

10/01/00 Podcast Transcript: 2009 promotion and tenure recognition event

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"I want to welcome you and congratulate our colleagues who have survived the process of preparing your dossier and being reviewed by your colleagues...." This is Dave Perrin speaking, Provost and Vice Chancellor of Academic Affairs. This is a wonderful annual event in honor of our faculty colleagues who have been promoted and in some case promoted and tenured. It's a wonderful idea that was brought to UNCG from Penn State, with (the Library's) Dean Bazirjian and it's become a very popular event. I'm also very delighted I think effective last year, we have been able to honor, not only our promoted tenure track faculty, but our promoted non tenure track faculty and I know they very much appreciate that and so that's a wonderful addition to this terrific celebration of the accomplishments of our distinguished faculty at here at UNCG.

I'm Rosann Bazijin, Dean of University Libraries, here to tell you a little bit about our promotion and tenure recognition event. It started a few years ago and what I particularly like about it is the collaboration w/ the provost office and recognition of the importance of the libraries and the roles the libraries plays in research and scholarship across the university; that's a very important concept for people to understand, recognize and appreciate.

Gwen Hunnicutt from Sociology. .. I book I picked is the *Executioner's Song* by Norman Mailer. I can say I think this event is a really brilliant idea to celebrate books and the fact that they are tools of our craft and the whole reason we are here at the university is b/c of ideas and books. It makes sense to construct an event around books that have been particularly meaningful to us. So this is great! And bring tenured is great!

I'm Tom Jackson from History and I'm supporting Gwen Hunnicutt from sociology who choose The Executioner's Song. I had my day 2 years ago and I think it's a wonderful thing to see our names up in light and get applauded and share our love of reading and scholarship.

Kristine Lundgren from Communication Sciences and Disorders... This is great event today. I was very happy that I had the ability to choose a book that I really liked and to let everyone know about a book this book because they may not know about it. it's called *Destructive Emotions* by Daniel Goldman who is a science writer for the NYT and he did an interesting study with the Dali Lama, where they looked the brain and changes in the brain when people meditate. It was a really interesting book b/c not only because it looked at meditation, an area I'm very interested in, but it looked at meditation from a number of different perspectives and collaborative research which I really enjoy.

Anne Marie Scott from the Department of Nutrition and I choose *Harold McGee's On Food and Cooking* b/c it's a one of the most comprehensive lay texts that is actually a food science textbook. I use it in my class as a supplementary text because they students enjoy it. My favorite quote of Harold McGee's is "sauces are distillations of desire."

Christine Morris in Theatre... I was thinking about which book to choose and had it down to a couple title and then realized I could order a performance on DVD. So mine is not a book but a performance, a

recording of a wonderful performance done by the Royal Shakespeare Company of Nikolai Nickleby by Charles Dickens. I actually saw that performance and it was hugely inspirational and a reminder of why we do live theater and now it's in the library for the students to see.

My name is Rebecca Adams and I was chair of the faculty senate last year so I chaired of the P & T committee and I served on it 2 years previously so I really come to respect the quality of our faculty. This is wonderful celebration of the talent and the hard work that is represented and I'm really grateful that we have the opportunity to do this each year