



MECHANICAL ENGINEERING SUMMER UPDATE

AMERICAN COUNCIL OF ENGINEERING COMPANIES OF NEW YORK ENGINEERING SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS

NEW YORK, May 23 – The American Council of Engineering Companies of New York (ACEC New York) awarded \$32,500 in scholarship money to 12 undergraduate engineering students attending New York State colleges and universities. Through the ACEC, Mr. Michael Molloy, Junior and Mechanical Engineering Major at the State University of New York at Stony Brook, received the Weidlinger Associates, Inc. Scholarship in the amount of \$2,500.

A Smithtown, NY resident and graduate of Smithtown High School, Michael chose Mechanical Engineering because of his curiosity and determination to understand how things worked. Michael believes that his Mechanical Engineering major provides him with a firm foundation for additional education in other engineering disciplines. Six years ago, Michael began his own lawn care maintenance business, *Molloy Lawn Care, Inc.* Because of his hard work and personal motivation, Michael's business has thrived. Since 2004, Michael has also participated on the Stony Brook Robot Design Team which competes both nationally and internationally. Despite these extra curricula obligations, Mr. Molloy has maintained a 3.87 cumulative GPA and is ranked 11 out of 335 engineering students. Impressive considering the Mechanical Engineering major, with its emphasis on advanced math, physics and laboratory work, is considered among the University's most challenging.

The benefactor of this particular scholarship, Weidlinger Associates, has, for over fifty years, stood for innovation in structural and civil engineering and applied mechanics. Weidlinger Associates serves national and international architects and has also become widely recognized for the preservation of long span steel bridges and computer analysis of military structures.

Mini Baja Team Brings Home Awards

This year's Mini Baja Team brought home third place in the Mud Bog competition at this year's Mini Baja race held May 21-26 in Milwaukee, WI. Out of the 149 entries, the Stony Brook team was ranked twelfth for Integrity of Design.

Mechanical Engineering's Mini Baja Team adds these recent awards to others it has collected over the years including **Third Place Ride and Handling** (1995), **Second Place Serviceability** (2001), **Top Three in Ergonomics** (2000), **Top Three in Ride** (2000) and **Team Participation** (2004).

Come see the awards displayed in the Department of Mechanical Engineering's main office.