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OFFICERS' SLATE NAMED

The following slate was presented by the Nominating Committee at the Steering Committee meeting of February 28: for president, Mildred Speiser '49; for vice president, Susan Schiffres Nachamie '59; for treasurer, Sara Robbins Schoenwetter '65; for assistant treasurer, Teddy Christon '42; for corresponding secretary, Rose Wiesen Reiss '60; for recording secretary, Regina Lobel Grosser '36.

According to the Bylaws, additional nominations for any office may be submitted in writing by any member in good standing until three weeks prior to the Annual Meeting and Reunion, when elections are to take place. If there are no additional nominations, the slate presented by the Nominating Committee shall be deemed to have been elected. If, however, there are additional nominations for any office or offices, members in good standing present at that meeting shall vote by paper ballot. The Nominating Committee members will have the responsibility for overseeing the elections. Election will be by simple majority, and the results will be announced as soon as feasible.

Since our Bylaws were adopted at last year's Annual Meeting and Reunion, this is the first election of officers to take place under the Bylaws. Term of office is two years.

The Nominating Committee, which was appointed at the Steering Committee of January 17, consisted of Rose Wiesen Reiss '60, Marjorie Pearle Katz '51, and Marian Abrahams Goldhamer '51.

REUNION TO LOOK TO FUTURE; SITE IS MOVED

The fourth Annual Reunion of the Hunter College High School Alumnae Association will take place on Sunday, May 16, at 2 PM in the Hunter Elementary School Building, 418 East 54 Street, east of First Avenue, in Manhattan.

The afternoon's program will begin with a brief business meeting to hear the President's Report, elect officers (see story this page), and hear about the latest developments in that lengthening

THE SAGA OF THE NEW BUILDING

In our last issue we promised to tell the story of how the building, known as I.S. 29, on Park Avenue and 94th Street, came to be the long-awaited new home of Hunter High. That part of the story has to be postponed for the time being, because the move will not take place until the end of this school year. The reasons are complex but initially involved problems of jurisdiction, first between the community school board, which originally was utilizing the building, and then between the Board of Education and the Board of Higher Education. Other continuing complications involve financial and possible property exchanges between the two latter. However, Dr. Bernard Miller, Director of Campus Schools, now definitely anticipates that the High School will have a new home in time for the fall '76 semester.

We are disappointed that we will be unable to have the Reunion in the new building--but we're sure our disappointment is minor compared to that of the students who have for so long had to do without a proper facility. Well, we'll just have to wait until next year's Reunion to take you on a tour of the new Hunter High!

* DON'T FORGET MAY 16 2:00 PM *
* REUNION 418 EAST 54 STREET *

cliff-hanger, The Saga of The New Building (see story). Fanny Kaufman Casher, '28, Reunion Committee Coordinator, promises a surprise guest speaking about "Hunter of the Future: A Little of the Tradition and a Little More of the Dream." Mrs. Maria (Aguilera) Lo Frumento, Dr. Helen Witmer, and Dr. Harry Ruderman will be among the faculty guests. Representatives of the 50-year and 25-year Milestone Classes (cont'd on page 3)

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| Record. Sec'y | Susan Schiffres Nachamie '59 |

DEAR ALUMNAE:

It's hard to believe, but our fourth Reunion is coming up! It seems almost yesterday that the Alumnae Association got started with a few names and addresses, a few ads in THE NEW YORK TIMES personal columns, and a notice in the UFT newspaper. And here we are, Bylaws, mailing permit and all, with a mailing list approaching the 4,000 mark and bulging file cabinets.

To those of you who can possibly spare an hour or two on an occasional Saturday afternoon, won't you please join us at Steering Committee meetings? Everyone is not only welcome, but needed. The next meeting is scheduled for May 1 in the present High School, 466 Lexington Avenue, Room 1323, at 12:30 PM. (If you can't come early, come late--but do come--we're usually there until 3 or later.)

We look forward to seeing you all at the Reunion.

As always,

Mildred Speiser
President

NOTICE

We are planning to establish an Alumnae Library and Archive to form a part of the High School library. It will include publications by alumnae and materials, including photographs, relating to Hunter High as we all knew it over the years. Please send any material you may have or would like to contribute to the Hunter College High School Alumnae Association, 466 Lexington Avenue, New York, NY 10017.

REGIONAL CHAPTERS

We are still working on regional lists for New Jersey and Nassau and Suffolk Counties. Other lists are now available on request. Enclose a stamped, self-addressed, business-size envelope and include your high school name and year of graduation on the face of the envelope. New regional representatives are:

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

Joan Dillenberg Linden ('43)
6110 Flight Avenue
Los Angeles, CA 90056

BOSTON AREA

Sonia Schweid Reizes ('43)
5 Todd Road
Lexington, MA 02173

SOUTHERN REGION

Frances Shapiro Izker ('57)
5121 Metropolitan Drive
New Orleans, LA 70126

When writing to your regional representative, please include your telephone number.

Anyone interested in starting a regional chapter in an area other than those listed above and in the last issue, please write to:

Rose Wiesen Reiss
308 Wayne Street
Highland Park, NJ 08904

EXPENDITURES

The Steering Committee has decided not to appropriate funds for specific programs within the high school, but instead to provide \$500 for the current school year to be applied to priorities as determined by the high school administration. We also provide a stipend of \$200 for two student aides, have taken a half-page ad in Annals for \$60, and will present, as we did last year, an award of \$50 to a graduating senior whose contribution is not being otherwise acknowledged for service to the school and community. Our other expenditures are for costs associated with the Reunion, with printing and mailing, and for a number of small advertisements in various community publications in our continuing efforts to locate as many Hunter grads as possible.

ALUMNA-GRAMS

Do YOU have a message to send? Here's your chance to communicate with thousands of your fellow alumnae at one fell swoop. Send an ALUMNA-GRAM. Your check for \$5.00 made out to HCHS Alumnae Assn. will buy you three lines of copy in our next issue due in the spring of 1976. Send your copy in now while you have it in mind. You can use the form below or a separate sheet of paper. Only 45 characters, including spaces and punctuation, to a line, please. Add another \$5.00 for each additional three lines.

☐ Yes, I want to send an ALUMNA-GRAM! Here is my check for \$5.00 and three lines of copy:

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ALUMNA-GRAMS (cont'd)

WELCOME TO THE NEIGHBORHOOD. JANET WALD
 FRUCHTMAN, CL. OF '45. SOUTH FERRY LIQUOR CORP
 1265 MADISON AVE BET. 90-91 STS. 369-1343

CLASS OF '66 - INTERESTED IN CELEBRATING OUR
 10TH ANNIVERSARY? CONTACT HELENE ("BEANIE")
 BLACKMAN HERMAN (212) 896-1758.

REUNION (cont'd from page 1)

will also speak. Afterward there will be an opportunity to meet informally with classmates and friends.

We must remind you that space in the elementary school building is limited, and there are no baby-sitting facilities. So, please send your offspring off to the Zoo (65th Street and Fifth Avenue) or a museum for the afternoon so you can have a good time.

Don't miss the event of the year! RSVP by means of the tear-off on this page (and if you forget to RSVP, do come anyway!). For further information, telephone 360-5003. See you on the 16th of May!

 Tear off and mail to: Hunter College High School Alumnae Association
 466 Lexington Avenue
 New York, New York 10017

Note: To save on mailing and office costs, we are not going to bill our members for dues. Therefore, it is up to YOU to remember to pay the small annual amount that makes it possible for us to help the high school, conduct a Reunion, send out these mailings, and keep our files up to date.

- ☐ I plan to attend the Reunion on May 16.
☐ I enclose \$2.00 to cover Reunion expenses.
☐ I enclose a contribution of \$5.00 or more (\$50) to become a member in good standing for 1976-1977.

PLEASE MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: HCHS Alumnae Assn.

- ☐ I enclose the names and current addresses of some other alumnae (please list on separate sheet and include any other information you may have, such as high school last name, class, etc.).

| CURRENT SURNAME | SURNAME WHILE AT HUNTER | FIRST NAME | CLASS |
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ALL ABOUT YOU AND YOU AND YOU ...

Roxee Ward Joly, '31, has been designated to receive the Outstanding Professional Achievement Award from the Hunter College Alumni Association. Roxee is superintendent of high schools in Queens, NY, one of the few women to reach this professional level ... Irene Greenberg Copeland, '50, recently published Flea Markets in the Northeast (Bodger Press, Ltd., \$3.95) ... Fran Shapiro Izker, '57, writes that "after 3 kids, a Ph.D., and a college teaching career," she expects to get her M.D. in May '77, "20 years after I graduated from Hunter (better late than never)." ... Mildred Speiser, '49, is coauthor of Ms. Quiz: Our 76 Founding Sisters, capsule profiles of a varied cross-section of known and little-known American women (Mirage Enterprises, \$1.95) ... Ophelia DeVore, '41, is owner of the Ophelia DeVore School of Charm in Manhattan, pioneered the "Black is Beautiful" concept, and has had the satisfaction of seeing her students go on to successful careers as actresses, models, and television news correspondents. Ophelia is also a board member of the Sickle Cell Anemia Society and active in the Cosmetics Career Women and the NAACP ... Sheila Cameron Tryk, '42, lives in New Mexico, does publicity for that state, and is editor of New Mexico Magazine. She is proud of her three achieving children, among them a daughter who is first hornist with the Iceland National Symphony in Reykjavik. Sheila has written two books and received numerous press awards, and recently had a reunion in London with Corrine Duncan Coverston, '42, who now lives in Costa Rica ... Barbara Portnoy Weisner, '49, writes from West Des Moines that she is a communications representative in the marketing department of NW Bell ... Elaine Brann Bras, '54, lives in France, where she is a free-lance interpreter at Common Market, UNESCO, and OECD conferences ... Marion Carton Gulack, '46, is an engineering librarian at the Corporate Engineering Center in Fair Lawn, had one son graduate from Hofstra and enter an MFA program at Yale School of Drama, another graduate from Rochester Institute of Technology, and one daughter graduate from high school with plans to go on to Vassar

WELCOME

A very special welcome to Clarisse Mertz, who has joined the Steering Committee as supervisor of our high school staff, and who is really enthusiastic about getting and keeping our ever-lengthening mailing list up to date.

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