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## From the President's Desk

On Saturday, February 4, 2006, HCAAO organized its eighth Get-together-dinner at the Toronto Lawn Tennis Club. After the dinner, there was a musical performance by Eleni Alexandris, soprano. Eleni performed Greek and classical songs. We all enjoyed both the performance and the dinner.

The ninth Get-together-dinner is scheduled for Saturday, March 3, 2007, at the Toronto Lawn Tennis Club. Check your email for further details.

Our president, Dora Kourti, accepted a distinguished offer as Senior Technical Director in GlaxoSmithKline Manufacturing, with a global mandate to lead their Chemometric / Multivariate efforts, and she is going to continue her academic career in the UK. She recently submitted her resignation from her position in the HCAAO Executive Board. According to the By-Laws of the association the Board invited Vladimiros Papangelakis to fill the vacancy on the Board as acting President until the General Assembly, December 10, 2006.

## HCAAO supports scholarships for Greek-Canadian students

Following an established now tradition HCAAO donated again \$500 towards the scholarship program of the Hellenic-Canadian Federation of Ontario. This program offers scholarships and bursaries to Greek-Canadian students in Ontario Universities. HCAAO not only sponsors a scholarship of \$500 but our members have also served on the selection committee.

## Awards to our members

HCAAO member Argyrios Margaritis was awarded with the prestigious Professional Engineers of Ontario (PEO) Order of Honour Award at the Officer Level for the year 2005. PEO is one of the oldest and largest Professional Engineering associations in the world, and currently has close to 70,000 registered members who have the P.Eng. license to practice Engineering in Ontario. For more information regarding the PEO Order of Honour Award Dinner Gala and Induction Ceremony to the Order of Honour, please visit the following site: <http://www.eng.uwo.ca/news/newsletter/may/peo.htm>

Professor Nota Klentrou from the Department of Physical Education and Kinesiology received the 2006 Brock University Award for Distinguished Research and Creative Activity. This award recognizes faculty members who demonstrate outstanding research achievements, contributions toward the training of future researchers, and consistency in scholarly or creative performance. This award was presented during the Fall Convocation on Saturday, Oct. 21, at 2 p.m., in the Ian D. Beddis Gymnasium, located in the Walker Complex of Brock University Campus in St. Catharines.

*Disclosure:* HCAAO would like to apologize for missing other similar distinguished distinctions and encourages its members to submit information on any professional award that may have recently received.

## HCAAO 2006 Annual General Meeting

The Executive Council of HCAAO calls all members and potential members to a General Meeting on **Sunday, December 10, 2006, at 4:30 p.m.,** Room BA 5256, Bahen Centre for Info. Technology, 40 St. George Str., University of Toronto.

The Bahen Centre for Information Technology is the new Computer Science and Electrical Engineering building at the University of Toronto. Enter from 40 St. George Str., across from the Galbraith building.

The main item on the agenda to fill the vacant position in the Executive Council. It is very important that as many members as possible be present at the meeting, and actively participate in the procedures, so that diverse views are considered.

The agenda includes:

16:30 Approval of minutes of the 2005 AGM

16:40 President's report

17:00 Treasurer's report

17:15 Filling of one position in the Council

17:45 New items -- activities for next year

You look forward to seeing you there. Please mark the day on your calendar.

#### Membership

All members are kindly asked to submit their membership dues for 2007. 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 2006 send their dues for both 2006 and 2007 (i.e. a total of \$50). New members pay dues for 2007 only (i.e. \$25). Please make checks payable to the **Hellenic-Canadian Academic Association of Ontario** and mail them to

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#### Summary of upcoming events (details by email reminders)

HCAAO ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING  
BA 5256 Bahen Centre for Info. Technology, UT

Sunday 10 December 2006  
16:30 - 18:00 p.m.

GET-TOGETHER-DINNER  
Toronto Lawn Tennis Club

Saturday 3 March 2007  
6:30 - 10:30 p.m.

PROFESSIONALS DINNER-DANCE  
Liberty Grand

Saturday 10 February 2007  
6:30 -

#### Modern Greek Studies at York University

The program in Modern Greek Studies at York University, led by Thomas Gallant, now offers three courses in Modern Greek History (two offered at alternate years), in addition to Graduate Readings in Greek History, and the three courses in Modern Greek Language and Literature, offered by Michalis Vitopoulos. Here is the list of courses offered:

HIST 3355 Modern Greece

HIST 3356 The Greek Diaspora

HIST 4375 Seminar in Greek History,

The Age of Liberalism 1864-1922

Graduate Readings in Greek History

GKM 1000 Elementary Modern Greek

GKM 2000 Intermediate Modern Greek

GKM 3600 Modern Greek Literature and Culture since Independence

Recently, three major prizes were awarded to students of the program. The "Kostas Tsotsos Graduate Award in Modern Greek History", the "Kassiani Pasiass Gallant Undergraduate Prize in Modern Greek History", and the "Modern Greek Undergraduate Prize". For more information, see Professor Gallant's [page](http://www.arts.yorku.ca/hist/tgallant/) at <http://www.arts.yorku.ca/hist/tgallant/> and download the most recent Chronicle bulletin at <http://www.arts.yorku.ca/hist/tgallant/documents/chroniclevolume1120063.pdf>

Researchers from York University, University of Athens and other institutions will meet at Athens, Greece, March 15-17, 2007. for the 3rd York U / U of Athens conference on the Mediterranean. Researchers from York University, and several Greek and international institutions will meet at Crete, Greece, on March 12, 2007, for a conference on "Crime, Violence and the Modern State".

Renew your membership today!!!