## **EMERITUS – May 2023**



#### An occasional newsletter for the Emeritus Faculty Association

#### **ZOOM MEETING:**

Our next meeting is Friday, May 5, 2023 at 11:00 a.m. This will be virtual meeting using ZOOM. Information will be sent to your Stony Brook emails a few days prior to the meeting. Meeting information is also listed below.

Topic: Emeritus Meeting -Zoom Time: May 5, 2023 11:00 AM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting https://stonybrook.zoom.us/j/96534386772?pwd=MkgzRWNpQ05RZIRUYi95MDY3Wnc xdz09

Meeting ID: 965 3438 6772 Passcode: 563648



**SPEAKER:** Our last speaker of the Semester will be **Carl Lejuez, Ph.D**, Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs

## <u>Bio:</u>

As Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs, Carl W. Lejuez (pronounced: LEZSCH-way) serves as Stony Brook's chief academic officer, with responsibility for all academic units and operations. His appointment began on July 1, 2022.

Lejuez oversees the academic mission of the university, providing direct supervision for all academic units, support services, and operations, including enrollment management and student success, and coordinating all academic programs. The deans and directors of the West Campus colleges, schools, libraries, centers, and institutes report to him, as does the associate provost for the Southampton Graduate Arts Campus. He collaborates with Harold "Hal" Paz, executive vice president of health sciences, to support the health sciences schools on the East Campus. Together, they work to provide greater alignment in our research enterprise, enhance interdisciplinary education, and offer enhanced services to all students and faculty.

**<u>Topic</u>**: Provost Lejuez will discuss his first year at Stony Brook University.



## **IN MEMORIAM:** Eric E. Lampard (1922-2023)

In early days the Stony Brook History Dept. was authorized to hire some eminent, senior historians to build its reputation in the field. A year or so after hiring Jack Main and Bill Taylor, Eric Lampard indicated (probably through Bill Taylor, an old friend and colleague) that he was willing to leave Wisconsin and come east. This was a major gain for the Department, as it gave us a major figure with an international reputation and circle of colleagues in this country and elsewhere.

Eric Lampard was born in Southampton (England) and began his university studies at the London School of Economics. He was a proud alumnus of LSE – wearing it scarf in bad weather etc – though he said in later year it had degenerated into little more than a business school. Before he could graduate the war intervened and he served long and honorable

service in the Royal Marines. He saw combat in southeast Asia. After he returned to complete his degree from LSE he went on to the University of Wisconsin for his graduate work. After completing his doctorate there, he had teaching posts at Smith College, Wisconsin, and Stony Brook and during the Smith years he and Marie bought a house near Northampton which they continued to use and at which they entertained many of us.

To the Stony Brook department Eric brought expertise in urban and (soft) economic history. He was not a student of any given city so much as a general student of the process of urbanization across much of the globe. By what criteria did we determine the level of urbanization: miles of public transportation, the role of utilities, the geographic sprawl into new areas, etc.? The role of industry in this process was also taken into consideration and some of his Stony Brook graduate students worked on industrialization along with a concern for how neighborhood (say, in NY City) fit into the larger picture.

Eric regretted that his birth date placed him under SUNY's mandatory retirement role, just missing the lifting of this policy a year or two after he retired. He continued to be a guru in his field, widely recognized at international meetings. His "The Rise of the Dairy Industry in Wisconsin,1820-1920" remains a classic study, both for the depth of its research and for the ways it ties the rural economy into new areas of development.

After the death of his wife Marie – a published scholar on Russian art – Eric continued to split his time between the apartment on the upper west side that had come via M's family (she being the proud niece of a man who had run for mayor of NY on the Socialist Party ticket) and the house in the Berkshires. Last summer Sophia hosted his 100th birthday with a party that drew friends, colleagues, and (former) students for the event, which he obviously much appreciated.

On a personal note, Eric represented the early and growth days of the Stony Brook Department of history. As a colleague, at department meetings he could be the grave and sober voice of academic experience, and he could also be the indignant defender of academic freedom and privilege, advocating a march to and then a sit-in at the office of the graduate dean. He and I also shared a gossip-bond: some people who had been his classmates in London had become teachers of mine. And though I don't know the extent to which he was aware of this but Eric Lampard was about the most erudite and widelyread member of the department, past or present.

Written by: Joel Rosenthal (colleague, long time neighbor in Port Jefferson, participant in the party around the eclipse that we watched through shades in the Lampard back yard.)



#### **CAMPUS EVENTS:**

Saturday, May 6, 2023:	<b>Softball vs. Monmouth University</b> Stony Brook University, 1:00 PM
Sunday, May 7, 2023	<b>Dance Theatre of Harlem</b> Staller Center Main Stage–7:00PM
Friday, May 12, 2023	<b>Emerson String Quartet Institute</b> Staller Center Recital Hall – 7:00PM – 9:00PM
Tuesday, June 13, 2023	Zebulon Miletsky of AMS talk about Juneteenth Emma Clark Library - Setauket, NY, 7:00PM



#### Participate in "Documenting COVID-19: Stony Brook University Experiences"

Stony Brook University Libraries announced the establishment of "Documenting COVID-19: Stony Brook University Experiences," a new digital archive project to collect, preserve, and publish the institutional history of Stony Brook University. The archive will primarily be formed from submissions received directly from students, faculty, staff, and alumni that document life during the COVID-19 pandemic. Interviews, first-hand accounts, written narratives, photographs, and more will be important sources to consult in the future to study, interpret, and derive meaning from this historic time period. Members of the Emeritus Faculty Association are invited and encouraged to participate in the project. For more information, please

visit: https://library.stonybrook.edu/special-library-initiatives/documenting-covid-19/



### **Participate in the Faculty Emeritus Documentation Project**

In return for the light labor of arranging the calendar of speakers I claim the right to be a nag. Each month the SB Emeriti newsletter includes a plea for you to go to the Old Stony Brook memory project on the web site run by and preserved in the Melville Library's Special Collections. To date, only 19 retired SB faculty have filled out the forms designed to let you talk about the early days at SB and your retrospective views, both about what you expected (or were told) when you came and what you now have to say, looking back, on the experience. The responses are an open document and this paragraph is designed to make you feel guilty if you have not bothered to fill out the questionnaire. You can remedy this.

#### Joel Rosenthal

In an effort to document and preserve the unique and varied experiences of the university's emeritus faculty, a questionnaire has been designed to elicit the personal reflections of faculty members':

- impetuses for accepting academic positions at Stony Brook University.
- early experiences on the campus.
- views on the evolution and growth of the institution.
- contributions to departments and to the university.
- interactions with academic and administrative leadership.
- views on the institution's role in the community (local and wider).
- assessments of the university's mission and successes as a research university.



### Your participation is vital to documenting Stony Brook University history.

Access information about the project and the questionnaire at: http://www.library.stonybrook.edu/special-collections-university-archives/universityarchives/

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## **Emeritus Faculty Association (EFA) Member Update:**

The Provost's Office has updated the EFA's member list! Below is the link for the updated contact information for all members. Please take a look and let us know if you notice any out-of-date or incorrect information about yourself or a colleague, please contact us at provost@stonybrook.edu with any changes. Please remember, we are **only** using your Stony Brook emails.

https://www.stonybrook.edu/commcms/emeritus/members.html



Visit our website: To visit our website, go to the University website at <u>http://www.stonybrook.edu/commcms/emeritus/index.html</u>. It always contains the latest emeritus news (click on "Next Meeting"), a list of members' email addresses, a list of officers, newsletter archives and many other useful links.

# WISHING YOU ALL A VERY HAPPY & HEALTHY SUMMER!

# **SEE YOU NEXT SEPTEMBER!**

