

# **The Richard Stockton College of New Jersey Graduates Class of Over 700 on Sunday, Dec. 15**

Dr. Robert Helsabeck Gives Commencement Address, Receives  
Distinguished Service Award

***For Immediate Release; with [link](#) to photos, captions; list of  
graduates by zip code attached***

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“Our future depends on you continuing to work on building communities of respect and honor,” President Saatkamp said.

Earlier in the day, the family of Lindsey Sickler, who died tragically in a car accident on Dec. 11, accepted her master’s degree in Communications Disorders on her behalf at the Master’s and Doctoral Hooding Ceremony in the Performing Arts Center.

Through tears, Sickler’s mother, Marcelle said, “Thank

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He is the author of three books and many papers and articles on conflict resolution, general education, urban development and the elderly, and religious beliefs among clergy and laity. A specialist on conflict resolution, he served on the Governor's Advisory Board for the New Jersey Institute on Conflict Resolution and Peace Studies.

Provost Kesselman presented Professor of Business Law Robert D. King, J.D., with a resolution granting him the title of Professor Emeritus, "in honor of his dedicated service, scholarship and teaching."

Maribeth Capelli, president of the Student Senate, told the graduates:

"Your undergraduate career has been a long and exhausting journey, but most definitely a rewarding one provided by Stockton. Stockton's distinctive atmosphere not only has allowed students to rigorously focus on their concentration, but has also allowed students to dip their toes into waters they never imagined seeing."

"I have come to realize that being a Stockton student is much more than attending class and going home," said Capelli, a senior Psychology major from Hammonton. "Stockton is an experience, a family, and a very special, distinct place. ...I feel comfortable being surrounded by individuals who will always support me and allow me to try new things that I never imagined trying."

"The community at Stockton has shaped me into a person that I would not have become on my own. I went from living only 30 minutes away from my college to actually calling my college home," Capelli said.

"Graduates, when you leave this institution take the lessons and what you have learned inside and outside of the classroom as well as your Stockton experiences," she continued. "I hope we will all look back at our time at Stockton to see how much we have grown, the obstacles we have overcome, and the experiences we will take with us. I hope after you leave here, you will look back and remember all of the amazing things that made the Stockton experience an experience like no other. At no other school will you find Ospreys, a Lake named Fred, or a place to call home."

Dr. Mary Lou Galantino, professor of Physical Therapy in the School of Health Sciences

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**Click link for photos** from the morning Hooding Ceremony and the afternoon Commencement ceremonies at Stockton College:

[http://www.flickr.com/photos/stockton\\_edu/sets/72157638710070503/](http://www.flickr.com/photos/stockton_edu/sets/72157638710070503/)

**List of graduates can be sorted by zip code:** Excel file **attached**; We advise including this note with an asterisk:

Names are those of degree candidates as of Nov. 13, 2013, not those who have been graduated officially. Not every individual who is listed has received a degree from The Richard Stockton College of New Jersey, and there may be omissions of graduates, as well.

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