When I think back on the summer session of the American School of Classical Studies in Athens, I am reminded of Homer's Odyssey. The principal character of the Odyssey, Odysseus, has a fine counterpart in our leader, Daniel Levine of the University of Arkansas. Every bit as crafty and resourceful as the Homeric hero, Daniel's "Penelope," Judith Levine, who was then "odyssey" extremely enjoyable. To further enhance our journey, we were treated to the joyous presence of Daniel's "Penelope," Judith Levine, who was then carrying their new daughter, Sarah. Both Judith and Sarah accompanied us on all of our treks through the wilds of Greece.

Just as in the Odyssey, we encountered "lands of the Lotus Eaters" (places which none of us wished to leave) and a few obstacles, none of which was so serious as those of Odysseus.

For me, many of the places we visited were irresistible and were ones in which I longed to stay. Among the most special was the tiny village of Markrynitsa perched on the heights of Mt. Pelion. The sheer beauty of this alpine village thrilled us all. After exploring the village, buying a few mountain-grown herbs which are collected by the local women, and having a wonderful meal, I prepared for bed in my room at the beautiful chalet where we were staying. Just beginning to drift off, I began to hear the strains of Greek music and applause. I threw on some clothes, woke a friend down the hall and ran down to the village square where the local women were performing Greek dances in native costume. This perfor-
mance proved to be the perfect end to an idyllic evening.

Also to be considered "lands of the Lotus Eaters" were the many beaches we visited. Because of the tremendous heat wave which caused so much death and suffering among the Greeks last summer, we were especially grateful for our beach stops. Among the most memorable were our swims at Schoinia beach outside Marathon where the Persians had once beached their mighty fleet, and also at a beach off the coast of Pylos where we encountered one of our "Odyssean" foes. After engaging a boatman who was not one of the typically friendly Greeks and who was bent on overcharging us, we set out in his boat for a deserted beach where we would swim and hear a report on the battles of Sphacteria and Navarino. The surly boatman took us to within twenty yards of the beach and, stopping the boat, told us we would have to jump in and wade ashore. So, wade in we did with backpacks and shoes on our heads (the shorter ones of us, including me, jumped, sunk and swam in). Despite the evil, little boatman however, it was an exciting experience.

On the island of Crete, we had a short visit to the underworld at the Minoan burial ground of Armenoi. A site as yet undiscovered by tourists, we had the place to ourselves and a tour of the marvelous chamber tombs led by the site's caretaker, Dimitri. Armenoi is a field in which approximately 200 Minoan chamber tombs dating from the fourteenth century B.C. were found. Although some had been robbed, a few held larnakes which contained bones and can be seen in local museums. The precision of the stonecut tombs as seen in the stairs, entryways and, in one case, a bench around the perimeter of the chamber itself, was amazing in its skillful stone artistry. After investigating many of these fascinating tombs, we enjoyed typical Greek xenia (hospitality) from our guide, Dimitri. He shared with us walnuts from his own trees and some homemade raki (an extremely potent alcoholic beverage). This opportunity to experience ancient sites (free from tourists), as well as traditional Greek hospitality is an advantage not had by many who visit Greece but which the American School offers.

What would an odyssey be without Sirens? We found our Sirens at the temple of Poseidon at Cape Sounion. As we were listening to Professor Dinsmoor's lecture, several Italian fashion models appeared in the temple itself, sashaying and posing among the columns for their photographers. Their sudden appearance was a complete surprise and, for some, provided a pleasant photo opportunity, albeit somewhat outside the tour format.

After all of our many adventures, climbing into lofty fortresses or into deep graves, trekking through sites in 100° plus heat and burning sun or through the Athenian agora in an unexpected but welcome rain shower, we always arrived back at the American School, our Ithaka, safe and sound filled with exhilaration from the marvels we had just seen.

I must thank Eta Sigma Phi and all responsible for allowing me this scholarship and the opportunity to experience such a joyous and exciting odyssey.

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Salvete Omnes

This year marked our fiftieth anniversary of the founding of Beta Alpha Chapter of The University of South Dakota. Those chapters early in the group designated with a Beta should be having their fiftieth anniversaries soon, too—within the next few years. If your college's dean is considering celebrating some sort of commemorative soon, you should see whether your chapter of Eta Sigma Phi might be included. Such involvement can bring positive attention and good publicity to your local chapter. Some colleges may even be willing to underwrite the cost of a program or the appearance of a speaker to mark a golden anniversary.

If you are uncertain about the date of the founding of your chapter and would like to have that information, please write to me, and I shall quickly supply you with the date of your chapter's founding. Your chapter may be approaching a significant anniversary.

Our newest chapters will view a fiftieth anniversary—even a tenth anniversary—as a long way off. We welcome warmly our newest chapter, Zeta Beta of Temple University, Philadelphia, whose charter was granted this spring at our National Convention in Baltimore, Maryland. We wish the charter members of Zeta Beta a propitious beginning to many years of active involvement in Eta Sigma Phi.

We also welcome two new members to our Board of Trustees: Professor Ed Phinney of the University of Massachusetts, Amherst (Epsilon Omicron), and Sister Thérèse Marie Dougherty of the College of Notre Dame (Beta Kappa). They replace two stalwart members of our Board, Professor Roy Lindahl of Furman University and Professor Dwight Castro of Westminster College. We have been fortunate to have had so many capable faculty advisers who have served the Fraternity as Trustees and are grateful to Professor Lindahl [who also served for four years as the editor of Nuntius] and Professor Castro [who has served many years on the Contest Committee] for their contributions as members of our Board of Trustees and as faculty advisers.

Our 1988 National Convention was held at the invitation of our Beta Kappa Chapter of the College of Notre Dame where we had met for our convention in 1980. The members and alumnae of Beta Kappa Chapter showed us once again their characteristic thoughtfulness and hospitality which are fast becoming legendary. The largest number of delegates in many years were at hand, and the program offered a variety of profitable, enjoyable events: a lecture on Thera by Gladys Callahan, a tour of the Walters Art Gallery, a banquet [with a menu written in Greek], a keynote address by Professor Edward Phinney, president of the American Classical League, and a musical comedy O' My Goddess by Patricia Montley of Chatham College, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. Our sixty-first annual convention will be in Amherst, Massachusetts, April 14-16, at the invitation of Epsilon Omicron Chapter. I invite all of you to consider making the trip to the University of Massachusetts and experiencing the camaraderie and the fun.

Valete,
Brent M. Froberg
1989 Convention

WHERE: University of Massachusetts (Epsilon Omicron), Amherst, Massachusetts
WHEN: April 14-16, 1989
WHAT: Speakers, Banquet, Election of Officers, Convivia
WHO: All Members of Eta Sigma Phi

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1989 CONTEST ANNOUNCEMENT

1) FORTIETH ANNUAL GREEK TRANSLATION CONTEST

Advanced: 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.

Intermediate: 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-NINTH ANNUAL LATIN TRANSLATION CONTEST

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

Intermediate: This contest will consist of the sight translation of a passage in Latin which is considered within the comprehension of students in the second year of college Latin.

3) TWENTY-THIRD 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. Contestants may use a dictionary (without paradigms), e.g. Cassell's.

PRIZES

Cash awards will be made to winners in both levels of competition. For the advanced contests, including Latin Prose Composition, first prize will be $50.00, second prize $40.00, and third prize $30.00; for the intermediate contests, first prize will be $35.00, second prize $25.00, and third prize $15.00.

ELIGIBILITY

The contests are open 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 March 3, 1989, must be sent to Professor Brent M. Froberg, Box 171, The University of South Dakota, Vermillion, South Dakota 57069-2390. Materials will be mailed by him in time for the contests to be administered simultaneously in all competing schools during the week of March 13, 1989. Contest papers in all of the contests are to be forwarded to Professor Brent M. Froberg and must be postmarked not later than March 20, 1989. 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
ANN CASTRO
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Delta Zeta Chapter  
Colgate University

We, along with our Department of Classics and the Classical Association of the Empire State, sponsored a symposium on Ancient Greek and Roman Religion on April 15-16, 1988. Dr. Jon Mikalson of the University of Virginia gave the keynote address entitled, "Distortion of Religion in Greek Literature"; other speakers on the program included members of our faculty in Classics—Professors Robert S. J. Garland and Rebecca Ammerman—and Charlotte Long of Cleveland State University, Ramsay Macmullen of Yale University, and Steven Ostrow of the College of the Holy Cross. A number of funds endow our lecture series and help us produce programs such as this for the benefit of our classmates and programs throughout our campus.

Epsilon Omicron Chapter  
The University of Massachusetts at Amherst

In fall, 1987, the Epsilon Omicron Chapter presented one seminar, featuring Professor Laetitia La Follette of our art history department, who spoke on efforts to restore ancient monuments in Greece and Rome. We also held our annual book sale, which met with much success. Contributions were given from faculty members as well as teaching associates and students.

In December, we held our annual Christmas party, a well-attended event, at which we enjoyed a buffet and a guitar performance followed by a sing-along of Latin Christmas carols. A surprise recognition of the birthday of our faculty adviser, Professor Edward Phinney, was the highlight of the evening.

Our spring semester began on a positive note. In February, our faculty adviser, Professor Phinney, presented a seminar on modern Lesbos, a presentation which featured slides taken while he was on the island. In early April, we presented a video seminar on Medea.

On April 29, we finished the year's activities with our annual initiation. This year our initiation featured not only the customary ceremony and business meeting, but also a banquet and dancing. Last year we initiated forty-five new members and hope to initiate many more in the coming year.

Epsilon Psi Chapter  
Santa Clara University

We enjoyed our first active year with eleven new members. We had many different kinds of activities: we viewed two movies based on classical themes and plays (The Trojan Women and Iphigeneia at Aulis) and followed them with discussion over pizza; we attended a campus production of Medea; we sponsored two lectures by out-of-town visitors (Professor Michael Jameson of Stanford University, who discussed the use of space in ancient Greek houses, and Professor Amy Richlin of Lehigh University, who discussed "Why Werewolves are Male and Witches are Female: Gender and the Monstrous"); we held a reception for the Classics and English Departments in an effort to advertise the value of Classics to a broader audience and there heard a talk given by the Chairman of the Classics Department, Professor Helen Moritz, on "Hidden Treasures: A Collection of 'Finds' by a Traveler in Greece"; and we ended the year with a Greek dinner at the home of Professor Moritz, where we feasted on spanakopita, gyros, pastitsio, baklava, and various other Greek delights.

Our proudest moment of the year was when one of our new members, Steve Plant, won first place in the Eta Sigma Phi Intermediate Greek contest. Two of our talented members designed and created a terrific SCU Classics Club T-shirt. Our final activity was the initiation of five new members; at the party for them, our adviser, Professor Barbara Gold, finally got to use her punch bowl which was given to her by her students at UC Irvine in the Eta Sigma Phi chapter there some years ago!

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September, 1987 to August, 1988

ETA (Florida State University): Rick Bessey, Brian Gibney, Martha Hug, Tom Ingram, Paige Campbell, Jodi Wilder, James Sinn, Jr. Associate Members: Amanda Manos, Karen Parks. Amy Hornick, Josephine Mendoza (March, 1986).

LAMBDA (The University of Mississippi): Donna Michelle Davenport, Kathleen Brookfield Ford, Paul D. Gilmore, Amy B. Haddad, Rebecca M. Hollingsworth, Phillip Hooker, Elizabeth A. Jenkins, Francis Ma, Susan E. O’Quin, Patricia F. Tavoleti, Jamie Van Noy, Tim Van Noy, Christopher A. Williams.

SIGMA (Miami University, Ohio): Doug Lynch, James L. Davis Jr., Mike Fitzgibbon, Amy Vassar, Elizabeth Brown, Traci L. Crain.

TAU (The University of Kentucky): Lola Kessell-Johnson, Glenn Andrew Campbell.


ALPHA PI (Gettysburg College): Lynne Brunje, Elizabeth Doyle, Cynthia Fee, Amanda Freeman, Christopher Gaudio, Brendan Gerrity, Sabine Haag, Christina Hauf, Christopher Lebold, Debra Mueller, Christina Myers, Patrick J. Reilly, Diane Sipp, Eric Stone.

ALPHA RHO (Muhlenberg College): Felice Shalow, Jennifer Staley, Scott Fegley, Theresa Geiger, Janelle Hoch.

ALPHA CHI (Tulane University): Kay Cherron Allen, Dorothy Chan, Adrienne C. Conners, Lyal Grissom, Leslie Hodge, Jeff Holloway, Mike Jacobs, Sean Johnson, Amy Lucket, Nicole Murray, David Outlaw, Bryan Parker, Ann Robson, Kimberly Ross, Rosa Michelle Schmidt, Peter Twadell, Jon Yenari.


BETA PI (The University of Arkansas): Mike Kirk, Jennifer Thornton, Allison Danforth, David Riggs, Kelly Griffis, Jennifer Hammer, Sheila Been, Todd Lewis, Babette Sims Crowder, Robert Jarvis.


BETA CHI (Loyola College, Maryland): Nicole Corsetti, Mary Alice McDermott.

BETA OMEGA (Ball State University): Leslie Ann Franklin, Caren Weaver, Ellen L. Coffin, Mary Church, Lisa D. Maugans, Eric Dalton.

GAMMA DELTA (Yeshiva University): Yacov Balsam, Yehudah Lindenberg.

GAMMA IOTA (Wabash College): Loren M. McCoy, Daniel M. Harnett, Thomas M. Brogan.

GAMMA MU (Westminster College): Donald E. Younkin, III.


DELTA ALPHA (Randolph-Macon Woman's College): Alison Elizabeth-Joan Buckley, Mary K. Hergoz, Anne Goodman Lankes, Mary Ellen McKenzie.


DELTA RHO (Radford University): Gail R. Anderson, Pamela M. Mullinax, Cheryl L. Szafranski.

DELTA UPSILON (Valparaiso University): Tom Nogar, Jeffrey Schilling, Amber Schaefer, Paul Arndt, David Bender, Phil Scharold, Rachel Bohlmann, Karen Hansel (February, 1987).


DELTA OMEGA (Macalester College): William F. Barthelemy.

EPSILON GAMMA (The University of Scranton): Catherine J. Brunton.

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EPISTILON ETA (Kent State University): Bonnie Laura Graves, Matthew E. Burke, Johanna L. Kelleman, Timothy Kent Bergdorf.


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EPSILON TAU (Beloit College): John W. Hartigan, MaryBeth Iannone, Daniel Edward Curley (September, 1985), Laura Ann Geneviève De Lozzi (March, 1987).


EPSILON PSI (Santa Clara University): Michael Markham, Cheryl Dumesnil, Christopher Bowen, Christopher Wrenn, Christopher Cajski.

EPSILON CHI (The University of South Florida): Barbara Angelo, Robert Campbell, Donald Daugherty, Douglas Smith, Jr.


THE ETA SIGMA PHI
SUMMER SCHOLARSHIPS
FOR 1989

The Trustees of Eta Sigma Phi Fraternity are pleased to announce that two scholarships will be offered in 1989 to enable one member of Eta Sigma Phi to attend the 1989 Summer Session of the American Academy in Rome, Italy, and another to attend the 1989 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 $2,200, 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 $2,400, 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 Professor Patricia A. Marquardt of Marquette University, Chairman, Professor John Rouman of the University of New Hampshire, and Professor Thomas Sienkewicz of Monmouth College. Enquiries and requests for blanks should be addressed to Professor Patricia A. Marquardt, Department of Foreign Languages, Marquette University, Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53233.

Eligible to apply for the scholarships are Eta Sigma Phi members and alumni who have received a Bachelor's degree since January 1, 1983, or shall have received it on or before June 1989, and who have not 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 Marquardt by December 5, 1988. The winner of each scholarship will be announced about January 15, 1989.

For the Scholarship Committee,

Patricia A. Marquardt