

Scholarly Presentations, Awards and Recognition

The 2014-2015 SUNY Chancellor's Awards for Excellence have been announced. The following individuals have been selected for this honor:

- Professor Mark Bourdeau-Excellence in Teaching-Ammerman Campus
- Professor Jerry Chen-Excellence in Teaching-Ammerman Campus
- Professor Jo Curtis Lester-Excellence in Teaching-Ammerman Campus
- Professor Leanne Warshauer-Excellence in Faculty Service-Ammerman Campus
- Jason Kankel-Excellence in Professional Service-Ammerman Campus

The Chancellor's Awards for Excellence are system-level honors conferred to acknowledge and provide system-wide recognition for consistently superior professional achievement and to encourage the ongoing pursuit of excellence. Through these awards, SUNY publicly proclaims its pride in the accomplishment and personal dedication of its instructional faculty, librarians and professional staff across its campuses.

Staff developed and submitted nominations for the 2014-2015 Chancellor's Award for Excellence in Adjunct Teaching. This was the first time that the College offered this award. Adjunct faculty members provide consistently excellent instruction and are a key component of our staff as we seek to increase access, completion, and success among students. The following members of our adjunct faculty were recognized as having demonstrated extraordinary dedication to their students and an exceptional commitment to quality teaching: Kelliann Schrage Flores, Assistant Professor of Foreign Language - Humanities and Women Studies and Krystyna I. Janicka-Wlodek, Assistant Professor of Mathematics. Congratulations to both of them.



Dr. Cheryl Shaffer accepts a proclamation from New York State Senator Philip Boyle.

An article authored by School of Nursing faculty members Dr. Cheryl Shaffer and Lisa Aymong, RN, was featured in the October issue of Nursing 2014. Entitled, "*Administering Vaccines,*"the article discusses proper vaccine administration, storage, documentation and patient education. Dr. Shaffer, who serves as the College's Associate Dean of Nursing, was also selected for training as an Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing (ACEN) program evaluator.

In February, I participated on a panel during the Hauppauge Industrial Association's 2015 Long Island Economic Summit. Approximately 200 members of this important trade organization within our region were in attendance, including Trustee Anne Shybunko-Moore. The session was used to unveil the 2015 Long Island Economic Survey and Opinion Poll conducted by the CPA firm of Albrecht, Viggiano, Zureck & Company. Panelists received a detailed list of questions to consider ahead of the event so they would be prepared. Education questions were centered on keeping youth in our region, college affordability and college loans, workforce needs and training, and the decline in government funding. I was joined on the panel by: Lucy Mazany-Senior Vice President of Signature Bank; James Pratt-Chairman at Pratt Brothers; Dr. Kimberly Cline-President of LIU; and Kevin Dahill-President of the Nassau Suffolk Hospital Council.

Deborah Wolfson, Associate Professor of Mathematics and Excelsior Program Liaison, was a recipient of a 2015 Idahlynn Karre Exemplary Leadership Award. This award recognized Ms. Wolfson's ability to advance academic and administrative leadership on our campuses. In recognition of her award, she was honored at the Chair Academy's 24th Annual International Conference, *Leadership in the High-Definition Age*, held in Seattle in April.