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### **From the Executive Committee**

\*The third Spring graduation ceremonies at Central Park's Summer Stage take place on June 5<sup>th</sup>. and 6<sup>th</sup>. this year. The graduate commencement is scheduled for 3:00 p.m. on Tuesday, June 5<sup>th</sup>. The undergraduate ceremony will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Wednesday, June 6<sup>th</sup>. The honorary degree recipients are Dr. Irwin E. Redlener, President of the The Children's Health Fund and Dr. Richard C. Mawe, Former Dean of Sciences & Mathematics at Hunter College.

\* With the close of a very eventful and productive year for Hunter, we wish to take a moment to wish all our colleagues a restful and restorative summer. We look forward to seeing everyone again in the Fall semester.

### **A Warm Thank You**

The General Faculty and Faculty Delegate Assembly, the Hunter College Senate, the Office of the Provost, the members of the President's Cabinet, Administrative Staff, several academic

departments and other representatives of various groups within the Hunter community took time out on Wednesday, May 23<sup>rd</sup>. to say thank you and farewell to Interim President, Dr. Evangelos John Gizis. Dr. Gizis leaves on June 11<sup>th</sup>. after five years of service as Vice President for Administration, Acting Provost and Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs, and most recently as Interim President.

Dr. Evangelos Gizis served as liaison between the College architects and CUNY in the preparation of Hunter College's 1999 master plan amendment. He also worked on the preparation of the 1999 Hunter College Strategic plan, the implementation of the reorganization of the College's Schools and the preparation and approval of several new academic programs. Among the programs that he helped to design and implement was the Prelude to Success that allowed students who come close to meeting Hunter's admission requirements to complete remediation as Borough of Manhattan Community College students on the Hunter campus. Dr. Gizis was also closely involved with the establishment of Oasis, a one-step approach to providing registrar, bursar and financial aid to students.

Dr. Evangelos Gizis holds a Ph.D. in Food Science-Biochemistry from Oregon State University. His research areas include Vitamin B-12 binders in blood and milk; food safety and nutrient stability. During his career Dr. Gizis has received grant support from the National Science Foundation, the National Institutes of Health and the Veteran's Administration among other agencies. He has written scores of articles in the area of food science.

A well-respected educator and administrator- not only at Hunter but throughout CUNY - Dr. Gizis will be missed for his wisdom and wit, his practicality and prudence and his earnest and engaging stories. His mischievous sense of humor and light touch allowed us to continue our work on an even keel throughout the year.

On behalf of the members of the Executive Committee and the General Faculty, we wish to sincerely thank Dr. Evangelos John Gizis for a steady hand at the helm this year and for his hard work and dedication to Hunter in the previous four years as well. We shall miss him and we hope that his new position proves to be a very positive experience.

#### Presidential Faculty Awards

Hearty congratulations go to the colleagues who are recipients of the 2001 Hunter College Presidential Awards for Excellence. The awards were presented during Honors Convocation which was held on Wednesday, April 15<sup>th</sup>., 2001 at 5:30 p.m. in the Assembly Hall.

Honored this year were Professors Sandra Clarkson, Emily Braun, William Sweeny and Scott Calvin.

- Professor **Sandra Clarkson** (Mathematics and Statistics) was recognized for *Excellence in Service*. Professor Clarkson has been at Hunter since 1974 and has been consistently active in administration, curriculum development and in teaching pedagogy in school districts in various parts of the country. Dr.

Clarkson has been a member of the Hunter College Senate since 1975. She also served as campus coordinator of the CUNY Skills Assessment Program from 1980 to 1989. Professor Clarkson currently serves as Chairperson of the Sexual Harassment Panel and is chief advisor to the Hunter College Big Apple Poll.

- Professor **Emily Braun** received the Presidential Award for *Excellence in Scholarship*. Professor Braun of the Art Department is a leading authority on modern Italian art with an emphasis on the interdisciplinary study of Fascist culture. Her most recent publication: *Mario Sironi and Italian Modernism: Art and Politics Under Fascism* has received exceptional praise from distinguished international reviewers.
- The Presidential Award for *Excellence in Teaching* was awarded to Professor **William Sweeny** of the Chemistry Department. Professor Sweeny has been a member of the Hunter College faculty since 1975. In collaboration with several colleagues, he developed an entirely new four- semester, 23-credit integrated chemistry/physics/mathematics course for science majors and pre-medical students. He has also served as a thesis advisor and postgraduate scholar sponsor.

- Adjunct Professor **Scott Calvin** received the Award for ***Excellence in Teaching (Part-time)***. Professor Calvin is a graduate student who is working toward a Ph.D. in Physics. He recently received his department's Pak Award for excellence in teaching. Scott has also played a key role in the development of the physics component of an integrated chemistry/physics/mathematics course. He is also the sole author of the text material for two core courses.
- Also recognized at the Honors Convocation as a ***CUNY Distinguished Professor*** was Dr. **Victoria Luine** who was presented with a Hunter College Chair by Interim President Dr. Evangelos Gizis. Professor Luine who is a member of the Psychology Department is also Director of the Minority Biomedical Research Support Program. She is internationally recognized for her research in neuroendocrinology. She has published widely in her field on the influence of hormones on cognitive and reproductive function. Dr. Luine is a well respected scholar among her peers in the scientific area in which she works. We wish to join the campus community in offering congratulations to her on the achievement of this great honor.

*(Source: Honors Script. Office of the Vice President for Student Affairs.)*

### **Welcome to Benefits Officer**

A very warm welcome is extended to Ms. Nancy Guarino who has been appointed Benefits Manager in the Human Resources Department, effective March 2001. Ms. Guarino brings to this position extensive experience in all the benefit areas. She previously worked for a major New York publishing company, specializing in retirement benefits for almost twenty-three years. For the past few years, she has concentrated her efforts on health and welfare benefits for a major insurance and financial services company.

Nancy is a graduate of Queens College and is very happy to be back in the CUNY family. We wish to welcome Nancy Guarino to Hunter and we hope she enjoys her tenure as our Benefits Officer.

### **UFS Senators : New and Old**

The faculty of Hunter College recently participated in the election of two Senators to represent full-time faculty through May 2004. Professor Pamela Wonssek (Library) whose three-year term expired on May 14<sup>th</sup>, 2001 did not stand for re-election. We wish to sincerely thank Professor Wonssek for her service as a Hunter Delegate to the University Faculty Senate. She represented Hunter extremely well and we are grateful for her time and energy in this regard.

The thanks of the general faculty are also extended to Professors Kenneth Sherrill (Political Science) and Richard Tomkins (Film & Media Studies), newly elected UFS Senators who will serve a three-year term from 2001-2004. They

join the continuing Senators whose names appear below:

- Thane Doss, 2003
- Paoli Fasoli, 2002
- Barbara Hampton, 2003
- Namby Krishnamachari, 2002
- Paul Kurzman, 2003
- Susan Neville, 2002
- Ellen Steinberg, 2002
- John Wallach, 2003

Best wishes and sincere thanks to the newly elected and continuing Senators for their willingness to serve the College and University through their involvement in the work of the University Faculty Senate.

#### **Fellowship Leaves : 2001-2002**

We are pleased to report that the below named colleagues have been approved by the President and the FP&B Committee for Fellowship Leaves in the new academic year.

*On leave for the **full year** at half-pay are:*

Elizabeth Beaujour, Classical & Oriental Studies  
 Sybil Brinberg, English  
 Timothy G. Bromage, Anthropology  
 Mick Cherrier-Hurbis, Film and Media Studies  
 Joanne Edey-Rhodes, Black & Puerto Rican Studies  
 Nicholas Freudenberg, Health Sciences/ Urban Public Health  
 Katherine Garnett, Special Education  
 Victor Goldsmith, Geography  
 Tamara Green, Classical & Oriental Studies  
 Roger Karapin, Political Science  
 David Kotelchuck, Urban Public Health  
 Ivone Margulies, Film & Media Studies  
 Terry Mizrahi, Social Work

Mary B. Moore, Art  
 Anthony Panzera, Art  
 Peter Parisi, Film & Media Studies  
 Katherine Parry, English  
 Isabel Pinedo, Film & Media Studies  
 Janet E. Poppendieck, Sociology  
 Gerald A. Press, Philosophy  
 Ruth Rose, Educational Foundations & Counseling Programs  
 Joyce Slochower, Psychology  
 Ida Susser, Anthropology  
 Robert Thompson, Math & Statistics  
 Peter S. Tuckel, Sociology  
 Virginia Valian, Psychology  
 William H. Williams, Math & Statistics

*On leave for **half-year** at quarter pay are:*

Marilyn Auerbach, Community Health Education  
 Regina Linder, SHS/MLS  
 Rosanne K. Silberman, Special Education  
 Jenefer Shute, English  
 Malka Sternberg, School of Social Work

There was **one award of half-year** on full pay. The recipient is Professor Xoan Gonzalez Millan, Romance Languages.

Congratulations to these colleagues and best wishes for successful research or study projects.

#### **A Poet Amongst Us**

Professor Marsha Lupi, Assistant Dean in the School of Education was a finalist in a recent poetry contest. Her poem *Your Friendship is a Gift in our Golden Years* can be sent as an e-card from [www.bluemountainarts.com](http://www.bluemountainarts.com)

### **2001-2002 FDA and General Faculty Meetings**

Please take a moment and calendar the following meetings for the new academic year. Please note that we shall continue to hold our Faculty Delegate Assembly and General Faculty meetings on the third Wednesday of each month (unless otherwise noted) from 1.15:3.00 p.m. according to the schedule below. Unless you are notified to the contrary, all meetings will be held in Room 709-West.

#### **Fall Semester**

\*Wednesday, September 26 - General Faculty

Wednesday, October 17 - FDA

Wednesday, November 21 - FDA

Wednesday, December 19 - General Faculty

\* *Fourth Wednesday*

#### **Spring Semester**

Wednesday, February 20 - General Faculty

Wednesday, March 20 - FDA

Wednesday, April 17 - General Faculty

Wednesday, May 15 - FDA

#### **Blackboard Basics**

ICIT Technology Resource Center is planning a series of seminars to introduce faculty to the basics of Blackboard, Hunter's new course management system. Several sessions are scheduled in June at different times of the day. Please contact Michael Nisbett at [mike.nisbett@hunter.cuny.edu](mailto:mike.nisbett@hunter.cuny.edu) or by telephone at 650-3443 for further information.

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Best wishes for a wonderful summer!

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Members of the Executive Committee are:

Christina Taharally: President (Curr. & Teaching)

Maria Rodriguez: Vice-President (SEEK)

Eckhard Kuhn-Osius: Secretary (German)

Roberta Graziano: School of Social Work

Adele Haft: Day Session Rep. (Classics)

Patricia Woodard: Evening Rep.(Library)

Cecile Insdorf: Rep. of Part-Time Fac.

(Romance Languages)

Gregorz Gumkowski & Jessica Tucker are Administrative Assistants to the FDA

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