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Message from the President

Dear HCAAO Members and friends,

It is my great pleasure to welcome you to our Annual HCAAO Dinner. As the new HCAAO president, it is my privilege and honor to work together with some esteemed colleagues and good friends, such as Nota, Helen, Sakis and Petros, in order to serve and lead our Association. Building on the successes of the previous Executive Committees, we aim to continue to showcase the scientific excellence of the Greek or Greek Canadian Academics of Ontario but also, to enhance our activities that promote networking opportunities, engage student participation and build collaborations and relationships. I would like to extend a special thank you to Prof. George Georgopoulos, President of HCAAO in the past 4 years, Prof. Dimitris Hatzinakos and especially to Prof. Christina Christara, for her long term, invaluable contribution.

I will take this opportunity to remind you that our 3rd Annual Symposium will take place in the spring of 2019. As in the past two years, this will be an amazing opportunity for our Members and friends to get together, to present their remarkable work and connect both professionally and personally. In January 2019, we will also have an AGA meeting during which we will cut the Vasilopita and welcome the New Year all together. More details on both events will be sent out shortly.

Finally, I would like to invite everyone to assist the Executive Committee in our effort to record and map all the Greek or Greek Canadian Academics in the Ontario Institutions. We strongly believe that the

creation of a complete database of our members will strengthen our contribution and enhance our networking and collaboration opportunities.

I would like to wish everyone a Wonderful Holiday and a Happy New Year!!

We look forward to your continuous support.

Regards

Ioannis Dimitriou
HCAAO President

The new HCAAO Executive

General elections took place on Saturday, April 21, 2018.

The executive board members are:

Dr. Ioannis Dimitriou, President
Dr. Sakis Gekas, Vice-President
Dr. Nota Klentrou, Treasurer
Dr. Helen Dimaras, Secretary
Dr. Petros Pechlivanoglou, Vice-Secretary

The Second HCAAO Symposium

The Second HCAAO Symposium was held on Saturday April 21, 2018.

The keynote presentation was given by Professor Evangelia Tastsoglou (St. Mary's University), entitled: "From Greece to Canada: 21st Century Transnational Migration in the Context of the Greek Crisis." A commentary by Professor Sedef Arat-Koc (Ryerson University) followed, stimulating a critical discussion with the audience on "Brain Drain or Brain Gain". A graduate student poster session and networking reception capped off the Symposium.



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The HCAAO Symposium was held under the auspices of the Greek Consulate in Toronto. We thank our generous sponsors: the Hellenic Heritage Foundation, the Polydor Foundation, REMAX Ultimate (Tim Syrianos, Broker), the Greek Community of Toronto – Program Paideia, the Cypriot Federation of Canada, and the Panarcadian Federation of Canada.

2019 New Year Celebration & AGM

On **Sunday, January 20, 2019**, please join us as we kick off the new year with a traditional cutting of the Vasilopita, followed by our Annual General Meeting.

AGM Agenda:

- Approval of the 2018 AGM minutes
- President's report
- Treasurer's report
- Activities for 2019
- Other items

New Initiative: Catalogue of University Courses in Greece

The HCAAO Executive is creating a catalogue of Ontario university courses and course modules that take place in Greece. This catalogue will be housed on the HCAAO website, and serve as a reference for students and academics alike.

If you teach such a course in Greece, or know a colleague who does, please let us know by sending an email to info@hcaao.org.

Renew your membership!

All members are kindly asked to submit their membership dues for 2019. The cost of

membership renewal is \$30.

We now have the option of renewing membership via e-transfer. Please send your dues to payments@hcaao.org using the password: [hcaao2018](#).

Get in touch!

We welcome members to get in touch with us with any questions or suggestions. Be sure to visit our website and follow us on Twitter to keep up with all our news.

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