Pluralism and Diversity Fund

The Provost has announced that up to $40,000 is available through competitive grants to eligible faculty and staff to support projects or activities that will enhance cultural pluralism, and foster awareness and understanding. The application deadline is Friday, February 24th. The starting date for projects will be July 1, 1995, and all projects must be completed by June 30, 1996. For proposal forms and grant information, contact Professor Sherryl Graves (Educational Foundations) at #772-4710.

Adieu Barry

The Executive Committee of the FDA notes with great regret the resignation of Vice-President for Administration Barry Kaufman. While we are pleased that he will now be playing a major role as a senior administrator at a sister college --- with a similar long tradition of service to women as our own --- we will miss him greatly here at Hunter. He departs with our very warmest best wishes for the future.

Faculty Events Funding

Funding for up to $450 to support faculty sponsored events this Spring is available from the Faculty Events Committee of the FDA. Such funding can be used to support talks, conferences, workshops and similar events to cover cost of honoraria, travel, space rental or publicity. Faculty interested in applying for funds should call the FDA office (772-4123) for a "Request for Faculty Events Funding" form which must be submitted to the FDA no later than March 15th for the support of events this semester.

Upcoming Faculty Events

The Conference Planning Committee of the FDA plans to offer two special faculty events this semester. Professor Howard Topoff of the Department of Psychology will offer a workshop on software that might be used to author computer-generated, multimedia materials for course use. Professor Topoff has been able to create dazzling, animated presentations about visual perception, experimental design and learning which he is eager to share with faculty. This presentation will take place on Wednesday, March 29th between 1:00 and 3:00 p.m., in Room 1203 East. Save the date! Further details on this and a second event in April will be communicated through The Faculty Voice and fliers.

CUNY Senators Elected

We are pleased to announce that the following colleagues have been elected members of the Hunter College Faculty Delegation to the University Faculty Senate, effective May 15, 1995, for terms noted below:

- Prof. Kenneth Sherrill (Political Science) to May, 1998
- Prof. Pamela Wonsek (Hunter Libraries) to May, 1998
- Prof. Susan Neville (Nursing) to May, 1996
- Prof. Jaime Herszenhorn (Romance Lang.) to May, 1996*
- Representing part-time, adjunct faculty

Elected as alternates for the coming year are:
- Prof. Bernice Baxter (Academic Skills)
- Prof. Namby Krishnamachari (Academic Skills)

The following five Hunter faculty continue in office as senators through 1996 or 1997: Professors Marlene Barsoum (Romance Languages), Jane Matthews (Mathematics), Maria Paynter (Romance Languages), Maria Rodriguez (Academic Skills) and Ellen Steinberg (Health Sciences).

Our congratulations to all, and our deep appreciation for your commitment to service.

Faculty/Staff Lounge

The 8th Floor Lounge for Faculty and Staff will now be open Spring Semester (2-6 p.m., Monday through Thursday) through the last week of classes in May. Those who teach at night and who work late may relish a chance to read, talk, relax and enjoy hot coffee and sweet treats together with friends and colleagues in the lounge, with our compliments. Enjoy!

Congratulations

We are delighted to report that the following members of the Hunter College faculty were promoted, effective January 1, 1995. What a wonderful way to celebrate the New Year. Our congratulations!

To Professor

- Lynne Clark - Health Sciences
- Susan Crile - Art
- Ruth DeFord - Music
- Emil Draisher - Classics (Russian Division)
- Dolores Fernandez - Curriculum & Teaching
- Karen Greenberg - English
- Klaus Grohmann - Chemistry
- Nondita Mason - Academic Skills
- Thomas McIntyre - Special Education
- Anthony Picciano - Curriculum & Teaching
- Dona Richards - Black & PR Studies
- Francesca Sautman - Romance Languages
- Jose Torres - Black & PR Studies
PRESIDENTIAL FACULTY AWARDS

Our congratulations go to our colleagues who are the recipients of the 1995 Hunter College Presidential Awards for Excellence. They received their award recognition at the Honors Convocation on April 12th:

- For Excellence in Teaching:
  Barbara Sproul, Associate Professor of Philosophy (Program in Religion)

- For Excellence in Service:
  James Harrison, Professor of Music

- For Excellence in Scholarship:
  Louis Massa, Professor of Chemistry, and Sarah Pomeroy, Professor of Classics

FDA RESOLUTION ON RECENT SERVICE CUTS

At the March 15th meeting of the Faculty Delegate Assembly of Hunter College, the following motion was passed unanimously by the members in reaction to the Hunter Administration's recent unilateral cut of essential services:

WHEREAS the summary cut-off of telephone service, termination of college assistants (notably in the library), audio-visual services, and academic computing service, as well as other areas we deem to be essential to teaching, research, and professional life, have brought great hardship on the Hunter College academic community, and

WHEREAS these decisions were made without meaningful faculty consultation, and

WHEREAS these cuts in services threaten to be institutionalized,

BE IT RESOLVED that the Hunter College Faculty Delegate Assembly insists that:

1. These services be restored as quickly as possible, and
2. There be meaningful consultation—a full opportunity to initiate, modify, alter, or reject proposals—in the process of making said decisions, and
3. There be a sunset provision in said provisions, ending emergency cuts at the end of a given semester or budgetary period, and
4. That emergency cuts in services not be institutionalized or carried on to future academic years.

MEDIA CONFERENCE

A strong supporter of CUNY and public higher education, NY State Assembly Member Edward C. Sullivan, will be keynote speaker at an all-day Conference on the "Media and Mission" on Friday, April 28th at Hunter College's School of Social Work (Lexington and 79th Street).

Starting at 10 a.m., the morning session will focus on "CUNY's Place in the Cultural Universe." As Chair of the NY State Assembly's Committee on Higher Education, Ed Sullivan will present his vision and leadership view of the future.

The afternoon speaker will be State Assembly Member Roger Green who will tell us what it is like today to be "On the Front Lines" in Albany. We hope that as many faculty as possible will come to hear and learn about the media from our leaders and supporters during this period of struggle. As we have come to learn, all too often "the media is the message." For further information, contact Professor Stuart Ewen (Communications) at 772-4007.

NEW VISIONS

The Director of the New Visions Program of CUNY's Office of Academic Affairs recently announced that two of its forthcoming awards will go to faculty of Hunter College. Hunter will be the only college in the CUNY system to receive more than one New Visions Award this year.

Professor Stuart Ewen (Communications) and Juan Flores (Black & Puerto Rican Studies) will serve as Co-Principal Investigators of a program for American Studies majors on the multi-cultural history and character of this country, and the relationship between the United States and other parts of the Americas. Professors Serafina Bathrick (Communications) and George Yudice (Romance Languages) will be an integral part of this endeavor. Professor Terry Mizrahi (Social Work) will serve as Principal Investigator of a community organization and development program to develop career opportunities for undergraduate students in this arena. The project will deploy an innovative class and field education curriculum and recruit from the thousands of local residents who are already engaged in activities to improve the conditions of their communities.

Our congratulations to our colleagues on their awards. Hunter College, as always, is in the lead!