALPHA (University of South Dakota): Frank J. Schumacher, James D. Mueller, Pat Case, Spencer Berry, Brad Paulson, Jeanne Novacek Bates, Roy Tinklenberg, John R. Christy, Steven A. Dirksen, Charles Skallerud.

BETA BETA (Furman University): Mark J. Beasley, Thomas C. Cook III, Bruce A. Havens, Barbara E. Henderson, Zach Kelehear, Gregory Steven Rice, Lynn M. Robinson, Peter R. Rothfuss, Laurie Ann Stevens, Milicent Wilkinson, Janie M. Grant, David L. Odom, Michael E. Timmerman.

BETA DELTA (University of Tennessee): Scott Camp, Dawn Ford, Henry Gupton, Cynthia Henson, Lauren Johnson, Lois Kunselman, Robert McKenzie, Roger Spencer, David Winkle, Phillip Wynn.

BETA ZETA (St. Louis University): Patricia A. Fitzgibbons, Randall Emberg, Russell W. Dumke, Charles Claiborne III, Alma Allen, Donna Rusicka, Debra S. Teagle, Laura D. Daus, Catherine A. Mulvey.

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BETA IOTA (Wake Forest University): Jonathan Andrew Alcorn, Patricia Marie Bell,

Lee Annette Burroughs, Lucy Clare Edelmann, Robert Andrew Fouts, Sheryl Ann Gillikin, Robert Eugene Hersh, Karen Jane Hills, Travis Warren Knowles, Sharon Denise Marshall, Jeanne Kye Matthews, Denise Gladieux McIntyre, Drew Harris McNeill, Stephen Prescott Potter, George Kendall Weaver, Frank Dearmon Whitney, Anthony Charles Bruneio, Andrew Hollis Wakefield.

BETA KAPPA (College of Notre Dame of Maryland): Janine Good, Rosa Glorioso, Claire Smith, Susan Garner, Lori Heimann, Mary Ellen O'Shea, Vincent Wroblewski.

BETA NU (Mary Washington College): Kathryn L. Grossman, Cynthia A. Jones, Diana L. Ward.

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BETA UPSILON (Marshall University): Ford Price, Mark Thayer, Jan Waltz.

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GAMMA DELTA (Yeshiva University): Ira Slomowitz, Murray Rosenthal.

GAMMA IOTA (Wabash College): Thomas William Davis, Dennis Michael Kennedy, Chris Peter Kouros, Clair Eugene Lang, Jr., Mark David Magura, James Crisley McKelly II.

GAMMA KAPPA (Heidelberg College): Lon S. Beery, Jane Louise Dixon, Paul W. Klemt.

GAMMA MU (Westminster College): Laura E. Moelk, James L. Riley, J. Ross Slaughter.

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THE ETA SIGMA PHI SUMMER SCHOLARSHIPS FOR 1981

The Trustees of Eta Sigma Phi Fraternity are pleased to announce that two scholarships will be offered in 1981 to enable one member of Eta Sigma Phi to attend the 1981 Summer Session of the American Academy in Rome, Italy, and another to attend the 1981 Summer Session of the American School of Classical Studies in Athens, Greece.

The Scholarship to the American Academy in Rome will have a value of \$1500.00 which includes the tuition fee remitted by the American Academy.

The Scholarship to the American School of Classical Studies in Athens will have a value of \$1700.00 which includes the tuition fee remitted by the American School.

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

Selection of candidates for the scholarships is exercised by the Eta Sigma Phi Scholarship Committee whose members are Professors Raymond L. Den Adel of Rockford College, Chairman, Robert Wind of Muhlenberg College, and Kitty Kelley of Emory University. Enquiries and requests for blanks should be addressed to Professor Raymond L. Den Adel, Department of Classics, Rockford College, Rockford, Illinois, 61101.

Eligible to apply for the scholarships are Eta Sigma Phi members and alumni who have received a Bachelor's degree since January 1, 1975, or shall have received it in or before June 1981, 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 Den Adel by February 11, 1981. The winner of each scholarship will be announced about March 5, 1981.

For the Scholarship Committee,

Raymond L. Den Adel

