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EMERITUS – November 2025

An occasional newsletter for the Emeritus Faculty Association



ZOOM MEETING:

Our next meeting is Friday, November 7, 2025 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.

Time: 11:00 am - 12:00 pm

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://stonybrook.zoom.us/j/93251596862?pwd=Y3bYfD2V8fc3wNjFxHTqjobQqEbY2o.1>

Meeting ID: 932 5159 6862

Passcode: 166445

SPEAKER: Our guest speaker will be Neelima Sehgal, Physics

Bio: Neelima Sehgal obtained her B.S. in Physics and Mathematics from Yale University, and her PhD in Physics and Astronomy from Rutgers University. She was a postdoctoral fellow at Stanford University and Princeton University, before joining Stony Brook University in 2012. She is currently Professor of Physics and Astronomy at Stony Brook, and lives in East Setauket, New York. Neelima has just been named a “Fellow of the American Physical Society”.

Title: Discoveries from the Cosmic Microwave Background, the Oldest Light in the Universe

Abstract: Cosmic microwave background (CMB) experiments have contributed powerful constraints on the fundamental properties of the Universe. Upcoming CMB experiments such as the Simons Observatory are poised to extend this progress even further. However, CMB experiments still have a wealth of information to offer beyond near-term facilities regarding the properties of dark matter, the birth of the Universe, and the Universe's particle inventory. In particular, a much lower-noise and higher-resolution wide-area CMB survey can open a new window on fundamental physics and astrophysics. I will discuss recent CMB results, near-term prospects, and CMB-HD, a next-generation CMB facility.



IN MEMORIAM:

"C.N. Yang died, aged 103. His being hired in 1966 did more to put SB on the serious research university map than any other single step in our history. Some credit to Alecc Pond on this."



SAVE THE DATES: (First Friday of every month)

Here is a preview of our upcoming Fall speakers.

December 5, 2025 – April Masten, History



November 2025 Events Calendar

Sunday, November 2 | 8:00 PM

An Evening with Kelli O'Hara

Staller Center Main Stage

Enjoy an unforgettable performance by Tony Award-winning Broadway star **Kelli O'Hara**, live on the Staller Center's main stage.

Monday, November 3 | 7:30–8:30 PM

Beyond the Bookshelf: Data, AI, and the Future of Libraries

Virtual Event (Zoom)

 [Register Here](#)

Join us for an engaging discussion about how data and artificial intelligence are shaping the future of libraries and information access.

Tuesday, November 11 | 6:30 PM

SB Men's Basketball vs. St. Joseph's Long Island

Stony Brook Arena

Military Appreciation Night

Cheer on the Seawolves and help us honor our military service members at this special home game.

Friday, November 18 | 7:00–8:00 PM

Strictly Sinatra! A Man and His Music

Jazz Loft at Southampton – Concert Series

Celebrate the timeless music of **Frank Sinatra** with this lively jazz performance paying tribute to "Ol' Blue Eyes."



Participate in the Faculty Emeritus Documentation Project

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/university-archives/>



Emeritus Faculty Association (EFA) Member Update:



We're looking for members interested in joining the Emeritus Committee. This will give you a chance to pass the torch and share wisdom with the next generation. **Please contact Joel.Rosenthal@stonybrook.edu for more information.**

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 Faith Mirabile at faith.mirabile@stonybrook.edu with any changes. Please remember, we are **only** using your Stony Brook emails.

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

To visit our website, go to the University website at <http://www.stonybrook.edu/commcms/emeritus/index.html>. 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.

Happy Thanksgiving!

