

Fourteen years ago, I was honored to have been selected to serve on the Council of my alma mater, Stony Brook University. Through the years, I have been privileged to work with many talented administrators, faculty, and staff in making Stony Brook one of the highest ranked research universities in the nation. I am a proud graduate of Stony Brook and have only seen this pride grow as Stony Brook ascended into the ranks of the Association of American Universities.

With the selection of Dr. Samuel Stanley as our new President, Stony Brook embarks on a new chapter in its incredible short life. Certainly, one of my proudest moments as Chair of the Stony Brook Council was recommending Dr. Stanley to the SUNY Board of Trustees. I am confident that even greater success is in store for Stony Brook under the leadership of Dr. Stanley.

As part of this exciting future, I am pleased to inform you that Governor Paterson has selected another Stony Brook alumn, Kevin Law, to serve as the Council's next chair. Kevin has had a distinguished career in both the private and public sectors, and he will ably lead the Council in the years ahead.

I am also excited to report that Rich Gelfond, Chair of the Stony Brook Foundation, has invited me to join the Foundation board, and I intend to join Rich, Jim Simons and their colleagues in furthering the Foundation's important work.

Stony Brook is poised for true greatness under the stewardship of Dr. Stanley. Rich Gelfond and the Stony Brook Foundation have done incredible work, and I look forward to working with him and the other members of the Foundation in furthering its critical mission for Stony Brook.

Enjoy the rest of your summer and thank you for your continued dedication to Stony Brook.

Best wishes,

Richard Nasti '78