Dear members of the campus community,

Please accept this invitation to join your colleagues tomorrow, Wednesday April 17th, for an enjoyable and thought-provoking presentation as part of the Presidential Lecture Series.

Prolific novelist, essayist, and screenwriter Susan Isaacs will give a presidential lecture entitled, "Poof! You’re a Hero: How the Novelist Creates Women and Men" in which she will answer the question writers are most often asked: where do you get your ideas? She will discuss how a protagonist grows from a vague voice to a fully formed character in fiction, and from the hero of a novel to the star of a film. Having created both female and male protagonists, she will also address the disturbing emergence of misandry on page and screen. Ms. Isaacs is a resident of Long Island; her ten novels have been New York Times bestsellers, and her fiction has been translated into thirty languages. From the writing of her first novel, Compromising Positions in 1978, to her 1987 production of Hello Again, through her 2001 Book of the Month Club main selection Long Time No See, Susan Isaacs has intrigued and captured the imaginations of a global audience. Please join us in the Student Activities Center Auditorium during campus lifetime (12:40 – 2:00 p.m.) for Susan Isaacs' special presentation. I believe you will find her lecture and the subsequent discussion challenging and entertaining.

Please RSVP to the Office for Conferences and Special Events on West Campus at 632-6270 regarding your attendance at the lecture; seating will be open and limited to the capacity of the SAC auditorium. Refreshments will be served. Special transportation to the lectures from the front of University Hospital on East Campus may be arranged by calling the same number.

Shirley Strum Kenny
President