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## Officials Restrict Access to University Grounds

By Ray Parish

University President John Marburger announced at a press conference Monday morning that the campus will undergo a tightening of security to battle the "serious erosion of public confidence," resulting from the recent rape in Cardozo and arrest of seven students at the union.

Marburger said that the tightening will include the closing of the Forest Drive and north entrances from midnight to 5 a.m. each night and an identification check at the main entrance. In addition, he said that public safety will "increase their visible presence" by deploying uniformed officers to areas such as the residence halls. Revisions will also be proposed for the Student Conduct Code, he said, to clarify and strengthen policy regarding those who break the alcohol and guest policies.

Marburger said on Monday that while changes in the conduct code are under review, students caught violating the policies will be automatically suspended from the university. He decided on Tuesday — after finding opposition in the University Senate — to retract that change, and accept a tentative proposal by the office of Student Affairs that students still be granted hearings before suspension.

Emile Adams, associate vice president for Student Affairs, said that automatic suspension will be reserved for those who "prove to be a danger to themselves or to others." Otherwise, he said, the Student Judiciary will hear the students', and, depending on the judiciary's decision, the students will or will not be suspended. Suspension could mean removal from either the residence halls, the university, or both, according to Adams.

Marburger said that he does not believe that restrictions on campus access will have a direct impact on incidents such as the rape of a student in a dorm room in Cardozo



John Marburger and Emile Adams at Monday's press conference.

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College last week. That rape, he said, "was not a crime that was committed by people who came onto the campus unauthorized." The two men charged in connection with the incident had signed in at the building's security desk, according to campus officials.

Gary Barnes, director of Public Safety, said that the Forest Drive and north entrances to campus have been blocked with police barriers each night since Monday. He said that more effective barriers will eventually be installed.

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## FSA Meeting Ends Abruptly



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FSA Board meeting Wednesday night.

By Mary Lou Lang

The vote to increase the meal plan rate by 2.5 percent was postponed at the Faculty Student Association Board meeting on Wednesday night after a board member walked out of the meeting, leaving the board without quorum, therefore, unable to vote.

David Senator, a graduate student on the board, walked out after his motion to postpone the vote was denied. Senator said he called for a postponement of the vote because the student body was unaware of the increase proposal, and votes should not be cast until they are informed of the details.

According to Senator, eight of the fourteen members of FSA were present at the meeting. Four board members voted for and four voted against the postponement for the vote on the meal plan increase.

"I walked out because I couldn't see how there could be a vote on this without discussion outside FSA," Senator said. "I feel there should be public discussion and public awareness of this rate increase before it's voted on."

Paul Rubenstein, vice president of Polity, and FSA board member, said, "Instead of debating an issue, he decided to disrupt the process. He was childish and rude."

Rubenstein, who voted against postponing the vote said, "I knew that this is the best workable proposal. I believed that it was right for the students and I did what I thought was best."

The proposed increase is 2.5 percent, which is about \$36 more a year per student for meal plan A and B, a \$46 increase for plan C, and a \$44 increase for plan D.

The increase, according an FSA report, is in response to food cost increases, labor increases and other expenses.

Senator said that the increase did not have to be voted on at Wednesday's meeting and "there is no reason why it could not be postponed until the next meeting." He said that last year when FSA was faced with a meal plan increase, they agreed to make the students more aware of subsequent increases in the meal plan.

Board Member Lisa Miller, who voted for a postponement of the vote, said that she feels that students should have known beforehand that there would be increase. She said that the Polity Senate should be informed of the increase proposal, so other students would then be aware of it.

According to Senator, most board members did know the agenda of the meeting, which included the vote on the increase, until Tuesday, March 8. He said that this was not enough time to let students know about it.

The FSA voted Wednesday night, before the meeting

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## Controversy Over Quotes

By Amella Sheldon

Vice President for Student Affairs Fred Preston's quotes about a rape victim in a story in last week's *Statesman* attracted considerable campus and media attention and drew a denial by Preston that the quotes represented his view.

"If that individual hadn't been at a party and gotten intoxicated she wouldn't ... have been in the same situation," Preston was quoted as saying in last Thursday's *Statesman*. "You've got to look at where the responsibility lies and I suppose some of it lies with the individual."

The quotes apparently irked some members of the campus community. "I did get an enormous number of phone calls on Friday from students, faculty, and staff about the remarks [by Preston] as reported in *Statesman*," said Sally Sternglanz, co-chairperson of SUNY Stony Brook's chapter of the National Organization for Women (N.O.W.).

University President John Marburger was quoted in *Newsday* Monday as saying that Preston was "misquoted" and that the *Statesman* article was a "strange misunderstanding."

Yesterday, however, Marburger denied that he said Preston was misquoted. "I don't think I ever said it [the quote] was incorrect," he said.

Preston could not be reached for comment. Campus officials said that he was at an educational conference. Officials declined to provide a phone number where he could be contacted.

Preston sent a letter to *Statesman* on Monday in response to the article and an editorial in the same issue. In the letter he wrote, "... I believe the inaccurate portrayal of my views of the recent rape incident on campus requires a response. Briefly, I want to state in the strongest possible manner that the only individuals responsible for the rape in this and all such incidents are the individuals committing the rape. Rape is ... a sick act of violence against women that is not invited

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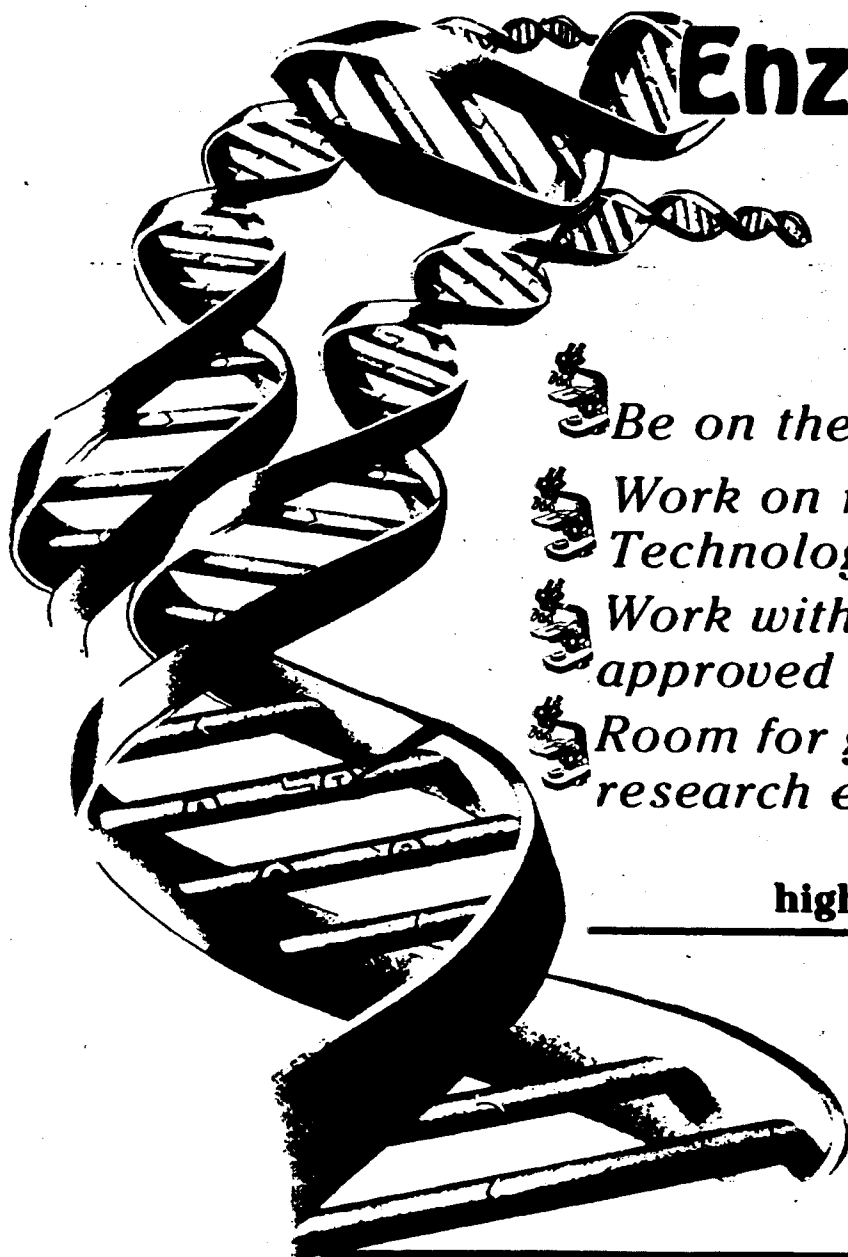
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# NYPIRG Rallies in Albany

By Robert V. Gilheany

The New York Public Interest Research Group (NYPIRG) celebrated its anniversary at its annual spring conference from March 4 to 6. — about 350 students and staff members of the group descended on the SUNY Albany campus. The conference featured speakers, workshops and a rally against incinerators at the Governor's mansion.

The keynote address was given by Jay Hershenson, vice chancellor for Student Affairs at City University of New York and NYPIRG founding member in 1973. Hershenson spoke of students at Queens College inspired by the book "Action for a Change" by Ralph Nader and Donald Ross. He spoke of how students can start up their own organization on issues and hire their own staff. Hershenson said "all the hard work and long hours of starting NYPIRG would have been worth it just for the number of quality reports it produced."

Hershenson mentioned some of the organizations' legislative victories, — of NYPIRG as a reform organization not tied to ideology. "Passing the generic drug law may not be revolutionary, but it took some financial burden off people who need it most," he said.

Food irradiation was a work shop at the conference and NYPIRG staffmember John Sauagian gave a speech about plans to preserve food by exposing it to gamma rays, a by-product of nuclear waste. "The adulteration of our food through the use of gamma radiation changes the wholesomeness and quality of our food," said Savagian. He linked background radiation to an increase in leukemia in children, and how the process of food irradiation increases background radiation in the environment. "It is a reversal of the evolutionary process," according to Savagian, referring back to a time when the earth was lifeless and had a lot of background radiation. The radiation broke down over a millenium.

NYPIRG is planning to discourage grocery stores to stop knowingly selling irradiated foods and is also working on a legislative ban.

Taking on the special interest was a workshop on how

NYPIRG lobbies the state legislature. The workshop was run by their top lobbyist Blair Horner [a former Stony Brook state board rep]. The workshop covered the process of how a bill becomes a law in New York State, who the players are in the assembly and state senate.

Horner used NYPIRG's clean indoor air act bill as an example of how to make a bill a law. "First know who your friends and adversaries are," and he named some allies like the Red Cross and the Heart Association. "Find out who has what special access to what factions in the state legislature." He mentioned who was against the bill, the tobacco companies, restaurants, and the bowling leagues. Horner said "If you're not organized they'll bowl you over." He spoke of the tactics of the campaign and mentioned an upcoming media event with former football great Franco Harris, who is big on clean indoor air. Horner said "this will focus attention on the issue" they described the immaculate reception. "I predict we will win on this one," Horner said.

When asked what are NYPIRG's top legislative priorities, he mentioned "solid waste, stopping incineration by recycling, and public financing of elections." The goals for solid waste, according to Horner are "60% recycling in 10 years and 90% in 20 years."

Last Sunday, NYPIRG held a rally opposing incineration and support for recycling. The demonstration started at the Albany Capital Building and ended at the Governor's Mansion. The rally began with songs performed by NYPIRG staffmember Jesse Schaffer who among other things is NYPIRG's traveling troubadour. Afterward, speeches were made by the group's chairperson Nadia Lawson and Walter Hang, the toxics project director. Lawson told everyone, "Turn your garbage into cash, recycle your trash."

Hang talked of the importance of a safe environment and the dangers of polluted drinking water from landfills and dioxins and toxic ash from incinerators. Hang said "If we can pass our legislation, it will make the world a better place and that's what this is all about."

# Accessibility

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Barnes said that the two officers stationed at the main entrance have not been asking for identification but have been asking people why they are coming to campus. The officers, he said, are also handing out information on the new security measures and telling people to have their identification with them in the future.

The officers, Barnes said, will begin checking identification on Monday, once a plan has been devised for admitting guests to campus. "We are going to be as lenient and as understanding as possible," he said, "until people understand what [identification] they must have."

Throughout the '70s, according to Marburger, all campus entrances except the main entrance were closed each night. The program was dropped in the late '70s. Marburger said that he, Barnes, and several other administrators attended a Polity Senate meeting on Tuesday night and answered questions regarding the new security measures. Marburger said that after listening to student response he believes that residents are open to increase uniformed patrols in the dorms. "There was a time ... when people simply didn't want to see a uniform," he said. "Now I think the time has come."

Both Barnes and Vice President for Administration Carl Hanes expressed some reservations about deploying uniformed officers to the dorms. Presently, the Public Safety Fourth Squad patrols the dorms in plainclothes. "We want to make sure that what we do does not upset the relationship [the fourth squad] has developed with the people in the residence halls," said Hanes.

## Correction

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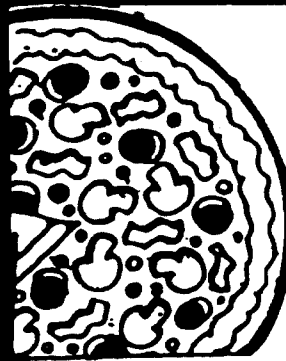


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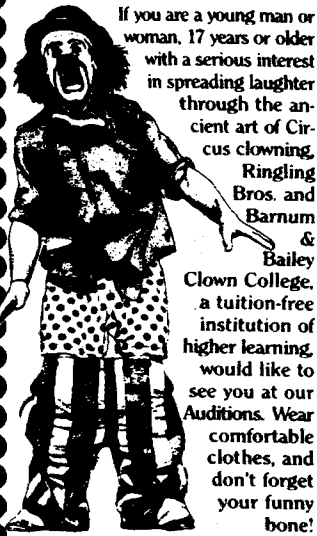
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Joan and Peter Cohn.

## Wife, Hubby Co-Author Heart Book

By Joe Sallerno

"It's nice working with your best friend," said Joan Cohn about the book that she and her husband, Peter just co-authored. Its about the heart.

The Cohns both are doctors at University Hospital and have completed the book entitled "Heart Talk: Preventing and Coping With Silent and Painful Heart Disease." The book combines Peter's knowledge of heart surgery and Joan's "psycho-social aspect." It focuses on the detection, prevention and treatment of silent heart disease.

Peter, who is chief of Cardiology at the hospital and also a professor of medicine, has previously co-written 4 medical texts and 175 articles in scientific journals. In the current book, he said, he discusses "the usefulness of new devices and new approaches such as exercise training for high risk individuals."

"It was important for me to get the psychological input from her [Joan]," he said.

Joan, an instructor of medicine and pediatrics, has a private practice in psycho-therapy. According to Joan, the book is written in easy-to-read language, free of "any psychological or medical jargon." She stressed the importance of the family in a patient's treatment process. "It is sometimes difficult to re-introduce a patient to the family until the family isn't involved in the recovery process."

The book also contains recipes, which Joan provided. "The recipes can be used by anyone...they're just plain yummy," she said.

The Cohns took six months to write the book and according to Peter, it "went very smoothly."

"We have complimentary personalities and we learn from each other," Joan said. Next week the couple will be celebrating their twentieth anniversary.

## FSA Meeting

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adjourned, to accept bids for the building of a rathskellar, which will be located where the Bi-level now stands. FSA also accepted the fleet proposal, which is car rental for departments of the university. This service will be operated through Omega Travel, the agency located near Barnes and Noble, according to Rubenstein.

## Controversy

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by the victim."

Statesman stands by the accuracy of the quotes in last Thursday's story.

"I have not heard from anyone since Fred Preston's comments on Monday so I assume that people pleased with what he wrote," Sternglanz said yesterday. Sternglanz said the groups that called and suggested taking action against Preston on Friday decided to postpone any protest until Preston responded on Monday. "I don't know what is going to happen at this point," said Sternglanz.

Campus officials said that Preston called for a meeting with women's leaders today. The meeting will not be open to the media.

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# Alcohol Ban Won't Solve the Problems

The administration's decision to place a temporary ban on alcohol at special events in the Union will, if anything, aggravate the bored, tense, atmosphere this campus has.

Alcohol may be a contributing factor to the nurturing of unacceptable behavior, but banning alcohol could very likely increase, not decrease, violent, destructive, and dangerous behavior. By not giving students who are of legal drinking age the right to drink, the administration will only provoke anger which could spark rebellion.

Perhaps an even more detrimental outcome would be the administration's inability to enforce such a policy. The students know when a rule cannot be effectively enforced and will push back in defiance, and in this case they will have a reason. Why should those who are 21 and over not be allowed to drink at such events such as Tokyo Joe's and other parties in the Union? The organizers of such events have shown that they can separate quite effectively legal drinkers from those who are underaged. Students who are of the legal drinking age should not be stifled and punished at campus social events.

The extreme, misplaced restrictions of an alcohol ban will give students a cause to rally for, and once again the administration will be the target of protest. The authoritarian nature of an act such as this by administration will only distance them more from the students.

The students who feel stifled by this decision will not remember, as the administration would like, that the ban has been instituted for their own good. The protection should not include a built-in penalty for those under its wing. The ban may be the strongest line the administration can take, the most noticeable in the eyes of parents, press, and

the public, but it will not solve the problem.

By banning alcohol in the Union, except for at the EOB, the administration is putting a great limit on where and how students can go to socialize. If students do not like the Bridge, what are their options? With only the EOB and the Graduate Student Lounge, there is already a lack of locals where students can socialize in a public atmosphere with a few drinks. This ban leaves the options to choose from even smaller. The university would be neglecting needs of an entire section of the campus population, this is incredibly unfair.

The decision will definitely cause more students to go off-campus to find social outlets which might further complicate situations. More students, if they do not go to the Park Bench, have no alternative but to drive to find a place where they can relax with a drink. This will leave open the potential for many students driving while intoxicated. Not good.

Many students already go home because of the boring social life on campus. This ban will only result in an increase of this trend. Students will go home where they can be free to go where they please.

Closed-door parties in the dorms will also increase as a result. Students have no other option. This will lead to students drinking without supervision which might result in worse incidents than the one in the Union last Thursday night.

In the Union, students drink under the supervision of security in a public place, which may prohibit students from acting as wildly or unruly as they would in a private place. Surely if someone knows that there is no one around who will interfere with their acting rashly, they are more likely to behave in an unacceptable way. The latest rape incident occurred at a closed-door party. Has the administration chosen to forget this already? It is more likely that such an incident would not occur in a place such as a party in the Union.

As a dry campus, SUNY Stony Brook will, more

likely than not, begin to have fewer applicants from which to choose. If a campus, when permitting alcohol at parties, has problems with recruitment — as Stony Brook does —, what will the magnitude of that problem be extended to if the campus adds to its questionable appeal a ban on liquor? The answer is obvious. No one will want to go to a campus where there is no drinking.

The steps which the administration should take to stop crimes on campus are obvious. Stopping off-campus people from coming on university grounds without authorization is the first step. A non-student who is caught on campus without proper authorization or a guest pass should be penalized.

The administration has already proposed stricter access to campus, by closing certain entrances and having guards checking id's. The proposal is good, now it has to be carried out.

Another way to cut down on crime would be to hire more Public Safety officers. Marburger said, at the press conference, that the administration will look to re-assign the patrols of the current officers. This is not enough. There is a strong need for hiring more officers and not just dispersing the already existing patrols. The presence of uniform officers on campus will certainly stifle students and non-students from acting in unacceptable ways.

Polity and students should protest this ban and stand up for the rights of students. Students should not stand by and allow officials to use alcohol as a scapegoat for the current crimes on campus.

If the administration would look further they will find other solutions to the violent crimes on campus. Officials should not have acted hastily in response to the latest crime incidents, but should reassess the problems that are plaguing the campus. They should also rescind the ban on alcohol — which was a hasty decision.

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# LETTERS

## RA Blameless I

To the Editor:

I am writing in response to the letter written by Susan Levi, "RA Responsibilities" (*Statesman*, March 3, 1988). In this letter she partially blames the RA on duty for not preventing the rape incident in Cardozo. Susan Levi obviously knows absolutely nothing about the facts of that night. As a resident of Cardozo, I know that the RA who was on duty, and the rest of the staff as well, went above and beyond their responsibilities as staff members that evening. There was no conceivable way that the RAs could have known about the going on of such a small, quiet, unreported party. Our RAs are not maximum security prison guards and cannot be held responsible for what is going on in every room in every suite behind closed doors.

The RA on duty was called at around 3 a.m. and was informed that there was an emergency. At this point, the RA rushed to the scene of the crime and was there throughout the night (until 10 a.m.) helping the victim, Public Safety, and the Suffolk County Police. She also helped to keep an eye on the assailants and obtain statements from witnesses. The RAs made sure that the perpetrators didn't leave nor speak amongst themselves so that there wouldn't be any tampering with the truth of that evening's events. The RAs handled the incident while their supervisor, the RHD, was at the emergency room with the victim. In fact, Sheila Curtain, Roth Quad Director, attended our last building legislative meeting and thanked them for their excellent job in handling the situation. They were also commended by the RHD, Public Safety, and the Suffolk County Police, who realized how well the staff responded to the unfortunate incident.

So anyone who is at all aware of the facts knows that Cardozo has an excellent staff of RAs who are concerned, conscientious, and dependable. As a resident, I feel a great comfort in knowing that we have a staff that really cares. So, Susan Levi, next time you decide to write a letter, try writing on factual knowledge instead of sheer ignorance.

Rita Mirman

## RA Blameless II

To the Editor:

I am writing this letter in response to Susan Levi's letter in your last issue. In her statement to you, she blamed the RA on duty for the rape in Cardozo. This has to be the most absurd and incorrect action to take.

The party going on that night was behind closed doors, small, and not making any noise to disturb other residents. It was a party which no RA had any idea was taking place. Why blame the RAs? Did blaming the *attackers* ever come to mind? You have no right to pass judgment on those not involved, only those who committed the crime. As a matter of fact, Sheila Curtain, the Roth Quad Director, complimented the professionalism of the staff and the RA who was on duty.

The said RA does an excellent job and should be complimented for his/her actions: the attackers were caught! Maybe we should examine the evidence and *think* before we express our opinions, or is that too radical an idea?

John Iacobellis  
President  
Cardozo Legislature

## RA Blameless III

To the Editor:

I am completely appalled at Ms. Levi's unjustified and reprehensible accusation that the RA on duty in Cardozo College the evening of the rape was "partially responsible" for the occurrence (*Statesman* March 3, 1988).

I have personally worked with the RA in question on several occasions and I can vouch for his/her character and integrity: *if the RA had known what was going on, he/she would have taken action immediately.* How can RAs be expected to know what goes on behind closed doors? How can they be expected to be everywhere at once? The answer is simple: *they can't.* The duties of an RA are already elaborate and extensive; and, with the added responsibilities of a student, an RA cannot be held responsible for everything that goes on when he or she is on duty. It is an unfair burden and it is morally and ethically wrong to place it on them.

Ms. Levi's ignorance as to how the incident was handled prevents her from using whatever common sense she may have: all of the staff, including the RA on duty, acted in a totally professional manner and handled the incident with efficiency and compassion.

To pass judgment on the victim, as some have, is indeed horrible; but to place blame on someone for an occurrence that he or she had no way of preventing is equally unjust. Ms. Levi is a hypocrite: for her to hold accountable an innocent person or the criminal acts of others is a crime in itself and she is guilty of it in the first degree.

David Gdula  
Secretary  
Cardozo Legislature

## Public Safety Abuse

To the Editor:

Having observed the incident at the bi-level this past Thursday night, I noted with irony that much of the "riot" was instigated by none other than our glorified Public Safety. Instead of maintaining their calm (in an inevitable moment of student frustration), they injected a panic-like energy into the crowd, by use of physical violence and aggressive, belligerent commands. The students were fully aware of the party's status (over!), and left to their own devices, would ultimately have exited. Had Public Safety merely kept still and directed them to the exits, none of the fighting would have ensued. Instead, they attacked a member of the band, slamming him repeatedly against the wall (an attempt to induce his departure, no doubt), punched a concerned student in the head,

pushed and shoved numerous others, and finally arrested some who were trying to break up the fights (on charges of disorderly conduct and disturbing the peace).

Interesting that Public Safety is so quick to arrest the very students they have been employed to protect, and when a youth from a neighboring town comes to visit a campus party (Fall '87 Schick College) bearing knives and violent threats, they stand mutely by. Administration and Residence Life are quick to reprimand Schick residents for improper behavior. It seems to me that the exercise of power is being abused by Public Safety, and it is they who badly need reprimanding.

Alisa Lebensohn

## Irritable Sorority

To the Editor:

It is 4:45 a.m., I have just woken up, and I am angry. I've always tried to be an open-minded individual, even liberal. But I don't understand why campus sororities find it necessary to traipse around in the middle of the night, waking up the whole quad while they screech their pompous sorority songs without any consideration for any other living soul, and simply to boost their pitiful egos within the bounds of their own minds.

I am compelled now to speak for the scores of people who undoubtedly lie in their rooms in infuriated rages, having been unpleasantly awakened by these selfish screaming people.

It is quite obvious, to me at least, that most people are sound asleep between 3 and 7 in the morning, and that this sort of activity will do nothing except irritate those not involved in these late evening sorority marching expeditions. I for one am fed up with dealing with this problem all of the time, and have happy dreams of drowning out their annoying voices with giant bull horns.

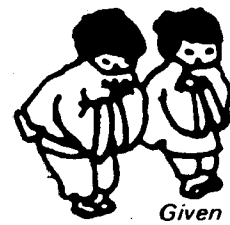
Is this necessary for some reason, or are these people just insecure that no one is paying any attention to them? Maybe it's that they are so ashamed of themselves that they have to scream their marching songs under the cover of darkness.

Whatever their reasons may be, these people are breeding other people like me who will and do oppose their inconsiderate nocturnal activities. If people have no regard for others, then they must be confronted and corrected by those whose rights they are trampling on.

This problem should be addressed, and these sororities should either stop ignoring the rest of the world, or at least give us some damn good reasons for continuously waking the rest of us up with their brazen, selfish and inconsiderate acts. Most of us are here to study and learn something, not to be involved in someone else's distorted, self centered, mental thunderstorms.

Will Mittler

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# Facts About Israel Refuted Once Again

By Ziad Sawi

On Thursday, February 18 a Viewpoint article appeared concerning the history of the State of Israel and its relevance to the current disturbances in the occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip. I found the historical discription to be rather biased, incomplete and at times inaccurate. In the following column I will explain the shortcomings of the previous article.

\*The previous article, written by Professor Shani states that the Arab population in Palestine grew after the Jewish immigration. This is not true. During the first periods of immigration thousands of Jewish settlers were unable to find work. Many died of malnutrition some committed suicide while others took refuge in Palestinian villages. These are not conditions that would "attract workers and merchants from neighboring Arab countries"

\*The land that Professor Shani claims was purchased amounted to 65% of Palestine. Over half of the Jewish towns and kibutzim reside on the exact positions where Palestinian villages used to exist and not on "swamps, marshes, and other poor quality land."

\*The Balfour Declaration recognized the right of Jewish HOMELAND in Palestine which is very different than a sovereign state. Also the declaration stated that the Arab population, at that time 90%, must not be discriminated against.

\*The riots and demonstration that Professor Shani mentions were directed against the British. At this time the Palestinians had not organized any military organizations. By contrast the Jewish settlements were arming and organizing militias and their purpose were by no means limited to self defense.

\*The U.N. resolution of November 29, 1947 was rejected by the Arabs not because the Arab states were confident of victory, but for clearer reasons. The Jewish population in Palestine received in the Partition Plan 55% of the territory even though they made up only 30% of the population. Also, there were no guarantees that the Palestinians living in the Jewish part would not be discriminated against. It should also be noted that, although the Arab states voted against the resolution in the U.N., it was Israel that violated the Partition plan. In February in 1948 Israel, before war had broken out, began to seize portions of Palestine not allotted to it.

\*Professor Shani claims that 600,000 Arabs "preferred" to leave. The Palestinians who "preferred" to leave (they actually numbered 800,000) did so due to life threatening reasons. In February of 1948, while it was moving into other parts of Palestine, the Jewish military forces began threatening and harassing the Arab inhabitants of Haifa and Jaffa until many of them fled due to fear of persecution. In April of 1948 a Jewish terrorist organization called "Irgun Zvai Leumi" seized the Palestinian village of Deir Yassin and massacred 256 of its inhabitants in cold blood. Women, children, even infants were not spared. Although other Jews claimed to be disgusted by such an atrocity, their actions revealed their true sentiments. The Hagana, after occupying a Palestinian village, would threaten the inhabitants telling them Deir Yassin's fate will be theirs if they do not leave. In 1976 the Israeli people elected the leader of the Irgun Zvai Leumi to be their Prime Minister. His name was Menachem Begin.

\*Professor Shani points out that Arab countries "deliberately kept the Palestinian refugee camps under inhuman conditions." Though these camps were very bad the Arab host countries did the best they could with their weak economies to help. Palestinians on the Gaza Strip were given schooling and could attend any Egyptian university free of charge. In the west bank, all Palestinians were offered Jordanian citizenship and many became army officers and cabinet ministers. By contrast the current situation in the Gaza Strip is far more severe. After seizing the west bank and Gaza after 1967 Israel made the decision to subjugate and exploit the populations. In the Gaza Strip the right of Palestinians to fish along the Mediterranean was taken away from them and their right to sell farm produce down in the Gaza Strip was also taken away. This leaves the Palestinians with little choice to work menial jobs for the Israelis at low wages. It should also be mentioned that since 1967 Israel reserved 40% of the Gaza Strip as a home for some 2,500 Jewish settlers, leaving the 600,000 Palestinians with the other 60%. In the West Bank 53% of the land has been reserved for 60,000 Jewish settlers while 800,000 Palestinians must make due with 47%.

\*Professor Shani claims that Israel is looking for a way

to solve the problems. But Israel still refuses to talk to the PLO and deports, silences or otherwise eliminates Palestinians in Israel who are outspoken for their rights.

\*The Professor calls the current rioting the sixth outbreak of violence comparing it with the other wars and implies that some rockthrowing Palestinians who may have an occasional slingshot or a molotov cocktail are a threat to Israel's existence.

\*The statement that the Professor made about the Middle East mentality, claiming that the people of North America would "strive for a solution through negotiation rather than the use of force" is tantamount to racism. Arabs do not enjoy war, killing or death more than North Americans. But they have been confronted with a powerful neighbor that seized the whole of Palestine and stated many times to expand and westward to the Nile and Euphrates.

\*Professor Shani handles the truth most carelessly in his statement "Modern Zionist activity ... did not initiate any terrorist activity against people." I have already given some examples of this activity, I will now give some more.

1954: Israeli agents attacked British and American interests in Egypt in hopes that the West will blame Egypt and relations would sour.

1956: Near the village of Kafr Kasem an Israeli border patrol killed 47 Palestinians, many of whom were women and children, for violating a curfew that they had no way of knowing about.

1956: On the Syrian border the Israeli army moved into an area that was demilitarized after 1948 and forced 700 people of a Syrian village to leave.

1970: Heroic pilots from the Israeli air force bombed an Egyptian elementary school killing eight teachers and 46 school children.

1973: Israeli planes shot down a Libyan civilian airplane killing 103 people.

\*I cannot condone the terrorist actions committed by the PLO or other Arabs but if someone thinks that it is only the Arabs who kill civilians and that the Israelis only wish to live in peace then they are living in a fool's paradise.

\*Professor Shani makes the point that Palestinians frequently kill each other and this unfortunately is true. But is he aware that when Menachem Begin blew up the King David Hotel 78 of the 120 people he killed were Jews? He claims the Arab terrorists hide behind civilians but does he know that in order to hide from the British Begin hid amongst civilians unconcerned about whose life he put in jeopardy?

\*Professor Shani attempts to blame the entire Middle East problem on the Palestinians and Arabs and indeed they are partly responsible. But only when Israel admits to its own mistakes and recognizes the rights of the Palestinians to a state within its borders can there be just and lasting peace between Israel and the Palestinians.

(The writer is an undergraduate.)

## The Goodness of Greeks

By Christina Marie Master

I am writing this partly in response to Mr. Rae's article that ran in the February 29 issue of the *Statesman*. There seems to be an extreme need to clarify a few misconceptions that many people still have about fraternities and sororities, despite their recent acceptance at Stony Brook.

The fact that the use of Mr. Rae's mind is an uncommon occurrence by his own admission, I don't feel it necessary to crucify him for his ignorance. Therefore, I will take the time to enlighten him and perhaps open the minds of others to the "real experience of Greek life."

First of all, I must assert that Alpha Phi is in no way racially discriminatory. Mr. Rae would have recognized this had he known anything at all about Alpha Phi. On this campus alone our sorority has over ten different ethnic groups among its members. Alpha Phi boasts diversity, not only on Stony Brook campus, but also nationally. So, any remarks that we live in a "Xenophobic fantasy world" are completely unfounded.

Secondly, I would like to address the hazing issue. Our fraternity training consists of a program which educates our pledges of the history of Alpha Phi, and also teaches leadership and promotes academic achievement. Alpha Phi has never in any way, shape or form, humiliated or caused any physical or psychological harm to any of its members. The Rutgers incident was quite unfortunate, but this should not warrant a comparison of the Rutgers Greeks to all Greeks. The implications of Alpha Phi condoning hazing or alcohol abuse is totally absurd and could only originate from somebody who knows only of the stereotypical fraternity/sorority which is absolutely

non-existent on this campus.

Greek life at Stony Brook is based on student leadership, charitable work, comradery and academic excellence. Where else can you find such a group of people striving for such goals — the GSL? Joining a fraternity or sorority on campus is a way in which undergraduates can enhance their college experience. It is not by any means the type of organization that takes priority to academics. Frankly, I'm getting annoyed at people who still believe that fraternities and sororities are nothing but a bunch of party animals. I would hate to think that the movie "Animal House" had such an affect on typifying fraternities and sororities and our honorable efforts have gone unnoticed. Just this weekend, Alpha Phi raised a substantial amount of money for the Heart Association. How many "heterogenous REAL college non-Greeks" were participating in four hours of grueling high impact aerobics for the Heart Association on Sunday (two — I counted)? As for the mentality of the Greeks on this campus — I and many others feel it is of the highest quality and we deserve nothing less than the utmost respect.

I am very glad that I have taken this opportunity to correct some misconceptions that people have about Alpha Phi or Greek life in general. I suggest to anyone that has something to say about Alpha Phi or any other sorority or fraternity, to at least meet them first. As for Mr. Rae, I am pleased that you were amused by Ms. Kinney's article. Bu let me assure you that you weren't half as amused as the Alpha Phis were to your moronic response.

(The writer is a member of Alpha Phi.)

## Sororities Work Together

By Theresa A. Geier

I would like to address Mr. Rae in his editorial in the February 29 edition of *Statesman*. Perhaps the writer from Alpha Phi did not express herself clearly, but it seems to me that you read her article from the same stereotypical attitude to which she referred.

First, I would never claim that I am "just like" my sisters. We all come from different backgrounds, have different religious beliefs and varying ethnic origins. The purpose of rushing is not to find other girls who are exactly the same as us. Rather, it is an attempt to find women who have some positive contribution to make to the sorority. We do not "systematically exclude anyone who is different." We actively seek new members who would be willing to work for the benefit of the sorority as a whole. The functioning of a sorority depends on the ability of the group to work together. This does not mean that we must be identical. What it does mean is that we must be able to understand and respect our differences

and acknowledge that it is our unity, despite our diversity, that makes us strong.

Second, I would like to know how you arrive at the conclusion that sorority life is dangerous. Sorority life is a great deal more than simply parties. Of course we have parties, but did you know that the National Sororities on the campus are prohibited from purchasing or serving alcohol at their parties? Not by the university, or the state, but by its own inter-sorority directorship, the National Pan-Hellenic Conference. Your claim that sororities "institutionalize alcoholism" is not an accusation but a demonstration of your own ignorance.

Third, although I agree with the notion of equal rights for men and women, I feel that to declare an affiliation of just women or just men sexist, is extreme. If this is sexist, then to separate men's and women's bathrooms or dormitories is sexist, too. By this logic, men's and women's basketball teams must also be sexist. Since

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# Public Safety Department Crosses Bounds

By David Carlos Nijankin

The Hatfields vs. the McCoy's is perhaps the best scenario that describes the ongoing friction between the student body and administration (especially Public Safety). It is imperative that future confrontations entail cool heads at all times by both parties. This means students can not expect positive action on the part of administration when there is an irrational clash with Public Safety. Administration, in return, has to respect the needs of the students as those of adults. On an already socially stagnated environment, administration has repeatedly curbed social events that students need as outlets (we are not the enemy.)

The debacle at the Bi-level March 3rd is a prime example of a student sponsored event that went awry due to the malice between the two bodies in question. It would have been greatly appreciated by all if the *Statesman* had written an unbiased, investigative story concerning what transpired that evening, rather than a regurgitated essay of a Public Safety press release.

It has become increasingly evident that several Public Safety Officers do not have the proper training, or the faculties to deal with anything more serious than a parking ticket. This is not a point made to be facetious, but a statement that needs further consideration.

Much too often many officers behave not unlike students. If a student is *verbally* abusive to an officer (this should not be condoned), does the officer utilize proper

procedure when he *physically* abuses the student? More often than not, an officer in plainclothes does not identify himself and gets involved; many times this only propagates into a volatile situation. Obviously March 3rd was an evening where Public Safety became personally involved where it was *not* needed, and placed itself in an explosive position.

Unfortunately, Mr. Kerr, Public Safety did not remain calm and professional, or did it separate the "bad" ones from the "good" ones by stopping the party. It did, however, create a few hundred "bad" ones by ending the party under weak accusations and false pretenses. To many, that would appear to be an escalation of a minor scuffle previously under control, and not an uncontrollable ruckus in need of overzealous plainclothes P.S.O. who had no business being there to protect us (or is that Police us?)

This is no attempt at ridiculing one party or the other (however inviting that may be), fault should not be cast to one group alone. Public Safety is an integral facet of any university setting, but not under a premise of totalitarian idealism (that is the impression many students feel when they see an officer "policing".)

If indeed a dry campus is decreed, I fear that it may be the straw that breaks the camel's back. It may only initiate activities resembling the days of Prohibition. We may soon see more alcohol consumption than before.

Mark Twain said it best when he said, "Do not let school get in the way of your education." It is difficult enough on this campus to have a good time without being hindered by superfluous stipulations concocted by administration. A vicious circle of resentment has developed between administration, Public Safety, and the students that must be broken rationally. This does not mean hurling invectives on the part of the students, nor does it mean clamping down with repressive measures (as a student I know this will only instigate and perpetuate more erratic and volatile student behavior.) Have all the viewpoints ever expressed by this paper concerning student displeasure been written off by administration as verbose rhetoric?

Changes will need to be implemented, but only if they prove to be positive for all those concerned. As Mr. Michaels so eloquently put it last week, "a university can only be a university if it has students." Enrollment will continue to decrease unless the entire campus population can function as one cohesive community. All groups must understand the needs of each other and respect them. A more salubrious atmosphere will need to be in the offing, or like many here now, I will advise my younger brother to take his mind elsewhere. There are plenty of appreciative institutions out there that are not under Martial Law.

(The writer is a senior psychology major.)

## A Response to a Response to a Response

By John Saudino

Here we go. It seems like a vicious cycle but now that Michael Lutas has made his Viewpoint, and I my response to his Viewpoint, and then he his response to my response, I guess that now, in response to his misrepresentation to my response to his Viewpoint, I will have to make my response to his response to my response. Sound confusing?

The first piece of my February 11 Viewpoint in which I was supposedly unfair, is in my quoting of Lutas' statement "... sending in the Marines may solve the present crisis." My selection of this statement was not intended to counter any tendency of in Mr. Lutas' thinking to the effect that "sending in the Marines" would be merely a temporary solution, but rather Lutas' affirmation that the Marines invading could constitute any solution whatsoever. Far from being a possible, even a short sighted, solution to "the present crisis" the U.S. presence in the region is the crisis. The U.S. military advisers, the disinformation campaigns of the CIA (which is buying up newspapers and radio stations in Honduras and Costa Rica), the terrorism of the Contras, and the threat of the Marines are causing this volatile situation; they are not a "solution." They are the problem.

The second peeve of Mr. Lutas' is that I allegedly called him a Pinchet supporter. I did not. I merely referred to a time when I was at the College Republican disinformation table and Mr. Lutas was propagating his, I believe, flawed notions about "totalitarianism" vs. "authoritarianism." At this time Lutas said that "totalitarianism" could only be removed "at great cost." He then enumerated times in history when the U.S. has "rooted out totalitarianism," and included Nazi Germany and Chile as examples implying both a solidarity with the brutal 1973 coup and a belief that Allende's Chile was "totalitarian." When the question was pushed he refused to discuss it for fear of "an argument." If you read carefully, you will see in Lutas' February 29 response, that he only indirectly denies his support for the 73 coup. He later, in fact, admitted to my original charge that he considers Allende to be "totalitarian" at the disinformation table the following Wednesday, in front of witnesses this time, after stating in his response that this was "patently false." It is nice to glean an honest lie out of a right winger's "deceptions, obfuscations, and false dichotomies."

Lutas does not respond to any of the substantive points of my viewpoint such as my citing of half a dozen U.S. invasions of Latin America that predated the Bolshevik revolution in Russia, and therefore have nothing to do with a "communist threat." However, this was to be expected. As Lutas' refusal to discuss Chile demonstrates, he does not like to enter into an argument he cannot win.

The final accusation of "insincerity" that Lutas says I levied at him I must stand behind, not merely because of

the above mentioned lie, but because I believe that only a person who is deceitful or one who is possessed of Orwellian powers of doublethink can write "I loathe repression, beating, imprisonment, and murders wherever they occur," preach repentantly about our "moral obligation because of our past involvement," only to be a fervent supporter of the Contras; a group whose well documented human rights abuses make them the

embodiment of what you say you "loathe," Mr. Lutas.

I must make one more note of advice to Michael Lutas. If, in the future, Mr. Lutas, you will accuse people, as you have me, of lacking a "belief in academic freedom and the free marketplace of ideas" simply because they criticize your arguments, you will be making quite a fool of yourself.

## Revamp the Conduct Code

By Michael Lutas

On this campus, the rules of conduct are perfectly clear, on paper. The question is what are the real rules ... the unwritten ones, the ones that really matter. Which rules will be enforced, which will not. Are the staff members going to be strict or lax, easy-going or a bunch of martinets? What is the actual student conduct code is not a frivolous question. As things stand now, this changes from building to building, hall to hall, and quad to quad. In short what you are allowed to do depends almost exclusively on who your staff members are and how well do they like you. What is clear is that no one is being held to the paper rules and the only thing that these official rules contribute is a good laugh and a justification for the rigamarole that hearings have become. If we want the rule of law to exist on this campus it is incumbent that the present student conduct code be revamped to make rules that are realistic in their

goals and will be followed by the staff charged with enforcing them and the students that must obey them. If a dictatorship is what the administration wants then write the rules that way instead of hiding behind vague wordings. Make intentions clear as to what types of campus legal system we will have because the present system is a muddled mix of paper protections of freedom and liberty for students and enforcement mechanisms for a (usually) benevolent dictatorship run by administration. Students are misled into thinking they actually have rights and not just words on paper. They soon learn otherwise when they get a weakly justified warning letter or are temporarily relocated on the strength of an "official" directive.

Administration will also benefit from clarifications in the student conduct code. If the code is revised to follow the precepts of the rule of law than the staff would no

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# LETTERS

## "Dorm Watch"

To the Editor:

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Steven J. Forster

## Flu-aid

To the Editor:

Treatment for flu is available if started within 48 hours of onset. In the present epidemic, fever, headache, muscle aches and pains are

the main early symptoms. If you have these, you can be helped by receiving medication known as Symmetrel. However, you must come in early to the infirmary to determine if such treatment is appropriate and timely. At present the medication has to be obtained off campus. The infirmary is here to be of service to you.

The Infirmary staff

## Unclear COCA Sound

To the Editor:

I'm writing to complain about the CACOPHONIC sound track of many recent CACO films. Although English is the only language in which I am fluent, I was able to understand, with intense concentration, only 80% of the dialogue from *No Way Out* and, perhaps 30% of the same from the first five minutes of the *Princess Bride*. I'm sure that these percentages are lower for students with native languages other than

English. As my money was being refunded for the *Princess Bride*, the staff responded to my inquiries about the sound with a disclaimer that the movie "only costs a buck" and an "explanation" that the falling value of the dollar against the yen has forced movie distributors to use a cheaper grade of celluloid. Perhaps the staff was reluctant to admit that all of their sound equipment was purchased at a garage sale.

A few years ago, COCA offered outstanding entertainment for 50¢ per show with a clear picture, good sound, and a detailed brochure of the season's films. By comparison, the current CACO seems to be an amateurish operation with a staff which is indifferent about procuring reliable equipment and movies with crisp, clear sound.

Perhaps CACO should devote its "efforts" to showing foreign films, since there are many fine French, German, and Japanese films with crisp English subtitles.

Alan Horwitz

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## Conduct Code Lax

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longer have to play a guessing game with which rules to enforce and which ones not to. If the revisions were to the otherside then the martinet on this campus would no longer have to waste time searching for justifications to punish students and could spend their time more profitably on practicing their goosestepped and Seig Heil's. The reasonable portion of the staff would also have an easier time of it since they could operate their little fiefs with even more control than before. In any case the worst of both worlds is what we have now.

(The writer is the College Republicans communications director.)

## Sorority Benefits

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this is obviously absurd, so is your allegation that fraternal organizations are sexist.

Fourth, I resent the charge that sororities are racist. Our national charter prohibits discrimination by race, religion, or any other similar criteria. Some sororities and fraternities are organized around racial or ethnic heritage, that is true; it tends to create a firm foundation for group unity. But the generalization that all fraternities are racist is patently false.

Fifth, the unfortunate incident at Rutgers is truly a tragedy. The death of that pledge sent shock waves through the entire fraternal community. I do not believe, however, that this is reflective of a general "Greek mentality." You seem to be holding tightly to the idea of fraternity activities being centered around alcohol and partying. Actually, a great deal of our activities are centered around philanthropies and fund raisers. Our work at the Inter Fraternity-Sorority Council's Christmas party for children, the Special Olympics, the Phonathon and selling Valentine's Day cards, by your generalization, is reflective of a dangerous mentality.

Tell me, Mr. Rae, is the REAL college experience sitting back and taking only what it gives you or is it actively working with a group to make it truly worthwhile? Unlike you, apparently, I have seen both sides. My life is not limited to my sorority but it has been made better by it. (The writer is a founding sister of Theta Phi Alpha Sorority.)

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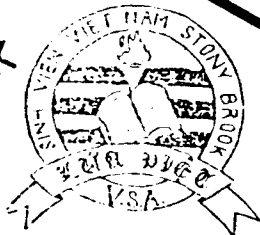
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# A Report From Spring Training

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bets to make the staff. That leaves one pitching position (maybe two if Cone or Leach falters) to be won this spring. It will go to a reliever, probably a lefty. Gene Walter, Jack Savage and Steve Frey, who came over in the Rafael Santana trade, will battle all spring for this final, coveted spot on the staff. I talked with Met catcher Barry Lyons about their chances.

"I'm impressed with all of them," he said. "They're all good Major League pitchers, [but] we've got a lot of those around here. It's still real early [to speculate on who will make the team]. Gene Walter had a tough time last year but he's going to get every chance to regain what he once had. These games down here will determine the final one or two spots on the staff."

Though Lyons is in little danger of losing his job as "back-up catcher, pinch-hitter, occasional first baseman" and though he is in no danger of earning a starting position, he works as hard as any aspiring rookie or aging veteran on the club. Lyons was the first catcher on the field for the Mets final pre-exhibition-season practice on March 4th, and long after most of his teammates had found the relief of a hot shower, Lyons was still swatting fastballs from a pitching machine. His work ethic is admirable, his attitude refreshing, but will he always be content in his part-time role?

"I'm satisfied, but you always want more," said Lyons, peeling off his shin-guards with a grimace. "I hope and expect to get more playing time in the future but for now I just want to be a part of this club."

Ah, if the Mets had 24 players with Barry Lyons' outlook, how dull it would all be. Everyone would just go about their business. No complaints, no groans, no turmoil. What would there be to write about? Baseball? *Bien sur!*

## Spring Training Tid-bits:

-Top of the ninth, Dodgers leading the Twins 5-3 in their spring training opener, Jesse Orosco on the mound for L.A. He goes 3-2 on the first batter before getting him to fly out deep to left. It takes Orosco eight pitches to walk the next two hitters. Jesse gets a pop-up for the second out before yielding consecutive line-drive singles to tie the game. A walk to ex-Met pitcher and hitter unextraordinaire Don Schulze loads the bases before Orosco gets the third out. It was only the first game of the spring and Orosco may go on to have a good season in Los Angeles. But in his first appearance wearing Dodger Blue, he was still Messy Jesse.

-Talking with Tim Teufel about his last name which means "devil" in German. Gott, as in Pirate pitcher Jim Gott, is the

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# White Rat Speaks

By Whitey Herzog

When I look ahead at the 1988 season, I see the Cardinals playing the same style of game which all my clubs have played — blueprint baseball. We will look to win through team speed, good pitching and top notch defense.

My top four starters are fairly set with John Tudor, Danny Cox, Greg Mathews and Joe Magrane. I would like to add another right-hander to that group from among the ranks of Bob Forsch, Scott Terry, Lee Tunnell or Randy O'Neal, and any member of that group could also fill the role as my long reliever from the right side.

The bullpen is always one of the keys to my clubs and this year's team should be

no exception. Todd Worrell from the right side and Ken Dayley from the left give me a nice righty/lefty tandem as stoppers. Rick Horton did the job for me last year out of the bullpen in both short and long roles and he could be joined by Steve Peters, Rich Buonantony or Tim Conroy. Although they don't figure to make the club out of spring training, pitching help for the future could come from right-handers Ken Hill, Scott Arnold, Cris Carpenter, Mike Perez and lefty Jeff Fassero.

Last year I had a tough time fielding my regular lineup due to injuries, but this year I'm hoping to put my starting eight out there and let them play. Bob Horner, back from a season in Japan, will be my everyday first baseman and anchor our lineup batting cleanup. I know after watching Tom Herr for eight seasons, that I'm going to get a consistent effort from him at second. The left side of the infield is set with a pair of gold glove performers in Ozzie Smith at short and Terry Pendleton at third base.

In the outfield we'll go with Vince Coleman in left, Willie McGee in center and Jim Lindeman gets the first shot in right to show me he can rebound from an injury filled 1987 season.

Speaking of rebounding from injury, that's what I'm looking for from the four-time All-Star catcher Tony Pena. He had a tough year in '87 after injuring his thumb the first week of the season.

I don't know where we would have finished last year if it hadn't been for the strength of my bench. Fortunately, that unit remains intact headed by Jose Oquendo, who appeared at every position but catcher last year. Tom Lawless, Rod Booker and Mike Laga are capable infield reserves.

Backing up the outfield corps will be Curt Ford, John Morris, David Green and Lance Johnson. I would not hesitate to move any of those four into a regular starting assignment. Johnson last season was the American Association's Rookie of the Year and league MVP while playing for the Cardinals' AAA Louisville club.

Last year, when Tony Pena was out with a thumb injury, I really got a heckuva job from Steve Lake and the rookie catcher Tom Pagnozzi. Both of them return to bolster our catching corp in 1988.

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# Spring Training Report

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German word for "God." I said that when he steps up against Gott, Teufel would be involved in a biblical confrontation. Teufel quickly put his finger to his lips to shush me. "Let's hope it's not biblical," he said. "If it's biblical I lose."

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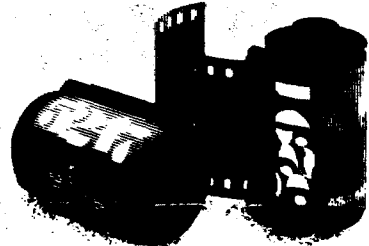
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# Patriots Baseball Team Gears Up for Action

By Dan Daley

The 1988 Patriots baseball team begins its spring season in sunny Florida next week.

For the second straight year, Stony Brook entered the COCA Expo college baseball tournament. Schools like Wisconsin, Brockport, Allentown, and many others from all over will play in the tournament.

Coach Mike Garafola is looking for more of a spring training than a competitive tournament. "We're just looking to get the kinks out," said Garafola. "A few positions are up for grabs and I'm looking to see who performs well in game situations."

The Pats will play seven games in the sunshine state, and they have a big 26 game schedule when they return. Leading the squad is co-captain Craig Cipriano. Cipriano, more commonly known by his teammates as 'Crack,' is a pure hitter and a good leader on and off the field. Cipriano was all-conference and team MVP in 1987.

The other co-captain is Bill Germano. Germano has a rifle arm from right-field and is looking to have a good senior season. Felix Tineo, the 1986 team MVP, is also in his last year and expects to fill the third-base vacancy.

Pitching may be a problem for the Patriots. "Right now we have six pitchers," said assistant coach Joe Greco. "If we come up with some sore arms and have a few games in a row, we could be in trouble." Greco, in his first year as assistant coach, was an all-conference pitcher last year and was hoping for another year of eligibility. Greco's a physical therapy student whose few innings of pitching as a freshman at New York Tech, killed his chances for pitching another year at Stony Brook. Greco works a lot with the pitchers and is a big asset to the program.

The team has four returning pitchers from last year. Hard-throwing senior Chris Bruno looks to be the ace this year. Junior Freddy Martinez had a 2-0 record last year and will be in the starting rotation. When asked about the team's chances for the upcoming season, Freddy responded, "We can definitely go as far as we did last year." (Stony Brook reached the conference semi-finals.) "And with a few breaks, we can take it all."

Two other returning pitchers, Larry Panicali and John 'Gas Can' Gassler, will be valuable starters in the long season. Temple transfer Dean Mauri and freshman Sean Callahan

will make their debuts on the mound this spring.

Garafola is looking for some new faces to do the job on the field this year. There are four guys competing for the catcher's job. Sophomore Pat Mahon, along with freshmen Eddy Cascio, John Esposito, and football player Houston Ovalle, are all in the hunt. "It depends on how the rest of the team hits," said Garafola. "If the team hits well, then I'll go with the best defensive catcher. If not, I'll sacrifice a little defense for a good bat. Mahon has the edge because he played last year and is very smart behind the plate."

Penciled in at center-field is lead-off hitter Dan Melore. Melore, a sophomore, is a contact hitter and covers a lot of ground in center. Starting at shortstop is transfer Ken Rauchenbauch. Last year's shortstop is no longer playing and Ken, a transfer from Div. I Hofstra, is ready to take shortstop full-time. Sophomore Bob Burden will be at first base. Burden, who kicks for the Stony Brook football team, has a powerful, compact swing and should bat in either the fourth or fifth spot in the lineup.

The Patriots' first home game is a doubleheader on March 26 against Manhattanville.

## Drugs in Sports: Who's Responsible?

By Glenn Mishuck

Take a look in the mirror and what do you see? Look past the hair, the eyes, the nose and all the other elements that make up our physical appearance. Take a look beneath the surface and what do you see? Most will say that they see a good, moral person, one who has their priorities in order and has a righteous understanding of what is right and what is wrong in regard to society. This may be true, but there is an ongoing problem in the world of sports that tests our moral judgments and our social values, and to be perfectly honest, I believe that we are failing the test.

Drugs. There it is. That nasty word that has unfortunately become as common a word in sports as, homerun, touchdown, and power-play goal. Orlando Woolridge of the New Jersey Nets is the latest entry to the growing list of drug abusers in sports. On February 22, when Woolridge admitted he had a cocaine addiction, he joined the likes of Dwight Gooden, Steve Howe, Pete Johnson, Michael Ray Richardson, LeMarr Hoyt, Dave Parker, Keith Hernandez, Lawrence Taylor and a host of others as those who at one time or another during their careers succumbed to the deadly world of drugs.

We as fans cannot be held directly responsible for the players actions, but we can be held responsible for our actions in response to theirs. Unfortunately, it seems as though we have become passive in our actions. Almost as if we have become conditioned to accept all the stories we hear and to simply file them under "O" for "Oh, Well." It would be easy to attribute the drug related problems to the players high salaries and their carefree lifestyles, but sports is not the only area of our society that is affected by drugs. It is all around us, from the poorest to the richest. I focus on the athlete because he is a figure that is respected and looked up to by all of us, young and old. It hits home a lot harder if I discuss Dwight Gooden of the New York Mets than if I discuss Joe Schmo from Brooklyn. Because of the pedestal that we put the athletes on, I hope people start to say: wow, if it can happen to them ... yeah ... maybe it can happen to me. Drugs have become a major problem in sports, hence it should become one to the true sports fan. A true sports fan loves the sport itself first and a particular team second. But yet there seems to be a tremendous amount of fan apathy in this area. Sports is a thing of beauty. It is something that can be shared ... enjoyed by all; but when something as ugly as drugs tarnishes that beauty, you and I as fans should feel obligated to speak out and let ourselves be heard. Even if it's a loud chorus of boos at the ballpark. Just something to let the player know that he has hurt us, the fans, and he has hurt the sport, but most importantly he has hurt himself. As humans with human feelings, we understand that others make mistakes and we are compassionate towards their needs; but we should not let them back into our hearts without letting them know how we feel. Such a simple thing as booing can convey feelings of dissatisfaction, and I know we all know how to boo. We have booed the Rangers for forty years, but we love them anyway. We have booed Al Toon for dropping one in the end zone, but we love him too. We have unmercifully booed Jeese Orosco for blowing ninth inning leads on a daily basis, but there is a place in our hearts for him also. Let us hear a loud, resounding boo for the player who is blowing more than just a ballgame, but is blowing his life as well.

When Orlando walks on the court for the first time after rehabilitation, he should not be cheered and given a standing ovation. He should be booed, and not because we dislike

him, but rather because we love him. He should understand that we marvel at his athletic prowess. At the same time, he must understand that he has damaged our images of him and the sport we adore, and that he will have to earn back our respect.

Drugs stink and anybody that uses or abuses them, while

they are worthy of professional help, should realize that the road back to total recovery is not and should not be an easy one. Oh, by the way, for all of you who feel that drugs cannot kill, take a trip to Maryland and ask about Len Bias. Yeah, 21 months later and it still hits home. But before you go, take a look in the mirror, a good look.

## Knicks Make A Playoff Run

By Robert Abrams

What's with the Knicks? It was just a few weeks ago that their season was being written off. Now, they are fighting legitimately for a playoff berth. The Celtics (42-19) have a lock on the Atlantic Division title but the second and final playoff spot is open to the Knicks (25-33), Bullets (25-32), and Sixers (24-35).

The once absent defense of the Knicks that enabled their opponents to consistently score 100 plus a game is back and has had perfect attendance in recent weeks. Add to that the fact that the Knicks are getting more balanced scoring from Patrick Ewing, Gerald Wilkins and Mark Jackson among others. Rookie Jackson has been the biggest surprise for the Knicks thus far. He was expected to dish out a lot of assists as he has, but his scoring as well as his ability to lead the team, have been unexpected surprises.

Don't tell Jackson that the number 13 is unlucky! Alright, tell him but he won't believe you. Throughout his college career at St. John's, he wore #13 and he was drafted #13 in the first round of the 1987 draft (he still wears #13). Recently, the Knicks looked to win their 13th straight home game and they did so against the Bulls. Incidentally, in that game Jackson scored a career-high 33 points. I wonder if he walks under ladders?

## Downey's Bright Future

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as a person. In the four years he has been here, he has done everything we have asked of him. He could have looked down on things and coasted, but he didn't. His modesty impressed me the most. He doesn't have to walk around with his chest out. People know he's good. He is always the first to give someone else credit. He represents the true meaning of an All-American, athletically and academically."

**'Chuck is like a convertible Mercedes, not too flashy, very classy, yet sleek and quick.'**  
—Jim Hayes

Respect for Downey exists among his teammates also. "The great thing about Chuck is that he works for it," said team captain Doug Jordan. "He doesn't waste his talent. He gives everyone a goal to shoot for. Everyone wants to be like

him. He goes about everything the right way. He doesn't flaunt or brag. That's the way it should be."

Tight end Jim Hayes compared Downey to a car. "Chuck is like a convertible Mercedes, not too flashy, very classy, yet sleek and quick."

Downey's plans for the future include more schooling, and maybe becoming a coach or Athletic Director. Another plan is to become a fireman. One thing that Downey definitely wants to do is always stay in touch with football, whether it be the NFL, Semi-Pro, or coaching. "I don't feel I'm going downhill. I didn't reach my peak yet. I got a lot left. If I don't play, then I gotta coach or something. Football has become too big a part of my life to give up."

Those who were fortunate enough to watch Downey play football on Saturdays were left with many exciting memories and it will be hard to see next year's team play without #30 on the field running back a kickoff for a touchdown, or laying a stick on defense, or watching opponents grab for air as he slithered by them running the ball. Chuck Downey has laid the right foundation for the football program. Next season, instead of playing as an independent, Stony Brook will make their debut in the Liberty Conference with schools like C.W. Post and Kings Point. It is a respected division and Downey's presence gave the boost Stony Brook needed to get into the conference. His name and achievements will be remembered for a long time to come.

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Chuck Downey

By Al Bello

In football, it is not only size, strength, or speed that makes a great football player. Heart, desire, and brains are key ingredients and to many, Stony Brook All-American Chuck Downey is one great football player.

## Bright Future for Downey Football Star Hopes to Make Giants

Teammate and close friend Alan Balkan said proudly, "Chuck may not have been blessed with enormous size or blazing speed, but his hard work and determination make him the best athlete he can be and that is an All-American. He gives me the inspiration to make myself better."

"He spoke soft and carried a big stick," said Defensive Coordinator Dave Caldiero. "The kids on the team have a burning desire to block for Chuck when he returns those kicks or punts. If you look at the films, they are trying to get two blocks instead of one. He is highly respected by everyone. He does not even know how good he is."

As a result of all his hard work, Downey has received many awards and most recently he won the ECAC Division III Metropolitan New York, New Jersey player of the year.

Downey was honored at the Meadowlands with such great college players as Don McPherson of Syracuse, Kenny Gamble of Colgate, and Kelly Ryan of Yale. His trophy seemed to resemble a small version of the Stanley Cup. A Stony Brook crowd of family, friends, and coaches gave him a standing ovation as he stepped up to the podium, received his award, and gave a memorable speech.

Downey recalls, "I was very nervous up there, but it felt good to get it. It felt like some kind of accomplishment for me, and the Stony Brook program itself. We are finally getting recognized, where as a few years ago, we got zip. We are becoming legit I guess."

Head football coach Sam Kornhauser feels Downey has improved Stony Brook's football program tremendously. "It was very important for us to have respect when we first started out as a division three team, and Chuck gave us that

credibility when he started breaking those NCAA records. Recruits hear there is an All-American playing for Stony Brook and as a result, we get better players."

Besides the award, Downey also has a shot at the NFL. The New York Giants, Buffalo Bills, and Philadelphia Eagles all show great interest in his remarkable kickoff return ability. He has been timed in sprints by the Giants and has spent the day with them at Giants Stadium. He is hoping to be invited to rookie camp. If not, then he will go to their free agent camp this May. The Eagles and Bills show more interest in him because they need a good kick returner.

Getting a shot to play in the NFL should be exciting for anyone, and making it would be a dream. Downey is looking at this precious shot realistically. "I'm not getting my hopes up. I would definitely love to play in the NFL, but it isn't like I'll commit suicide if I don't make it. I'll train real hard and give it my best shot."

People always seem to talk about Downey's 12 assorted NCAA records in kick and punt returns, and his All-American status. Also that he is a triple threat on the field, playing running back on offense, safety on defense, and kick and punt returner on special teams. Stony Brook's sophomore defensive end Kevin Hinphy said it best, "Chuck Downey is every opposing coach's nightmare."

One thing that the media does not seem to pick up on is the tremendous respect he gets from his coaches and teammates, not only as a player, but as a person. Coach Kornhauser could give Downey nothing but praise. "He is a great kid to coach not just for his ability to play football, but also

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## Exclusive Report From Florida Spring Training

By Kostya Kennedy

**Treasure Coast, Florida** - The Treasure Coast. A strip of land along Florida's east side that gets its name from the pirate wrecks which litter the ocean floor offshore. Studded with palm trees, glistening with golden beaches and a silver water way, delicious fresh fish is eaten by all. It is one of the fastest growing areas in the United States, yet remains unspoiled by tourists; uncorrupted by buck-hungry land mongers.

The Treasure Coast is the training ground for two of the shining jewels in the baseball industry. The Los Angeles Dodgers are now in their fortieth year at Vero Beach. Dodger town is classy. A quiet community with golf courses, semi-tropical foliage and yachts in the harbor. Here the Dodgers play baseball in a clean stadium with team benches instead of dugouts. Here, in this hospitable and low-key environment, is where the Dodgers rule from late February to the beginning of April.

If you leave Vero Beach and follow the yellow lines of I-95 south for five exits, you will arrive at the equivalent of Emerald City. A 5½-diamond baseball complex where the plush grass is deep green and the New York Mets are conducting their first spring training in Port St. Lucie West.

The Dodgers are the old gold of the Treasure Coast. They are led on the field by the affable Tommy Lasorda. Off the field they

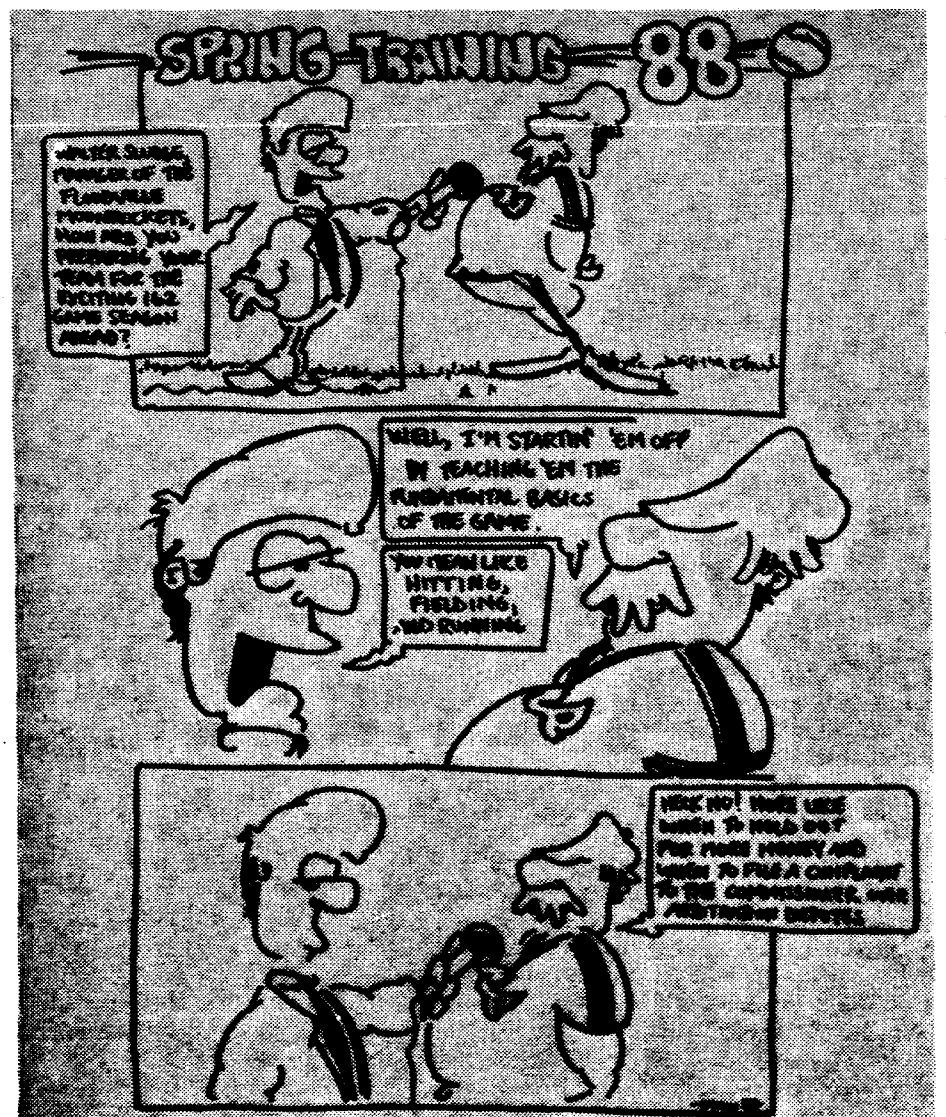
are led by a Mr. Fred Claire and an organization that, despite two straight seasons of Dodger mediocrity, continues to produce good, young pitchers by the bushel. They are a traditional and respected fixture in Vero Beach, where March would not be March without Dodger Baseball.

Though the Mets are still a diamond in the rough within the Treasure Coast community, they are loved already. Balloons, a mini-parade, government officials, an 11-year old girl who sang the National Anthem in a naturally falsetto voice, and a stadium packed with Met fans received this ball club on Spring Training Opening Day. The Mets are comfortable in their surroundings and their surroundings are comfortable with them. Now it's time to get down to business. Time to get down to baseball.

For the fourth consecutive year, the Mets are playing their pre-season as the favorites to win it all in the post-season. They have made few roster changes since last year and there aren't a whole lot of jobs available on this talented club.

Dave Johnson's leak here is that he will "probably take ten pitchers north to start the season." Well, the Mets have five fabulous starting pitchers, and a pair of bullpen stoppers in Roger McDowell and Randy Myers. David Cone and Terry Leach are

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