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SUFFOLK COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE ANNOUNCES WINNERS OF 50K ANNIVERSARY RACE

Selden, NY –Suffolk County Community College, along with the Broadway Ultra Society and NY Ultra Running, would like to congratulate the winners of the Grand Prix running event held on Sunday, June 14, 2009. The 50K run was the first official event marking the College's 50th Anniversary Year.

The first place winner in the Men's Division was Byron Lane of Stony Brook, with a time of 3 hours 36 minutes and 45 seconds. Rudy Afanador of Medford and Philip McCarthy, a New York City resident, placed second and third, respectively, with times of 3 hours 50 minutes and 45 seconds and 3 hours 52 minutes and 18 seconds.

In the Women's Division, Allegra Kaise of Glen Cove placed first with a time of 3 hours 59 minutes and 36 seconds. Kelsey Dixon of Brooklyn placed second with a time of 4 hours 35 minutes and 35 seconds. Alicja Barahona, a resident of White Plains, finished the race in 4 hours 40 minutes and 40 seconds, garnering third place.

First place finisher, Byron Lane, an alumnus of Suffolk County Community College, class of 1988, commented, “The education I received at Suffolk was outstanding. My professors loved to teach and cared about their students. Suffolk was a wonderful place to go to college, and I recommend it without reservation. After graduation, I continued my education at Stony Brook and Hofstra and I am now an elementary school math and data specialist in the Harborfields School District. I love going to work every day, and my time at SCCC was the foundation for both my educational and real-world journey.”

More than 65 runners participated in the 50K run, which at 31.07 miles qualifies as “ultra-marathoning” or “ultra-running”, the sport of long distance running. The race attracted participants from Long Island and the New York Metro area; participants’ ages ranged from the early 20’s to the late 70’s. Runners followed a course charted along scenic terrain between the College's Eastern Campus in Riverhead, to its Ammerman Campus in Selden.



Photo Caption: Byron Lane of Stony Brook, an alumnus of Suffolk County Community College, crosses the finish line first during the 50K run held to celebrate SCCC's 50th Anniversary. Lane completed the course from Riverhead to Selden in 3 hours 36 minutes and 45 seconds.

About Suffolk County Community College

Suffolk County Community College (SCCC) is the largest community college in the State University of New York (SUNY) system, enrolling more than 23,000 students at its three campuses in Selden, Brentwood and Riverhead. SCCC offers the Associate in Arts (A.A.), Associate in Science (A.S.), and Associate in Applied Science (A.A.S.) degree, as well as a variety of certificate programs. Offering the lowest college tuition on Long Island, a highly respected Honors program, extensive extracurricular activities, championship athletic teams, and numerous unified transfer programs, SCCC is a first-choice college for Long Island students. Visit us online at sunysuffolk.edu.

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