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Annual General Meeting and Elections 2001

The Executive Council of HCAAO calls all members and potential members to a General Meeting on

Sunday, December 9, 2001, at 4:00 p.m.,

Room LP266, D. L. Pratt Building,

6 King's College Rd, University of Toronto.

(King's College Rd is vertical to College Street and to the east of St. George Street.) During the meeting, the elections of the executive council members for a two-year term will be held. It is very important that as many members as possible to be present at the meeting, and to actively participate in the procedures, so that diverse views are considered.

Any full member of HCAAO can be a candidate for Executive Council. Nominations are accepted either in advance of or during the General Meeting. If made in advance, the member who nominates must ensure in advance that the nominee accepts being a candidate, and that another member seconds the nomination. Advance nominations must be forwarded by December 3, 2001, to the secretary of the association,

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Membership

All members are kindly asked to submit their membership dues for 2002. The amount is \$25. A membership application/renewal form is enclosed. We would appreciate if all past members who forgot to pay their membership dues for 2001 send their dues for both 2001 and 2002 (i.e. a total of \$50).

New members pay dues for 2002 only (i.e. \$25). Please make checks payable to the **Hellenic-Canadian Academic Association of Ontario** and mail them to

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Once we receive your dues, you will be sent a receipt. Those who come to the General Meeting and have not paid their dues will be requested to pay at that time.

Our web site includes a list of our members at <http://www.greekvillage.com/hcaao/members.html>.

If you wish to make any changes to the information shown for you, please e-mail ccc@cs.utoronto.ca.

Hellenic Studies

The establishment of the Hellenic Studies Chair is progressing according to schedule. A total of \$1,000,000 has already been contributed towards the Chair, mainly from the sponsor organization (the Hellenic Heritage Foundation) and secondarily from various Greek-Canadian organizations and individuals. HCAAO members contributed more than \$5,000 this year. According to the memorandum of agreement, with the amount already contributed, a temporary position can be established. The job announcement has already been published by the Department of History, York University, and it is appended below. The position will become a permanent Chair, once another \$500,000 is contributed. York University, among its efforts to promote activities related to Hellenic Studies, is also organizing a conference on Modern Greece. See more details further in this newsletter.

Modern Greek History, York University

The Department of History (Faculty of Arts) invites applications for a visiting professorship in Modern Greek History, beginning 1 July 2002. The successful candidate must be an established scholar in Modern Greek History with a focus of specialization in one of three areas: Political History, Social History, or International Relations.

Research qualifications include a completed PhD, or equivalent, and an ongoing program of research in the area of specialization. The successful candidate must have a strong record of achievement in research, teaching, and supervision at the undergraduate and graduate levels, and is expected to provide leadership in the development of a focus area in Modern Hellenic Studies. The ability to develop links with the broader Hellenic Canadian community will be considered an asset. Fluency in Modern Greek at the near native level and in English is required.

The candidate will be appointed to the Department of History in the Faculty of Arts and may be affiliated with the Canadian Centre for German and European Studies. Courses taught will also be part of the European Studies program. Rank is open. Salary is dependent on qualifications and experience. The appointment will be for one or two years, and is renewable, until the Hellenic Chair in Modern Greek History is established. This visiting professorship and the Chair have been endowed by the Hellenic Heritage Foundation, the Greek community of Metropolitan Toronto, and York University. This search - and the appointment of a visiting professor - is intended to highlight York University's growing interest in Hellenic Studies. The Chair is expected to be established by 31 December 2001. For more information, please contact Professor Marlene Shore, Chair of the History Department (address below).

York University, the third largest university in Canada, is located in Toronto, a flourishing multicultural city. York has a strong reputation in History, International Relations, and related interdisciplinary programs. In all of its appointments, the Department of History is keen to attract scholars who have an interest in one or more of the following: cross-

cultural contact; war; gender and sexuality; imperial and post-colonial issues.

Applicants should submit a letter of interest, including a curriculum vitae, and names and contact addresses of three referees, to be sent no later than 3 December 2001 to: Professor Marlene Shore, Chair, Department of History, Faculty of Arts, York University, 4700 Keele Street, Toronto, Ontario M3J 1P3 (fax 416-736-5836). Canadian citizens and permanent residents will be considered first for this position.

For many years, York University has had a policy of employment equity including affirmative action for women faculty and librarians. Recently, York has included racial/visible minorities, persons with disabilities and aboriginals in its affirmative action program. Persons who are members of one or more of these groups are encouraged to self-identify during the selection process. Please note that candidates from these three groups will be considered within the priorities of the affirmative action program only if they self-identify. The Department of History welcomes applications from women, racial/visible minorities, persons with disabilities and aboriginal peoples. The affirmative action program can be obtained by calling the Affirmative Action office at 416-736-5713. All positions at York are subject to budgetary approval.

Get-together Dinner 2001

This year's get-together dinner took place Saturday, March 17, 2001, at the Toronto Lawn Tennis Club Ltd. The event was dedicated to the 10th anniversary of the association and the recent progress made regarding the establishment of the Hellenic Studies Chair at York University.

The invited guests were Dr. Lorna Marsden, President, York University, Dr. Sheila Embleton, VP Academic, York University, Dr. Gary Smith, VP Advancement, York University, Dr. George Fallis (regrets), Dean of Arts, York University, Dr. Marie Bountrogianni, MPP, Adjunct Professor, McMaster U. and member of HCAAO, Mr. Stelios Mirko-poulos, President HHF, Mr. Theodoros Tzalalis (rep. Mr. Kostas Menegakis), Secretary, GCMT, Mr.

Leonidas Chrysanthopoulos (regrets), Ambassador of Greece, Mr. Panagiotis Kaloulis (rep. Mr. Alexandros Alexandris), Consul of Greece, and Mr. Efstathios Orfanidis, Consul General of Cyprus.

Nota Klentrou, secretary of HCAAO, was the MC of the evening, while Marie Bountrogianni introduced the keynote speakers, Dr. Lorna Marsden and Dr. Sheila Embleton. Dr. Lorna Marsden addressed the participants and emphasized the importance of Hellenic studies and the fruitful cooperation with HCAAO, HHF and the Greek community. Dr. Sheila Embleton gave a very informative talk on the nature and scope of York's European Studies Programme and the place of Modern Greek Studies in it, pointing out the need for such a focus area in York's curriculum. The complete text of Dr. Sheila Embleton's speech and several pictures from the dinner are available at HCAAO's web site at <http://www.greekvillage.com/hcaao/events.html>. During the dinner, the "HCAAO distinguished member award" was presented to Dr. Oreopoulos, for his vision, service and support to HCAAO during the years 1995-99.

Next year, we are planning a similar event, February or March. Stay tuned for details.

Modern Greece in a Global Context
An International Symposium

York University is organizing a conference on "Modern Greece in a Global Context", March 22-23, 2002. The aim of the conference is to promote Hellenic Studies, in view of the Hellenic Studies Chair being established at the Department of History at York. The invited speakers are first class researchers in Modern Greek History, Gerasimos Augustinos (University of South Carolina), Richard Clogg (St. Antony's College, Oxford), Katherine Fleming (New York University), Thomas Gallant (University of Florida), John Iatrides (Southern Connecticut State University), Stathis Kalyvas (University of Chicago), Alex Kitroeff (Haverford College), Antonis Liakos (University of Athens), Adamantia Pollis (New School University), Thanos Veremis (Tufts University).

A PREA to one of our members

Michael C. Kolios, faculty member at the Department of Mathematics, Physics & Computer Science, Ryerson Polytechnic University, and member of HCAAO, was awarded the prestigious Premier's Research Excellence Award (PREA), on December 2000, The award comes with an up to \$100,000 prize from the province and \$50,000 from the university. Congratulations!

Various News

- On Monday, January 29, 2001, York University hosted a lunch for representatives of Hellenic-Canadian associations involved in the establishment of the Hellenic Studies Chair. V. Papangelakis and T. Toliadis represented our association.
- C. Christara sent a letter on behalf of HCAAO to the administrator of the University of Toronto web page on news and events regarding a posting on Alexander the Great and some Slav-Macedonian student. This posting showed up on the web February 22, 2001, and was giving inaccurate information about Alexander the Great and Macedonia. The inaccuracies were corrected a few days after the letter was sent.
- Members of HCAAO D. Hatzinakos and C. Christara accompanied Mr. Alecos Voulgaris, Deputy Minister of Transport and Communications of Greece, during his visit to various Toronto industries, March 5 and 6, 2001.
- Several of our members participated in the "Mentorship Night" organized by the Greek Student Association at the University of Toronto, Thursday, March 15, 2001. The event was a social one, also aiming to help students get first hand information about jobs and careers.
- D. Kourti, member of HCAAO and McMaster University, wrote an article on HCAAO's get-together dinner. The article, together with several pictures from the event, was published in the newspaper *Τα Νέα του Χαμιλτον* (Hellenic Hamilton News), April 2001.

- C. Christara and T. Tolia, members of the executive council of HCAAO, represented the association in a meeting with representatives of HHF, the Greek Community of Metro-Toronto, the Hellenic-Canadian Federation of Ontario, and Greek-Canadian media. The meeting took place Tuesday, July 3, 2001. During the meeting the HCAAO representatives elaborated on the developments regarding the Hellenic Studies Chair.

Olympic Games 2004

As the Athens Olympics are approaching, we thought it is a good idea to let you know of the address of the official site, and of the related volunteers' programme. People of Greek descent living abroad, especially young people, are very welcome to apply for volunteering. For more information, see the Greek version of the site

<http://www.athens2004.gr/>

http://www.athens2004.gr/gr/volunteers/Olympic_volunteers.html

or the English version of the site

<http://www.athens2004.gr/en>

http://www.athens2004.gr/en/volunteers/Olympic_volunteers.html

Dates to remember

Annual Meeting: Sunday 9 December 2001, 4 p.m.

Get-together Dinner: February or March 2002.

Conference on Modern Greece: Friday and Saturday,
March 24-25, 2002.