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DEAN'S DISTINGUISHED LECTURE SERIES CONTINUES WITH MUTUAL LIFE PRESIDENT VIKKI PRYOR

SOUTHAMPTON, N.Y., March 9, 2010 — Vikki L. Pryor, president and chief executive officer of SBLI USA Mutual Life Insurance Company, Inc., will present a lecture titled “Sustainability in the Insurance Industry” as part of the Dean’s Distinguished Lecture Series at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, March 25, in Stony Brook Southampton's Duke Lecture Hall. The event is hosted by Stony Brook Southampton Dean and Vice President Mary Pearl.

Under Pryor’s leadership since 1999, SBLI USA has continued to experience expansion through the launch of new products, services and successful distribution channels. This reversed a ten-year decline and has resulted in an average annual sales growth of eight percent through 2007 and steady sales and renewals during the recent economic downturn.

Featured in the New York Times, and named by Crain’s New York as one of the 50 Most Powerful Women in New York City Business, Pryor’s involvement extends beyond SBLI USA and into the business and civic communities. She is a frequent and sought after speaker whose engagements range from topics relating to women’s empowerment, ethics, corporate governance, and financial empowerment. In 2007, she served as panelist for an unprecedented study called “The Bottom Line” by Catalyst, which assesses the positive financial impact of the presence of women on boards of directors, and as a panelist for the NAAIA 2007 National Conference, discussing African-American women breaking the glass ceiling. Pryor has delivered numerous keynote speeches. Among these was at the 2009 Greenleaf Center for Servant Leadership Conference. She has contributed to a number of works, most recently to “Motivate Like a CEO,” an authoritative resource for creating excellence in an organization through inspirational and creative people management.

More Dean’s Distinguished Lecture Series Events

The Dean’s Distinguished Lecture Series continues with Jorge L. Benach, Professor and Chairman, Department of Molecular Genetics and Microbiology and Director, Center for Infectious Diseases Stony Brook University, on April 8, speaking on “The Tick Borne Diseases of Eastern Long Island”; and Michael Balick, Vice President for Botanical Science, Director and Philecology Curator, New York Botanical Garden Institute of Economic Botany, on April 29, speaking on “Ancient Wisdom and Modern Medicine: Plants, People, and Cultures in the Tropical Rainforest.”

All events are on Thursdays at 7:30 p.m. in Duke Lecture Hall and are free and open to the public. For further information, call 631-632-5028.

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