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Constitutional Amendments Pass First Vote

Zeta Iota Hosts 71st Convention in Athens, Georgia

Zeta Iota of the University of Georgia hosted the 71st Annual Convention of Eta Sigma Phi on April 9-11 in Athens.

Megas Grammateus and Zeta Iota Prytanis J. R. Parker, Jr., was in charge of local arrangements for the meeting, which was held at the Holiday Inn and on the University's campus.

Epsilon Iota (University of Florida) was the winner of Friday night's *certamen*, defeating last year's winner, Beta Pi (University of Arkansas) in the final round. Making up the winning team were Vanessa Coloura, Mierka Drucker, Jonathan Fehl, and Jason Morgan.

Business sessions, conducted by Megas Prytanis Mary-Helen Holley, were on Saturday and Sunday mornings, as were the meetings of committees. The delegates heard reports from chapters, as well as reports on the scholarships, contests, the treasury, and the endowment fund.

After the business session came the reading of papers. Vanessa Coloura of Epsilon Iota (University of Florida) gave a paper on "Amazons: The Terrifying and the Titillating Outsiders," and Heidi Herr of Beta Kappa (College of Notre Dame of Maryland) spoke on "An Empress of Determination: The Life and Times of Eudocia."

There was then a panel discussion on "Career and Educational Options for Classics Majors" with participants Dr. Pamela Bleisch, Rob Sobak, Keith Toda, and Jim Yavenditti.

Saturday afternoon was free, with members of Zeta Iota conducting an optional tour of the University of Georgia's historic North Campus.

On Saturday night the banquet was held in the Georgia Ballroom of the Holiday Inn.

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The new national officers take their oaths after being presented by their predecessors. With hands raised, from left, are Megas Chrysohylax Clay Kelsh, Megas Grammateus Jason Morgan, Megas Hyparchos Tracy Jamison, and Megas Prytanis Jason Morris; standing just behind them are J. R. Parker, Jr., outgoing Megas Grammateus, and Kaori Miller, outgoing Megas Hyparchos; and far right is outgoing Megas Prytanis Mary-Helen Holley, administering the oath.



In the final match of Friday night's *certamen*, the University of Arkansas team (from left, Shonda Tohm, Megan Tynan, Brandon Bolinger, and Matt Harrington) battles the eventual winners from the University of Florida (Vanessa Coloura, Jason Morgan, Jonathan Fehl, and Mierka Drucker).

ETA SIGMA PHI, 1999-2000

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A reception preceded the opening of the convention.

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After dinner, Professor Naomi Norman of the University of Georgia gave an illustrated lecture on her work excavating various sites at Carthage. After her talk, Megas Prytanis presented awards to the scholarship winners and the victorious *certamen* team; the National Latin Exam provided the awards, copies of *The Oxford Companion to Classical Literature*, to the winners.

At the Sunday morning business session, Megas Prytanis Holley presented the amendments to the Constitution written by the Constitution Committee. The delegates voted preliminary approval of the amendments, and delegates to next year's convention will cast the final vote. Copies of the amendments will be sent to all chapters next year before the convention.

Delta Theta at Dickinson College in Carlisle, Pennsylvania, was accepted as the host of the 72nd convention next spring.

The petitions for new chapters at St. Anselm College, the University of Dallas, Catholic University of America, and Stanford University were approved.

The election of 1999-2000 officers resulted in wins for Jason Morris of Delta Theta at Dickinson College as megas pry-

tanis, Tracy Jamison of Gamma Omega at Baylor University as megas hyparchos, Jason Morgan of Epsilon Iota at the University of Florida as megas grammateus, and Clay Kelsh of Zeta Iota at the University of Georgia as megas chrysophylax.

Delegates at the convention represented Gamma (Ohio University), Theta (Indiana University), Alpha Omega (Louisiana State University), Beta Theta (Hampden-Sydney College), Beta Kappa (College of Notre Dame of Maryland), Beta Nu (Mary Washington College), Beta Pi (University of Arkansas), Gamma Omicron (Monmouth College), Gamma Omega (Baylor University), Delta Alpha (Randolph-Macon Woman's College), Delta Theta (Dickinson College), Epsilon Iota (University of Florida), Epsilon Xi (Gustavus Adolphus College), Epsilon Omicron (University of Massachusetts), Epsilon Upsilon (University of New Hampshire), Zeta Iota (University of Georgia), Zeta Lambda (University of Louisville), Zeta Psi (Hollins University), Eta Beta (Southern Illinois University), Eta Gamma (Loyola University of New Orleans), Eta Delta (Hillsdale College), Eta Zeta (Truman State University), and Eta Theta (DePauw University).

Scenes from the Convention



J. R. Parker, Jr., welcomes delegates.

Delegates listen as Megas Prytanis Holley responds to the welcome.



The panel on "Career and Educational Options for Classics Majors" was composed of Rob Sobak, Jim Yavenditti, Dr. Pamela Bleisch, and Keith Toda.



At the first business session Sue Johndrow gives the report of Eta Beta at Southern Illinois University.



Above, Vanessa Coloura presents her paper to the delegates.



Megas Prytanis Holley presents Vanessa Coloura, Jason Morgan, Jonathan Fehl, and Mierka Drucker their prizes, provided by the National Latin Exam, for winning the certamen.



Left, the second paper was delivered by Heidi Herr.

Delegates from Hillsdale College and the University of Arkansas dressed appropriately for Saturday night's banquet; from left, Grace Kostel, Matt Harrington, Glen Travis Blakney, Sarah Jane Mastenbrook, Shonda Tohm, Sarah Hempel, Brandon Bolinger, Erin Davis, and Megan Tynan.



After the banquet, Professor Naomi Norman spoke on her work at Carthage.

Res Gestae

The following are chapter reports either given at the convention or sent to the national office:

Gamma (Ohio University): Even though many of our members graduated last spring, we have been plowing ahead and have had a very active year. Last spring quarter, the students of our chapter organized a reading of Aristophanes' *Frogs*, with our distinguished professors playing several parts, including the chorus of frogs. We volunteered at the Ohio Classical Conference, held at Ohio University, and sold many Eta Sigma Phi T-shirts to high school Latin teachers in the process. In the fall and winter quarters, we started something new called *Showtime at the Apollo*, where Classics students and faculty read passages from their favorite classical works, either in English or the original. The first-year Greek class even acted out a scene from their textbook! Dr. Donna Burns Phillips, an English professor from Cleveland State University, came and talked to us about classical themes in Mary Shelley's *Frankenstein*. Also, we invited Mr. Hugh Sackett, excavator at Lefkandi, Palaikastro, and many other Greek sites, to come and talk to interested students about his excavations at Lefkandi. Since our Classics Department has just moved, our chapter of Eta Sigma Phi organized the books in our new Classics Library and bought copies of the *Oxford Latin Dictionary*, the *Liddell-Scott Greek-English Lexicon*, and the *Oxford Classical Dictionary* to be kept for students' use in our new location. Finally, this May, we, with the Comparative Arts Department, are planning our own *Panathenaic* festival, where professors and students from both departments will read one book of *The Iliad* every hour for the entire day. Even though we have been severely taxed this year because of our decline in

Quid Novi?

Send information on your chapter's activities to the Executive Secretary by September 15, 1999, for inclusion in the fall newsletter. Pictures are encouraged, and be sure to identify the people in the photographs.

members, we hope to persevere and have an even more successful year next year!

Alpha Omega (Louisiana State University): The Alpha Omega Chapter of Eta Sigma Phi is back with a bang! Our second year back in commission has been a very successful and productive one. Unfortunately, our former adviser, Dr. Kenneth Kitchell, has transferred universities. Although we miss him dearly, we are lucky to have found a new adviser, Dr. Joachim Vogeler.

We have hosted many social and academic events to encourage prospective members to join, and to let them meet their fellow Classics majors and minors. We started the year off with a traditional Roman style banquet—with traditional food and games. For our annual movie night, we watched *History of the World*. We also traveled to the New Orleans Museum of Art to see "The Thracian Gold Exhibit." A great exhibit and a must see! This past Spring we hosted a lecture by Professor Wade Heaton on the Roman toga—very informative and funny.

We are currently working on establishing a seminar room which is going to be made possible by books donated to us by a former LSU professor and a former LSU student. We plan to end the year with our initiation dinner. We are proud to announce that the number of initiates has increased since last year. We're excited as ever and hope this trend will continue through the next few years.

Beta Theta (Hampden-Sydney College): On February 15 of this year, the Chapter joined the Department of Classics in presenting a public lecture by Alexander G. McKay, professor of Classics, emeritus, at McMaster University in Hamilton, Ontario, Canada, on "Vergil's Italy: Naples and Campania." Following the illustrated lecture, there was a reception and dinner in Professor McKay's honor with members of the Department of Classics and of Eta Sigma Phi and other invited guests.

After dinner, the chapter conducted an initiation ceremony for six new members.

During his visit to the College, Professor McKay also led two classes, a second-year Vergil class and the Latin Literature in Translation class, talking about the battle scenes in *The Aeneid*.

The Leila B. Thompson Eta Sigma Phi Latin Prize was not presented last spring, but there will be an award at this spring's Final Convocation on April 22. The prize is named for the wife of our former adviser, Dr. Graves H. Thompson, and the endowment was raised through a solicitation of alumni of our chapter and from other friends and colleagues of the Thompsons; Mrs. Thompson regularly provides refreshments for our initiation ceremonies, which are held at the Thompsons' home.

Finally, Beta Theta Chapter wishes to make a contribution to the endowment fund for the Vergilian Society Scholarship.

Beta Kappa (College of Notre Dame of Maryland): During the fall semester our society worked actively with five members and our adviser, planning and organizing a number of events to encourage Latin students to enjoy the Classics beyond the classroom.

October 7 we held our annual Sister Gratia Memorial Lecture, a slide-illustrated lecture by Gladys Callahan Vocci on the prehistoric tomb paintings of southern France and Spain. The lecture, "A Visit to Lascaux: Reflections on Prehistoric Cave Art," was open to the public, but was preceded by a dinner for Eta Sigma Phi members and friends.

October 9 some members attended a lecture with slides at Johns Hopkins University on "The Gods of the Parthenon Frieze" by Jennifer Neils of Case Western Reserve University hosted by the Baltimore Society of the Archaeological Institute of America.

The Annual Roman Raffle and the Nearly New Clothing Sale concluded on October 15. We celebrated Vergil's birthday at the close of the week with the pledging of two honorary members and three active members, and the drawing of the raffle winners.

On December 5 all the Latin students celebrated our traditional Saturnalia with an authentic Roman dinner, Saturnalia presents, Roman music, a Latin reading of *How the Grinch Stole Christmas*, "Flavia's Travels," a puppet show enacting the future life of Flavia (Cornelia's girlfriend in *Ecce Romani* fame), and singing of Latin Christmas carols.

Our Annual Maryland Classics Raffle

took place the first week of March. The drawings of these prizes followed our spring induction ceremony, inducting two honorary members and three active members, and pledging two more potential active members.

April 24 the society is planning on celebrating the 50th anniversary of the Beta Kappa Chapter of Eta Sigma Phi with an afternoon program, "A Day in Old Pompeii," for middle and high school students. Following this event will be a special dinner for chapter alumnae and friends in the evening.

Our two fund-raisers have raised about \$1000 for the Sister Mary Gratia Scholarship Fund. In order to attend this convention, we began another fund-raiser selling bagels and coffee on Saturdays for the Weekend College students.

One of our members, Heidi Herr, will be reading a paper on the Byzantine empress Eudocia at the 1999 National Convention. This summer our vice president, Chrissy Moxey, will be spending five weeks in Italy at the excavation of the Garden of the Villa Livia at Prima Porta with Upsala University. She will then join Sr. Thérèse Dougherty for a two-week archaeological tour of Italy.

May 6 our chapter plans to attend another lecture at Johns Hopkins by the curator of the Pushkin Museum on the recently discovered Trojan gold.

We are making a small contribution to the Theodore Bedrick Scholarship for the Vergilian Society Summer School at Cumae.

Beta Nu (Mary Washington College): In the spring of 1999 the Beta Nu chapter of Mary Washington College inducted eight new members into Eta Sigma Phi: Lois Cook Carpenter, Michelle Renée Conlon, Jamie Lauren Harper, Michael Christopher Harris, Stephanie C. Harris, Meghan W. Moore, Kimberly A. Kelley, and Lara M. Isdell. Following the initiation we held a business meeting and pizza party and elected the new officers for the year 1999-2000: the prytanis will be Rebecca Barker; the hyparchos, Kevin Perry; the grammateus, Lois Carpenter; the chrysothylax, Lara Isdell; and the pyloros, Jamie Harper. Once a year in honor of the inductees Beta Nu also hosts a public lecture with a reception following. This year John D. MacIsaac deliv-

ered a talk entitled "Nemea: The Other Olympic Games," followed by a reception for the initiates.

Beta Pi (University of Arkansas): Members: 24. Initiates: 15.

Movies: September 16, 1998: *The Life of Brian*; October 1, 1998: *The Gods are Laughing: Aristophanes, His Life and Theatre*; February 2, 1999: *Medea* (in ancient Greek with English subtitles); March 2, 1999: *Julius Caesar* (featuring Marlon Brando).

Lectures: April 30, 1998: Prof. David Fredrick of the University of Arkansas, "Rethinking Space in the Villa of the Mysteries." October 26, 1998: Prof. Fawwaz Al-Khaysheh, visiting professor from Jordan, "Jordan: Semitic, Greek, and Latin Inscriptions." November 5, 1998: Prof. Carmela Viricillo Franklin of Columbia University, "Before the Printed Book: Manuscripts and Their Role in Medieval Culture," "The Study of the Bible in the Age of Bede," and "Greek in the Latin Middle Ages." November 17, 1998: Matthew Harrington, "Hellas."

Everything else: September 26, 1998: A *convivium* hosted by Matt Harrington and Josh Garvin. November 21, 1998: A campout and star-gazing party. December 5, 1998: Lectures at a Foreign Language Festival held at the University of Central Arkansas on "Roman Fashion" and "Fun with Latin." December 8, 1998: Saturnalia hosted by Dave Fredrick. February 13, 1999: Lupercalia hosted by Josh Garvin. March 2, 1999: *A Day in the Life of a Roman* skit at Washington Elementary. March 27, 1999: A dramatic reading of Plautus' *Casina*.

Web page: <http://comp.uark.edu/~etasigma/>; for photos from Lupercalia: <http://comp.uark.edu/~etasigma/lupercalia.html>.

Gamma Omicron (Monmouth College): Since the Eta Sigma Phi national convention last year in Richmond, the Gamma Omicron chapter at Monmouth College has kept quite busy.

After new officers were appointed last fall, a trip to a Greek restaurant was planned and a good time was had by all. In the spring semester, activity picked up. In

Is Your Chapter Interested in Hosting a National Convention?

If your chapter would like to propose hosting the 71st annual convention, here are some things to consider:

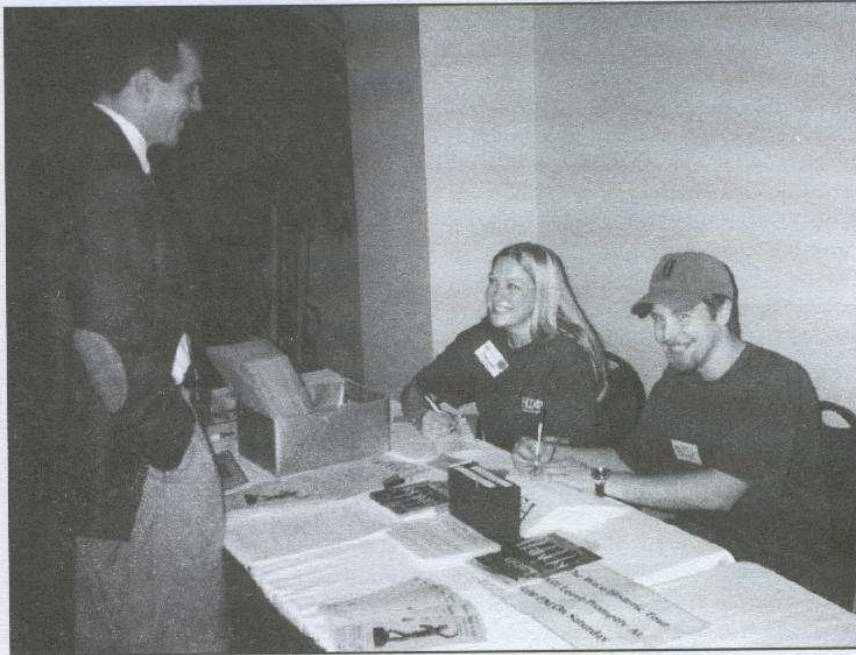
1. The support of your adviser.
2. The availability of lodging, either on campus or at a motel or hotel.
3. Travel to the convention by air, train, bus, and automobile.
4. Financial support of the chapter, the Department of Classics and/or the college or university, as well as of state and local organizations.

Bids for the next convention will be considered at the 1999 convention in Athens, Georgia. Come prepared to make your case!

February, Eta Sigma Phi sponsored two dinners and theatre experiences. The first was a trip to Iowa to have a meal and see Plautus' *A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum*. The second was a trip to Chicago for another Greek meal and a production of Ovid's *Metamorphoses*.

Because of a large Greek class and two Latin classes, the Gamma Omicron chapter inducted a record number of new members. Currently, Eta Sigma Phi is planning a Latin mass including Greek readings and an ancient Roman and Greek coin cleaning party to occur before the end of this academic year. Our web page has also been improved.

Gamma Omega (Baylor University): Gamma Omega's chapter at Baylor University has enthusiastically endeavored to promote the Classics in several ways this year. Our increasing enrollment in Classics courses over the last few years has enabled us to tap in a record number of new members this year, and our current membership is at 45+ as of the spring semester in 1999, with 22 newly inducted members. We have a total of 40 Classics majors in languages and about 5 minors. Adviser: Alden Smith; President: Danyel Ederle; Vice Presi-



Members of Gamma Omega were very much in evidence at the biennial convention of the Southern Section of the Classical Association of the Middle West and South, held at Baylor University in October. Here Gamma Omega Alumnus Steven L. Jones, now in graduate study at Bryn Mawr College, who delivered a paper on "Diomedes in the Aeneid: Subverting a Rival Aeneas Tradition," registers for the convention with chapter members Tracy Jamison and Brian Robinson.

dent: Candace Weddle; Secretary: Elisabeth Myers; Pyloros: Tracy Jamison; Treasurer: Mark Brown.

Activities: Nominated one of members for Homecoming Queen, and we participated in parade. We have also hosted many lectures: Ian Stubbe Ostergaard, Niklas Holzberg, Paul Gooch, Simon Goldhill, John Nordling, Stephen Hinds, Francis Cairns, and Robert Rabel. We also have the Aquilla Company coming in the spring 2000, performing *Oedipus Tyrannos*. We also held our annual Christmas party and regular Friday movies.

Achievements: Tracy Jamison won the scholarship to American School of Classical Studies in Athens given by Eta Sigma Phi for 1999. Heather Foote was the third-prize winner of the translation contest in intermediate Greek, 1998. Elisabeth Myers delivered a paper at CAMWS, Southern Section Conference, October 1998, at Eta Sigma Phi's invitation.

Graduating seniors: Elisabeth Myers (Uni-

versity of Kent—M.A. full research fellowship); Heather Foote (Phi Beta Kappa); Catherine Inbody (A&M—Nautical Archaeology); Mariel Kippels (teaching Latin in Dallas); Alumnus Jeff Johnson (Princeton—full fellowship).

Delta Theta (Dickinson College): The Delta Theta chapter has kept itself pretty busy during the past year. Just last spring we acted as judges for the local high school's Latin Board Game Creation Contest. During a very late night filled with pizza and laughs, we inspected a wide variety of games; some were basic grammar review, while others simulated Caesar's Gallic wars and subsequent march on Rome in a very risk-like fashion.

In the fall we nearly doubled our membership, thus increasing our number to around 12. We were even able to draw in a professor from the Religion Department as an honorary member. This increase of membership was mirrored by an increase of

potential members. The lower-level Greek classes have been filling at a tremendous rate, and thus we are keeping our eyes open for those who display sufficient love for the Classics to merit an Eta Sigma Phi membership.

We have sponsored many AIA lectures at our school; some of the topics covered include the archaeology of Petra, trading routes between Palestine and Rome, and the art of the Augustan age and its relation to politics. The greatest lectures, though, were the lectures given by Christopher Pelling of Oxford University. Dr. Pelling was kind enough to give two lectures; one being a less formal lecture on Cleopatra, and the next being a more scholarly lecture on medical aspects of and terminology in Herodotus.

Our distinguished vice president Jason Morris had been trying to increase both the knowledge and the fraternity of the chapter by planning a trip to the Walters Art Gallery. Unfortunately, the gallery had put its Roman and Etruscan collections in storage. He also is planning a Classics Festival for the local youth.

Our T-shirt plans will come to fruition the minute an "internal dialogue" is settled among our members.

Epsilon Iota (University of Florida): Our spring initiation was held on January 28. We heard three lectures this spring: the first, sponsored by the Archaeological Institute of America, was "Twenty Years up in the Air: Looking Down on the Classical World" by J. Wilson Myers; the second, by Niklas Holzberg, was on "Apollo's First Love Takes Root: Ovid's Tale of Daphne"; and the third was on "Arthur Evans, the Palace of Minos at Knossos, and the Dawn of European Civilization" by John K. Papadopoulos. On March 20, the chapter went to the Florida International Museum for its exhibition on "Ancient Civilizations." Peter Meineck gave a Greek drama workshop on March 27. A large delegation is representing the chapter at the national convention, and we'll have our year-end party on April 23.

Epsilon Xi (Gustavus Adolphus College): This year Epsilon Xi came back from years of neglect. We are still struggling to get people involved, but there is an improvement. In the fall semester, we showed two

movies and hosted a lecturer, Dr. Kopff, from Colorado. We also finally updated the Classics website for GAC (first time since 1994) and made the long-awaited departmental T-shirt. This spring we went to The Cities to see a production of *Lysistrata* at the Guthrie and are hosting another lecturer, GAC graduate Dr. Foss of Stanford. On March 17 we initiated 12 new members (highest yet) and we will soon be electing new officers. For the rest of this year, we will be planning the end-of-the-year banquet and also the senior dinner with our professors. This year, we will be graduating 10 majors, 5 with honors (the first in departmental history).

Zeta Iota (University of Georgia):

Pallas Athena,
Glorious goddess,
grey-eyed, resourceful maiden,
defender of the Classic City,

Join us, the members of Zeta Iota Chapter, in making these, our guest friends, welcome in your marble-faced abode.

We are tired! We have inducted not a few new members to aid in the preparations for your rites. We have exhorted reasonably priced lodging, have braved the travails of T-shirt printers, unaccustomed to your native tongue. We've led through the narrow strictures of your streets these guest friends until all hours of the morning, before even Dawn of the rosy finger had cared to show her face! But like Odysseus and his men, we welcome this golden opportunity to weather with cheerful hearts these trying tasks: to make welcome our guests, to allay their strangeness, and to show this convention what Georgia is all about! May they return hence with gladdened *phren*, carrying with them tales of splendor peppered with stories of woe at having left so holy a shrine as this, your Classic city, your Athens, our humble home and pride's delight, receiving with opened arms all those come as suppliants before your awesome hearth.

Zeta Lambda (University of Louisville):

The Zeta Lambda chapter of Eta Sigma Phi is happy to report that we initiated seven new members on October 21, 1998, and we hope to initiate four more members on April 14, 1999. The new members are as

follows: Hallie Hutchinson, Julie McWhirter, Joan Beckwith, Carolyn Benson, Tom Hardin, Adam Newbold (Secretary), and Layne Geary (Vice President). The four people we will officially initiate on April 14 are as follows: Laura Walters, John Reker, Connie Moneypenny, and Shelly Detwiler.

On December 4, 1998, Dr. Bob Luginbill, adviser to our chapter, held an end-of-the-semester get-together at his home. Quite a few people attended, members and guests that were interested in Eta Sigma Phi. Members of the second-year Greek class recited their finals for the rest of the group. They had to memorize and recite the first ten lines to Homer's *Odyssey* and answer questions about syntax and vocabulary. We then ate pizza and vegetables and dip while watching *A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum*. We all enjoyed the movie and the company.

On February 24, 1999, Layne Geary, Tom Hardin, and Hallie Hutchinson set up a booth at an Honors Clubs Interest Fair. This was a chance for us to make other people aware of Eta Sigma Phi and promote interest in the study of Classical languages. The turnout was high and we talked to many people who seemed very interested. They were especially interested to hear about the scholarship opportunities available through Eta Sigma Phi. We hope to see an increase in enrollment in our Latin and Greek courses in the fall semester.

We had several meetings throughout the semester. On September 21, 1998, we decided on the date of the initiation for the new members. On October 21, 1998, we had the initiation and a brief meeting following thereafter in which we agreed we should have a get-together at Dr. Luginbill's residence at the end of the semester. On November 23, 1998, we agreed on the date and time of the get-together. On December 4, 1998, we had the get-together, and, as stated before, the Greek second-year students recited their finals. On January 13, 1999, we had another meeting at which we discussed the upcoming year and the convention. We also discussed the Honors Club Interest Fair, and that is when Layne Geary volunteered to head the committee. Tom Hardin and Hallie Hutchinson also volunteered to be a part of it and attend the fair

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in order to give the students much needed information. On March 31, 1999, another meeting was held and arrangements were finalized for the convention trip. Only Layne Geary was able to go because of schedule conflicts of other interested members. It was decided that a scholarship for \$45 be given to Layne so that she could go to the convention; it was to reimburse her for only the registration fee.

On April 14, 1999, we are going to hold another initiation ceremony for Eta Sigma Phi for four new members. After the ceremony, a Classical and Modern Languages Reception will be held for all the students who are in the honor societies within their language field and all of the members of Eta Sigma Phi, Zeta Lambda Chapter, are invited and expected to be there. We also are planning a chapter outing at the end of the spring semester. We plan to all go to a local restaurant called the Grape Leaf. The Grape Leaf serves Greek food and we plan to lessen the financial burden on our members by using some money from our account. This is our wonderful 1998-99 school year.

Eta Alpha (University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill): Spring '98 (events following the convention at Richmond): We sponsored a speaker on classical archaeology and, with the UNC Classics Club, co-sponsored

Res Gestae (continued)

an end-of-the-year picnic for the entire Classics Department. We also chose officers for the next year and began planning.

Fall '98: We successfully reapplied for official recognition from the Student Union. We heard Dr. Mary Pendergraft of Wake Forest University deliver a talk, "Ancient Star-Gazers," on the astronomy and its uses in ancient poetry, concluding with a reception at which the contents of a veggie tray were used as a model of the ancient conception of the solar system. We also hosted a tea for the department.

Spring '99: We applied and received funding from the Carolina Parents' Association and the Student Congress. We helped to write questions for this year's NCJCL *certamina*. We hosted another department tea and co-sponsored, with the Classics Club, a faculty/student dinner at a local pizzeria.

Eta Gamma (Loyola University of New Orleans): Since last attending the Eta Sigma Phi convention, the Eta Gamma Chapter, representing Loyola University of New Orleans, has expanded not only membership but has also partaken of several events. Most recently we had our induction of new members, 18 regular and 3 honorary, for the 1999 school year. Last semester, Eta Sigma Phi sponsored a guest speaker, Nick Rauh, who spoke concerning his studies of the habitat of pirates in the Classical era as well as the legends which surround them. Our chapter sponsored several movies throughout the year, such as *Hercules*, *Mighty Aphrodite*, *History of the World Part I*, and *I Claudius*, which give students time to relax and build better relations within the chapter. This May we will once again hold our annual year-end picnic open to all members to enjoy. Free food always draws a large turnout! We also have an annual Halloween party in which members are to come dressed as their favorite Classical character.

The two accomplishments we are most proud of are our Eta Gamma T-shirts and our web page. We have designed and sold our own T-shirts. Athena stands on the front with quotes from both *The Iliad* and *The Aeneid*. The majority of our members have purchased one and even faculty outside the department have asked for one. Eta Gamma has also joined the technolog-

ical era with our new web page which can be found at <http://www.loyno.edu/~Classics/eta.sigma.phi.html>. Updated regularly, a listing of current events within the group, as well as member information such as the listing of officers, can be found there. It is in direct link to our Classics Department web page, which is another must-see sight at <http://www.loyno.edu/~Classics>.

We are proposing the Eta Sigma Phi convention of 2001 to be held at Loyola so that we may share with other chapters the New Orleans experience of Eta Sigma Phi. Our chapter is growing and developing beyond other honors fraternities by trying to develop a real kinship within the group.

Eta Delta (Hillsdale College): Eta Delta Chapter is happy to report not only another astonishingly successful academic season, but also the commencement of a new "athletic" franchise, Team Subjunctive. Always striving for new heights in our attainment of the Olympic ideal, Team Subjunctive represents Eta Delta's dedication to the preservation of good moods and excellence in the ancient sport of bowling. Having been challenged by the barbarians of the history honorary, Phi Alpha Theta, we agreed to a Titanomachy, to be held April 7 at the Hillside Lanes. After a grueling elimination round, the best of the classicists emerged to defend the honor of their colleagues everywhere and to win the covered Dalene S. Bunting Memorial award. Daniel Street, Laura Mott, Joshua Mercer, Dr. David Jones, and Professor Joseph Garnjobst displayed not only great style and skill in their game, but admirable piety and humility. The enemy's trickery and hubris were rewarded a crushing defeat of 600 to 495. *Venimus, vidimus, bolimus.*

The year commenced auspiciously, with the initiation of thirteen members at the September 29 ceremony and banquet, thus swelling our ranks to thirty-three full members. The fall induction (and exquisite feast) was hosted at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Jones. After satiating our palates, we chose officers for the academic year 1998-1999. With the election of Rebecca Henning, Prytanis, Sarah Hempel, Hyparchos, Erin Davis, Grammateus, Barbara Counsellor, Chrysophlax, and Amanda Mays, Pylaros, we proudly proclaim—*Feminae Duces Facti.*

In October, Professor Garnjobst, our adviser, initiated biweekly Latin and Greek reading groups, providing food for thought as well as some of his famed culinary creations as an extra incentive for attendance. During the first semester, the hardened Latin 201 veterans and the upper level Latin legion besieged *De Bello Gallico V* as an exercise in sight-reading and humility. Not to be outdone in martial matters (or metaphors), the Hellenists in our midst laid hold of Xenophon's *Anabasis*. In January, Professor Garnjobst introduced prosody composition to the already cowed Latinists, enriching our appreciation of Vergil's deliberate pace in the composition of the *Aeneid* as well as further reinforcing our inferiority complexes.

In November, Victor David Hanson, author of *The Other Greeks* and *Who Killed Homer?*, visited campus. He gave lectures on the agrarian roots of the Greek polis and the decline of classical education, which were well received and attended by the student body and faculty of Hillsdale College.

Given the unofficial motto of our chapter, *Venite cenae, remanete fructu*, it

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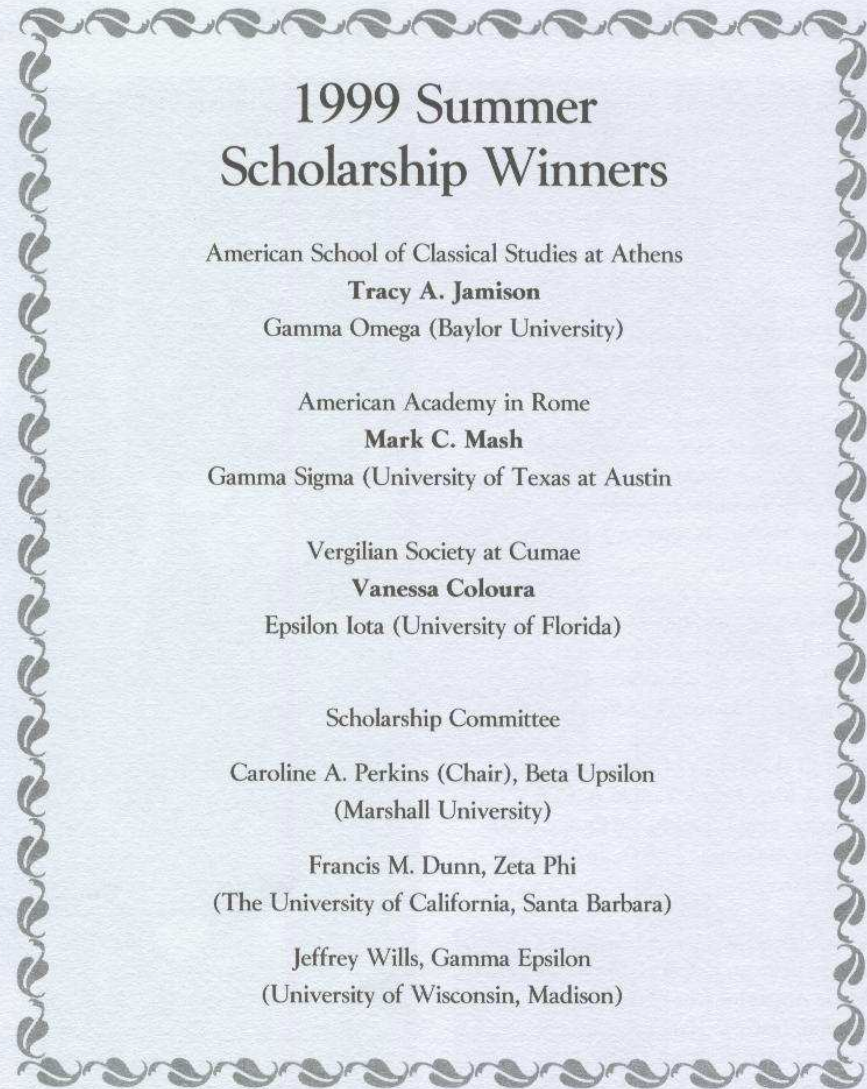
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seemed appropriate to raise funds for the convention by holding a bake sale in October. The concept, though worthy, fell short of complete success. Undaunted, we sponsored a raffle and "Society to Save the Subjunctive" T-shirt sale in the spring semester. Among the coveted prizes were Professor Garnjobst's doctor bag and gavel, two striking hats from Dr. Lorna Holmes, and a gift certificate to the college bookstore. With spoils like these and only slightly coercive and sensational sales tactics, this effort was much more profitable and enjoyable.

Eta Delta chapter hopes to encourage stronger interest in the Classics among the general student body next year, through film nights and guest speakers. Some of our members may have the opportunity to volunteer as Latin tutors at the Hillsdale Academy—a service which is enormously rewarding to both pupil and tutor. As a chapter, we shall continue to foster the congenial company of our fellow Classics students within reading groups, bowling allies, and beyond.

Eta Zeta (Truman State University): The Eta Zeta Chapter at Truman State University had a very successful first year. The beginning of the year saw our charter members initiated by our faculty adviser, Dr. Rebecca Harrison, and the election of officers. Three of our members presented papers relating to education in the ancient world at the Truman State University Undergraduate Research Symposium. In addition, we were very fortunate to be invited by the local chapter of Sigma Tau Delta to co-host a bandfest as a fund-raiser. With the proceeds from the bandfest, we were able to hold our chapter banquet in the spring, where we sampled the wholesome goodness of classical cuisine, à la Andrew Dalby's *The Classical Cookbook*. In the spring, we initiated four additional members, ensuring five non-graduating members to continue into this year. The chapter has accomplished many things this year. We have meetings every week to discuss business matters, such as the newsletter we send out to our alumni every semester. This year we designed and ordered T-shirts. Although the original saying for our T-shirts was going to be "We



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Gamma Sigma (University of Texas at Austin)

Vergilian Society at Cumae

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Epsilon Iota (University of Florida)

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(Marshall University)

Francis M. Dunn, Zeta Phi
(The University of California, Santa Barbara)

Jeffrey Wills, Gamma Epsilon
(University of Wisconsin, Madison)

are the Real Greeks," we ended up going with the Eta Sigma Phi motto to be safe. In addition to the T-shirts, we initiated a student and held our annual Greco-Roman banquet. We also tried to organize a night of Latin and Greek plays. Although this event did not get off the ground this year, we hope to do it in the future.

Eta Theta (DePauw University): The first year of the Eta Theta chapter, chartered on May 1 with the initiation of nine members, has been one of building up and brainstorming. In the fall, we took trips to Wabash College, Indiana University, and the Indianapolis Art Museum to hear visiting lecturers, and held a picnic dinner for the Greek and Latin students. We also held

a fall initiation for a member who could not be initiated in May and installed officers.

This spring, we have recently kicked off a film series with the showing of *Mighty Aphrodite*, a part of our Classics outreach activities on campus. The film series will continue next year and will be joined by a Classical studies coffee hour, currently in its planning stages, a series of informal lectures on a variety of topics given by both faculty and students. On May 2, we will be holding our spring initiation, and we will later be holding a spring picnic with the department for the Greek and Latin students. We hope next year to continue and expand our outreach activities, in addition to holding social events for the chapter members.

Initiates July 1-December 31, 1998

The following are the names of students whose initiations into the society were reported to the national office between July 1 and December 31, 1998. The date in parentheses is the date of the initiation ceremony.

Psi (Vanderbilt University): James R. Bryant, Brady W. Creel, Peter S. DeMizio, Elizabeth K. Eward, Rachel C. Forbes, Trevor N. Gould, Alesha Y. Handy, Jeremy P. Kath, Lorraine E. Knop, Jessica M. Lilystrom, Megan M. McCauley, Joshua A. Miller, Evan P. Nacke, Stacey A. Scheib, George B. Trevarthan, Brandon S. Woo, Chester Michael Waggoner, Jr., William P. Weaver (4-5-98).

Alpha Iota (University of South Carolina): Thali R. Honeycutt, Frances Hui, Stephanie A. Masek, Kyle Andrew Sox; Associate: Christopher Newton (11-6-98).

Beta Pi (University of Arkansas): Josh Arkins, Marc Beard, Yasmin A. C. E. Wheeler, Maggie Smith, Tai Estopy, Christine Schoeneman (12-9-97); Emöke Pulay (9-26-98).

Beta Sigma (Marquette University): Claire Alison Bennett, Joseph A. Burger, Angela Marie Augustine Chambers, Michael A. Conlon, Lester E. Hahn, Jr., Michelle Hartwig, Heather Anne Huff, David Jacobus, Kiley Leah Kane, Mary Kate Kelley, Ryan Patrick Klesh, Bryan E. Mount, Peter L. Rabe, Peter C. Reske, Katherine L. Scriven, Joseph J. Siprut, Olivia Gatti Taylor, Jesse Daniel Thorstad, Ryan L. Thom (4-7-98).

Beta Chi (Loyola College in Maryland): Ryan Haber, Shane Ball (10-24-98).

Beta Psi (Rhodes College): Jenny Diane Wilkerson, Jason Allen Shelton, Jeremy Lawson Mungle, Jason Andrew Hughes, Frederick Moody Blackmon, Jr. (10-29-98).

Beta Omega (Ball State University): Natalie K. Proctor, Shawn P. Renner, Shannon L. Ross, Robin Long-Jordan, Pratik P. Shah, Alanna K. West (4-3-98).

Delta Sigma (University of California at



Roger MacFarlane (middle), the adviser of Epsilon Kappa at Brigham Young University, poses with students Bekki Richards and Anton Rytting after they delivered their papers at the meeting of the Southern Section of the Classical Association of the Middle West and South.

Irvine): Hillary Deems, Gregory D. Smay (11-18-98).

Epsilon Epsilon (Rockford College): Jamie L. Herrmann, Risa Takagi, Nicholas A. Theisen (10-20-98).

Epsilon Zeta (University of Idaho): Mathew S. Baldwin, Christopher Wade Cromwell, Michael A. Harkin, Justin Hopper, Karin Intermill, Benjamin Lyons, Aaron D. Mayhugh, John McHugh, Jerrold William Owen, Jon Lawson Seitz, Timothy Dane Smalldridge; Associate: Kathryn McNeary; Honorary: Arthur Thomas Kennedy, Thomas Glynn (11-12-98).

Epsilon Iota (University of Florida): Christopher Allen, Will Bruce, Paul Carelli, Emily Courey, Matthew Dannemann, Mierka Drucker, Laura Ellis, Sebastian Ericsson, James Nicholas Goff II, Ceci Guynn, Teresa Hanula, Elana Horowitz, Jennifer James, David Kern, Turquoise Lett,

Jason Morgan, Daniel Nordby, Sara Reinhardt, Eleanor Speirs, Joel Swan, Tonia Turner, Ricardo Vazquez, Juan Velez, Jill Zabel; Associate: Alexy Blot, Kalisha S. Chorba, Jeremy Cohen, Laura Colaner, Danielle DeBose, Chloe Firebaugh, Jeffrey Fowler, Pamela Houck, Lonnie Kim, Sarah Lash, Kelleigh Messina, Alex Nicolaides, Marc Punancy, Fahaa Roberts, Eric Wilson (9-24-98).

Epsilon Kappa (Brigham Young University): Alex Green, Deborah Pettit, Rebecca Allen, Joseph Ponczoch, John Payne, Robert David Hunter Floyd, Ryan Shaffer (10-27-98).

Epsilon Sigma (Augustana College): Amanda T. Barrett, Emily R. Isaacson (9-8-98).

Epsilon Psi (Santa Clara University): Lisa Adams, Scott Garner, Amy Gaugler, Ryan Heal, Gareth Lee, Deidre McCormack, Mary

Scenes From the Eta Sigma Phi Panel of Undergraduate Papers at CAMWS-SS Convention

Nuxoll, Michelle Peterson, Stephen Steigler, Panagiota Tsigaris, Christopher Volz, Jane Weiler (5-28-98).

Zeta Delta (The University of the South): Sarah Jean Downey, Dennis Wesley McKay (5-4-98); Terry Melinda Gilliland, James Andrew Morock, Jr., Carolyn Jeanne Phillips, Abram, Colter Ring, Moises Tannon Sabina, Daniel Ethan Shaver (11-6-98).

Zeta Iota (University of Georgia): Clay Kelsh, Whitney Anderson, Andrew Byrd, E. Y. Coley III, Eric Adams, Kati Baugh; Associate: Rob Sorbak (10-14-98).

Zeta Nu (University of Maryland at College Park): Marco Del Piero, David Hamilton, Daniel Kapust, Rachel Lagodka, David Land; Associate: Robert Banks, Mary Kane-Malone, Christopher Welsler; Honorary: Steven Rutledge (5-8-98).

Zeta Pi (University of Utah): Danielle Fielden, Danielle Duffin, Christopher Thompson, Eileen Soto, Emily J. Smith, Amber Wanlass, Samuel Chipman, Susan Carreon, Julie Thomas, Takeyo Koyahata; Associate: David Arceneaux, Martha E. Hannan (6-11-98).

Zeta Phi (University of California at Santa Barbara): Jon Cleare, Joseph Doerr, Devi Noor, J. J. Jackson (5-31-98).

Eta Alpha (University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill): Jonathan Mills (9-1-98); Sarah A. Rogers (11-2-98).

Eta Delta (Hillsdale College): Barbara Counsellor, Brandon Booth, Meredith Culbertson, Laura Mott, Erin Davis, Alexander Swem, Rebecca Henning, Meghan Krautmann, Erin Mason, Mary Moorman, Jennifer Owen, Kara Walker, Thomas Pearson, P. Jesse Rine (9-29-98).

Eta Theta (DePauw University): Monica Ayhens, Brian Hauck, Kimberly Johnson, Rick Kebrdle, Adam Lux, Amy McCall, Leslie Nolan, Adrian Williams; Honorary: Jeff Radcliffe (5-1-98).

Tracy A. Jamison of Gamma Omega Chapter at the convention's host institution, Baylor University, presided at the session of papers.



Anna Rachel Blount of Epsilon Chi (University of South Florida) speaking on "The Rowers Tablets and the End of Pylus."



Elisabeth Myers of Gamma Omega (Baylor University) delivers her paper on "Sophocles' Antigone: The Character of Antigone and Problems in Interpretation."



Travis Quay of Mu (University of Cincinnati) speaks on "Representations of Soldiers on Archaic and Classical Attic Funerary Monuments."



Anton Rytting, also of Epsilon Kappa, reads his paper on "The Distribution and Ellipsis of esse in Caesar's Bellum Civile Book I."



Bekki Richards of Epsilon Kappa (Brigham Young University) had as her subject "Pentheus as Dionysos: Parallel Myth in Euripides' Bacchae."



William Weaver of Psi (Vanderbilt University) speaking on "The Mystery Religion Context of Vergil's Aeneid."



Eta Sigma Phi Medals

Eta Sigma Phi medals awarded to honor students in secondary-school 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.

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Eta Sigma Phi Cited as a "Bright Spot" in Classics

At last fall's meeting of the Southern Section of the Classical Association of the Middle West and South at Baylor University, Southern Section President Sheila K. Dickison of the University of Florida introduced and led a discussion on "Auditing' a Liberal Education: challenges and Opportunities for Classics in the Next Century." In her remarks she included the following among the "bright spots" in Classics:

Each spring we ask graduating seniors to complete a questionnaire that asks about their experience as a major in our Department and what we should change. Almost to a student one activity that receives universal praise is our local chapter of Eta Sigma Phi. We have a very active chapter and have been blessed with exceptional officers. One of

their most successful events comes from funds raised by selling class notes in such classes as Mythology. Even though Eta Sigma Phi has competition from commercial outfits, the high quality of their notes means they sell up a storm. Funds are used for scholarships and support travel to the national convention. I think Eta Sigma Phi has been largely responsible for creating a wonderful sense of camaraderie among our majors. When I go to my Latin Love Poetry class this semester, I am always amazed at the laughter and animated conversation that greets me from the twenty or so students in the class. I discovered that many of them know each other from Eta Sigma Phi.

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