

Students in Free Enterprise (SIFE) USA conferred its Jack Kahl Entrepreneurial Leadership Award upon **Patricia A. Hutton, PhD**, professor of economics. The award recognizes an individual



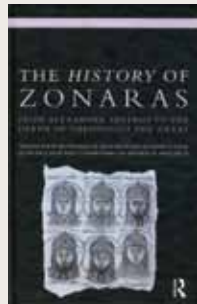
Patricia A. Hutton, PhD

who advanced the SIFE organization during an academic year, and who made outstanding contributions to SIFE students and teams on his or her campus.

Hutton founded Canisius SIFE in spring 2004. This past year, she led the 57-member organization to implement 24 service projects, which created economic opportunities in the community.

SIFE is a non-profit organization that teaches market economics, entrepreneurship, personal and financial skills, environmental sustainability and business ethics through outreach projects.

Students and scholars of Roman and Byzantium history have a new resource in *The History of Zonaras: From Alexander Severus to the Death of Theodosius the Great*. Written by **Thomas M. Banchich, PhD**, chair and professor of classics, the textbook is a translation of chronicles written by 12th century Byzantine functionary and canonist John Zonaras. Zonaras used earlier records and histories to compose an account of events from creation to the reign of Alexius Comnenus, emperor of the Eastern Roman Empire.



In Memoriam

Canisius College lost a former faculty member and friend in **William H. Jarrett, PhD**, on April 13. He was 78. A longtime professor in the Department of Sociology and Anthropology, Jarrett came to Canisius in 1960 and retired in



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1998. During his tenure, he served as chair of the department. Jarrett was also instrumental in the establishment of the Criminal Justice Program and served as its director when he retired from teaching.

Irwin Receives Distinguished Faculty Award



Barbara J. Irwin, PhD

The Canisius College Alumni Association presented **Barbara J. Irwin, PhD**, with its 2009 Kenneth L. Koessler Distinguished Faculty Award. The award annually recognizes one faculty member for teaching excellence and outstanding contributions to the academic world.

Irwin is chair and professor of communication studies, and director of the department's internship program. She also oversees the award-winning Canisius College Video Institute, which Irwin established with a Peter Canisius Distinguished Teaching Professorship. The Video Institute engages students in the production of video projects and documentaries for community service and humanitarian agencies in Buffalo and around the world.

Irwin specializes in the areas of broadcasting and media studies. Much of her research examines the message content of soap operas and how these messages relate to society and culture. She is a best-selling author who has written two books about television's highest-rated soap opera, *The Young and the Restless*.

Wanzer Recognized for Teaching Excellence

The Eastern Communications Association presented **Melissa B. Wanzer, EdD**, with its Donald H. Ecroyd & Caroline Drummond Ecroyd Teaching Excellence Award. The award recognizes an educator who effectively incorporates communication principles into the classroom.

A professor of communication studies, Wanzer teaches interpersonal communication, small group communication, persuasion and social influence, and the constructive uses of humor (*Canisius Magazine*, summer 2005). She has also presented and published in areas such as health communication, affinity-seeking and teacher misbehaviors.

The Eastern Communications Association is the oldest professional communication association in the United States.



Melissa B. Wanzer, EdD

Professor Picks

Must-read books recommended by English Department faculty



The Namesake

An Asian Indian family immigrates to America and their American-born son must then negotiate between honoring tradition and creating his own identity. *Jane E. Fisher, PhD*

Jhumpa Lahiri

A Fine Balance

When a "state of internal emergency" is declared in mid-1970s urban India, the lives of four disparate people become unexpectedly and inextricably entwined.

Rita A. Capezzi, PhD

Lincoln: The Biography of a Writer

A biography that analyzes Abraham Lincoln's writings, from the great civic anthems of his presidency to love letters, legal briefs, poems and notebook jottings.

Mick Cochrane, PhD

For a complete list of must-read book recommendations, visit www.canisius.edu/magazine.