From the Chair

By Dr. R. Alden Smith

Salve alumnis amicis, studenter linguis classicis et verbis antiquis, et amicos sociosque!

Upon returning, from sabatical in Philadelphia, I found a department thriving and full of life, having been ably guided by Professor Tommye Lou Davis in spring 2002. Dr. Fish also returned from his year’s leave sponsored by the National Endowment for the Humanities and Baylor. We came back to new offices (crustiam alicem bella, Ed. 4.33, though in this context bella must be translated “beautiful offices”) in a new building. More important, the Henny Tranham Lounge (or Destiny) is larger than ever, with books galore and couches that Professor Davis managed to procure from deep couch storage. Wow, is the new lounge ever spiffy these days! My, oh my, again Trojans have come to Rome atque aeneas!

Most important, we returned to the welcoming and warm environment of our Classics community – students bustling about as always, Christmas (and other) parties, Friday afternoon chats, pizza events, and on every student’s face the promise of a thousand years (to keep with the theme of destiny that Ed. 4 encompasses). You just can’t quite see that look on the faces of students when you’re on sabatical penned up in a library (yes, there’s a pun there, for, as many of you know, I was at the University of Pennsylvania in spring 2002).

For this reason, above all, I thank each one of you who by your generous financial gifts support us in keeping the hope and future promise on the face of each and every student. Your contribution goes directly to our students for scholarship aid and particularly benefits students needing assistance for international study. On behalf of my colleagues and our beloved students, I thank you recisko.

To say that I felt warmly welcomed back from sabatical would be an understatement. A new building, a wonderful group of faculty, whose names and res gestae are listed on page 10, and an exciting list of speakers this year have made my own novus extra special. And the memory of our former Baylor student, kept fresh by mail, phone or email (of which I encourage you to avail yourself!) is alive and well here. Please send us your news (there’s a new form on the last page of this issue), and let us know if we can help in any way because we aim to serve all Baylor students: present (of course), but also past and future students. Stetulus Musae, paxla manans canonicum.
Diurna Ursorum

‘Hello’ To Baylor from Julia Dyson

Dr. Julia Dyson, formerly of the University of Texas, Arlington, has accepted a tenured position at Baylor. Dr. Dyson holds a doctoral degree in Classical Philology from Harvard University (1983). She conveyed the following greeting to Baylor students, faculty and alumni:

Salve! My youth was spent working my way up the East Coast: school in D.C., college at Princeton, grad school at Harvard. Before moving “out west,” I used to ask my college friends, “Where is the last place on earth you can see me living?” Usually their answers were, Alaska or Texas. Miserable dictum, not only have I produced three native Teas (Natalie, 7; Anthony, 5; and Nathaniel, 1.5), but here I am happily moving deeper into the heart and farther from the hubs of Texas (I will miss being 10 minutes from DFW airport). Coming to Baylor, a community so full of excitement and purpose, I feel a bit like Harry Potter coming to Hogwarts. Even my husband (currently working on a dissertation in philosophy while developing space surveillance software) is pleased about our big move.

Though my first love in Classics was Homer, I soon found myself drawn to Latin poetry, especially Virgil’s Aeneid, the subject of my first book (King of the Wood: The Sacrificial Victim in Virgil’s Aeneid, Oklahoma 2001). My second book (now nearly complete), Claudii: A Study in Roman Passion, Politics, and Poetry, was as much a surprise to me as Texas has been. My next project will probably involve Ovid, intertextuality, and Roman Religion.

I am thrilled and grateful to have the opportunity to teach both Latin and Greek to what my new colleagues tell me are “the best students in the world!”

Classics Aaron Johnson (University of Colorado) and Carol King (Brown) have signed one-year contracts and have contributed to the “Baylor Classics Team” since August 2003.

FOND FAREWELLS TO KYLLO AND IRBY-MASSIE

Drs. Eric Kyllo and Georgia Irby-Massie, who have contributed so much to Classics at Baylor, departed Central Texas for destinies elsewhere. Dr. Kyllo came to Baylor in August 1998 and has taught classes in both Greek and Latin, at all levels: he also delivered many papers at scholarly conferences, taught with colleagues in other departments in the Baylor Interdisciplinary Core (World Cultures 1), and was a fixture at the Friday afternoon movie. Dr. Irby-Massie has left Baylor to join the Department of Classics at the College of William and Mary in Virginia where she will be a visiting Assistant Professor. Dr. Irby-Massie had a 100% teaching load at Baylor this past year, yet managed to deliver three conference papers, write significant prose on her book, Biographical Encyclopedia of Ancient Scientists (in preparation with Paul Keyser), and worked long and selflessly with the CLI’s (a women’s service sorority at Baylor). We wish Drs. Kyllo and Irby-Massie the very best as they leave Baylor. Vos valeant destinatum!

Drs. Eric Kyllo (top left center) and Georgia Irby-Massie (lower left) with colleagues and friends at a dinner in honor of Dr. Karl Galmisky in the home of Dr. Adkin Smith.

Come Visit us at Homecoming

11 a.m. - 1 p.m. Nov. 8, 2003
Third Floor Morrison Convocation Hall
Join us after the parade for finger foods and drinks!
‘CONVENTION LIFE IS THE LIFE FOR ME,’ SAYS OUTGOING PRAESES OF NATIONAL ETA SIGMA PHI

In addition to his duties this past year as the national president of Eta Sigma Phi, 2003 graduate Jason Gajderowicz confesses to having become enamored of “the good life” at Classics conventions. He read a paper at CAMWS-Southern Section (Birmingham, AL) and a paper at CAMWS (Lexington, KY).

Make no mistake: convention life is the life for me. Talk about living the life of leisure! A conference Radisson is far better than my undergraduate hovel. I enjoy the succulent banquet opportunities to contemplate such curiosities as the bare-bottomed Vulcan of Birmingham, AL, and so many thoroughbreds roaming the bluegrass outside of Lexington, KY. I hope that President himself would be agog at the conventions I hosted papers and met fellow classicists, young and old, famous and infamous. Conferences are essential to the Classics profession: an opportunity to interact with others, learn new ideas, and forge new relationships. No wonder the professors take off so often to attend “another scholarly conference!” There they go, off to “the Middle-West” (or some other exotic place) where the Classicists get together. What I’ve enjoyed most about my all-too-brief time as a conventioneer is that no one ever asked that impertinent question, “Why Classics?” People who attend such conferences answer the question in the right way simply by being there, by their mere presence. So I enjoy the scholarly convention and hope to contribute much at that level. Yes, indeed, convention life is the life for me!

Jason Gajderowicz, Eta Sigma Phi National President, 2002-03

Jason Gajderowicz takes a break at the Department of Classics’ new water cooler in the Lounge o’ Destiny.

INCOMING ETA SIGMA PHI PRESIDENT EXTENDS A GREETING

Greetings, friends. Following in the grand footsteps of former president Jeff Hunt, I have risen from the rank of treasurer to assume the office of Prytanis, along with my esteemed cabinet: Candace Spain, Veronica Quick, and Becky Tompkins. We are all looking forward to the coming glory of the 2003-2004 school year, replete with the kind of excellence that only the Gamma Omega chapter can provide. There are so many capers planned for the new year, including our third annual OctHOMERES and there are even rumbles that we might take a shot at SING, tentatively entitling our production Nia Bacie (“A Night at Bacie”), with our lead soprano, Dr. Nordling, in the role of Clodia. In all seriousness, I am confident that the new year shall see the continued success of Eta Sigma Phi, including growth in numbers and activities of members, supported as always by dedicated advisers and illustrious alumni.

Rochelle Schryder, Prytanis Polytopos
Gamma Omega Chapter

Clockwise from left: Veronica Quick, Candace Spain, Becky Tompkins, Rochelle Schryder
Outgoing President Says ‘Valete!’

Jeff Hunt, who just graduated from Baylor, submitted the following chapter report to the most recent issue of Nuants. It serves as a fitting tribute to a most remarkable year for Eta Sigma Phi at Baylor.

The 2002-2003 academic year for Baylor’s Gamma Omega chapter was both exciting and rewarding. Four of our members started the summer off with the annual Baylor-in-Italy Program, 21 days of intensive study in Italy.

When classes began in the fall, we were happy to welcome back Drs. Smith and Fish from sabbatical. Then our bi-weekly meetings commenced, and we planned OctHOMERfest to coincide with that time of year when students are hungry for Honor and festivities prepared by many hands. Despite one pesky individual who demanded that his change be in the form of gold Saccajawea coins, the fundraiser was successful.

Then Homecoming: our lunch for alumni was held in Morrison Hall, from which eminence we could behold our Eta Sigma Phi princess, Lesley-Anne Dyer, as her carriage (some would call it a car) and the Homecoming Parade passed by on Fifth Street.

I am proud to report that the Gamma Omega chapter inducted 24 members this year, among whom were numbered such “veteran” classics as Professor Davis and Thordburn. Our stunning growth brought many new faces and compelling need for a new fundraiser (to pay those national fees). Some 40 T-shirts were printed for Classics aficionados: young and old and distributed also to the masses. Hence, I note that the whole Baylor populace is now much better informed.

Several students represented our chapter well in various competitions this year: Trey Gorman and Katharyn Sevy both earned Honorable Mention in the annual Greek translation contest (Advanced and Koiné levels, respectively); Megan Gross won third place in the same contest (Koiné level), and in late March a precocious freshman, Becky Tompkins, was selected to read her paper at the national meeting and won top prize with her essay, “Zeus and the Golden Scales: Moira’s Role in the Iliad.”

Finally, in a stunning coup d’etat, I and others in our cabinet were awarded by Rebecca Schuyler, Pryamis (president); Candace Spain, Kyboreus (vice president); Veronica Quick, Chlorophylia (treasurer); and Becky Tompkins, Grammatike (secretary), a complete gynocracy!

Well, it’s been fun, and though my tenure as president of Eta Sigma Phi is now at an end, I thoroughly enjoyed my time as Pryamis and am grateful to have had the opportunity to serve.

Jeff Hunt,
Gamma Omega Chapter President

Bayou Students Win 18 NGE Ribbons

By Dr. Brent Froberg

Baylor students again participated in the National Greek Examination (NGE) sponsored by the American Classical League and taken by college students who study Greek throughout the United States. With pleasure we announce the Baylor students who won ribbons and certificates for achievement in the following categories: Intermediate Greek Red Ribbon (7), William White, Joseph Lenz, and Erin McKinnney; Green Ribbon (2), David Barge, Karen Kelly, Becky Tompkins, Daniel Walm, Samuel Binkley, William Goodrich, and Veronica Quick. Honors Greek Red Ribbon (7), Kevin Reuber, Asklepios Blue Ribbon (1), Jason Gajderowicz; Red Ribbon (5) Trey Gorman, Jeffrey Hunt, and Dustin Perkins; Green Ribbon (3), Cory Elliott, Candace Spain, and Sabrina Ceballos.

Blue Ribbon prizes denote Highest Honor; Red Ribbon prizes denote High Honor; Green Ribbon prizes denote Merit. This year 109 schools competed in the NGE with a total of 1,171 papers submitted for marking. Students who participated this year come from classes taught by John Thorburn, John Needling, Jeff Fish, Antony Augoustakis, and Brent Froberg.
GAMMA OMEGA CHAPTER ATTENDS NATIONAL ETA SIGMA PHI CONVENTION

By Dr. Brent Froberg

Five members of Baylor's faculty in Classics and seven student members of Gamma Omega Chapter attended the seventy-fifth annual convention of Eta Sigma Phi, held this year in Norman, Oklahoma, at the invitation of Alpha Lambda Chapter of the University of Oklahoma, March 28-30, 2003. Faculty attendees included Drs. Aldean Smith, Amy Vall, Eric Kyllo, Antony Augustnakes and Brent Froberg. Students attending the convention included Jeff Hunt, Ken McCordle, Karen Kelly, Rochelle Schnyder, Katie Calloway, Becky Tompkins, and Jason Gajderowicz, national president of Eta Sigma Phi. In addition to Gamma Omega, 20 other chapters sent representatives to attend the convention.

Delegates enjoyed a reception and opening session on Friday evening, complete with door prizes and the traditional corn. At the Saturday morning business meeting, Trustee Tormekwicz of Monmouth College, announced the 2003 scholarship recipients, and introduced Baylor senior Jeff Hunt as winner of the scholarship to the summer session of the American School of Classical Studies in Athens. Then delegates and advisers gathered to hear the three papers selected for presentation at this year's convention. Baylor freshman Becky Tompkins read, "Zeus and the Golden Scaler: Moira's Role in the Iliad." In the afternoon, attendees chose from a variety of activities, including Roman lunch, and a splendid display on the History of Science at the Bizzell Library.

The banquet, held on Sunday night in the Great Hall of the Sam Noble Oklahoma Museum of Natural History, featured an after-dinner presentation by Professor Rozmei Basic (Oklahoma) on "European Art and Culture." Afterward, Professor Daniel Levine (Arkansas) announced that Becky Tompkins had won first prize for her paper read earlier that day.

At the business meeting on Sunday morning, delegates elected new officers for the coming year, and Rochelle Schnyder won the office of National Treasurer for 2004-05. Following the installation of new officers and adjournment, members of Gamma Omega chapter returned to Waco by car.

THE EYES OF LYNECEUS

By Dr. Brent Froberg

According to Greek legend, Lynceus and his brother Idas had superhuman capacities. Homer characterized Idas as the "strongest of men," and Lynceus, with a gift of penetrating eyesight, could see through even solid objects. The combined talents of Lynceus and Idas would yield a prototype of Superman; with their talents uncombined, Polynx and Cariote became a match for them, though Lynceus could best the Diocesus from afar. Lynceus, a victim of a spear thrown by Polynx, and Idas, a victim of Zeus, died in a scuffle with the Diocesus over some cattle.

Second-year Classics major Joseph Lenz and Becky Tompkins, a first-year Classics major, proved to have "the eyes of Lynceus" this year as they claimed prizes from Professor Anne Groten (St. Olaf College, Northfield, MN). Dr. Groten, author of From Alpha to Omega, the introductory Greek textbook used by elementary Greek students at Baylor University, has had a longstanding offer of mailing a silver dollar to anyone who can detect an error in her textbook, now in its revised third edition. This year, Joseph's found a missing macron, and Becky a missing reference in the vocabulary list at the back of the book. True to her word, Dr. Groten sent a silver dollar to Joseph, and a two-Yen piece to Becky Tompkins at the latter's request. Along with these prizes came personal notes of gratitude from Dr. Groten for help in editing the textbook.
PROFESSOR TOMMYE LOU DAVIS APPOINTED SPECIAL ASSISTANT TO PRESIDENT SLOAN

Professor Tommye Lou Davis, associate professor of classics and Master Teacher, was appointed special assistant to Baylor University President Robert B. Sloan Jr., effective Aug. 1, 2003.

Davis will assist President Sloan with strategic, communication, and organizational issues, project management, and constituency relationship management. As a senior adviser to the president, she will develop and maintain processes and practices to ensure the effectiveness of the president and his office. Davis also will deliver presentations, as appropriate, to various constituents on behalf of the president and the university.

"I am very pleased to welcome Tommye Lou Davis to my staff," President Sloan said. "She brings to this important position more than 35 years of teaching experience at Baylor, outstanding organizational skills and extensive networks within the Baylor community and the community at large. She exemplifies the best of Baylor's traditions and the forward-thinking that characterizes the Baylor of today."

A 1966 and 1968 Baylor graduate, Davis has taught Latin literally to thousands of students at Baylor. She was tenured in 1972, and designated Master Teacher at Baylor and associate professor in 1993. She also has served as acting chair of the department of classics.

"I am honored to be offered this opportunity. I appreciate Dr. Sloan's confidence in me and I look forward to working with him on a daily basis. I hope I can be a part of bringing the Baylor family together at this exciting and significant time in Baylor's history, and that all of us will commit ourselves to moving the university forward."

Davis is a member of the American Philological Association, the Classical Association of the Middle West and South, and the Texas Classical Association. Here is a sampling of various leadership positions Davis has held at Baylor: Faculty Senate; Board of Directors for the Baylor Alumni Association; the George W. Bush Museum planning committee (current chair); Faculty Athletics Council (13 years). Actively involved in Greek life on campus, Davis has served as faculty advisor for Kappa Kappa Gamma sorority and was selected the Outstanding Adviser on Campus in 1996. She also is the adviser for Alpha Chi Honor Society. She was named Outstanding Professor by the Baylor Women's League for 2001-02 and was presented with the Mortar Board Circle of Achievement Award in fall 2002 in recognition of her outstanding teaching and meritorious service to students.

In Waco, Davis is a sustaining member of the Junior League (president 1982-83). She also has been general chairman of the Waco Cotton Palace Pageant and served as secretary of the organization's corporate board. Her past and present community involvement includes the Waco Music Theatre board, Waco Symphony Council, the Lyric Opera, Keep Waco Beautiful Commission, Snooker Museum Board, Waco Art Center Associates and the Historic Waco Foundation.

Davis and her husband, Donald, are members of First Baptist Church of Waco. They have four children, two of whom are Baylor graduates, and three grandchildren.

THREE BAYLOR STUDENTS WIN RECOGNITION IN THE MAUREEN DALLAS WATKINS TRANSLATION CONTEST

By Dr. Brent Froberg

The Maureen Dallas Watkins Era Sigma Phi Translation Contest annually involves America's finest undergraduate Greek and Latin students, who submit to sight translations in either language. Three Baylor students earned recognition in the contest this year: Trey Gossman, advanced Greek (honorable mention); Megan Groe, Koine Greek (third place); and Kathryn Scary, Koine Greek (honorable mention). Although Era Sigma Phi has sponsored translation contests for more than fifty years, the national organization did not attach the name Maureen Dallas Watkins to the competition until the early 1970s. Those who watch the movie Chicago carefully may catch Ms. Watkins' name in the credits: a Classics major in college, Ms. Watkins later became a newspaper reporter for the Chicago Tribune and actually covered the murder and trial upon which the later musical, then movie, were based. Ms. Watkins possessed a great love for all Classical literature, especially Plato. She endowed Classics programs at several universities, including programs at the University of Iowa and Virginia.

Megan Groe earned third place in the annual Watkins translation (Koine Greek) contest.
CLASSICS IN THE HONORS COLLEGE

By Dr. Amy Vail

The Department of Classics has a hand in the new Great Texts Program of the Honors College, for Dr. Amy Vail and John Thoburn helped to design, and now teach, an honors course called "The Intellectual Tradition of the Ancient World." On the syllabus are Homer, Plato, Augustus, Virgil, and Augustine, and various books of the Old and New Testaments. The Great Texts Program, which has completed its first year at Baylor, is off to a running start. Based on the premise that an educated person should have a close acquaintance with the great works of literature, art, and music that form the Western canon, the program's course schedule naturally begins with Classical antiquity. Students have been reading the full text of each work, with some exceptions, and responses have been overwhelmingly positive. Although the books are read in translation, any student who happens to know some Greek or Latin is encouraged to have a look at the original text with the help of the instructor.

Homer and Virgil were undisputed favorites, but every author found devotees, much to the delight of the Classicists teaching them. Even Plutarch now has his fans among the honors freshmen who formed the first class of Great Texts students. The program will be expanding the number of classes it offers as time goes on. Eventually, some Great Texts credits will be required for all Baylor students. We can look forward to a future wherein every student on campus has read Homer, the "Aeneid," and even Augustine's "Confessions." Cause to rejoice!

JEFF HUNT WINS ETA SIGMA PHI SCHOLARSHIP TO ATHENS

Graduating senior Jeff Hunt has just returned from a six-week summer session at the American School in Athens.Eta Sigma Phi awards three summer scholarships per year—one to the American School at Athens, one to the American Academy in Rome, and one for the Vergilian Society in Camarina, Italy. Jeff's scholarship has a value of $3,500 and includes additional money for overseas travel. Jeff studied firsthand many of the foremost museums and archaeological sites in Greece. Students enrolled in the session traveled to Crete and to northern Greece and also saw sites in the Peloponnesian. Jeff began graduate school in Classics this fall semester at Brown University.

In 1996, Eta Sigma Phi changed the name of this particular scholarship to the Robert Malcolm Fieberg Scholarship to the American School of Classical Studies at Athens. Two Baylor students have won the scholarship since the name change: Tracy Janison (BA 2000) and Jeff Hunt (BA 2002). Indeed, some of the most impressive names in Classics have been past recipients of this award, and scholarship winners have often decided to pursue Classics as a vocation as a direct result of months spent abroad in Greece or Italy. For example, our own Dr. Alden Smith earned a scholarship to Athens in 1982 after having completed his MA in Classics at the University of Vermont. Gamma Omega chapter takes great pride in seeing Jeff Hunt added to that list.

QUO VADUNT?
REPORT ON RECENT AND UPCOMING GRADUATES

By Dr. Alvyn Augustakis and Mrs. Thelma Mathews

GRADUATING STUDENTS PURSUING GRADUATE STUDIES

Cory Elliott '03 will join the Classics Department at the University of Vermont for an MA in Classics

Jason Gajdewicz '03 will join the Classics Department at Columbia University for a PhD in Classics

Dustin Hecen '03 will pursue advanced studies in Classics after a Post-Bac degree

Jeff Hunt '03 will join the Classics Department at Brown University for a PhD in Classics

GRADUATING STUDENTS PURSUING GRADUATE STUDIES IN OTHER FIELDS

Emily Nicholson '03 will pursue an MBA in Non-Profit Management at George Mason University

Ken MacCord '03 will pursue a PhD in Political Science

Dionne Peniston '03 will pursue a Masters in Forensic Psychology

GRADUATING STUDENTS GOING TO SEMINARY

Megan Goss '03 will pursue a Masters in Counseling at the Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary

Kathryn Seay '03 will pursue an MDiv at George W. Truett Theological Seminary

Tyler Willis '03 will pursue an MDiv at George W. Truett Theological Seminary

GRADUATING STUDENTS UNDECIDED ABOUT POST-GRADUATION PLANS

Erin Powell '03

Jennifer Roberts '03

John Vonderkuhn '03

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**ODYSSEY WORD FIND**

*By Dr. George H. M. Maxon, Department of Classics, College of William and Mary, Williamsburg, VA*

Name the following characters, and then find their names in the letter grid below. Words may be placed vertically, horizontally, diagonally backward, or forward.

1. Odysseus' dog
2. Odysseus' name
3. Odysseus' mom
4. Odysseus' dad
5. Odysseus' son
6. Odysseus' wife
7. The winds
8. The loyal bard
9. The loyal witch
10. The old man of the sea

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P Y L O S M E H P Y L O P S
S P A X L A E R T E S Y N S I
A U E A R N Y E R Y O A N S
T R E J E E T L C D T U E U
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U N E I Y T S H D P N H A
O E L P I O U U M E A Q C L
N U P Y G E R T S N U D C O E
I S L Y R C O E I L E I L M
T O E U R Y C L E I A C Y A
N I S S U C O D O M E D A R J
A N T E C P H E M I U S G U U
E U R E L E U C O T E A A E S
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**Odyssey Word Find Key**

1. Argos
2. Eurydice
3. Anticlea
4. Laertes
5. Telemachus
6. Peleus
7. Clcus
8. Penelope
9. Thamos
10. Priam
11. Mentor
12. Melanthios
13. Antinous
14. Ogygia
15. Alcinous
16. Aretes
17. Demodocus
18. Leucippus
19. Pilipes
20. Luteus
21. Tiresias
22. Polypoetes
23. Euryphroi
24. Nausicaa
25. Mentor

**A HELP FOR HIGH SCHOOL LATIN TEACHERS**

*By Dr. John T. McPherson*

Students have a hard enough time dealing with the jumbled word order of Latin and Greek. Often, students don't succeed at translation because they have difficulty translating relative clauses in the context of a larger sentence, even if they know what qui, quae, quod means. Here's an exercise I use with my students that focuses on this challenge. Create a set of sentences (let's say 12, one for each indicative verb tense) with the same number of elements in the same word order; then have the students translate the sentences into blanks or boxes directly below the words. I think this works best if composed on a spreadsheet, but one can also compose this exercise on any word processor.

**Directions:** Translate the following sentences in the blanks below each word.

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hic fort viros qui cunt
this man brings men who go

naec forebat feminas quae ibant
this woman was bringing women who were going

ile foret macrorum quod ibit

illii tuferunt viros quos conspexi

ai tuferunt feminas quas conspexisti

oea tuferint monscre quae conspeximus
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Diurna Ursorum

RECENT SPEAKERS AT BAYLOR

Several eminent classicists visited Baylor this year and enriched our lives by their lectures and scholarly insights: Gregson Davis (Duke) spoke on Laos and Condensation in Vergil’s “Bucolics”; Helene Foley (Columbia), on Choral Identity in Greek Tragedy; Andrew RIngby (UT-Austin), on Historical Time in the Roman World; David Armstrong (UT-Austin), on the Conflict between Competitive and Co-operative Villans in Homer; Elizabeth Barber (Occidental College), on Pindar’s and the Origins of Greek Art; Father Justin (St. Catherine’s Monastery, Mt. Sinai), on the Library at St. Catherine’s and Preservation of Documents; Karl Gallabky (UT-Austin), on Recovered Statuaries in Imperial Rome; Peter Bing (Emory), on Pheidippides’ Marathon and the Miracle Tiles of Ephesus; and Giovanni D’Onofrio (Naples), on Recent Archaeological Discoveries in the Villa del Papi, Herculanum. (Regrettably, the lecture of Peter Knox (Colorado) on Tibullus was preempted by an ice storm on Feb. 25.)

Please check our website periodically (www.baylor.edu/classics, under Quod Novi?) to see what speakers will be coming to Baylor. We invite you to join us for an outstanding Classics lecture if you are in our area.

BAYLOR IN ITALY 2004

Application Information and Deadlines: Anyone interested in our summer program should access our website for further information, a photo gallery of past years’ trips and to apply online: http://www.baylor.edu/baylorinitaly/. Because all admit only about 20 students, early registration is recommended. Students admitted to the program must submit a non-refundable deposit by March 15, 2004. The remainder of the program fee must be received by May 1, 2004. (Cancellations after May 1 are subject to penalty.) Tuition is paid to the Baylor registrar separately. Scholarship aid is available for Baylor students; contact Dr. R. Alden Smith and Dr. Antony Augustinakos for details.
Diurna Ursorum

QUID NOVI APUD BAYLOR?
Here is a sampling of departmental accomplishments. With sincere apologies to names or accomplishments inadvertently overlooked:

June/July 2003
• Smith and Augustusaktis complete preparations to take 16 Baylor in Italy (BII) participants to Rome, Ostia, Capri, Pompeii, and Paestum, in July

May 2003
• Davis recognized for participation in the Faculty Partners Program, Division of Student Life, Baylor University
• Davis, Smith, and Augustusaktis designated outstanding professors by graduating seniors in Phi Beta Kappa
• Three Classics majors complete honors thesis: Cory Elliott (adviser: Smith); Jeff Hunt (adviser: Thorburn); Jason Gajdrowicz (adviser: Augustusaktis)
• Seniors graduate on May 17

April 2003
• Augustusaktis, Pieberg, Ithy-Massie, Kyllo, Thorburn, and Vall present papers at the 99th annual meeting of CAMWS in Lexington, KY
• Nothing presents paper on Manumission in Roman Egypt at the 100th Classical Association conference at the University of Warwick, Coventry, UK
• Davis recognized for outstanding service to students by the Baylor Student Involvement Board
• 18 Baylor students win ribbons in the National Greek Exam
• Students Megan Grees, Trey Gormann, and Kathryn Salyer place or receive honorable mention in the Eta Sigma Phi National Greek Translation contests

March 2003
• Davis designated Baylor Women’s League outstanding professor
• Seven students and five faculty advisors attend the 75th annual convention of Eta Sigma Phi in Norman, OK
• Student Becky Thompkins reads one of the three top papers; later her paper, “Zeus and the Golden Scales,” is judged best paper by Eta Sigma Phi

• Student Rochelle Schenzy elected National Treasurer of Eta Sigma Phi for 2003-2004

January 2003
• Augustusaktis and Ithy-Massie present papers at APA Convention, New Orleans, LA
• Smith receives Excellence for the Teaching of the Classics Award, Collage Level, at American Philological Association Convention, New Orleans, LA

December 2002
• Augustusaktis designated as outstanding professor by graduating seniors in Phi Beta Kappa

November 2002
• Augustusaktis, Gajdrowicz, Hunt, Ithy-Massie, Kyllo, Thorburn, and Vall present papers at annual CAMWS Southern Section meeting in Birmingham, AL
• Fish presents paper on the Use of Allegory in Philodemus’ On the Good King According to Homer at annual Society for Biblical Literature conference in Toronto, Canada
• Vall presents a paper on Pay, Power, and Piety in the Aeneid at Baylor

October 2002
• Eta Sigma Phi hosts 6th Ochomerex at Fountain Mall, Baylor Campus
• Fish presents paper on Philodemus, Pico, and the Responsibilities of Politicians in Naples, Italy
• Davis and Thorburn win Mentor Board’s Circle of Achievement Award in recognition of outstanding teaching and mentorous service
• Davis nominated for the Collins Award

August 2002
• Nordling lectured on Luther’s Classical Education at Luther Memorial Church and School, Houston, TX

May 2002
• Thorburn designated outstanding professor by graduating seniors in Phi Beta Kappa

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OUR ANNUAL APPEAL

The cost of tuition has risen dramatically in the past two years. Many students (about 75 percent) depend on financial aid and scholarships. At the same time the budget of the university has been trimmed considerably. Therefore, we need your help. You, yes YOU, can make a huge difference! Our department and students have many needs. Please consider contributing (even a small amount) to: 1) the Classics Department Scholarship Fund; 2) the Library Fund; or 3) the Classics Department Excellence Fund. We shall appreciate your support. Names of donors will be listed in a Classics Donor Book in the Thornton Lounge, and in next year's newsletter we will list any contribution of $100 or greater. Make your check payable to Baylor University, and write "Classics Departmental Special Fund" in the memo on your check. On a brief note attached to your check, kindly tell us how you'd like your money to be spent. For example, "Student Travel to Conferences"; "Baylor in Italy: Student Scholarship"; "Library Acquisitions"; "Discretionary Fund", etc. Then send the check (in any amount), and your note, to the following address on campus: Baylor University, PO Box 97050, Waco, TX 76798-7050. Your donation is tax deductible. The development office will notify us of your generosity. Thank you and God bless!

NEWS FROM ALUMNAE AND ALUMNI

Alex Best (BA 2002) sent greetings to Drs. Smith and Northing, also to Thelma—both for giving him access to candy in the departmental office (!), and for setting his life on a new course as a teacher of Latin in high school: "Y'all kept pushing and wouldn't let me quit! Now life is actually fun, and I look forward to going to school to teach those kids every day. I had never thought of myself as a teacher, but you opened my eyes, and for that I will be eternally grateful." Among other things, Alex has continued his studies in Classics by enrolling in a Master of Arts degree at the University of Dallas, was baptized recently, and awaits daughter number four. He may be reached at alex@shbglobal.net.

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We hope that you will take a moment to fill out the form below. We are always interested in hearing from former students. This information helps keep our mailing list up to date.

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From a Classicist of Yesteryear

Adapted from “The Lost Tools of Learning” (1947-48) by D.L. Sayers, 1933-1967

Editor’s Note: Partly to atone for the masculine outlook of C.M. Bowne in our last issue, we are pleased to offer some outstanding quotations on learning and the Classics from Dorothy L. Sayers, the first woman to obtain a degree in the Classics from Oxford University. What follows is a lecture, “The Lost Tools of Learning,” that she delivered in 1947 for a so-called “vacation course” at Oxford.

On Latin Grammar

Let us begin, then, with grammar. This, in practice, means the grammar of some language in particular, and it must be an inflected language. The grammatical structure of an uninflected language is for too analytical to be tackled by any one without previous practice in Dialectic. Moreover, the inflected languages interpret the uninflected, whereas the uninflected are of little use in interpreting the inflected. I will say at once, quite firmly, that the best grounding for education is the Latin grammar. I say this, not because Latin is traditional and medizical, but simply because even a rudimentary knowledge of Latin cuts down the labor and pains of learning almost any other subject by at least fifty per cent. It is the key to the vocabulary and structure of all the Romance languages and to the structure of all the Teutonic languages, as well as to the technical vocabulary of all the sciences and to the literature of the entire Mediterranean civilization, together with all its historical documents.

On Beginning the Study of Latin

Latin should be begun as early as possible—at a time when inflected speech seems no more astonishing than any other phenomenon in an astonishing world; and when the chanting of *ano, aman, amat* is as ritually agreeable to the feelings as the changing of “ween, meen, miney, moe.”

On the Urgency of Recovering ‘the Lost Tools’ of Learning

A tradition, however firmly rooted, if it is never watered, though it dies hard, yet in the end dies. And today a great number—perhaps the majority—of the men and women who handle our affairs, write our books and our newspapers, carry out research, present our plays and our films, speak from our platforms and pulpits—yes, and who educate our young people, have never, even in a lingering traditional memory, undergone the scholastic discipline. Less and less do the children who come to be educated bring any of that tradition with them. We have lost the tools of learning—the oxe and the wedge, the hammer, and the saw, the chisel and the plane—that were so adaptable to all tasks. Instead of them, we have merely a set of complicated jigs, each of which will do but one task and no more, and in using which eye and hand receive no training, so that no man can work as a whole or “looks to the end of the work.”

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