**ALUMNI VOLUNTEERS GATHER FOR SUMMER INSTITUTE**

The Alumni Leadership Institute, held July 26 and 27, 2002, was an informative and entertaining experience for alumni of all ages. Hofstra administrators, including Pat Montagano from the Recreation Center, Jane LaRocco from Admissions, and Jenn Boscariino-Green from Freshman Advancement reacquainted alumni with their respective departments while new attendees enjoyed a campus tour. Veteran alumni volunteers participated in a round table discussion, offering new ideas and improvements for the HART and Hofstra CAN! programs.

Alumni new to the Institute as well as seasoned volunteers were quickly impressed by Hofstra’s enhancements and additions. The individualized attention and helpful workshops revealed why this weekend has grown in popularity. One new attendee said, “I found that the connection to all alumni was excellent. The program is exciting and very informative!”

If you missed the summer Institute, you’re in luck!

We have added a mid-year Alumni Leadership Institute. Whether you are already a member of HART (Hofstra Alumni Recruitment Team) or Hofstra CAN! (Career Assistance Network) or would like to know more about how to become an alumni volunteer, this mini-Institute is for you. See page 13 for details.

**SAVE THE DATE: SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 2003**

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**CAREER WEEK BRINGS ALUMNI AND STUDENTS FACE TO FACE**

The week long schedule of events sponsored by The Career Center and the Office of Alumni Relations, gave Hofstra CAN! volunteers some quality time with Hofstra students. From September 21 to 27, events were carefully chosen to assist Hofstra students in the career search. Ranging from reviewing resumes, to networking, to panel discussions, Hofstra CAN! volunteers were on hand to share their career histories and expertise in various fields.

Hofstra CAN! kicked off Career Week with the Annual Tailgate Lunch and Football Game. More than 40 Hofstra CAN! volunteers gathered to talk about the future of the program and cheer on the Hofstra Pride Football team. Hofstra CAN! Volunteer of the Year, Bill Agresti ’78, spoke to the other volunteers and encouraged them to keep making great strides for the program.

The “Hofstra Success Stories” panel received great praise, especially from the student newspaper, The Chronicle. In the front page story entitled “Auspicious Alumni,” the journalist wrote, “each [alumni] has attained successful, profiting careers and attribute their accomplishments to the experiences they gained during their time at the University. Each of the alumni lives very different lives, but they do share one thing: a University degree. Through internships and networking with companies provided by Hofstra, they were able to make their way up to success.” Special thanks to Bob Bernstein ’55, Nick Croce ’95, Neil Gillis ’84, Joel Simkins ’98 and Joan Woods ’86 for selflessly sharing their amazing career journeys!

Through “Resumania,” students signed up to speak with alumni who had career experiences in their fields of interest. More than 70 students benefited from the one-on-one experience of having a Hofstra CAN! volunteer review their resumes. Our “Resumania” alumni experts were: Pete Blumenthal ’81, Evan Giniger ’87, Ilene Schuss ’80, Nick Serrano ’88 and Stan Ulanoff ’55.

Other Career Week events included a Networking Reception, where students were able to talk through their career plans with alumni, and the Annual Job Fair, where students could pursue current internships and job openings.

If you would like to learn more about Hofstra CAN!, join us for our mid-year Alumni Leadership Institute on February 8.