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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

This is my first opportunity to tell all of you how proud I am to serve as your President.

There seems to me two things of prime importance for all of us to do. Along with all other intelligent women, we should individually and collectively be doing our share in the war effort on the home front. If any of you have any unallocated time, day or evening, I urge you to offer your services to any one of the large public groups. Surely the Red Cross, the American Women's Voluntary Services, the Office of Civilian Defense, and the United Service organization can utilize your free time.

As Hunter graduates looking toward the Diamond Jubilee, February 14th, 1945, we should bend every effort toward closer support of Hunter College and the College authorities in their effort to carry on efficiently and effectively in war time, and to keep the courses and the College generally at the same high level, so that the end of the war will find the College at a peak of efficiency capable of continued public service of the highest order. To this end, it is my ambition as your President to bring into the Associate Alumnae at the modest cost which our dues represent, thousands upon thousands more of Hunter graduates not now affiliated. Within the few weeks that I have been in office, it has been a surprise to me to find so many of my own friends and classmates not members of the Association, and I have made myself an active member of the Membership Committee to bring in every Hunter graduate with whom I come in contact. I urge each of you to do the same.

Experience has shown that the recent graduates are not participating. Since they are now gainfully employed in great numbers, we must seek to reach them through an evening activity. I have accordingly revived the Committee on Special Activities provided for by the By-Laws, and have selected as Chairmen Miss Janice Hohenstein and Miss Constance Buxer, both recent graduates, who will form their own committee and propose their own program.

I am very fortunate in my new board of officers, some of them very experienced and all of them very enthusiastic. We need the unqualified support of all of you to make the Associate Alumnae a factor in the community.

RUTH LEWINSON, President.

The Diamond Jubilee Committee, a new special committee to plan and organize for the Diamond Jubilee, has been established by special resolution of the Board of Directors. Our past President, Mrs. Helen L. Simis, is Chairman of this Committee. R. L.

Dear Fellow Alumnae:

It is with a great deal of confidence and with the best of wishes for a most successful administration that I turn over to my very able co-worker, Ruth Lewinson, the Presidency of the Associate Alumnae. The best of luck to you, Ruth!

For six years you all have permitted me to serve you and our Alma Mater. I am grateful for the many experiences, for the privilege of serving, for the many pleasant memories, and especially for your friendship. Thank you for six very happy years.

Credit for whatever success may have been achieved must necessarily go to our various chairmen and committee members, and above all to each one of you for your coöperation, loyalty, and faith in your Alma Mater. To all, I am deeply indebted.

The joy of working with you was sufficient reward; yet this was high-lighted by your very generous and beautiful gift of a diamond platinum wrist-watch and a pair of silver Hurricane lamps. This is one of those rare moments in life when the heart is full and we feel so deeply that words are impossible; so I very simply but sincerely say, "I am grateful. Thank you."

May God bless our country and our Alma Mater. May we soon have cause for double celebration: a just peace for all the world, and a gala and successful Diamond Jubilee for our Alma Mater.

HELEN L. SIMIS.

## DIAMOND JUBILEE

Great are the enthusiasm and excitement with which plans are being made to celebrate our Alma Mater's Seventy-fifth Birthday!

In these years Hunter has served with outstanding success and achievement, and today she is an acknowledged leader in the educational world. Certainly we of the Alumnae, enthusiastic and active members of the Hunter family, want to play an important part in honoring her on this occasion, and in sharing in her glory.

It has been decided to set our gala celebration for everal days during the week of February 12th. Committees are already busy. Large scale public exhibits, an attractive brochure, a tremendous Student Day celebration for the public, an academic symposium, a huge banquet, and a generous Birthday Gift from the Alumnae—these are but a few of the many plans before our committees!

With confidence we count on each of you, not only to take an active interest, but to share definitely in the responsibility of the occasion. Let us make this a truly "Happy Birthday"!

HELEN L. SIMIS, Chairman.

## DIAMOND JUBILEE COMMITTEES

Since this is to be a joint celebration for all members of the Hunter Family, the committee members consist of Faculty, Administrative Staff, Students, Alumnae, Elementary School, High School, and Evening Session Representatives. The followig Committees have been approved by President Shuster:

Executive and Coördinating Committee

Professor Marie K. Gallagher Professor James M. Hendel Joan Martin, Student Representative Helen L. Simis, Chairman Ruth Lewinson, ex-officio

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Birthday Chapel Committee Traditions Committee as already set up

Gift Committee Alumnae to be announced later

## ALUMNAE COMMITTEES Finance, Investment, and Loan. Miss Ray Miller

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### OFFICE HOURS

In order that the President of the Associate Alumnae, Miss Ruth Lewinson, may be available to all members who have any problem or project to discuss in connection with the Alumnae, the College, or any other matter of interest, the President will be available at the rooms of the Association, 204 West 55th Street, on Wednesday afternoons from 3:30 to 5:30, and will be at home to callers in her office, 18 East 41st Street, New York City, on Saturday mornings.

Miss Lewinson's office telephone number is

LExington 2-3157.

## HUNTER ALUMNAE HALL

The Hunter Alumnae Hall Committee wishes to remind you that Hunter Alumnae Hall will be open during the summer. pairs are necessary, therefore the rooms will be closed from August 7th to 21st. As was the case last year, the office hours will be from ten to four o'clock five days a week.

Reservations for the summer will continue as usual. Call Mrs. Powell, Columbus 5-9700. ESTHER G. VALET, Chairman.

## PATRIOTIC SERVICE COMMITTEE

There is such a demand for parties on Sundays for Service Men that we have decided to continue our dances all summer.

Members of the Associate Alumnae and Hunter students may obtain tickets for July and August by writing to Mrs. Powell, Hunter Alumnae Hall, 204 West 55th Street, enclosing a stamped and self-addressed envelope and a contribution of fifty cents.

B. ELIZABETH KALLMAN, Chairman.