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Recognizing the accomplishments of Western New Yorkers

Six University at Buffalo faculty members have been named State University of New York Distinguished Professors, the highest faculty rank in the SUNY system.

Appointed by the SUNY board of trustees meeting late last year were **Frank V. Bright**, UB Distinguished Professor, and A. Conger Goodyear, professor, in the department of chemistry, College of Arts and Sciences; **David Felder**, Birge Cary Chair in the department of music, College of Arts and Sciences; **Bruce A. Holm**, professor in the departments of pediatrics, gynecology and obstetrics, and Pharmacology and Toxicology, School of Medicine and Biomedical Sciences.

Also, **William J. Jusko**, UB Distinguished Professor in the School of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences; **Mulchand**

S. Patel, UB Distinguished Professor in the department of biochemistry in the School of Medicine and Biomedical Sciences; and **William**

E. Pelham Jr., UB Distinguished Professor in the department of psychology, College of Arts and Sciences, and the departments of pediatrics and psychiatry in the School of Medicine and Biomedical Sciences.

The distinguished professorship recognizes and honors individuals who have achieved national or international prominence in their fields.

Bright conducts research in a broad range of areas in analytical and bio-analytical chemistry and optical spectroscopy. His research has been funded by the National Science Foundation, the Office of Naval Research and the U. S. Department of Energy.

Felder's work has been featured at many of the leading international festivals for new music. He serves as artistic director of the Robert G. and Carol

L. Morris Center for 21st Century Music at UB.

As senior vice provost, Holm serves as UB's point person on many of its high-technology and life sciences projects. He's executive director of UB's New York State Center of Excellence in Bioinformatics and Life Sciences.

Jusko, who is chairman of the department of pharmaceutical sciences, is a leader in the field of pharmacokinetics and pharmacodynamics. His work over the past 20 years has led to significant advances in the modeling of the time course of events that follows drug administration.

A specialist in nutritional biochemistry, Patel also serves as associate dean for biomedical research and education in the School of Medicine and Biomedical Sciences. He sits on the editorial boards of the Journal of Biological Chemistry and Metabolic Syndrome and Related Disorders.

Pelham, director of UB's Center for Children and Families, is one of the leading researchers in attention deficit/hyperactivity disorder in the country. In addition to directing UB's ADHD program, he conducts a highly successful behavior modification summer program at the university for children with ADHD, which has been named by the American Psychological Association as a Model Program in Service Delivery in Child and Family in Mental Health.

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Newly elected fire company officials on Grand Island were installed recently at the company's Baseline Road fire headquarters.

Greg Butcher will serve his seventh term as fire chief. Other officers included: deputy chief, **Kevin Koch**; first assistant chief, **Matt Osinski**; and second assistant chief, **Chris Soluri**.

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Amherst Town Justice **Mark G. Farrell** recently delivered an address on his Gambling Treatment Court as a therapeutic judicial intervention system at the annual meeting of the National Association for Gambling Studies in Adelaide, Australia. Farrell was also filmed not long ago in a documentary concerning his court, produced by ABC "Nightline," due to air this year.

As part of his visit to Australia, Farrell presented a series of lectures and workshops in support of the Australian government's and the Australian Crime Control Commission's effort to explore establishing a gambling treatment court in that country. Farrell is the senior justice in the Amherst court and also serves as an acting associate Buffalo City Court judge. He's a member of the National Council on Compulsive Gambling.

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Deanna Reinbold, Joyce Abbott, Britney Buscaglia and Gerald Morigerato were among the new inductees into the Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society's Alpha Iota Upsilon Chapter at Genesee Community College last month.

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Patricia M. Smith, newly named director of leadership giving at Daemen College, will manage stewardship activities for the named scholarship program, including recognition of and annual reporting to donors. She also will be responsible for planning and executing a comprehensive leadership giving program.

Brandon J. Felder, a 2001 graduate of City Honors High School, will participate in inauguration week celebrations in Washington,

D. C.

Felder is director of the Washington Performing Art Society's Children of Gospel Choir, which has been invited to perform Wednesday at the National Cathedral in Washington, D. C.

As the inauguration week festivities continue, Felder will also accompany the Washington Performing Arts Society's Men and Women of the Gospel Choir next Sunday at the John

F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts.

Felder, a 2005 magna cum laude graduate of Howard University in Washington, D. C., is the son of **Tommy** and **Jo-Anne Felder** of Buffalo. He lives in Bowie, Md., with his wife, **LaTanya**.

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