Amicis Salutem Dico:

It's autumn once again and time for us all to strive for greater unification within the National Eta Sigma Phi and to help revitalize interest in the area of Classical Studies.

One of the primary problems which pull Eta Sigma Phi apart on the national level is lack of communication between the local chapters. In dealing with this problem I should like to suggest that each chapter make every effort to send delegates to the National Convention on a yearly basis. For many chapters this is not financially feasible, but local chapters could consider the possibility of fund raising projects for the specific purpose of sending a delegate(s) to the National Convention. The ideas and enthusiasm that delegates bring back to the local chapters make the trip well worthwhile. Also, attending the National Convention is the best way to become more involved in Eta Sigma Phi on a national level and to express opinions concerning Eta Sigma Phi in general.

I should also like to see the membership increase in the upcoming years. This could be accomplished by seeking out and inviting nearby colleges which do not have Eta Sigma Phi chapters to attend Eta Sigma Phi programs and functions. Another possibility would be to invite one or more existing chapters to participate in some type of group Eta Sigma Phi activity. Local chapters must communicate with one another on state or regional levels. Such communication makes available information about Eta Sigma Phi, extends its membership, and unifies the chapters.

Above all, keep in mind that enthusiasm is contagious, and I certainly do hope that enthusiasm for Eta Sigma Phi and the Classics will continue to spread. Local chapters should meet frequently and keep all members well informed. University-wide programs sponsored by local Eta Sigma Phi chapters would also be a great way to show that the study of Classics is alive and well.

I hope that all chapters will have a good, active year and will keep the National Eta Sigma Phi well informed of their activities (this is important and must be done in order for a chapter to maintain its active status).

I should also like to take this opportunity to welcome our new chapter, Epsilon Iota, at the University of Florida.

I hope to see you all at the fifty-first annual National Convention, hosted by Beta Zeta Chapter at St. Louis University!

Valet.
Robyn A. Talmage
Megas Prytanis

Robyn Talmage, 1978-79 Megas Prytanis, is a senior taking majors in both Latin and Greek at the University of Richmond in Richmond, Virginia. Robyn has seen her chapter of Eta Sigma Phi flourish under her leadership as Prytanis. She is also a member of Phi Eta Sigma, and she serves on the Judiary Board of the college government. She has held a position as a Tour Guide for the Admissions Office (leading students, no doubt, straight to the Classics Department) and has worked as a student library assistant in technical processing.

Robyn maintains a nearly perfect grade average and has received a certificate of commendation awarded by Virginia's Epsilon Chapter of Phi Beta Kappa. Believing in the ideal of mens sana in corpore sano, Robyn emulates Artemis as a member of the varsity archery team. Robyn devotes her spare time to antiques, travel, needlecraft, and creative writing. When she is graduated, Robyn hopes to continue her studies by pursuing a Ph.D. degree in Classics with an emphasis on archaeology.
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Salvete Omnes:

I should like to express my gratitude once again for the honor that you have paid me by electing me as your executive secretary. I knew personally, with the exception of William Odum, all of Eta Sigma Phi's executive secretaries from 1947. It is an honor to be placed in the company of William Korfmarter, Graydon Regens, H.R. Butts, Mary Anna Burns, Theodore Bedrick, and Raymond Den Adel. I shall try the difficult task of serving in the tradition of these great friends of Eta Sigma Phi.

I owe a special debt of thanks to Professor Den Adel who has given Eta Sigma Phi so much of his time and energy over the last four years. His efforts and his meticulous attention to detail have made it much easier for me to assume these new duties. I am delighted that Professor Den Adel will continue to serve the Fraternity in the capacity of chairman of the Scholarship Committee. He replaces Professor Leon Pitts of Dickinson College who ably chaired the scholarship committee for the last four years.

My thanks, too, go to Professor Ray Lindahl who for four years was the editor of Nuntius. Each day I appreciate more and more the extent of his contribution to the welfare of Eta Sigma Phi. Professor Lindahl will continue to contribute from time to time articles on former winners of the Eta Sigma Phi scholarships. Many of you, I think, will be interested in seeing how many of our winners have made their mark in later years.

Eta Sigma Phi is fortunate to have Professor A. Dwight Castro in charge of this year's contest. Professor Castro during his undergraduate days won several prizes in Eta Sigma Phi contests; I believe that he is in the few former contest winner ever to be put in charge of this committee.

The Board of Trustees chaired by Professor Bedrick is a source of great strength for our Fraternity. Our efforts for 1978-79 are impressive, too: truly they are aekz's agathol.

In a few days now I shall be turning my attention to expanding Eta Sigma Phi. Many chapters need to be reactivated, and new chapters need to be started. Students of the Classics should have, through Eta Sigma Phi, the same opportunities that are available to all of us. I shall appreciate your help and suggestions as we seek to extend our membership.

Please stay in touch with the National Office, and please remember that I am willing to help your chapters in any way I can. My best wishes go to all of you as we begin this new year together.

Valent Brent M. Froberg
Executive Secretary

1978 WINNERS

GREEK TRANSLATION

1. Wanda Finney, Randolph-Macon Woman's College, Delta Alpha Chapter.
2. Cheryl Thomas, Vanderbilt, Phi Chapter. 
3. Terry Huber, University of South Dakota, Beta Alpha Chapter.

LATIN TRANSLATION

1. Elizabeth E. Zaborski, University of Idaho, Epsilon Zeta Chapter.
2. Wanda Finney, Randolph-Macon Woman's College, Delta Alpha Chapter.
3. Mark Edens, University of Tennessee, Beta Delta Chapter.

LATIN COMPOSITION

No Awards

SCHOLARSHIPS

American School of Classical Studies at Athens
Wanda Finney, Randolph-Macon Woman's College, Delta Alpha Chapter

American Academy in Rome
Cathy Curtis, Marshall University, Beta Upsilon Chapter

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RES GESTAE

Alpha Omega Lawrence C. Beede's birthday party for Rome and saw a slide lecture given by a Chapter member. The party was a success with a great turnout of members and guests. This fall, the members of Eta Sigma Phi will sponsor an annual seminar, to be held by Professor David Porter of Carleton College's Classics Department.

Professor of Classics for the occasion was an annual seminar and reading feast. The Alpha Delta chapter honored its members on April 7th at which time the three departmental scholarships were presented. The feature of the evening was a presentation of a student seminar paper entitled "The Roman Matron in the Plays of Plautus."

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THE ETA SIGMA PHI
SUMMER SCHOLARSHIPS FOR 1979

The Trustees of Eta Sigma Phi Fraternity are pleased to announce that two scholarships will be offered in 1979 to enable one member of Eta Sigma Phi to attend the 1979 Summer Session of the American School of Classical Studies at Athens, Greece, and another to attend the 1979 Summer Session of the American Academy in Rome, Italy.

The Scholarship to the American Academy in Rome will have a value of $1000.00, less the tuition fee remitted by the American Academy.

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

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

Selection of candidates for the scholarships is exercised by the Eta Sigma Phi Scholarship Committee whose members are Professors Raymond L. Den Adel of Rockford College, Chairman, Justin Glenn of Florida State University, and Carrie Cowherd of Howard University. Enquiries and requests for blanks should be addressed to Professor Raymond L. Den Adel, Department of Classics, Rockford College, Rockford, Illinois, 61101.

Eligible to apply for the scholarships are Eta Sigma Phi members and alumni who have received a Bachelor's degree since January 1, 1973, or shall have received it in or before June 1979, and who have not yet received a doctoral degree. In selecting the winner of each scholarship the Committee will give attention to the quality of the applicant's work in Greek and Latin and his intention to teach at the secondary school or college level.

The applicant must submit a transcript of his undergraduate work, letters of recommendation, and a statement not to exceed 500 words of his purpose and reasons for desiring the scholarship. Applications must be submitted to Professor Den Adel by December 18, 1978. The winner of each scholarship will be announced about January 15, 1979.

For the Scholarship Committee,

Raymond L. Den Adel
Chairman