



Robert J. Grebenok, PhD

Biology Professor **Robert J. Grebenok, PhD**, is the recipient of a prestigious research fellowship from the National Science Foundation (NSF). The fellowship was awarded and funded through the Chloroplast 2010 program at Michigan State University. Chloroplast 2010 studies

plant genomics. Grebenok was one of only two professors nationwide invited to participate in the Chloroplast 2010 program.

Grebenok is also a co-principle investigator (PI) of a U.S. Department of Agriculture research grant, awarded in August. He and his co-PI (Spence Behmer, PhD, from Texas A&M University) will use the two-year, nearly \$250,000 grant to support the work of two post-doctoral research associates, graduates students and undergraduate researchers at both institutions. Their research involves the use and modification of plant sterols (naturally occurring components of cell membranes) to stop insects from eating certain plants.



Eileen Dugan

Eileen F. Dugan is the new theater artist-in-residence in the Department of English. An adjunct professor of English, Dugan has coordinated the department's theater arts minor for the past decade and served as director of the Canisius College Little

Theatre. She also teaches performance, directing and theater history, and supervises students in theater internships.

Well-known to Buffalo theater audiences, Dugan has performed in more than 40 roles at the Kavinoky Theater. She is also a frequent participant in Buffalo's Shakespeare in the Park performances and created much of its educational programming for Young Audiences of Western New York, through support from The John R. Oishei Foundation.

Dugan is the recipient of two Artie Awards for excellence in local performances.

First Tower Professorship Awarded to Hutton

Patricia A. Hutton, PhD, professor of economics/finance, is the first recipient of the new Peter Tower Professorship. Established in 2007 with a gift from Peter and Elizabeth Tower, the professorship is awarded to faculty members in the college's Richard J. Wehle School of Business. It provides resources for the creation of innovative programs for students that will foster entrepreneurship, innovation and economic development in Western New York. Peter Tower Professorships are awarded on the basis of competitive applications and are for a term of up to three years.

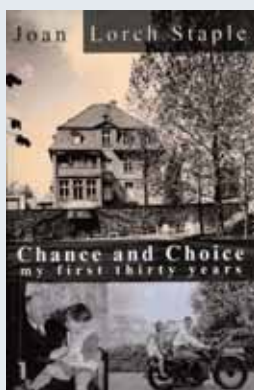


Patricia A. Hutton, PhD

Hutton will use the professorship to support new initiatives by the college's SIFE (Students in Free Enterprise) Team, which she organized in 2004. Specifically, the professorship will support competition participation for Canisius SIFE students; fund a global outreach project, in which SIFE students promote the education and artwork of school children in Mexico; establish a junior Golden Griffin Fund for students at the high school level so they may begin to learn about the inner-workings of capital markets through real-world learning experiences in investment management; and provide for a Western New York Youth Business Leadership Conference, as a means of advancing the success of student business clubs, developing student leadership, entrepreneurial and professional skills, and promoting service.

SIFE is an international, non-profit organization established to create economic opportunities through the organization of outreach projects that teach market economics, entrepreneurship, personal financial success skills and business ethics.

Chance and Choice Recounts the Life of Joan Lorch



Professor Emerita of Biology **I. Joan Lorch, PhD**, recounts the first 30 years of her life in *Chance and Choice*. Born in 1923 Germany, Lorch's memoir conveys what it was like to be a young Jewish girl growing up under Hitler's reign, her life as a German national in war-torn England, and how she became a female biologist in a field dominated by men. Lorch concludes her story in 1952 with her marriage to Peter Staple, a young English dentist and doctoral student.

At Canisius, Lorch served as a professor in the Biology Department from 1972 until her retirement in 1993. During her tenure, she established the Canisius College Women's Studies Committee.

Chance and Choice: My First Thirty Years sells for \$19.94 and is available at www.lulu.com.

Canisius Adds Eight Full-Time Faculty

Eight new full-time faculty joined Canisius this academic year. The total number of full-time faculty at the college now stands at 217, of which nearly 95 percent hold PhD or terminal degrees. The Canisius student-to-faculty ratio is approximately 12-to-1.

The new faculty are: **Jennifer R. Fields, JD, LLM**, assistant professor of criminal justice; **S. Catherine Foster, PhD**, assistant professor of communication studies; **Patricia A. Johnson, CPA**, assistant professor of accounting; **Jonathan Lopez**, assistant professor of mathematics & statistics; **Tara M. McCarthy, PhD**, assistant professor of history; **Corrine M. Morris, PhD**, assistant professor of graduate education; **Eric J. Stenclik, PhD**, assistant professor of English; and **Christine M. Walsh**, assistant professor of fine arts.