

Poet Stephen Dunn, AtlantiCare's Lori Herndon, Research Council President Anthony Cicatiello to Speak at Stockton College Graduations

Master's, Doctoral Ceremony May 8; Undergrad Commencements May 11

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Galloway Township, NJ - Stephen Dunn, winner of the Pulitzer Prize in poetry and a Stockton Distinguished Professor Emeritus of Creative Writing, will be one of three keynote speakers at commencement ceremonies to be held on **May 8** and **May 11, 2014** at The Richard Stockton College of New Jersey.

Stockton President Herman Saatkamp will preside over all three commencements in the Sports Center on the college's main Galloway campus, where over 1,300 are set to receive degrees.

Dunn was awarded the Pulitzer Prize for "Different Hours" in 2001, and received the Academy Award in Literature from the American Academy of Arts & Letters, as well as Fellowships from the Guggenheim and Rockefeller Foundations, and many others. Dunn also wrote the lyrics to Stockton's alma mater, "Our Stockton."

He will speak at the Sunday, May 11, 2014 commencement for the Schools of Arts and Humanities, Business, Education, General Studies and Health Sciences, which begin at 2:30 p.m. May 11 graduation ceremonies will be held at the Stockton College Center for the Schools of Natural Sciences and Mathematics and Social and Behavioral Sciences at 10:30 a.m. May 11.

The R&D Council serves as a unified voice for industry, academia and government in the environment in which research and development can thrive. Cicatiello and the council draw attention to innovation in New Jersey with the annual Edison Patent Awards.

As chairman and co-founder of the Edison Patent Awards, Cicatiello has received national attention for his work in promoting innovation in New Jersey. He is also a past president of the Edison Patent Awards.

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professional counsels research universities, Fortune 500 companies, regional utilities and municipalities, and other institutions. Cicatiello is active in civic and community affairs, presently serving on the boards of the Schumann Fund and Spencer Savings Bank.

Lori S. Herndon, president and chief executive officer of the AtlantiCare Regional Medical Center, and executive vice president of AtlantiCare, will give the keynote address at the Doctoral and Master's Degree Commencement at 4 p.m. on May 8.

This year marks the college's third graduation ceremony for master's and doctoral graduates. The growing graduate program began in 2006 with a doctorate in Physical Therapy and now includes 14 graduate programs.

Herndon, of Brigantine, graduated from Stockton in 1992. She has held many leadership roles since joining AtlantiCare Regional Medical Center as an Intensive Care Unit staff nurse in 1983. Under her leadership, ARMC has developed new emergency and trauma departments, the Center for Childbirth, a patient tower, and the AtlantiCare Cancer Care Institute.

She is currently overseeing a \$62.5 million expansion of the hospital, located on the Stockton campus in Galloway.

Herndon received the Distinguished Alumni Leadership Award from Stockton's William J. Hughes Center for Public Policy in 2013.