

# SALVETE OMNES:

As I write to you, I am within a few days of leaving South Dakota for a sabbatical in Greece. Night time temperatures there can be at least sixty degrees warmer than night time temperatures in January in South Dakota. I shall not miss the winter weather, but I shall miss Eta Sigma Phi and the convention in Austin this spring. Unless you are going to be in Greece or in Italy, plan to make the trip to Texas. Gamma Sigma Chapter has planned an excellent meeting for the members who attend the convention.

It is good to be able to leave Eta Sigma Phi in such capable hands while I am away. Please note the address changes carefully: medals should be ordered by writing to P.O. Box 72, Valparaiso, Indiana, 46383-0072; contest papers are to be ordered directly from Professor Louise Hoy of the Department of Classical Studies, Marshall University, Huntington, West Virginia, 25703; membership fees, contributions to the *Nuntius*, gifts to the endowment fund, and all other correspondence are to be sent to Professor Theodore Bedrick, Office of the Registrar, Wabash College, Crawfordsville, Indiana 47933.

This issue of the *Nuntius* contains a summary of medal sales for 1983 and a list of contributors to the endowment fund. At the Eta Sigma Phi convention in Monmouth, Illinois, last year, I summarized the membership figures for the preceeding year. We set a new, one-year record for new members with 611 being inducted. Growth in the number of active chapters and reactivation of older chapters are responsible for the increase. I expect this year's figures to be comparable to those of last year. Also, the scholarship committee has reported to me that a record number of applicants are competing for the 1984 scholarships to Rome and to Athens.

Lois Larson, a faithful Life Member who had been involved in Eta Sigma Phi for over fifty years, died in November. Many of us who knew her well will miss her greatly.

My best wishes go to all of you for the second semester.

Valete,



Brent M. Froberg

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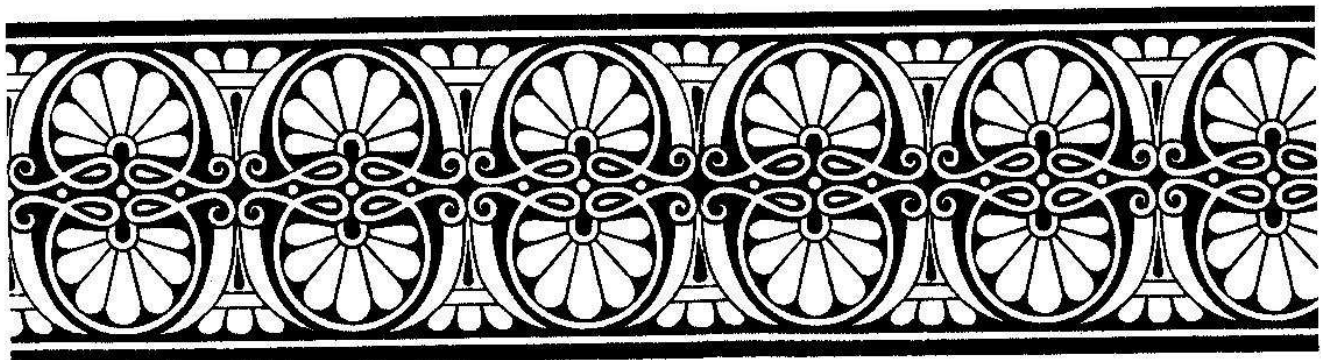
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## ROME, 1983

The summer session at the American Academy in Rome was both invigorating and exasperating. As we tromped through fields of knee high weeds looking, for example, for the remains of ancient Veii, I thought there was no way there could possibly be anything of any interest out here in the middle of nowhere. But once we were there looking at the site and trying to piece together the remains, I forgot all about the long haul, and the familiar feeling things were finally making sense came over me.

Nowhere was this contrast of feelings more pronounced than in the Roman Forum. Every Latin teacher's heart must skip a few beats when he descends into the Forum for the first time, finally seeing first hand all the buildings that he has studied and taught. We made three trips to the Roman Forum, each time focusing on a different period of development of the Forum and of Rome itself. In the Forum some of the earliest remains of the city lay beneath remains of the very late Empire. Where else in the Roman world can you see the entire span of Roman greatness physically depicted?

It was as exciting for me as I am making it sound, and it was so for every person in the group. On our first trip it was hard to keep our heads dutifully turned downward to study the different type of burials in the very early cemetery rather than gawk at the Temple of Vesta or the Curia. They, of course, had their turn in the spotlight, or rather under the microscope, since that is how closely the remains were examined.

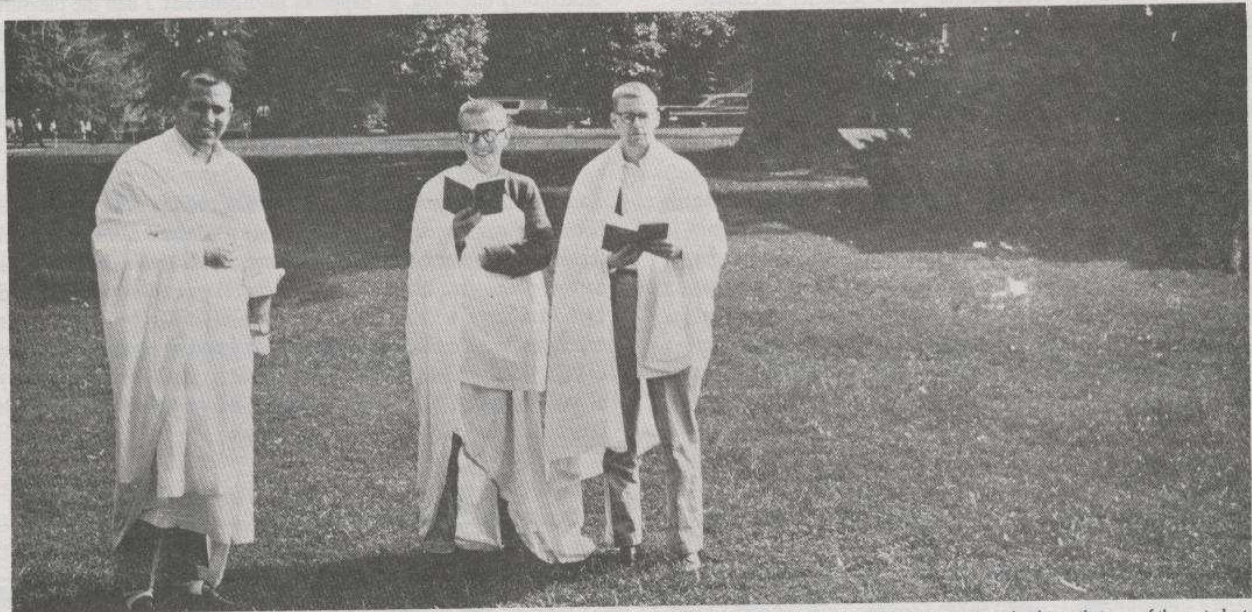
More than anything else, the Roman Forum is a symbol for the grandeur of Rome. It is easy to imagine what an impressive sight it was for the young Cicero or Vergil or Horace when as wide-eyed young men they first saw the Forum. They must have felt the power and greatness of Rome as they walked down the Sacra Via.

As Harry Evans, director of the Summer Session said in his concluding remarks, after attending the Summer Session, Rome will be yours forever. Now that I am back in the States, I realize that he was right. As I proudly show my slides to a group of unwary teenagers, I find I am able to give them a better idea of ancient and modern Rome after seeing them close up. And when I return with a group of students to Rome, this past summer will prove to be invaluable in making our tour of Rome a truly educational experience, as well as a lot of fun.

Sherwin Little  
Mu Chapter, University of Cincinnati  
Indian Hill Latin Instructor,  
Junior and Senior High School, Cincinnati, Ohio



Students from the American Academy summer session of 1983 relax and wait for a bus. Sherwin Little is third from the left.



Professor Graves H. Thompson, adviser of Beta Theta Chapter of Hampden-Sydney College, submitted this picture (taken some years ago) of three toga-clad pledges reading the *Aeneid* to passersby on campus. The tradition continues to the present day.

Professor Thompson mentioned in his accompanying letter that one of these students is now a bank president, another is a physician, and the third is a museum administrator.



## Niall Slater, 1976 Eta Sigma Phi Scholar

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My association with Eta Sigma Phi began one bright spring morning ten years ago on the roof of McGaw Chapel at The College of Wooster. I don't know whose idea it was to hold the initiation ceremony there (probably Professor Ann Abbott's—it would be characteristic of her), but at the time it left me more impressed with the view than with the occasion. Looking back from my present vantage point, I can see better than a great difference Eta Sigma Phi has made to my life as a scholar and teacher.

I enjoyed Latin in high school, principally because of two brilliant teachers, Jane Murray and David Oberlin, but I had resisted the idea of majoring in anything so "impractical" as Classics in college. I was going to be a mathematician—that is, until I collided with freshman calculus. I was soon in deep water, and my instructor was not particularly adept at explanation. I went for enlightenment and consolation to the chairman of the math department, Dr. Fobes. He and I actually discussed very little calculus, for I discovered that he had majored in Greek at Harvard. Naturally, we talked about Homer. I eventually extricated myself from that calculus course not only with my grade point intact but also the suspicion that I was more of a humanist than a scientist at heart.

My wonderful years at Wooster rolled by all too quickly. By the spring of my freshman year I was taking two Greek courses and a Latin course, and I was absolutely in love with both. Professor Vivian Holliday, the chairman of the Greek and Latin department, was my adviser from the beginning. She and Dr. Abbott (and later Professor Rahim Raman) taught most of my courses as tutorials after my freshman year. I could not possibly have gotten a better classical education than that; I became a Latin major almost without noticing it.

I often thought of going to Greece or Italy for a semester in college, but somehow it never seemed quite the time: for one thing, I was too busy with my college theatre career. I even directed a Gilbert & Sullivan production as a junior thesis project. When my senior year rolled around, though, and I began to think about graduate school, I also began to dream about a summer in one of those lands I had been studying so long. I had no idea what chance I had for an Eta Sigma Phi scholarship, but I thought that I would give it a try. As a Latinist I was more interested in going to Rome, but I thought that I should not limit my options, and so I indicated on my application that I would be interested in either Athens or Rome. I thought it highly unlikely that anyone would want to send me to Greece, but that in fact is what happened. It was also the best possible result. Through the generosity of the New York Classical Club, I in fact was able to study in Rome a few summers later, but I will always be grateful that I went to Athens first.

The summer program at the American School in Athens is always rigorous, a challenge to both mind and body, but rarely more so than under Merle Langdon. Merle would climb anything in sight and

expect us to scramble after him. His love of Greece was infectious. I lost fifteen pounds but gained a lifelong passion that summer: the history and the people of Greece.

I also met one of the important influences on my graduate career, Professor T. Leslie Shear, Jr., the director of the Agora excavations, and a professor at Princeton, where I had been accepted for graduate study that fall. It was our first day's program. We had spent the morning on the Acropolis, amidst the glories of the Parthenon, Erechtheum, and Propylaea. For many, to spend the afternoon in the broiling sun exploring the much more scanty remains in the Agora was a let-down. For me, however, it was intellectually exhilarating to listen as Professor Shear took fragmentary bits of evidence and wove them together into a picture of the Agora as solid as anything I'd seen on the Acropolis that morning. When I began at Princeton that fall, I also began the first of many courses with Professor Shear that are the foundation of anything I know about archaeology.

Greece and archaeology had gotten into my blood. After three years at Princeton I won a year-long fellowship to the School in Athens and returned for what was the happiest year of my life so far. The breadth of the School's program and resources stretched me in many ways. While delving deeply into Greek history and sculpture for the first time, I also managed to begin my dissertation on Plautus and take a short cruise down the Nile to explore Egyptian antiquities. The crowning touch to the year for me was excavating with the Wooster-Sydney expedition to Pella, Jordan, where I spent a very happy ten weeks excavating a small Roman theatre.

After finishing at Princeton in 1981, I went to teach at Concordia College in Moorhead, Minnesota. Their fine Classics program there lacked only one thing: a chapter of Eta Sigma Phi. I had the pleasure of helping some eager and interested students there organize a chapter, and I believe they will contribute a great deal to the fraternity in the years to come. This year I have been teaching at the University of Southern California, where I also hope to interest a few students in Eta Sigma Phi.

I am profoundly grateful to Eta Sigma Phi and the American School both for giving me a broad vision of what Classics can be. Without that initial summer experience in Greece, I could have ended up as a narrow philologist. What I know of archaeology and history I learned best in Greece and in Italy. My teaching is far better for those experiences, which I count among my happiest as well. As a veteran of both Rome and Athens summer programs, I would encourage any of you to apply. You—and your students yet to come—will both benefit in more ways than you can imagine.

Niall W. Slater  
University of Southern California  
May 2, 1983





# RES GESTAE

## Gamma Delta Chapter Yeshiva University

The annual initiation meeting for new members of Gamma Delta Chapter was held at the home of Dr. Louis Feldman on Sunday, November 6. The meeting started with the singing of "Gaudemus igitur." After this festive tune set the mood for the evening, the three candidates for admission to membership read aloud their respective projects. Jonathan Reiss translated the talmudic text from Bava Cama LXXXII/B-LXXXIII/A into its Latin counterpart; Joseph Lipner translated the Rashi and Tosafot from that same page into Latin; and Michael Poppers translated from the text of the *Antiquities of Josephus*, Book XIV, II,2 into Latin.

After the veteran members carefully scrutinized all of the projects, the candidates for induction were sent to another room to sweat out their fate. They were summoned back to the good news that they had all been inducted by a unanimous vote of all of the members. Joseph Lipner, Michael Poppers, and Jonathan Reiss had now become newly inducted members of Eta Sigma Phi. All the members then set out to discuss the coming events for the year. A new governing board was elected with Arthur Lowy as Prytanis, Joseph Lipner as Hyparchos, Jay Barbalatt as Grammateus, and Neal Dublinsky as Chrysophylax. With the society now greater by three members, the meeting adjourned after the singing of "Est vere socius bonus."

Jay Barbalatt,  
Grammateus

## Gamma Iota Chapter Wabash College

We, the members of the Gamma Iota Chapter, from the renowned academic institution of Wabash College, in conjunction with the Classics Department, welcomed for the benefit of all students two guest lecturers. The first was George Kennedy from the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, North Carolina, who spoke on "Classics and the Liberal Arts Education." Second was Mr. James Redfield from the University of Chicago who gave a stimulating lecture on "War Imagery in the *Iliad*."

Also, we are looking forward to this year's initiation ceremonies. Afterwards, the members of Gamma Iota will have dinner at the Redwood Inn, Crawfordsville, Indiana's answer to Monmouth's Meling's.

The final event of our year of activities will be a gathering in the home of our department's chairman for dinner. Chapter members and general students in Classics will be invited.

Finally, the Classics Department will be welcoming Drs. Joe and Leslie Day next year. The husband and wife tandem will be filling in for Professor John Fischer who will be on sabbatical leave from Wabash College.

## Gamma Omicron Chapter Monmouth College

The members of the Gamma Omicron Chapter have met seven times during the 1982-83 school year as of this report. Newly initiated members of the fraternity are: Kim Edwards, Cisco, Illinois, and Jack Churchill, Godfrey, Illinois. Officers elected for the school year are: Chris Baysingar, Prytanis; Jack Churchill, Grammateus; Kim Edwards, Chrysophylax. Marcene Holverson was named convention chairman.

All meetings have dealt with scheduling of the National Convention, to be held here on our own campus. Personal invitations were sent to Gamma Omicron alumni. We held our annual Saturnalia Party on January 6. Marcene Holverson presented a slide show on her trip to Italy, Germany, and England. We surprised our adviser, Robin Graham, with posters celebrating exelauno day (March 4, march forth!) and Latin classes were held outdoors.

Plans for further meetings include a presentation of reports by the Monmouth High School students on their independent studies and a slide show by Professor Mary Crow on the rebirth of Classics in the Renaissance. We have also discussed the possibility of making a float for homecoming next year, meeting with nearby chapters, and having a Latin week for high school students.

One final note: our chapter was the host for the Illinois State Latin Tournament for high school students last spring.

Jack Churchill,  
Grammateus

## Gamma Sigma Chapter University of Texas

Gamma Sigma started out the 1982-83 school year with a reception held on Wednesday, September, 1982, from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. The reception was designed to acquaint undergraduates, graduates, and faculty members with Eta Sigma Phi. Several people expressed interest in joining the chapter. Our general meetings are usually held at a professor's house where a professor gives a short, informal talk, and afterwards we serve refreshments. Eta Sigma Phi members, faculty, and other interested students outside of the department attend our meetings.

Our first general meeting was held on Friday, October 15, at 7:30 p.m. Dr. Douglass Parker spoke about Parageography, the geography of legendary and imaginary places and countries. He provided maps for us including one of mythological Hades. His talk centered on the works of Plato, Homer, Dante, and Tolkien. At this meeting Dr. Parker expressed an interest in having a Department of Classics T-shirt made. We (the officers of Eta Sigma Phi) found that nearly everyone in the department thought that a T-shirt was a good idea, but no one was willing to do the actual work of organizing a project of that



sort, and so we took up the challenge. We decided to hold a contest to determine the design of the T-shirt. We received four entries and had several members of the faculty judge them. The winning entry was designed by Deena Berg, a graduate student, and her prize was a free T-shirt. We ordered seventy-two T-shirts and sold them for six dollars apiece. We have eight T-shirts left. We announced the winner of the T-shirt contest at our second general meeting on Friday, November 19, at 7:30 p.m. At this meeting, Dr. Cynthia Shelmerdine talked about archaeological discoveries from the Bronze Age. She had several of her own slides from a Bronze Age site in Greece. Dr. Shelmerdine gave us an idea of what a day was like on an excavation.

Our third general meeting was combined with Dr. Gareth Morgan's regular play readings. At that meeting on February 25, 1983, we read two versions of the *Cyclops*: Dr. Morgan's group read, in Greek, Euripides's original play, and Eta Sigma Phi participated in the reading of Shelley's English rendition. Dr. M. Gwyn Morgan talked at the fourth general meeting of Friday, April Fool's Day. His topic was "Latin Majors and Roman History." He expressed the view that modern scholars should not impose their own morals and values on the cultures that they study. He generated discussion on whether modern morals can be separated from interpretations of history.

Gamma Sigma was able to send two delegates to the National Convention because the Liberal Arts Dean gave them \$280 and the Chairman of our department, Karl Galinsky, gave them \$170. Our spring initiation is planned for April 22. We have ten prospective initiates. Our officer elections will be held at the same meeting. We will end the year with our third annual Homeric Bar-B-Que on May sixth.

Carolyn Myrah,  
Prytanis

Deborah Wood,  
Hyparchos

#### Epsilon Epsilon Chapter Rockford College

Epsilon Epsilon Chapter has participated in many events this past school year. Throughout the school year members offered free tutoring to beginning Latin students. In September, members attended an A.I.A. lecture on "Russian Byzantine Icons and Churches," by

Professor Dimitri Liakos of Northern Illinois University. This lecture was preceded by a traditional Russian dinner.

In October members attended a lecture by Dr. Leo Ayles of London, England, on "The Oresteia," sponsored by the Classics Department and presented in conjunction with the Theatre Arts Department's well-received performance of "The Oresteia."

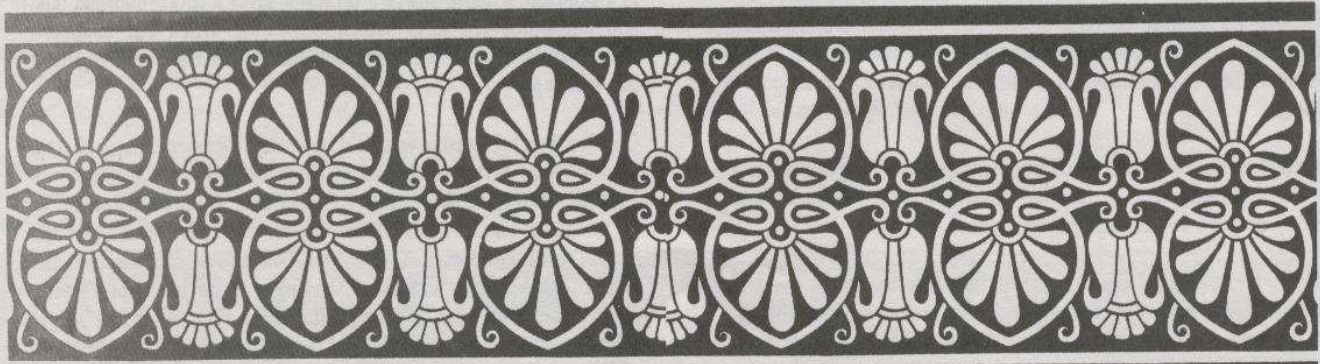
Members celebrated the Saturnalia by participating in the college's traditional wassail hour. Students, faculty, and alumni took turns singing carols in different languages. We sang carols in Latin accompanied by a recorder, an accordion, and sleigh bells.

During January break a few members attended a three-week intensive course titled, "Introduction to Egyptian Hieroglyphs." This fascinating class was presented under the auspices of the Classics Department.

In February members attended Dr. K. Dunbabin's excellent A.I.A. talk and slide presentation on "The Mosaics of Carthage." On February 27, our chapter met at member Sue Patrick's home for a delicious Italian dinner. Following the dinner, an initiation ceremony was held, at which Suzanne Schneider and Robert Jones were welcomed as the two newest members of our chapter. Suzanne and Robert will receive their certificates at the college's Honors Day ceremony on April 27. Also that evening, Miss Patrick and Mr. Donald Zamzow of Freeport, Illinois, discussed the exciting achievements of the gifted children participating in their Latin program. Their weekend classes have been well received by the community, and the children are truly exceeding all expectations with their enthusiasm and conscientious studying.

March was a full month for our chapter. Members attended an A.I.A. lecture on "Ancient Bible Documents," by Mr. Lockwood; and member Dr. Donald Martin gave a talk on "The Pre-Socratic Philosophers" to the Symposium, which is the philosophy and religion club at Rockford College.

On March 11 members were responsible for seating at the A.I.A. lecture presenting Richard Leakey, Paleoanthropologist and Director of the Kenya Museums. Attendance was phenomenal as 1150 people filled the seats and lined the walls and stairs in the Rockford College Maddox Theatre. Leakey gave a humorous and informative slide lecture on the "Making of Mankind," which everyone enjoyed tremendously.





Members had a great deal of fun on April 21. To celebrate the birthday of Rome, our chapter sponsored the movie presentation of "The Labors of Hercules" for the entire college community. This movie presented a curious and humorous conglomeration of various myths including the labors of Hercules, Jason's search for the Golden Fleece, and an eyebrow-raising confrontation with the famed Amazons. We had an interesting time trying to follow such an intricate plot, but everyone enjoyed the movie.

Margaret DiMarco Hon  
Grammateus

#### **Epsilon Kappa Chapter Brigham Young University**

Epsilon Kappa Chapter in Provo, Utah, has had a successful year. Much interest was shown in the fraternity, for many new members as well as three honorary members were inducted.

The chapter arranged rides for BYU students who wished to attend the Rocky Mountain Modern Language Association convention in Salt Lake City in October. Following the Classics section on Friday afternoon, we met and dined at a Greek restaurant.

In December, we held our annual banquet, where we enjoyed moussaka, spinach pie, salad, and rolls. The entertainment fell through, and so we were forced to socialize.

In March we were privileged to hear a lecture by Dr. Thomas J. Mathiesen, a member of the musicology faculty at BYU. Dr. Mathiesen spoke about "Music in the Social Life of Ancient Greece." The lecture was well-attended by both Eta Sigma Phi members and other university students and faculty.

The chapter spent the evening of April 1 at the home of Cindy Kimball, where we ate pizza and watched "A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum."

Epsilon Kappa looks forward to a productive 1983-84.

#### **Epsilon Nu Chapter Creighton University**

In October, 1982, the members of Epsilon Nu Chapter staffed a table at the Arts Senate Career Fair held on campus. The purpose of the career fairs is to acquaint students with the various academic

opportunities which are available on campus and to educate students about career opportunities which are available to students who major in the various academic areas.

On November 4, 1982, the chapter hosted a reception in the University Art Gallery, following a lecture entitled, "The Hesitation of Aeneas," given by Michael C.J. Putnam, president of the American Philological Association. Epsilon Nu helped to organize and to sponsor this lecture and two others later in the year as part of the observance of the bimillennium of the death of Vergil.

On November 11, 1982, Gregory I. Carlson, S.J., a member of the faculty in Classics at Creighton, gave a lecture entitled, "Failure in the Aeneid," and then, a week later, William J. Ziobro of the Classics Department of the College of the Holy Cross gave an illustrated lecture entitled, "Thomas Jefferson, American Classicist." Eta Sigma Phi gave receptions in honor of both speakers after their lectures.

On March 17, Professor Peter Arnott of Tufts University gave a marionette theater performance of the *Hippolytus*. Guests from Beta Alpha Chapter of the University of South Dakota came for the performance and for the reception afterwards.

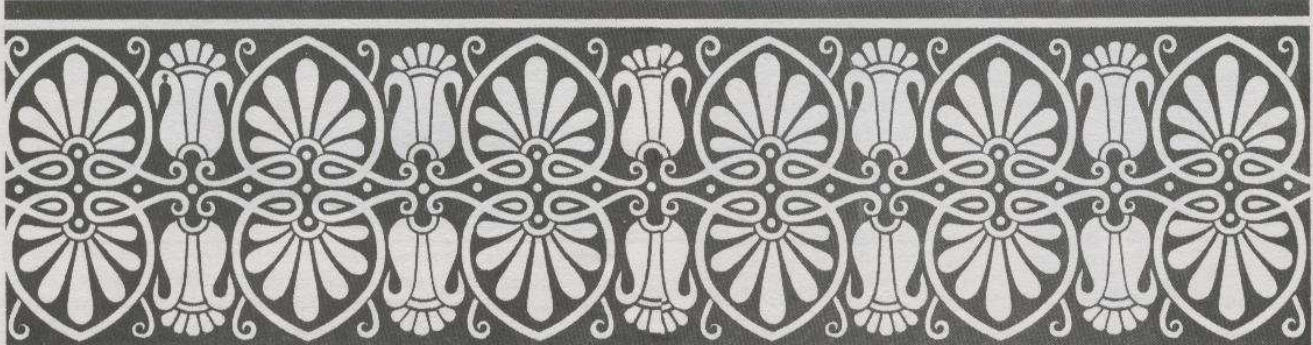
Several members of the chapter travelled to Monmouth, Illinois, to participate in their first National Convention, and a week later we participated in the Renaissance Festival on campus by performing the Pyramus and Thisbe scene from Shakespeare. Following the performance, persons impersonating Aeschylus and Shakespeare held a discussion about the true meaning of tragedy.

#### **Epsilon Omicron Chapter University of Massachusetts**

Professor David Grose and Professor Marios Philippides were the co-advisers for Epsilon Omicron during the 1982-83 school year. The chapter sponsored four shop talks by faculty members, who reported on their current research. A reception followed each talk. These were held in October, November, February, and March.

Epsilon Omicron also sponsored a Christmas supper party, a celebration of the twelfth anniversary of the founding of the Classics Department, and an initiation ceremony on March 13, 1983, at which twenty-four active members and one associate member were initiated.

Ed Phinney  
Adviser, 1983-84





## CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE ENDOWMENT FUND, 1983

Chapters and members contributed a total of \$490.00 to the endowment fund in 1983. Eta Sigma Phi is grateful to all of those members whose contributions help to sustain our scholarship program. Gifts are always welcome; life membership for fifty dollars is added to Eta Sigma Phi's endowment. During 1983, Professor Roy Lindahl became Life Member No. 15, and Professor Daniel J. Taylor became Life Member No. 16.

Beta Kappa Chapter, College of Notre Dame of Maryland  
Gamma Omicron Chapter, Monmouth College

Professor Grace L. Beede, Beta Alpha Chapter, University of South Dakota

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### ANNUAL REPORT

#### Eta Sigma Phi Medal Fund



Cash on hand, January 1, 1983 \$12.36

RECEIPTS:

Sale of large silver (3) @ \$13.00	39.00
Sale of small silver (30) @ \$7.50	225.00
Sale of small bronze (22) @ \$4.00	88.00
Interest	13.85
Postage and handling	11.00
<b>Total receipts</b>	<b>\$376.85</b>



DISBURSEMENTS:

None

Cash on hand, December 31, 1983	389.21
Value of CD 8634 on December 31, 1983	269.56
Value of CD 8815 on December 31, 1983	145.42
Value of CD 9536 on December 31, 1983	535.84
<b>Total cash</b>	<b>\$1340.03</b>



INVENTORY:

11 large silver medals @ \$13.00	143.00
183 small silver medals @ \$7.50	1372.50
160 small bronze medals @ \$4.00	640.00
<b>Total value in medals</b>	<b>\$2155.50</b>

**TOTAL VALUE (money and medals) \$3495.53**



## GAMMA SIGMA HOSTS 1984 CONVENTION

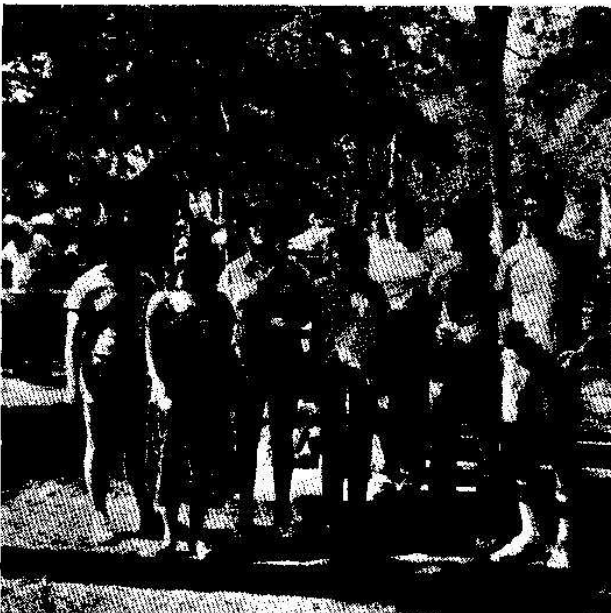
Greetings from the Gamma Sigma Chapter at the University of Texas at Austin! We are excited about hosting the 1984 convention, and we are busily making plans. By now, everyone should have received our Early Warning Letter. The convention date has been set for March 22-24, 1984. We have to emphasize again how important dates are going to be—the registration deadline, set for February 15, must be observed so that we can make sure everyone gets motel accommodations. You will be receiving registration materials in early January.

This 1983-84 school year is UT's centennial year. The University has grown from 221 students to over 47,000. The Classics Department is the largest in the country with twenty-three faculty members. In a department of this size, there is something for everyone: Greek and Latin literature (prose and poetry), Greek and Roman history, Greek and Roman art, archaeology, papyrology, even computers. The

department also sponsors colloquia where professors from UT and other universities present papers on various topics. The lively discussion of the paper afterwards is usually the best part.

The Gamma Sigma Chapter is also involved in the department. We sponsor a reception at the beginning of the year to let new students know who we are and to find students who are interested in becoming members. We also sponsor Friday evening programs, generally about once a month. At these, we have a professor or a graduate student talk about a topic he is interested in. At our first meeting this year, Joe Walsh, a graduate student, spoke about Christianity in early Rome. Other recent speakers have spoken on Bronze Age archaeology, the importance of Roman history to the study of Latin, and about parageography (the geography of mythical countries and places).

We look forward to seeing everyone at the convention.



Eta Sigma Phi and University Classics Association officers at the University of Texas pose for a picture at the annual Homeric Bar-B-Que on May 6, 1983. From left to right are: Bob Pees, treasurer, Jill Dacus, vice-president (programs), Becky Bynum, secretary, Margaret Musgrove, vice-president (convention), Debbie Wood, president, Paul Zoch, University Classics Association president, and Kevin Phillips, historian. In the background, Val Sterle tends to the hecatomb.



Carolyn Myrah (l) and Debbie Wood (r) stand beside Waggener Hall, home of the Classics department of the University of Texas, just before they left for the convention at Monmouth College last spring.