# THE ALUMNAE NEWS

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#### A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

"Every clod feels a stir of might, An instinct within it that reaches and towers, And groping blindly above it for light, Climbs to a soul in grass and flowers."

Lowell's words that we learned in school and cherish in the memory remind us that we need to think of growth, our growth, and our Association's.

The whole range of our continuing activities, of their expansion, will be determined, we see so plainly, by a vast increase in our membership.

This spring season, the season of growth, give a thought to helping our Associate Alumnae to grow.

The Chairman of our Alumnae Hall Committee, Celia Zanger, envisions a building for us in the near future. An Alumnae Hall of our own will be the center of activities for all our classes and chapters. In this far-flung city our members live at great distances, and a centrally located house will bring thousands together in the course of every year — at the Hunter graduates' clubhouse in town. This will be a house to which we can bring our friends. This will be a center for cultural community activities.

If every one who reads these lines would make it her responsibility to bring one new member into our Association, we would double our membership within the year. Let us grow, together.

With best wishes this spring time, Frances R. Abrams

## CALENDAR, 1955

Tues., Apr. 19—Theater Party. Wed., May 4—Board of Directors, 8. Thurs., May 5—Sing Rehearsal, 6. Fri., May 6—Sing, 1.

Wed., May 11-Executive Council, 8. Tues., May 17-Reunion, Election.

## REMEMBER THE DATE April 19

Theater Party for the benefit of the Scholarship and Welfare Funds at Radio City Music Hall. Tickets are priced at \$4.00 and \$5.00 each. Call BU 8-3203.

## SPRING REUNION

The Annual Meeting and Spring Reunion of the Associate Alumnae will be held this year on the evening of Tuesday, May the seventeenth, NOT at College, but at the Beekman Tower Hotel. Note the change from the customary Saturday in May. Plan your schedule to include this important meeting. Details of the program will reach you by mail in due time.

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#### **FROM THE COLLEGE LIBRARIAN** My dear Professor Hahn:

I am addressing this word to you as Editor of the Alumnae News. If you can see your way clear to fit this into an issue of the News, then my very sincere expression of gratefulness to the Associate Alumnae will be most widely disseminated. I am, of course, thanking the Alumnae on behalf of the Hunter College Library for their most generous gift on the occasion of the recent birthday celebrations of the College. As you know, \$850.00 was awarded to us. It had been agreed that it would be appropriate to divide the gift into equal parts for the enrichment of the Library both at Park Avenue and on the Bronx Campus. Through this donation we were able to acquire some splendid reference materials that are quite expensive; for example, a new edition of the Encyclopaedia Britannica (24 vols.), the Cambridge History of English Literature (15 vols.), and the new edition of the Grove's Dictionary of Music and Musicians (9 vols.), as well as many sporadic volumes which will implement the resources of the Library in various aspects of the College course of study.

We should be particularly happy for the Alumnae of the College to be made aware of the organization of the Friends of the Hunter College Library. Memberships in this association are sought by its steering committee. Its proceeds are devoted to the improvement of our library services to the students. Donations made to the College Library via this organization are tax deductible.

May I close with one word of welcome to our Alumnae? Obviously our Library exists for the purpose of providing services, first, to our students, and, second, to our faculty. That is our job. I do hope, however, that our Alumnae are aware that to the same extent that the College is still a home of theirs in which they have once lived, the Library is a room in that house where they are still to feel at home and where they will be welcomed by its present tenants.

FREDERIC W. STEWART

#### SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Many members of the Associate Alumnae of Hunter College have availed themselves of a unique and charming way to give a gift. The Scholarship and Welfare Fund issues an attractive card, complete with seal and lavender ribbon suitable for framing, acknowledging a donation in honor of a named person. These are particularly appropriate for the birth of a baby, birthdays, anniversaries, and In Memoriam.

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