

Springfield Resident Honored as Distinguished Alumna at STCC

Linda B. Randall of Springfield, a member of the Class of 1987, has been honored as the 2009 Distinguished Alumna of Springfield Technical Community College. The award was presented at STCC's 42nd commencement exercises, held May 28 at the MassMutual Center.

John Lilly, the alumni-elected member of the STCC Board of Trustees, said, "Linda Randall is a passionate advocate for those in need. At STCC, she is the accommodations specialist, helping students and instructors create a classroom environment in which students with a disability can concentrate on learning. As an adjunct faculty member since 1995, she teaches Social Problems, Race and Ethnic Relations, and Sociology of the Family."

Lilly continued, "Linda's empathetic leadership is also apparent in her work in our community, where she is president of the board of Open Pantry Community Services, Inc., and an independent consultant in diversity education. Her past experience includes serving as the director of the Warming Place Homeless Shelter, building an interfaith coalition to establish linkages in our diverse community, and working with at-risk urban youth.

"After graduating from STCC, Linda went on to earn a master's degree from the University of Massachusetts, in education. Linda's contributions were recognized this year by the Girl Scouts of Central and Western Mass, which selected her as a Woman of Distinction for 2009."

