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DR. VALI SIADAT US PROFESSOR OF THE YEAR IN ILLINOIS

On Wednesday, December 14, 2005 City Colleges of Chicago engaged in celebrating the selection



of one of their faculty as the 2005 Illinois professor of the year. "Professor Vali Siadat was selected from among nearly 400 top professors in the United States", said the City Colleges report.

services. Other speakers such as professor Ronald Thompson, Faculty Council President at Daley College, and Dr. John Novosel, professor at the Department of Mathematics, pointed out to the leadership traits of Dr. Siadat, the excellence of his character, and the integrity of his calling to teach and educate the younger generation and to empower them to make choices for a better life for themselves, their families and the society at large.

Marjan Siadat, on behalf of herself and her family, shed light on some other aspects of her father's life whose love of assisting his family

our dear friend Dr. Vali Siadat [the guardian of integrity]... Dr. Siadat's love for truth per se, that manifests itself in the form of balance, equity, and justice; and as witnessed by the mathematical and physical laws of the universe, seems to have been the single most important trait of his life... The Iranian community of the Greater Chicago has benefited from Dr. Siadat's contributions towards creating awareness about observing basic human rights and the mutual social responsibilities among the leaders and the community. He and his loving family have supported the educational and cultural activities of Iran House in many encouraging ways.... Dr. Siadat's zeal to educate and empower his students, in particular, to achieve that which is of benefit for society at large, has taken him beyond ethnic limitations and has made of him an ideal citizen whose vision is the betterment of the world and of life itself.

Iran House of Greater Chicago sincerely congratulates Dr. Siadat

two prominent institutions that are represented here today." The outstanding point that Dr. Siadat made in response to the talks given by some twelve speakers was that the title and the award granted to him indeed represents the excellence in performance in the fields of teaching and administration that the seven City Colleges in greater Chicago area have displayed over many years, and that he is honored by this and is confident that, as Dr. Constance Mixon, the professor of Political Sciences, won the title last year, others among their colleagues will achieve that stature in the near future.

Dr. Watson, Dr. Sylvia Ramos, the President of Daley College, and other officials, presented the awards and congratulatory messages from the honorable Richard M. Daley, Mayor of the City of Chicago, and from Carnegie Foundation and the Council for the Advancement and Support of Education. The participant enjoyed

The selection was made by two prominent educational institutions of international fame: The Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching; and the Council for the Advancement and Support of Education.

At 4:00 PM the elegant hall of the historic Youth Shore Cultural Center at 7059 South Shore Drive was filled by Dr. Siadat's co-workers, his family members and siblings, his old and new friends and associates. Dr. Siadat himself welcomed all at the door as they eagerly came forward and greeted him in congratulatory mode.

As the participants gathered and the meeting commenced, the speakers were introduced. Dr. Wayne Watson, Chancellor of the City Colleges of Chicago, referred Dr. Vali Siadat as a professor of mathematics and research methodology who had taught thousands of students in the course of over thirty years of his academic

and everyone else is the defining characteristic of his life.

Among the Iranian associates of Dr. Siadat who enlightened the audience about his Iranian cultural heritage was Dr. Hamid Akbari, the Chair of the Department of Business Management at Northeastern Illinois University. He, as well as Dr. Novosel before him, congratulated Dr. Siadat's father, who lives in Iran, and his mother, who was among the honored guests in the audience, for having brought up a child who has become a role model for excellence and integrity in the communities and the areas of services where Dr. Siadat moves and touches lives.

On behalf of Iran House of Greater Chicago the following was said in appreciation of Dr. Siadat's academic and community education in Chicago for over thirty years: "We are here today to join you in celebrating the superb services, academic and otherwise, performed well over thirty years by

and his family for this recognition, as the Illinois Professor of the Year that is granted to him by the

refreshments and dinner before and after the event.

Full Text of Iran House Congratulatory Remarks at the Celebration Ceremony for Dr. Vali Siadat's Achievement at Youth Shore Cultural Center, 7059 South Shore Drive, on Wednesday, December 15, 2005

Dear Friends,

My name is Bijan Bayzaee, and I thank the Chair for the opportunity to say a few words on behalf of Iran House of Greater Chicago—a voluntary association that promotes awareness about Persian culture through a number of educational activities.

We are here today to join you in celebrating the superb services, academic and otherwise, performed well over thirty years by our dear friend Dr. Vali Siadat [the guardian of integrity].

Since early 1970's when some of us at Iran House, including myself, were students at the University of Illinois at the Chicago Circle, we had witnessed the manner and the demeanor displayed by Dr. Siadat, to empower students and his associates to search independently and with an objective vision after the truth of everything they are seeking.

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Iran House Congratulated Dr. Siadat's Achievement

On Friday, December 9, 2005 some sixty representatives of



the Iranian communities in the greater Chicago area and its vicinity gathered together at a banquet at Reza's Restaurant on Clark Street to celebrate the title of the U.S. Professor of the Year in Illinois won by Dr. Vali Siadat, professor of Mathematical Sciences of City Colleges of Chicago. This title was granted by the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching; and the Council for the Advancement and Support of Education.

At the gathering, the Iran House of Greater Chicago representative presented Dr. Siadat with a

plaque of appreciation for his thirty years of services as an academician and as a member of the Iranian community in Chicago. The audience displayed and appreciation for Dr. Siadat's untiring efforts in creating an awareness of the vital need to recognize the nobility of human nature as a firm foundation, and as a necessary and sufficient condition, for the establishment of a just and peaceful society anywhere on this planet.

Dr. Siadat's response to this sincere gesture of appreciation was that he accepted this symbol in the name of the late Dr. Farhad Dehghan (see his account below), the professor of Economics in Wisconsin who sadly had passed away two years ago, and whose contribution towards the ideals of Dr. Siadat have been a source of inspiration for him.

Iran House Congratulates Dr. Siadat for the naming of him as the Illinois Professor of the Year.

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leaders and the community. He and his loving family have supported the educational and cultural activities of Iran House in many encouraging ways.

Being a professor of mathematics, and dealing with the universal laws governing our lives, Dr. Siadat's zeal to educate and empower his students, in particular, to achieve that which is of benefit for society at large, has taken him beyond ethnic limitations and has made of him an ideal citizen whose vision is the betterment of the world and of life itself on this planet.

Iran House of Greater Chicago sincerely congratulates Dr. Siadat and his family for this recognition, as the Illinois Professor of the Year that is granted to him by the two prominent institutions that are represented here today.

Thank you