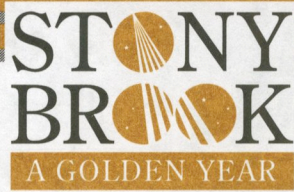


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Main Commencement



This year's main commencement ceremony, the largest on Long Island with 2,962 degree candidates, was held on Friday, May 23, in the Sports Complex Main Arena. President Kenny addressed the graduates and conferred the degrees. Among the honorable guests seated on the platform were New York State Senator John J. Flanagan, New York State Assemblyman Steven Englebright, Suffolk County Legislator Vivian Fisher, and Stony Brook Council Chair Richard T. Nasti, along with other members of the Council.

Receiving a degree this year was 14-year-old Alia Sabur, the youngest degree candidate at Stony Brook and in the SUNY system. She earned a B.S. in Applied Mathematics and Statistics, Summa Cum Laude, and is a 2003 Golden Key International Honor Society winner and clarinet prodigy, studying with the Metropolitan Opera's principal clarinetist, Ricardo Morales. She is planning to continue her studies at Stony Brook with research in protein folding, a specialized area in biophysics, with a prestigious GAANN Fellowship for Doctoral Study.

Kelly Brown, who received a B.A. in Political Science, Summa Cum Laude, and won the Student Speech Competition, was the student speaker. This year's honorary degree recipients were Robert Shaler, Director of Forensic Biology, New York City Medical Examiner's Office, who orchestrated the effort to identify human remains after September 11, and David E. Acker, scientist and inventor, Transurgical Incorporated.

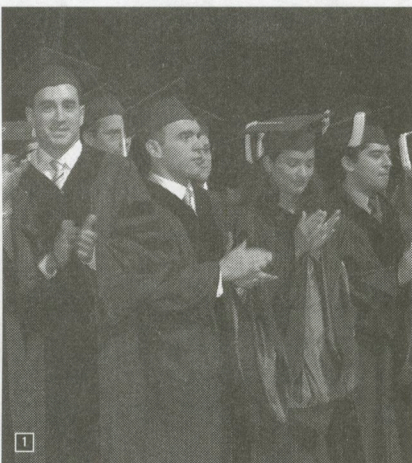


1. Student speaker Kelly Brown
2. Cirque performers entertained the crowd following the ceremony
3. President Kenny seated on the platform with honorary degree recipient David E. Acker
4. Graduates marched along Center Drive before the ceremony

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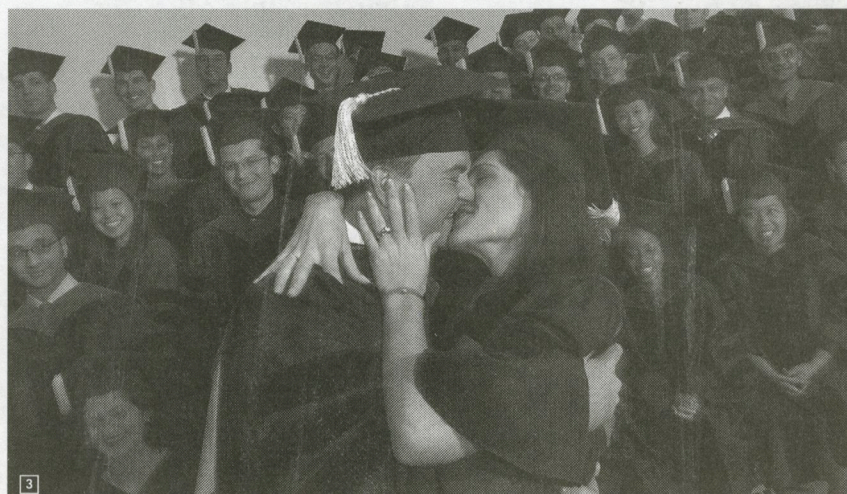
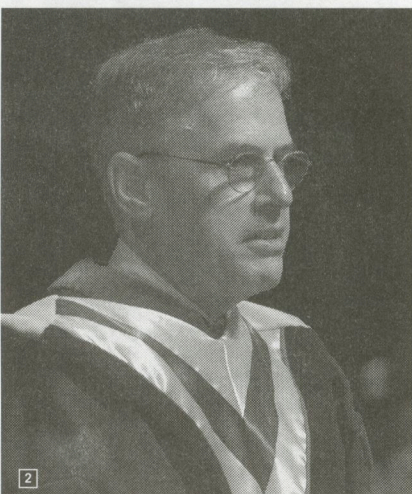
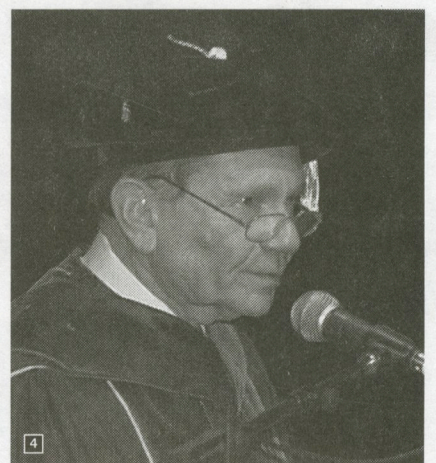


School of Medicine Convocation



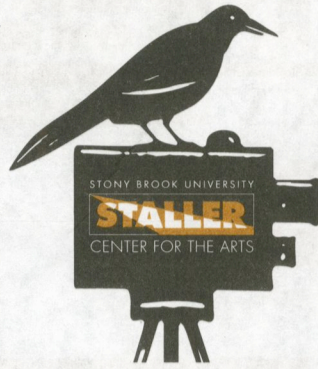
The School of Medicine graduated 107 students at its Convocation on Thursday, May 22, at the Staller Center. Among the new graduates were newlyweds Lauren McGowan and Scott McGovern, who were married just four days before receiving their medical degrees and left for their honeymoon after the Convocation. The couple met on the first day of medical school four years ago and began dating while attending an anatomy class together. Next month they will both start their residencies at the Mayo Clinic.

Barry Coller, M.D., an internationally recognized leader in blood research, was the Convocation speaker and also received the honorary degree of Doctor of Science. While an Assistant Professor at Stony Brook's School of Medicine in the 1980s, Dr. Coller developed ReoPro®, a pioneering drug that reduces mortality in patients with coronary artery disease. ReoPro® was the first drug ever developed by a SUNY institution that was approved for marketing by the FDA. Dr. Coller is now Vice President for Medical Affairs at Rockefeller University.



1. Graduates applauding at the ceremony
2. Honorary degree recipient and speaker Barry Coller
3. Newlyweds Scott McGovern and Lauren McGowan at the Convocation
4. Dr. Norman Edelman, Vice President of the Health Sciences Center and Dean of the School of Medicine

Stony Brook Film Festival 2003



July 16–July 26
Staller Center
for the Arts

The Staller Center will present the 2003 Stony Brook Film Festival from Wednesday, July 16, through Saturday, July 26, with screenings of independent feature and short films, as well as studio premiere screenings of features prior to their fall theatrical releases and several international films. Many of the directors will introduce the screenings, with members of the cast and crew on hand to discuss the film and answer questions afterward.

Festival Director Alan Inkles and his staff viewed hundreds of films to bring movie lovers the most powerful, entertaining, and enjoyable independent features and shorts available from North America, Europe, Asia, and South America. In the films, you'll see some familiar faces like Sophia Loren, Julia Ormond, Bill Paxton, Ally Sheedy, and Stephen Baldwin, as well as many new talents.

This year's Festival includes 12 features and 16 short films "in competition," where both a film jury and the audience vote for the winning films to be announced at the Closing Night Awards Ceremony on Saturday, July 26. Several films in competition are by first-time directors.

For ticket information and more details on the Festival, please call 632-ARTS or visit stonybrookfilmfestival.com.



All films are shown on the Main Stage of the Staller Center. The 12 feature films in competition are denoted with an asterisk. All 16 short films, which precede the features, are in competition.

Wednesday, July 16
East Coast premiere of *Resistance* (USA), 8:00 p.m.

Thursday, July 17
Regional premiere of *Autumn Spring* (Czechoslovakia), 7:00 p.m. Preceded by *Confection* (USA).

World premiere of *Dog Gone Love** (USA), 9:00 p.m. Preceded by *Bun Bun* (USA)

Friday, July 18
New York premiere of *100 Mile Rule** (USA), 7:00 p.m. Preceded by *Every Little Girl's Dream* (USA).
World premiere of *Shelter Island* (USA), 9:30 p.m. Preceded by *The Patchwork Monkey* (USA).

Saturday, July 19
New York premiere of *Artworks** (USA), 7:00 p.m. Preceded by *Ants* (USA).

Regional premiere of *Outpatient** (USA), 9:30 p.m. Preceded by *Another Life* (USA).

Sunday, July 20
Regional premiere of *September 11* (France), 3:00 p.m.

New York premiere of *The Burial Society** (Canada), 7:00 p.m. Preceded by *Virgin* (USA).

World premiere of *Undermind** (USA), 9:15 p.m. Preceded by *The Cutman* (USA).

Monday, July 21
Regional premiere of *God Is Great, I'm Not* (France), 7:00 p.m. Preceded by *The Perfect Geeseys* (USA).

New York premiere of *Water's Edge** (USA), 9:30 p.m. Preceded by *Home* (USA).

Tuesday, July 22
Regional premiere of *A Tale of a Naughty Girl** (India), 7:00 p.m. Preceded by *Apsara* (USA, filmed in Cambodia).

New York premiere of *Rhythm of the Saints** (USA), 9:30 p.m. Preceded by *Psychoanalysis Changed My Life* (USA).

Wednesday, July 23
New York premiere of *Saint Monica** (Canada), 7:00 p.m. Preceded by *The Wager* (USA).

*American Gun** (USA), 9:15 p.m. Preceded by *What Remains* (USA).

Thursday, July 24
Regional premiere of *The Three Marias* (Brazil), 7:00 p.m. Preceded by *Jeremiah Strong* (USA).

East Coast premiere of *The Last Place On Earth** (USA), 9:15 p.m. Preceded by *The Least of These* (USA).

Friday, July 25
Regional premiere of *Between Strangers* (Canada/Italy), 7:00 p.m.

Regional premiere of *Civil Brand* (USA), 9:00 p.m.

Saturday, July 26
Regional premiere of *The Secret Lives of Dentists* (USA), 8:00 p.m.

Save the Date

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State of the University Address

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Wednesday
September 17

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Staller Center

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Join President Kenny for the University Convocation and introduction of Stony Brook's new faculty members.

HSC Seminars Target Alumni

June 13 and 18

A new program at the Health Sciences Center aims at strengthening relationships with alumni by offering valuable information and services that they can use in their businesses. The Professional Development Seminar Series, organized in cooperation with the New York State Business Development Center at Stony Brook, features leading speakers who will discuss a variety of business-related topics for health care professionals.

The schedule is as follows:

Friday, June 13, 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.—Robert Eaton presents "Complying with HIPAA," involving compliance issues for health care professionals with respect to the Health Portability and Accountability Act.

Wednesday, June 18, 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.—Gloria Glowacki presents "Establishing a Private Practice," exploring issues related to credit and forms of legal entities.

The seminars take place in the Student Activities Center, Room 306. Registration for each session takes place 30 minutes prior and costs \$25. For more information, call the Health Sciences Center Alumni Relations Office at 444-2899.

Save the Date

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Homecoming 2003

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Saturday
October 18

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A day of food, football, and fun!

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Watch early fall issues of *Happenings* for more information.

Dr. Lenora McClean Retires from SBU

Lenora J. McClean, Ed.D., R.N., who piloted Stony Brook's School of Nursing through a period of unprecedented growth and established the nursing program as an international leader in many key areas, will retire after 31 years at the University—23 of them as Dean. McClean, who has led the School of Nursing since 1980, is considered one of the country's foremost innovators in nursing education.

"Lenora McClean raised the bar in nursing education," said Norman H. Edelman, M.D., Vice President of the Health Sciences Center and Dean of the School of Medicine. "Many of her innovations, first implemented here, now are commonplace in nursing schools throughout the nation. Her contribution to nursing—and to Stony Brook—is immeasurable."

The University will pay tribute to Dean McClean's career on Thursday, June 12, at a black-tie Gala at Villa Lombardi's. The evening will also mark the kick-off of an effort to create an Endowed Chair of Nursing Research as the centerpiece of a planned doctoral program. The five-year campaign has a goal of \$1.5 million.

"Stony Brook holds many great memories for me and for what we were able to achieve in nursing," said Dean McClean, who is returning to her native Georgia. "I leave knowing that this is an exciting time for the School and that the time is right to begin planning a doctoral program that will keep Stony Brook a leader in the profession."

School of Nursing Gala
Honoring
Dr. Lenora McClean
on Her Retirement

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Thursday, June 12
6:30 p.m. Cocktails
7:30 p.m. Dinner
Villa Lombardi's
Holbrook

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Tickets: \$250 Tables
Sponsorship Packages
Are Available

For more information,
call 444-3549.

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