

ETA ZETA CONTACT INFORMATION

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THE NINETY-EIGHTH
ANNUAL CONVENTION
20-22 MARCH 2026



AT THE INVITATION OF
ETA ZETA
TRUMAN STATE UNIVERSITY
KIRKSVILLE, MO

NATIONAL OFFICERS (2025-2026)

Megale Prytanis: Violet Ecklund-Johnson,
Delta Chi at St. Olaf College

Megas Hyparchos: Martin Albright,
Theta Beta at The University of Alabama

Megas Grammateus: Zachary Chen,
Eta Delta at Hillsdale College

Megale Chrysophylax: Kailee Rowe,
Beta Pi at the University of Arkansas

EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

Katherine Panagakos
Theta Tau at Stockton University

BOARD OF TRUSTEES (2025-2026)

Robert Holschuh Simmons (Chair)
Gamma Omicron at Monmouth College

Antonios Augoustakis
Alpha Kappa at the University of Illinois

Joseph Garnjobst
Eta Delta at Hillsdale College

Georgia Irby
Omega at the College of William and Mary

Daniel Levine
Beta Pi at the University of Arkansas

David Sick
Beta Psi at Rhodes College

Bridget Thomas
Eta Zeta at Truman State University

Sunday, March 22nd

Enjoy complimentary breakfast @ the hotel

8:20-8:50 am, *Holiday Inn Express & Suites*
Transportation from the hotel will be provided.

9:00-10:20 am, *Baldwin 102 - Little Theatre*

Second Business Meeting,

Megale Prytanis presiding

1. Contest for Chapter Regalia
2. Committee Reports
3. Report of the Executive Secretary
4. Report of the Chair of the Board of Trustees
5. Election of 2027 Convention Site
6. Resolutions and Amendments
7. Election of 2026-2027 National Officers
8. Installation of Officers

10:20-10:30 am, *Baldwin 102 - Little Theatre*

Break - Light refreshments will be served.

10:30-11:59 am, *Baldwin 102 - Little Theatre*

Second Business Meeting, continued

Closing Remarks

**HΣΦ wishes to thank the National Latin Exam
for providing the prizes for *Certamen*
and other complimentary materials.**

**HΣΦ also wishes to thank the Truman State
University Department of Languages & Linguistics
for its support of our convention.**

Gratias maximas vobis agimus!

3:00-3:40 pm, Various Rooms in Baldwin Hall

Committee Meetings

1. New Chapters (Baldwin 301)
2. Finance (Baldwin 312)
3. Contests and Scholarships (Baldwin 302)
4. Convention (Baldwin 313)
5. Resolutions (Baldwin 308)
6. Officers (Baldwin 304)

4:00-5:00 pm, Del & Norma Robison Planetarium in Magruder Hall

Career Panel featuring recent Classics graduates:
Clarissa Goebel and Zara Callahan
plus

“Seven Wonders” (ancient wonders and star show)

Transportation from Magruder to the hotel will be provided.

5:00-6:30 pm, Holiday Inn Express & Suites - Prepare for Banquet

6:30-6:50 pm Transportation from the hotel will be provided.

7:00-9:00 pm, Activities Room, Student Union Building

Banquet

Welcome by Dr. Sue Thomas
President, Truman State University

Awards Ceremony

vir et femina vestiti splendidissime

Certamen Award

Paper Award

Outreach Award

Greek Declamation Contest Winner

Latin Declamation Contest Winner

Lifetime Achievement Awards:

- Clifton Kreps, Professor Emeritus of Classics,
Truman State University
- Daniel Levine, Professor Emeritus of Classics
University of Arkansas

Transportation to the hotel will be provided afterwards.

HONORARY TRUSTEES

Martha A. Davis

Zeta Beta at Temple University

Sr. Thérèse Marie Dougherty

Beta Kappa at Notre Dame of Maryland

Mary Pendergraft

Beta Iota at Wake Forest University

Thomas J. Sienkewicz

Gamma Omicron at Monmouth College

C. Wayne Tucker

Beta Theta at Hampden-Sydney College

Friday, March 20th

Transportation to campus will be provided upon request.
Parking on campus is open to all on weekends.

**5:00-7:00 pm, Down Under, Student Union Building
Registration**

**6:30-7:30 pm, Down Under, Student Union Building
Birthday Party for Publius Ovidius Naso
20 March 43 BCE in Sulmo, Italia
Light refreshments will be served.**

**7:30-9:00 pm, Down Under, Student Union Building
Certamen**

Transportation to the hotel will be provided afterwards.

Saturday, March 21st

Enjoy complimentary breakfast @ the hotel

8:20-8:50 am, Holiday Inn Express & Suites

Transportation from the hotel will be provided.

9:00-10:30 am, Baldwin 102 - Little Theatre

First Business Meeting

Megale Prytanis presiding

Minutes of the 97th Annual Convention

Megas Grammateus

Reports

1. Chapter Reports
2. Report of Contests
3. Report of Scholarships
4. Report of *Megale Chrysophylax*
5. Report of *Megas Hyparchos*
6. Old Business
7. New Business
8. Bids to host the 99th Annual Convention (2027)
9. Nominations for 2026-2027 National Officers

10:30-10:40 am, Baldwin 102 - Little Theatre

Break

Light refreshments will be served.

10:40-11:40 am, Baldwin Little Theatre

Presentation of Student Papers

1. Madison Grohman, Theta Tau at Stockton University
"The Role of Nausicaa in Homer's *Odyssey*: A New Approach"
2. Annie Spencer, Beta Psi at Rhodes College
"Parthenoi on Pottery in Athenian Funerary Contexts"
3. Zachary Chen, Eta Delta at Hillsdale College
"ἄ τε παρθένος ἠΐθεός τε παρθένος
ἠΐθεός: *Argonautica* 3.954-65 And Allusive Expansion on
the Duel of Achilles and Hektor"

12:00-1:00 pm, SUB, Alumni Room

Boxed lunches will be provided.

12:00-2:00 pm, Student Union Building 3202 and 3203

Latin (3202) and Greek (3203) Declamation Contests

Breakout Sessions

1:20-2:00 pm, repeated 2:10-2:50 pm

Session A

Baldwin Hall 301

Title: *Winter to Spring in the Meters of Horace's Odes*

Leader: Alex Tetlak, Truman State University

Description: Tired of the snow? Still want one more sweater-weather day? Horace the Epicurean wants us to enjoy every day—we will look at a few of his atmospheric odes and their meters, considering how their form contributes to their function.

Session B

Pickler Memorial Library 303, Special Collections

Title: *Greek and Latin Early Printed Books and Ancient Artifacts*

Leaders: Cheryl Musch, Truman Special Collections, and Amy Norgard, Truman State University

Description: Explore Truman's unique collection of Greek and Latin early printed books and ancient artifacts with this hands-on workshop. Items on display include a set of cuneiform tablets (2300 BCE), leaves from the first illustrated printed edition of Vergil's works (1502 CE), and a student exhibit of woodcuts inspired by *Aeneid* Book 6.

Session C

Baldwin Hall 308

Title: *Playing with the Ancient World: Archaeogaming with Chants of Sennaar (2023)*

Leader: Hannah Stark, Truman State University

Description: Do you like video games and language puzzles? Come see how the ancient world is a source of inspiration for modern video games in this play-thru and discussion of *Chants of Sennaar*, an indie game from Rundisc and an example of archaeogaming.