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University Celebrates as John H. Marburger, III, Becomes Third Stony Brook President

With color guards in the foreground and robes and hoods representing colleges and universities across the country forming a colorful backdrop, Stony Brook held its first presidential inauguration in 15 years Friday, May 1.

Dr. John H. Marburger III, the 40-year-old former dean in the University of Southern California, was formally invested as Stony Brook's third president by the State of New York Chancellor, Clifton R. Wharton.



Stony Brook President John H. Marburger III

Dr. Melvyn Morris '62, president of the Alumni Association was among the platform speakers delivering greetings at the inauguration.

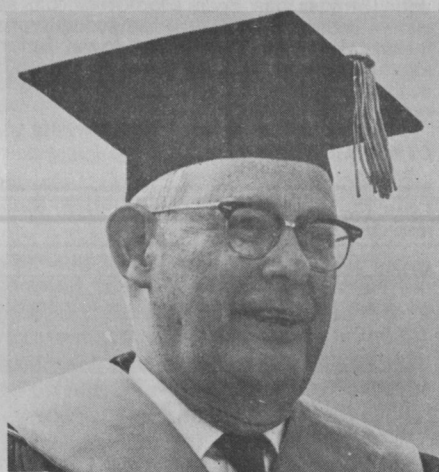
A crowd of about two thousand persons looked on as the morning ceremonies took place on the campus athletic fields. Dr. H. Bentley Glass, Stony Brook's first academic vice president, who is now distinguished professor emeritus of biology, was chief marshal for the academic procession that opened the ceremonies.

Dr. R. Christian Anderson, chairman of the Stony Brook Council, presided at the ceremonies. Those attending included Stony Brook students, faculty and alumni, and community and regional leaders.

The inauguration had been preceded by a community reception two nights beforehand at the 1980 Dining Car's new Victoria House catering center in Setauket. A faculty reception was held the previous night at the campus gymnasium.

The inauguration was Stony Brook's first since 1966 when Dr. John S. Toll was inaugurated. Dr. Toll came to Stony Brook in 1965, serving until 1978. Dr. T. Alexander Pond was Acting President in 1978-79 and Dr. Richard Penrose Schmidt in 1979-80.

Inaugural Chief Marshal H. Bentley Glass



Dr. Toll's predecessor, Dr. John S. Lee, was Stony Brook's first President from 1961-62 before the campus moved from Oyster Bay to Stony Brook. Dr. Leonard K. Olsen had headed the Oyster Bay campus as Dean from 1957-61. After the move to Stony Brook, Dr. Karl D. Hartzell had similar duties with the title of Administrative Officer until Dr. Toll's arrival.

Dr. Marburger came to Stony Brook in July 1980 after 14 years at the University of Southern California, including four years as Dean of the College of Letters, Arts and Sciences.

—David Woods

Chief Administrator Sidney Gelber Returns to Teaching

Among the pioneer teachers who began at Oyster Bay in 1958, Sidney Gelber has often left his philosophy classroom to serve the University as an administrator. Now, after a decade as the chief academic officer on campus, he has decided to return to full-time teaching.

His announcement last fall brought an immediate and warm outpouring of respect and gratitude. A dozen events were arranged by a faculty committee of 50 for the spring, including lectures, a

Faculty Earn Sloan Fellowships, Guggenheim, and Other Awards

As the semester comes to a close, a tally of award-winning professors this spring is impressive. At least 49 faculty members have been granted awards for their contributions in fields that range from science to sociology.

Newly-named as Sloan Research Fellows are Glenn Prestwich, assistant professor of chemistry, Tapan Mitra, associate professor of economics and Sheryl Scott, assistant professor of neurobiology and behavior. The \$20,000 grants support basic research by promising young scientists, on a two year basis.

State University Awards went to 42 professors at Stony Brook, totalling \$119,397. The faculty winners represent 21 academic departments.

Mark Granovetter, an associate professor of sociology, is Stony Brook's Guggenheim winner. His grant will be used to help him continue his research on the sociology of income differences.

The Veblen Prize is a coveted mathematics award, given only once every five years to two mathematicians judged to have made an outstanding contribution to the discipline. Co-winners this year are Mikhail Gromov, professor of mathematics, and Shing-Tau Yau, who was a faculty member at Stony Brook from 1972 to 1973.

Beverly Birns, coordinator of women's studies, received one of six 1981-82 Congressional Science Fellowships awarded in child development. As a congressional science fellow, Professor Birns will be based in Washington, D.C. for one year as a special legislative assistant to Congress.

The Macelwane Award winner is Donald J. Weidner, associate professor of geophysics in the Department of Earth

concert, a symposium and an honor society induction.

Two lectureships bearing his name were created. And April 10, 240 friends and colleagues gathered for a testimonial honoring the retiring university provost.

Dr. Gelber, who will spend the next year on leave abroad, commented on the special week's activities: "I was rather overwhelmed by it."

—Alvin Oickle

CLASS NOTES

CLASS OF 1967

Hal Zwicke has been promoted to competitive analyst on Southern Bell's Marketing staff in Lilburn, GA. When he's not working at Bell, Hal collects, plays and teaches guitar.

CLASS OF 1968

Jean (Hrber) and Bill Bronson are employed by the Northport Schools. Jean teaches remedial math and Bill is a Jr. High School Principal. Both use micro computers in their work. Bill is finishing up his doctorate at Teacher's College, Columbia University.

CLASS OF 1969

Edwin and Sandra (Fried) Marcus are now living in Illinois with their two children, Collin and Brina. Edwin runs a station for Sabena Airlines.

Stephen Vanasio is currently taking a residency in Anesthesiology at the University of Iowa.

CLASS OF 1970

Glenn and Randy ('72) Blumberg have relocated to Gainesville, FL with their three sons. Glenn has started a business called Metalloy Industries, Inc., trading in metals, and plans to teach a course in international economics at the University of Florida.

Jerome (Jerry) Cohen retired from teaching in January 1980 and is now a full-time Rabbi with the Mastic Beach Hebrew Center.

CLASS OF 1971

After attending medical school in Iowa, **Dr. Barton Bellus** is living in Dayton, OH with his wife and three children. Currently he is a fellow in respiratory ailments.

Richard M. Forte is a buyer of junior fashion bottoms for Mervyn's stores. He lives in Berkeley, CA with his wife and two children.

Ed Lee owns his own coin company, Lee Numismatics International, Inc., in Burlington, MA. Ed started in the coin business sifting through bags of loose change and is now one of the top four of fine coin dealers in the country.

Garry and Ellen (Balg) Meyer are living in Stamford, CT with their two sons, Matthew (2 years) and Benjamin (5 months). Dr. Meyer is employed in the Advanced Demographic Systems group of Donnelley Marketing as manager, interactive systems.

Dr. Joel Silver received his Ph.D. in physical chemistry from M.I.T. and was just appointed associate director of the Center for Chemical and Environmental Physics in the Applied Sciences Division at Aerodyne Research. In this position, he will direct fundamental contract research programs in combustion, chemical kinetics, atmospheric chemistry, spectroscopy and laser development.

CLASS OF 1972

Richard Fitzpatrick has been named a vice-president, National Division of the National Bank of North America. His office will be on Wall Street.

Dr. Leonard Rosmarin is pleased to announce the opening of his office for the practice of dermatology at the Medical Arts Building in Whitestone, Queens.

CLASS OF 1973

Peter Dobkin is an assistant professor of history at Wesleyan University and has just received a grant from the Woodrow Wilson Foundation to study American intellectual history 1865-1980 (with a 20th century emphasis).

Janis (Rosenbaum) Fox and her husband, Bill, are proud to announce the birth of their first child, Jared Andrew, on Dec. 18, 1980. Janis is a speech-language pathologist at the Communication Disorders Center of Albany Medical Center Hospital. Her husband is an attorney in private practice.

Paul Lombardo is a physician assistant at SUSB and is president of the New York State Society of Physician Assistants.

Isidore Margulies is a full-time sculptor in bronze, who has work displayed in prominent collections nationally. Isidore won a Gold Medal in the 1980 National Sculpture Society Exhibition.

Dr. Barry S. Ostroff, who recently became a diplomate of the American Board of Internal Medicine, is now practicing medicine for Trans World Airlines, Inc. at JFK International Airport.

Pauline Puritis is a public health nurse for Suffolk County Department of Health Services and a BOCES instructor teaching a medical assistant course.

John Strauss has been promoted from assistant professor of music to associate professor at Luther College in Iowa. Before joining Luther in 1975, John was an instructor at the University of Texas-Austin, where he received the D.M.A. degree in 1976.

CLASS OF 1974

Mark Demarest is living in Illinois with his wife Lynn (Tylin) and their two children, Sarah and Gretchen.

Bruce Jankowitz is the education director of the Fairfax House, a residential treatment program for adolescent boys in Annandale, VA.

Tom Moloney and the former Lois Marie Miller were married on Dec. 27, 1980.

CLASS OF 1975

John Gallo is completing work in the doctoral program at St. John's University leading to a Ph.D. in education administration and supervision.

A computer consultant with Digital Equipment Corporation, **Patrick Sweeney** tells us he was a Peace Corp volunteer in Togo in 1974-75. On St. Patrick's Day 1979 he married **Karin A'Hearn '75**, who also spent some time in the Peace Corps, in South Korea from 1976-78.

CLASS OF 1976

Now living in New York City, **James Ballerand** practices law in New York and Boca Rattan, FL.

Alan Cohn has been promoted to division manager of the Smithtown office of First Investors Corporation.

Marc Antony Duome and Fran Ferina '78 were married in 1978. Marc is a doctoral student at Hahnemann Medical College and Hospital in Philadelphia and the executive director of CONTACT, (Crisis Info and Referral Agency).

Currently a visiting assistant professor of psychology at Washington College in Maryland, **Donald Leitner** received his Ph.D. in 1980 from Bryn Mawr College and in May will start a postdoctoral fellowship at the New York State Psychiatric Institute at Columbia.

Michelle (Tompakor) '76 and Walter Muller '74 received degrees in business administration from Pace University. They now have a daughter, Valerie Anne, and reside in Connecticut. Walter is employed at Chase Manhattan Bank in Manhattan.

Garry Rothbaum and Nancy (Rizzo) Rothbaum (attended '73-'75) were married in 1978. Garry is president of Encore Leasing Corpo-

ration in Pelham. Nancy is coordinator of the Learning Center for Nursing at the College of New Rochelle and is also a childbirth educator.

Leonard Rothermel is a part-time GSP student at Stony Brook and does volunteer work with the disabled as well as with the Smith Haven Ministries in Lake Grove.

After graduation, **Jeffrey Simonoff** went on to graduate school at Yale University. He received three university fellowships and an Ethel Boies Morgan fellowship. He was awarded his Ph.D. in statistics in 1980. Currently, Jeff is an assistant professor in the Graduate School of Business Administration at N.Y.U.

David Spigel tells us that he recently became an interest rate futures trader on the floor of the New York Futures Exchange. His clearing firm is Goodman-Manaster.

CLASS OF 1977

Capital Airways has announced the appointment of **Manuel J. Calado** as system reservations manager. He will be responsible for reservations, procedures, operations and staff.

Robert Carley has been named a banking officer of the National Bank of North America. Robert is currently studying for his master's in marketing and finance at Fordham.

Elias Quintos writes that he is starting his senior year at Tulane University School of Medicine in July.

A fiscal officer of the Navy Submarine Base in San Diego, **Lt. Bob Wities** will be attending law school this fall at the University of San Diego as a Navy judge advocate. Bob was married to Lyndon Casdan in November 1980.

CLASS OF 1978

A data communication programmer/analyst for Citibank, N.A., **Jeffrey Mordkowitz** tells us he is living in Brooklyn and is "working hard, enjoying life with interests in movies, eating and general semantics."

Mathew Nadelman is working on the Verification and Integration Team for the Dynamics Explorer Satellites due to be launched in August. His work brings him to NASA-Goddard Space Flight Center a few times a week.

CLASS OF 1979

A graduate of Stony Brook's medical school, **Dario Gonzalez** completed his internship in internal medicine at Metropolitan Hospital in N.Y.C. and is presently a resident in emergency medicine at Jacobi Hospital/Albert Einstein College of Medicine. During his internship, Dario was featured on WCBS-TV "We the People" news show in relation to his work at Metropolitan Hospital.

When she's not working at United California Bank International in New York, **Jennie Kourakos** is pursuing a career in acting.

Charles Martell is working on his thesis for a master's in geology at New Mexico Institute of Mining and Technology.

CLASS OF 1980

Lisa J. Baldwin is enrolled in the graduate library program at SUNY at Geneseo and will receive a M.L.S. degree in July 1981.

A summer of bicycling through England, Wales, Ireland and Scotland followed graduation from the Physical Therapy Program for **Donald Doherty**. He is currently working at St. Charles Hospital in Port Jefferson.

Abby Gross writes that she is attending Albert Einstein College of Medicine and "loving every minute of it."

University Mourns Death of Ron Siegel

Ronald W. Siegel, 61, remembered as a "high-ranking administrative trouble shooter" on the campus for 15 years, died while at work in his office on April 8. He was eulogized as someone who "left respect and affection for himself," with family, friends, colleagues and students.

Mr. Siegel had been assistant to the vice president for finance and business for the past two years. He coordinated legal cases, interpreted campus policy and procedures and reviewed insurance claims. But his longest administrative term was as assistant to the executive vice-president, where he held the numerous responsibilities associated with University policy-making.

He had also served as acting director of the Physical Plant and the Department of Public Safety when these positions were temporarily vacant.

Born in Germany, Mr. Siegel came to the United States at a young age; served in the U.S. Army during World War II; and went on to study mathematics at Columbia University. He worked in the physics laboratory of Columbia from 1951 until coming to Stony Brook in 1966.

In addition to his widow, Dorothy, he is survived by three children, Martha of Manhattan, David of Mobile, AL, and Paul of Camden, TN.

Commencement Celebrations Held

Nearly 4,000 degrees are being awarded at Stony Brook's twenty-first annual commencement.

In all, 26 departmental celebrations are taking place this spring, most of them on May 17.

They range from the intimate "family gathering" of the Philosophy Department, and the Physics Department program with flowers brought from home by faculty and staff, to the overflow gatherings at the Fine Arts Center for the Graduate School and the Center for Continuing Education.

Among the speakers this spring are several with Stony Brook backgrounds. For example, educator-businessman, Amador Muriel, who earned his Ph.D. at Stony Brook in 1968 with Physics Professor Max Dresden, has been invited to give the Physics commencement address. Philosophy's Lee Miller and English's Thomas Flanagan are among faculty speakers in their own departments.

Ann Forkin, appointed this spring to the new office of Conferences and Commencement, helped coordinate the many activities. Three commencement ceremonies remain: School of Dental Medicine, June 7; School of Nursing, June 13; and School of Allied Health Professions, June 28.

—Alvin Oickle

Dental Researcher Predicts Encouraging Dental News

The good news about teeth is that by the twenty-first century, drilling, filling, and surgical repair won't be a dentist's major work, as it is today. The forecast is that in the next 20 to 30 years, dental disease will be sharply reduced.

"By the year 2000, dental caries (cavities) and periodontitis (gum disease) will be under control. These are two of the most prevalent dental diseases, presently responsible for the loss of about 95% of all teeth. This means the practice of dentistry will undergo drastic change in the next 20 years," says Dr. Israel Kleinberg, chairman of the Department of Oral Biology and Pathology in the School of Dental Medicine.

This is only one of the predictions about the future of dentistry made by Dr. Kleinberg, an internationally known dental researcher, in a new book. He adds nine other predictions about the course of dentistry in the recently published *People's Almanac Book of Predictions* by David Wallechinsky and Amy and Irving Wallace (Morrow 1980).

The basis for several of his predictions is the current amassing of new research results indicating that the mouth in many ways is a "window" to the body. Dental researchers, several of them—including Dr. Kleinberg—at Stony Brook, are finding that oral fluids hold the potential for understanding many of the body's systemic functions. Through the emergence of new instruments, progressive technology is making it possible to analyze these oral fluids, which are indicators of biological and chemical activity in the body as well as the mouth.

Such developments lead Dr. Kleinberg to predict that by the year 2000, "The use of saliva in diagnosis of oral and medical conditions will be as routine as blood analyses are today."

One result, he believes, will be future alterations in dentistry as a profession. Dr. Kleinberg offers a blueprint for these. He proposes a slow change in the focus of dental education. The future direction for dental schools, he says, should be to train dental students who are less "dental surgeons" and more "oral physicians."

Dr. Kleinberg has already discovered a series of new "tools" leading to early diagnosis of oral disease. He also has isolated a component of saliva that neutralizes tooth-decaying acids, which he names "sialin." He suggests the addition of synthetic "sialin" to toothpaste, candy or some other product to offset the negative effects of sugar. The Warner-Lambert drug company is funding much of the cost of his search to discover the best way of producing and marketing an effective "sialin" product.

Some of Dr. Kleinberg's other dental predictions for the year 2000, as listed in the Wallechinsky and Wallace book, are:

- A new antibiotic, as important as penicillin, will be discovered in saliva.
- Dental research will provide new clues that will lead to the control of tumor growth.
- Major new industries will have emerged, based on research discoveries in dentistry. One of these will be in the area of odor control.

—Toni Bosco

Faculty Win Awards

and Space Sciences. He is one of three national winners selected by the American Geophysical Union. Established 15 years ago, the award honors scientists who have made significant contributions to geophysics. Weidner's area of research is in developing new techniques for measuring the interior of the earth.

—Toni Bosco



Former Iranian hostage, Navy Lt. Cmdr. Robert A. Engelmann '68, center, was guest of honor at a quiet alumni dinner recently, held at the Three Village Inn, Stony Brook. The evening's highlight was a surprise gift to Cmdr. Engelmann of a new class ring, replacing one taken from him early in the hostage ordeal. Shown with Cmdr. Engelmann are a few alumni who wrote to him while he was in captivity: Patricia Petrone '69, New York City, left, Stephanie Van Denberg '68, Patchogue, and Edward Frick '68, Port Jefferson Station.

Alumni Support Fine Arts

Alumni of Stony Brook are among the charter members of a new organization, the Friends of the Fine Arts Center.

Formed last winter, the group already has 800 members who have contributed nearly \$15,000. The Friends' tax-deductible membership gifts, ranging from \$10 for students and senior citizens to \$500 for patrons and corporate members, will help close the gap between income and expenses while aiding to keep ticket prices from increasing, Bobbie Wein, executive secretary, explained.

For information about member benefits--including a monthly newsletter and an Oct. 15 opening night Friends Gala--call Ms. Wein at (516) 246-3371.

Summer Session Offer More

The first term of the 1981 Summer Session at Stony Brook will be under way June 1 with more than 170 credit courses being offered.

Registration for the first session, which runs through July 8, ends May 14 but alumni and others interested in the graduate and undergraduate courses in the second term, July 9-Aug. 14, have until June 25 to sign up.

Evening courses have been expanded. And new courses are available in graphics, theatre arts and physical education.

Information is available at the Summer Session Office, Room N213, Social and Behavioral Sciences Building, telephone (516) 246-6559.

A Piece of the Bridge

A beautifully mounted piece of the infamous Stony Brook bridge is still available if you order now. The authentic cement bridge section is embedded in solid brass backing with raised lettering and mounted on finished wood. This hefty desktop paper weight (2½ x 4½ x ½) makes the ideal memento for yourself or college friend.



Homecoming Weekend Slated

Final plans are being made for Homecoming Weekend '81 and the class of 1971's ten-year reunion. Saturday, October 3, is the alumni annual dinner-dance at the Victoria House 1890 in Setauket. Other activities for the weekend include a Friday night football game between the Stony Brook Patriots and Rutgers-Livingston, and an alumni tennis tournament.

The Alumni Office is trying to locate members of the class of '71 and other alumni we have lost contact with. If you have any information that could help us, please send it to:

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Stony Brook, New York 11794

Directors to be Elected

Elections are now being held for the Alumni Association Board of Directors. All active members of the Association should have received mail ballots for the election of class representatives of odd-numbered graduating years. All members are encouraged to adhere to the by-laws, which call for the election of no more than two representatives from each year. Ballots are due in the Alumni Office by May 26. Results will be published in the July issue of *Stony Brook People*.

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Association Sponsors Events

During the 1980-81 academic year, the Stony Brook Alumni Association helped support the following programs:

- Beta Sigma Homecoming
- Stuyvesant High School Reunion
- Muscular Dystrophy Dance-a-thon
- Purchase of Cheerleader Uniforms
- Association Community/University Cooperation's Gingerbread Christmas Party
- 1980 *Village Times* Man and Woman of the Year Awards
- Springfest Square Dance
- Asian Students' Association Second Annual Asian-American Conference
- Child Care and Family Studies Program/Campus Child Care Program

First Twenty-Year Reunion Set

Members of the classes of 1961-1965 will be reunited at the Planting Fields Arboretum in Oyster Bay—the site of the original SUNY Long Island campus, May 23. Also invited to the first twenty-year reunion are faculty members who shared in the Oyster Bay experience.

A welcoming reception at Coe Hall will start the evening's festivities. Dean Allen Austills will address former students at Coe Hall—a mansion now restored to its original beauty. A cocktail reception and dinner will follow with music provided by *Gross National Product*.

Susan Liers Races Onward

Susan Liers '81 has decided to hold off a business career in an attempt to add the women's world race walking championship to her long list of race walking honors.

She already holds one world record and seven U.S. records.

She is now in training for the women's national outdoor meet, June 19, in Sacramento and then for the world events Oct. 3-4 in Valencia, Spain.

Her husband-coach, Stony Brook's track coach Gary Westerfield, has no doubts she will be among the four U.S. qualifiers. After all, he notes, her determination won her the U.S. women's national indoor championship at Madison Square Garden in February.

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