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D'Amato Speaks On Drug War

Senator Urges The Use Of Old Style Values

By Amella Sheldon

Republican Senator Alfonse D'Amato spoke about the role of old-fashioned values in the fight against drugs during his keynote address to the group of about 75 people gathered in the Alliance Room of the library for The Italian American and Social Justice Symposium Saturday.

The three components the people of this nation must have in order to fight the drugs are self-respect, family ties and community support, according to D'Amato, adding that combined with tough laws, these elements will help cure this country of most of its drug problem.

Although many Italoamericans grew up in families with meager means, they were enstilled with a sense of self-worth that many young people are not given today, said D'Amato. The sense of family and community were also there for him and helped him become what he is today, he said.

"I think we have to work to cultivate our own legacy, this is our charge and foundation, yours is the duty to help to continue to fertilize the soil and give our youngsters self-respect, family and community," said D'Amato.

D'Amato said these things along with the death penalty for major drug dealers and laws that will allow procedures like random drug testing for those applying for drivers licenses will help address and eliminate the drug problem that this country now faces.



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Speakers at the Italian American and Social Justice Symposium.

Also speaking at the day-long symposium was John Bonsignor, director of Special Programs on WNYG radio in Babylon, Salvatore G. Rotella, vice president of Academic Affairs, Nassau Community College and the Honorable Dominic Massaro, Justice for the New York State Supreme Court.

The stereotype that connects Italians with crime con-

tinues and is not being fought as hard as it should, according to Bonsignor. He cited the comments that Sam Donaldson made to Geraldine Ferraro, vice-presidential candidate with Walter Mondale, about whispers that connected her with organized crime. Donaldson did not even apologize, yet CBS completely disassociated themselves from Jimmy The Greek when he made the comment about blacks' propensity for being great athletes, said Bonsignor.

"We need equal rights," said Bonsignor of the Italoamericans. He added that the Italoamericans have to fight for that and offered time on the microphone on his weekly radio show Crossroads to anyone who wished to talk about an injustice they know about. He said that more has to be said about the positive contributions that Italoamericans such as Governor Mario Cuomo and Chrysler CEO Lee Iacocca have made.

The mother country Italy also has something positive to show this country and others around the world, said Rotella. Its political system is something that can be learned from and is not the unstable entity that many make it out to be, he said.

Italy's political and economic systems have upheld human rights in keeping out the death penalty and distributing the wealth throughout the population quite evenly, Rotella said.

"It is the story of success. Italy is one of the most stable democracies of the world," said Rotella, "Italian American scholars... should explore and bring to bear lessons of the Italian political and economic systems. They can be

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By Joseph Salierno

Freshman Representative, Student Judiciary, Polity Treasurer and three referendums are positions and issues on the ballot for the Polity elections to be held on Tuesday.

One of the referendums to be voted on concerns the installation of a cable television service for all students. Lee Conover, vice president of the Polity Election Board explained the new television service is not

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Two youngsters who found fun with a few pieces of insulation on Roth Pond Saturday.

AROUND CAMPUS

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Preston In National Network

NAMED: University at Stony Brook Vice President for Student Affairs Frederick R. Preston of Miller Place, who has been elected to the National Vice-President's Group, a network of key administrators from the nation's top research universities.

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Monday, October 23

Pakistani Student Association Meeting

10:15 p.m. in Student Union Room 216

Chemistry Seminar

A lecture on molecular force fields and quantum ensembles will be given by R. Porter, professor of chemistry and one on natural product synthesis by S. Sieburth, assistant professor of chemistry will follow from 12:50 p.m. to 1:45 p.m. in Graduate Chemistry Room 412.

Women's Volleyball

The women will play Molloy at 7:30 p.m. in the gym.

5th Annual Culture Show

Featuring poetry, dance troupe, and skit by Malik Sigma Psi Fraternity in Union Auditorium at 8 p.m.

Tuesday, October 24

Student Leader Roundtable

This meeting will be held from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. in the Uniti Cultural Center, Roth Quad Cafeteria.

Student Polity Election Day

Students can place ballots for freshman representative and Polity treasurer and vote on referendums dealing with the student activity fee and cable television all day long in various locations around campus.

Lecture in German

Oesterreichische Literatur der letzten vierzig Jahre will be the topic on which Herbert Zeman of the University of Vienna will speak at 2 p.m. in the Melville Library Room N-3063.

"Vitenam: How Could This War Have Happened?"

Niel Sheehan, highly acclaimed journalist and author will speak at 8 p.m. in the Staller Center for the Arts Main Stage.

Neurobiology and Behavior Seminar

Steven Burden, Massachusetts Institute of Technology will speak on the regulation of an Acetylcholine Receptor Gene at 4 p.m. in Graduate Chemistry Room 038.

Baruch Science and Engineering College Tuesday Night Colloquium

Alan Tucker of the Department of Applied Mathematics will speak at 8 p.m. in the Baruch College Classroom, Kelly Quad.

Poetry Reading

Quincy Troupe Sr. will read from his works in the UNITI Cultural Center at 8 p.m. Profesor Bagley will also speak.

Wednesday, October 25

Polity Senate Meeting

Will be held at 7:30 p.m. in the Student Union Bi-Level with members of the Department of Public Safety talking.

Black Cinema

A culturally motivated film will be shown at the Uniti Culture Center at 7:30 p.m.

Meet The Candidates Night

The College Republicans will host the Republican candidates for town and county races at 8 p.m. in Student Union room 216. Refreshments will be served.

Rape Awareness Program

Sigma Delta Tau will host this program at 8 p.m. in the Student Union Ballroom.

Noontime Series

Music will be performed by Stony Brook students at noon in the Recital Hall of the Staller Center for the Arts.

Author will Read

Bruce Weigl will speak at 7:30 p.m. in the Poetry Center, Room 238, Humanities Building.

"Mommy Track" Panel Discussion

Will be held from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. in the Harriman Hall Auditorium. Sponsored by the Women's Studies Program.

Archeology Talk

"Historical Archaeology of the Terry-Mulford Site" will be the topic Frank Turano will speak on in the Museum of Long Island Natural Sciences in Earth and Space Science building. To register for the this first of three lectures on Long Island Natural Sciences, call 632-8230.

Ecology and Evolution Lectures

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ACROSS THE NATION

Compiled From The College Press Service

New College Hermits

There are 2,900 students at Mansfield University in Pennsylvania, but not many of them are venturing out to join the student activities anymore. They aren't even getting as far from their dorm rooms as the TV lounge.

They are, some college officials believe, harbingers of a new breed of student being hatched nationwide, the accidental result of the arrival of cable television and microcomputers on America's campuses: the "room rat."

"Numbers of students who stay in their rooms - room rats - seem to be on the rise," said Joseph A. Maresco, MU's vice president for student affairs.

Other well-wired campuses report similar problems getting students away from their dorm room computers and MTVs and out to join intramurals, student government and other activities, but they seem to be taking it less seriously than Mansfield is.

Mansfield's problem began in 1987, when it became the first campus in Pennsylvania's 14-member State System of Higher Education to install cable TV hookups in each room. The rooms also connect students to voice mail and to the university's mainframe computer system.

Last year an estimated 35 percent of MU's 800 dorm residents brought a TV with them, and a smaller number brought their computers with them, too.

The result was the birth of the room rat.

"We first noticed the impact in the TV lounges," Maresco said. "They used to be the focal point for students. All of a sudden, they weren't. Then we noticed there wasn't the same degree of interaction among students on each floor."

Deb Nowicki, a resident adviser at Mansfield, noticed her students' behavior changed, though not as severely as Maresco claimed.

"They more or less stay on the floor, but they do get out of their rooms," she said.

"This is a sign of things to come," Maresco said. "It's inevitable that many campuses will face this phenomenon in the future because students are basically the same everywhere."

Already, cable TV is in high demand among students. The universities of Miami, Oklahoma, Arizona, Kentucky, South Carolina, Michigan, West Florida, as well as Stanford and Marquette universities, among scores of others, have brought cable programming to students in recent years.

Others, like Clarkson University, Stevens Institute of Technology, and Texas A&M University have, like Mansfield, re-wired their dorms to let students plug their computers into campus-wide networks.

Yet few have noticed - or will admit to noticing - that the new technologies may have changed students' social habits.

"There will always be that percentage of students who won't come out (of their dorm

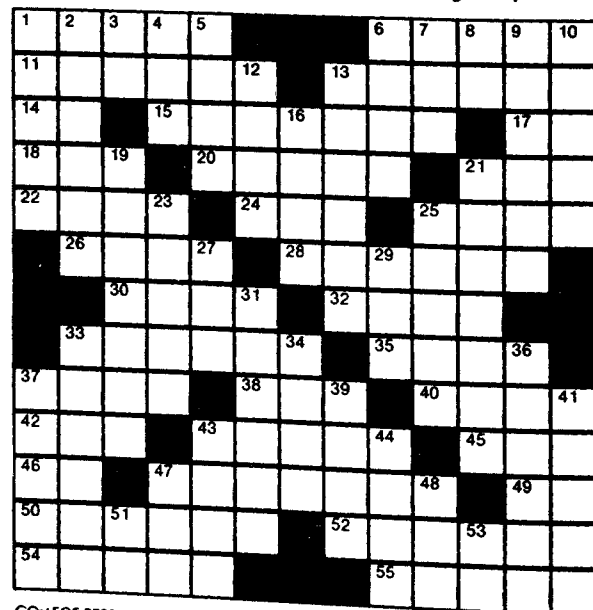
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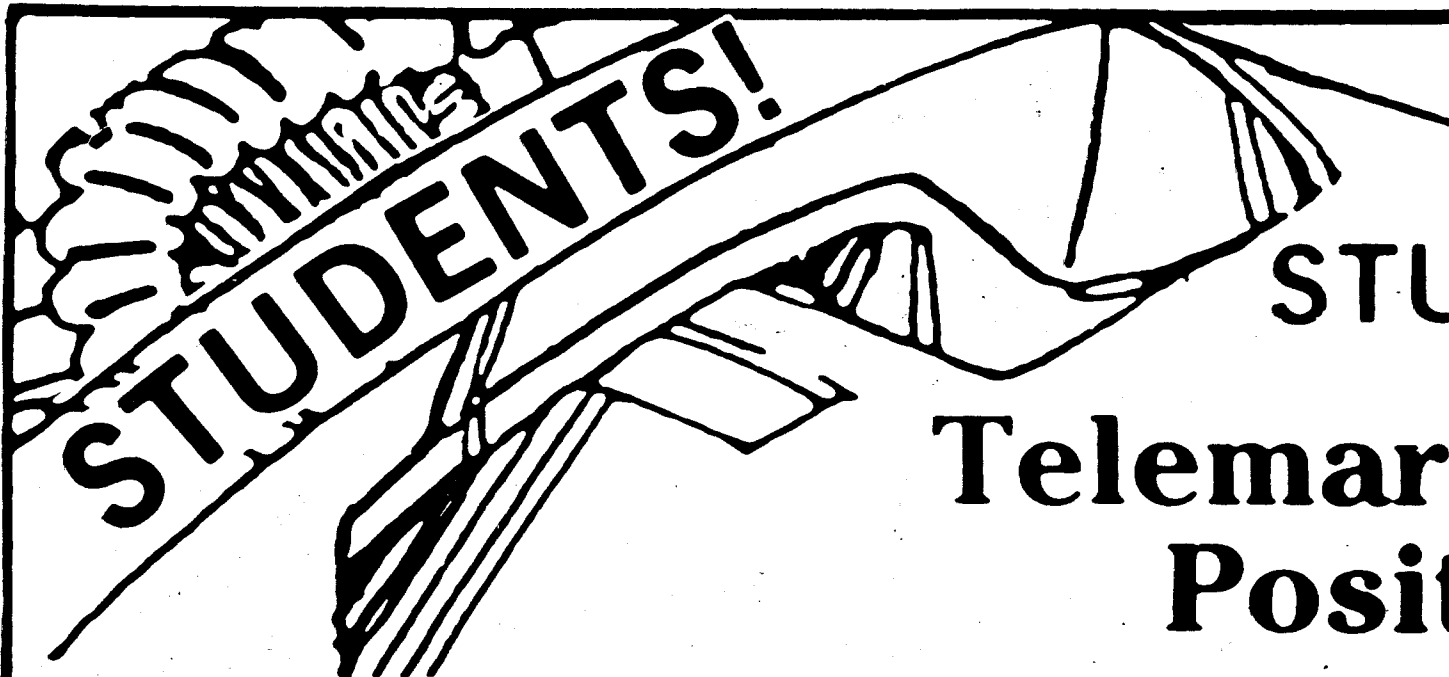
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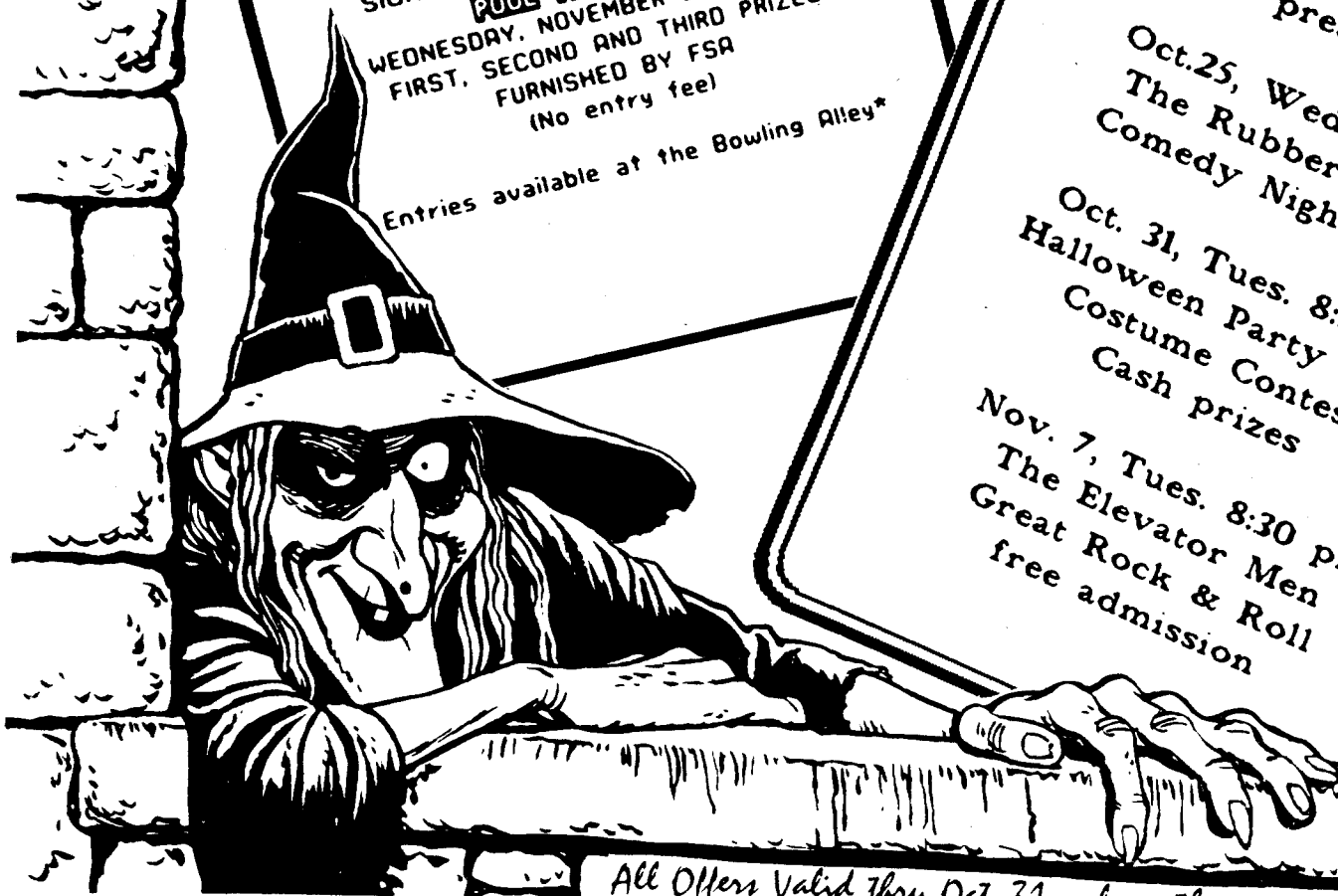
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Study and Travel Combined

By Cynthia Lee Valane

Wouldn't you like to go away and experience another culture? One of the best ways for students to travel and continue an education at the same time is through Stony Brook's Study Abroad programs.

Many students at Stony Brook take this opportunity to study abroad. One of the major reasons is the student is majoring or minoring in another language. Jennifer Creedon went to Spain this past summer. "Spanish is my major," she said. "I had only studied it for two years, so I really felt I needed to immerse myself in it."

Students also go abroad to see another part of the world. "England has always fascinated me. I just wanted to see how others lived," said Richard Rockel.

"I grew up in Smithtown," said Elizabeth Cone, an International Studies major. She went to Canada last semester because she wanted to see what it would be like to live elsewhere.

Creedon, who went to Salamanca, said, "What was most important was the family I stayed with. They included me in everything." She had fond memories of a dance they took her to and of the traditional Spanish songs they sang for her in their home at night accompanied by a guitar. Even though she did not know their language well at first, the family encouraged her to speak the native tongue.

Klaus Dobler spent three weeks in a North German town with a family and three weeks in a school dormitory in Hamburg this summer. "I had the best time there. There were instant social connections." He said he had met many people in the local high school which was still in session at the time and had been able to go to a huge feast in a nearby town.

Dobler also, went to East and West Berlin. He found Berlin to be a very international city. Here he was able to see the grim memorials of World War II and of Hitler's Third Reich. In East Berlin, he visited Eelsen, a concentration camp, as well as the outside of Hitler's bunker. He also noted, "There are so many different buildings from different times, since the city is about 1,000 years old."

Cone said the major difference between Canada and the United States is that "Canada is cleaner than here." She said she was surprised because, "They are very anti-American there," but otherwise there was "nothing unusual. It was

much the same."

The students observed the differences between Americans and citizens of other countries. Dobler said of the Germans he had met, "They're a lot like us, but they're more aware of what's happening outside their country." He also saw that they had smaller streets and houses. "But despite how everything is so cramped, they still have a place for forests," he said.

Rockel said, "People were really friendly." He also said that in England, "People seem to prize the quality of life over money. They have more of the simple life." Staying at Brunel University, he enjoyed the chance to see directly how their Parliamentary government worked, visiting Parliament twice a week. He was able to speak with the Speaker of the House, as well as observing the Prime Minister in a smaller room. Another highlight for Rockel was seeing some of England's Royalty, such as the Princess of Wales and the Queen at Westminster Abbey. "And the Duchess of York spoke on the campus I stayed at," he said.

Mariou Giron, the head of the Study Abroad program, encourages all students who qualify to choose one of the many programs to study abroad. The expense should not be a consideration, because those who participate remain full-time students. "Tuition is the same as if they were boarding at Stony Brook." The additional fee is mostly for air fare. She also added that all credits earned in other universities will automatically be transferred to the student's transcript.

Day of Speeches

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extremely helpful."

Scheduled, but unable to appear were the Honorable Vito Titone, judge for the New York State Court of Appeals and Margaret Buzzell, president of the advancement of Commerce and Industry. New York State Senator Kenneth LaValle moderated some of the discussions.

The symposium is the fourth of its kind and was presented by The Long Island Center for Italian Studies at SUNY Stony Brook, in association with the Consortium of Long Island Italian American Organizations and the SUNY Stony Brook Department of French and Italian.

Mis Organizes Week of Drug Awareness

By Joyce Oliva

Banner contest, breathalyzer test demonstrations, and mocktail parties are just a few examples of the many activities which took place during the annual campus Alcohol and Drug Awareness Week, that ran from October 15 to the 21 this year. As coordinator of events for the past three years, Gary G.S. Mis, special assistant to the vice president of Student Affairs, has had an important role in the planning and organization of the events during the week.

By late August, Mis and staff sent letters to all students, faculty, and organizations such as fraternities, sororities, and building legislatures asking for their involvement with Alcohol and Drug Awareness Week, Mis said. This year, off-campus groups such as Al-Alon, The Civil Service Employees Association, and Alcoholics Anonymous lent their services to the weeks activities.

When asked about the effectiveness of the Alcohol and Drug Awareness Week on SB's student population, Mis replied that it is hard to access the impact of the programs, but in any case, "education takes place on different levels."

Mis said he is certain that student participation is the key to the overall success of the week. Within the past years, new programs are added to cover the more detailed and student-related issues which affect Stony Brook directly, said Mis.

Former New York Giants and New York Jets player Dave Jennings gave a lecture on Wednesday, October 18th, about steroids and the severity of drugs on and off the playing field. Also, lawyers spoke to SB bartending classes about their responsibilities to their customers lives.

Overall, Mis said he is positive that students are becoming more aware of alcohol and drug problems during the weeks' events even if the message is read on a banner. It is hard to measure the extent of the program's effectiveness, but education is there for all those who are willing to learn, said Mis.

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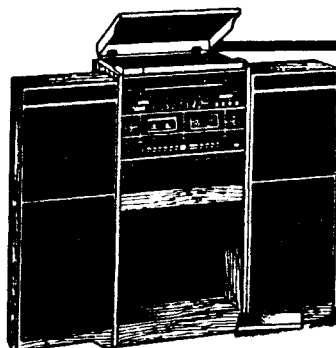
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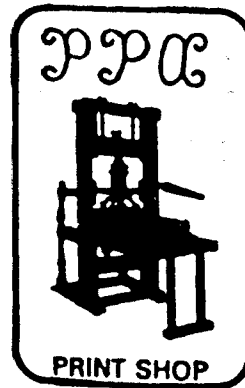
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Student Sues Schools For Fixing Their Tuitions

By the College Press Service

Taking his cue from a federal probe into whether some schools really do have to raise their tuitions rates so fast each year, a Wesleyan University student has sued his school and 11 other private colleges, charging they illegally fixed their tuition prices.

In response to both the probe and the suit, moreover, "higher education institutions are running scared at this point," observed David Brenner, the former president of Kalamazoo College in Michigan now with the Brookings Institute in Washington, D.C.

Student Roger Kingsepp claims the schools "engaged in a conspiracy to fix or artificially inflate the price of tuition and financial aid." Under federal anti-price-fixing laws, he's asking for triple damages on behalf of the 125,000 students allegedly harmed by the scheme.

"I don't think it's fair to students who economically might not be able to take advantage of certain schools to be forced out of the market," Kingsepp said.

The suit apparently is based on a confidential Wesleyan memo, since made public, that indicates administrators knew tuition prices at 11 other schools for the 1988-89 year before the prices were made "official."

It is illegal for competitors in any business to swap price information, or to divvy up potential customers.

Such conspiracies prevent customers - in this case students - from being able to choose among competing products or services, and relieve businesses from having to control their costs, improve their programs and keep down their prices in order to be successful.

Yet that is what some schools did, Kingsepp claimed.

A Justice Department probe launched in September is investigating how 30 schools get together each year and, in effect, decide

which students should go to which campus, agree not to bid competitively for some students, and even calculate what financial aid packages to give them.

Nominally competitive campus officials also tell each other about their upcoming price increases.

Such practices, Kingsepp and other critics claim, explain why the schools, free of worry that the students they covet would take advantage of lower prices at another campus, have raised their tuition at a pace higher than the inflation rate for nine consecutive years.

The talks, Kingsepp said in his lawsuit, "eliminate any real price choices" for students.

In addition to Wesleyan, Yale, Harvard, Cornell, Columbia, Brown, Princeton and Stanford universities, Amherst, Dartmouth and Williams colleges, and the University of Pennsylvania are named in Kingsepp's suit.

"I think they're guilty," said Wesleyan sophomore Heather Rhoades. "It's pretty obvious."

Rhoades applied to six private colleges, including Stanford. The aid package offered her were so similar that money "wasn't really a factor."

Maybe this will force the administration to give us more information," said Wesleyan senior Brian Shott. Colleges, he complained, are acting like the victim, saying "we have to do it, it's not illegal."

Brookings' Breneman last year angered fellow campus leaders by asserting that some private colleges raise their tuition not because they need to, but because high fees make them look more selective and prestigious.

Since the Justice Department started its investigation, "there was a lot of worry about (a lawsuit)," Breneman said. "It was inevitable."

Justice Department officials refused to comment on the suit, because it's "totally separate from the government's actions," said spokeswoman Amy Brown.

She added investigators "won't rule out the possibility for requests for information from additional colleges in the future."

"The Justice Department has made no allegations of wrongdoing and Wesleyan believes it has done nothing improper or illegal," said Wesleyan spokesman Bobby Wayne Clark. "In regards to this particular

suit, Wesleyan believes it is totally without merit."

None of the colleges under investigation that College Press Service contacted would comment beyond issuing denials like Wesleyan's.

"I have no doubt they had the intent to reduce competition," said Gary Becker, an economics and sociology professor at the University of Chicago, one of the schools under investigation. "But whether they've been successful is another matter."

Polity Holds Elections

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one that will provide the subscriber with HBO or ESPN, but it is a system on which 11 channels will be provided and there will be better overall reception. There are also plans for a campus informational channel included in this package, said Conover.

"Initially it would be a closed-circuit system that will be implemented to enhance reception with the possibility of upgrading in the near future," said Liam McGrath, chairperson of the Senate committee on closed-circuit television.

The second referendum concerns a proposal that would add \$4 to the mandatory activity fee that would go to funding National Collegiate Athletics Association sporting activities, said Sean Duke election board member.

There is also a proposal on the ballot for a \$2 a year increase to the activity fee that will go to Polity to be used directly for funding clubs and activities, said Duke.

Commuters can't vote on the cable issue and only freshmen can vote for their representative, but it is important for everyone to

vote for the issues that directly concern them, said Conover.

The candidates for freshmen representative are Scott Joachim and Jimmy "Swan" Smith.

"A candidate worthy of a position is one who will work to do more than what is expected from him or her. I will work to increase activities on campus because I feel this is one area in which Stony Brook is lacking," said Scott Joachim.

"Other people have told me I have the qualities of a good leader because I don't force my views on other people. I let people do what they want to do. People will use me to get what they want," said Smith. "My slogan is 'Place yourself in office.'"

"There are 22 places on campus, so get out there and vote," said Conover. There are polling places in every quad for residents and two places have been provided in the Javits Lecture Center for commuters to vote at, he said.

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In the upcoming Polity elections certain issues of great importance are coming up on referendum, and seats for freshmen representative, treasurer and judiciary members are to be decided.

Students must take a stance pro or con on the cable television issue and the proposed raise in the activity fee, \$4 of which will go to enhance the sports department and \$2 to Student Polity, mainly for new program funding. Many complain loudly about the unfairness of certain aspects of these issues but will not even make the minimal effort of getting out to vote. A large voter turn-out is the only way a fair course of action can be charted by the student body as a whole.

Many students who make the effort to gripe the loudest should gripe and get results by voting and not sit at home and watch the Polity elections pass them by.

The cable TV issue, which has been highly

debated in Polity meetings, is an important one for each student to vote on. This will add an additional cost on to your tuition bill. Also, the sports department and Polity's request for a hike in the student activity fee means extra money out of your own pocket. Now is the time to decide if those things are worth that money. Students should define their voices on the ballots.

Everyone has feelings on these issues, or at least one would hope so. Students are often complaining, whether it be to parents, the campus community members or to local legislators that they are a force to be reckoned with and they are tired of being ignored. However, when it comes to taking a stance on the issues that most directly effect them, the students become mute. Go to the voting places Tuesday and become really vocal.

The student judiciary is the branch of Polity that makes a great deal of important decisions on campus. It is essential that the proper people are chosen based on their dedication and qualifications. A wrong choice now can be damaging for an entire school year. If you ever have to go before the judiciary for whatever reason, wouldn't you feel more confident if you knew you had actively chosen fair and responsible people for the positions rather than letting your fate be decided by those that have been empowered by a minority that was not representative of a proper cross-section of the student population?

The Polity treasurer is also an important post that students should all have a hand in deciding. The treasurer handles the money of the organization and oversees committees that make decisions on how clubs are funded.

Sometime in her/his term the treasurer will probably make a decision that will effect every student on campus. Every student on campus should take part in electing the person to hold this position.

The post of freshman representative is the final part of the upcoming ballot and this is an opportunity for those that are new to Stony Brook to become a vital link in the campus community. They should get to know the qualifications of those that are hoping to represent them. They should be alert and inquisitive in their dealings with the candidates on a personal level. Above all, they should set the example for their older classmates and get out and vote.

People often get set in their ways and those that have formed bad voting habits should make every effort to break them. A strong showing from the freshmen class could yield two important benefits. First, the younger, energetic and eager additions to Stony Brook can start out on the right foot as active members of the campus. Second, maybe if a large enough freshmen vote turns out the rest of the classes will be prompted to vote, if only for the fear of the freshmen alone becoming the policy makers.

Instead of wasting countless hours with useless complaining among themselves, students should take the initiative to change those policies that they are complaining about, or at least address their displeasure to members of polity or other elected officials that have the power to do something about it. These policy makers were elected by you and ultimately you have the power. Don't let it go to waste. Go and vote.

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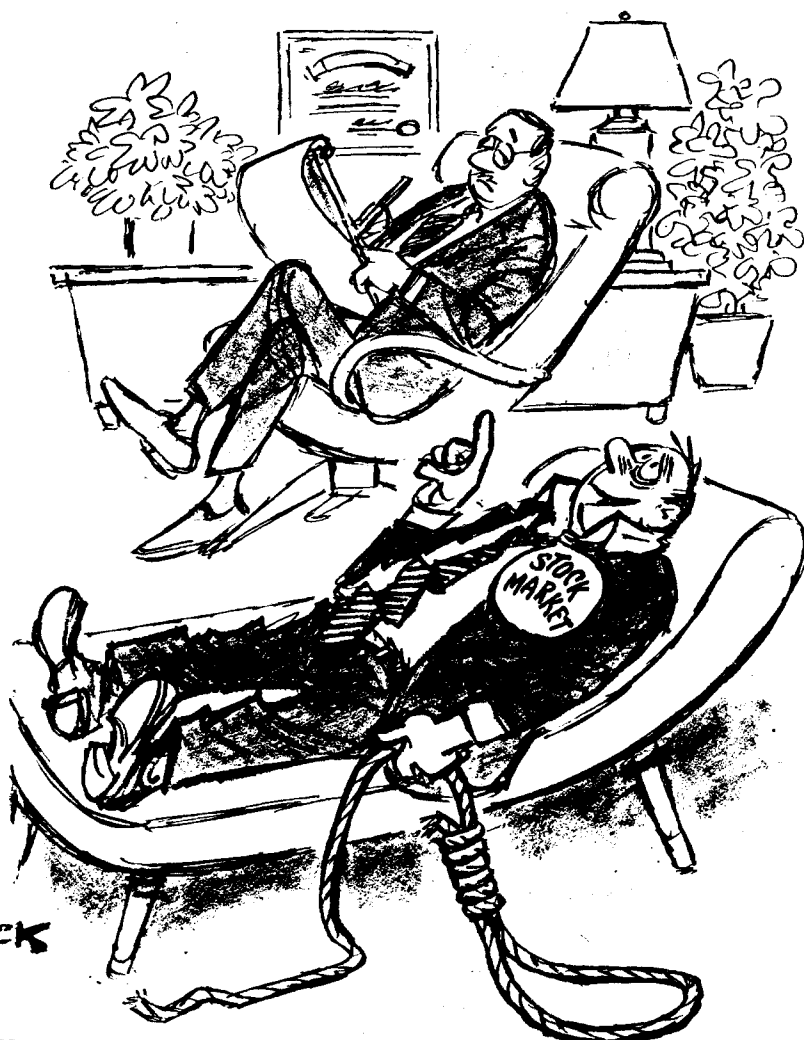
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VIEWPOINTS

GSO Committee Disputes Past Viewpoint

By Jane Ely, Julie Schwartz, Peter Kortwright III, and Dominic Chan

The views expressed in a recent viewpoint by Sergio Perez entitled "Graduate Student Speaks Out On the GSO" compel us, as members of the GSO executive committee, to comment. We do appreciate the opinions and concerns of Mr. Perez — who is a member of the GSO Senate — and we respect his right to express those views in a forum such as this. We welcome this kind of dissent, for it fosters healthy debate. However, he does not have the right to misrepresent the GSO and/or distort the facts as he did throughout his viewpoint. Therefore, part of our response must involve addressing these inaccuracies, some of which were perhaps due to misperceptions on his part. Secondly, for those of you who are unfamiliar with the GSO, we wish to offer some insight into how decisions are made and carried out. Mr. Perez' viewpoint suggests that perhaps this is not clear, certainly to Mr. Perez, and probably to many others. Finally, we join with Mr. Perez and invite all graduate students to get to know more about GSO and get involved.

It is a misrepresentation to say that graduate students are "forced" to pay \$18.00 (not \$20.00 as he states) per semester to the GSO. The existence of an activity fee is decided by popular vote through a referendum. In fact, as recently as May of this year, the graduate student population voted, by a 9 to 1 margin, to continue the activity fee and to raise the amount from \$16.10 to \$18.00 per semester for full-time students.

Because his viewpoint focuses on two budget allocations about which Mr. Perez

voiced disagreement, a reader does not get a complete picture of how the GSO budget is prepared and how allocations are made. The two contentious requests mentioned in Mr. Perez's viewpoint were funded from a line item in the overall budget called "Political Advocacy." Other line items include "Cultural and Social Events," "Resident Students," and "Resource Access Project," which provides travel funds for conferences. We agree with Mr. Perez that all graduate students to seek copies of our budget which, by the way, will be brought before the Senate for final approval at the November Senate meeting — which is open to the public, as are Budget Committee meetings. Then folks can decide for themselves whether they think that, overall, the GSO budget is "irresponsible."

The second inaccuracy in Mr. Perez's viewpoint is perhaps due to a misunderstanding regarding the word "stipend." The GSO president does not receive a "full graduate student stipend," which implies an amount of \$8,400. All four of the executive officers receive a monthly stipend of \$175, which amounts to \$147.88 after taxes. This amount is set by the GSO Senate.

As for the \$9,000 allocated to the New York Public Interest Research Group (NYPIRG) mentioned by Mr. Perez, it is important to note that this money is not allocated by the GSO Senate. As with the activity fee, GSO's support of NYPIRG is subject to a popular vote via a referendum.

Mr. Perez's succinct definition of the role of the executive committee. This misrepresentation of our role points to a

basic misunderstanding of the democratic structure of decision-making outlined in the GSO constitution (which is available upon request).

The ultimate decision-making power rests with the GSO Senate, not the executive committee. We, as executive committee members, carry out the will of the Senate. We do set the agenda for Senate meetings, with input from any GSO member who has items for that agenda. Yet the Senate is where the action is. Policy is set, allocations are made, and the overall tone of the GSO is determined by the departmental representatives or Senators who attend meetings.

This ultimate power of the Senate is mandated by the constitution to prevent domination of the organization by the executive committee. Every department is entitled to at least one senator. As representatives, senators should be in touch with their constituents on a regular basis. Likewise, members of the departments should select representatives whose judgments they can trust. Therefore, when controversial issues and matters of conscience come before the Senate, members of a department should feel confident that their senators will make wise and informed choices, which does not necessarily mean constituents will always agree with their senators' choices.

Every year, the Senate has the opportunity to "take a stand" on controversial issues, ranging from supporting the Graduate Student Employees Union (GSEU) and supporting the United Farm Workers' grape boycott to funding buses to Washington for a variety of causes. GSO also gets involved in lobbying, both

at the state and national levels, for legislation affecting students.

Many of the issues that come before the Senate spark lively debate and discussion. October's meeting was full of such debate, as Mr. Perez points out. He was able to voice his concerns and objections before votes were taken. Nonetheless, he was outvoted. All graduate students, not just senators, are welcome to attend, participate in discussions, and bring issues before the Senate. Everyone is welcome to partake of whatever refreshments are provided. Last year, the Senate decided that beverages should be provided, since meetings are often lengthy.

There is one very important point made by Mr. Perez with which we wholeheartedly agree. Every department should have a senator. At the start of the fall semester, members of our office staff contacted each department and urged them to send representatives to Senate meetings. We recognize the fact that too many departments are not represented. Perhaps Mr. Perez's viewpoint and our response will generate more interest in both the Senate and the organization as a whole.

All graduate students, as members of GSO, are eligible to serve on the various university-wide and GSO committees, many for which we still need representatives. All are also welcome to visit the GSO office, located in 219 Old Chemistry. So please, take Mr. Perez's advice. Get to know your senator. And get involved.

(The writers are members of the GSO Executive Committee).

Another Viewpoint, Page 14

Witches' Bum Rap

By Ginamarie Siano

Witches worship the Devil. Witches participate in wild drunken orgies with all manners of demons. Witches perform human sacrifices, drink blood, and eat roasted children. Witches are old, ugly women who wear pointed hats and ride around on a broomstick on halloween. Witches are evil, and should be feared and hated.

None of these statements could be further from the truth. Witches have thus been stereotyped for centuries, and because of these and other fallacies, many people have been horribly killed, suffered unspeakable tortures, and have been cast out of societies as dangerous pariahs. People tend to fear and hate those things which they cannot understand, and Witches are among the most misunderstood groups to have ever walked the face of the Earth.

So, if the mainstream of society has been so wrong about Witches, what then, is the truth? Firstly, Witchcraft, or Wicca (which comes from the Old English word "wicce," meaning "wise-one"), is a religion which is extremely diversified, and contains many different traditions, but, unlike some organized religions, there is no resentment between these varying factions. Because there is no dogma, no "One Truth" which makes all other belief systems invalid, Wiccan traditions can stress creativity and growth.

Wicca is a religion of beauty. It seeks to

unite one with the world, in both a physical and spiritual sense. Above all, Witches honor life; they are concerned with ecology, the plight of other human beings and animals, and they would never harm another living thing, through spells or otherwise. They are healers, poets, musicians, visionaries, and they are fully dedicated to doing the work of the Great Goddess — the feminine principal so sadly lacking in most major religions.

Wicca is an ancient nature religion, whose roots can be traced back to prehistoric times. As depicted upon cave walls, ancient men and women worshipped nature through the reverence of a fertility Goddess and a Horned God, her consort. This Horned God is apparent in many later religions, especially the Greco-Roman traditions in the person of Pan.

It is this God of the Hunt and the Wild Things who was later perverted into the devil, Satan, by the Roman Catholic Church. Be assured that Wiccans do not worship Satan. Satanism is a sect of Christianity, for Satanism is a reactionary religion which reverses all things which Christianity stands for. Since Satan is a Christian concept, Wiccans, who are Pagan, do not worship him.

Some will ask, "If Witches do not believe in the devil, why do they wear pentagrams? Aren't pentagrams Satanic?" The Answer is a resounding "No!" The

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LETTERS

Out For Blood

To the Editor:

The fall semester Student Blood Drive is scheduled for next Wednesday, October 25, and the committee members would like to encourage as many people as possible to come to the gym and donate. The Stony Brook Blood drive is the largest one-day civilian blood drive on the east coast and, on the day that it is held, it is Long Island's only source of blood. It is very important that we meet our quota of 600-800 pints of blood because most blood components perish after a few days and Long Island needs a steady supply of blood each day. White blood cells, given to leukemia patients, only survive for 72 hours; the fragile platelets must be used within 24 hours. Red blood cells are hardier and survive up to one month; however, the supply is always depleted much more quickly because there is such a great demand for them. In fact, Long Island is unable to supply itself with sufficient quantities from donors, and must import 35% of its red blood cells from countries like Switzerland that have a large enough supply to give away to needy countries like the United States.

There is no other supply of blood than from donors. Blood cannot be manufactured and purchased for any price; people in need of blood have no choice but to rely

on the generosity of donors EVERYDAY. Chemotherapy patients, leukemia sufferers, hemophiliacs and accident victims are all helped by blood donors. A baby born with a hole in his heart may need 10 pints of blood to survive his first few hours. A young woman having a difficult time giving birth once required almost 300 pints of o-negative blood. She exhausted the Island's entire supply of this rare blood type; had anyone with this blood type been involved in a automobile accident that day, there would have been no blood to save him or her. You, yourself, if you have ever had the measles, mumps, tetanus, or polio shot, have used the product of a pint of blood donated by someone.

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pentagram, or five-pointed star, worn by Wiccans is upright; there is one point on the top and two points on the bottom. The pentagram worn by those who worship Satan is inverted; there are two points on the top and one point on the bottom. "So?" some will still say, "if you turn a Witch's pentagram upside down, it will represent the Devil!" My friends, if you were to turn a Christian's crucifix upside down, it will also represent Satan. Does this make all Christians Satanic? Of course not. Anything which is inverted represents its opposite. The Wiccan pentagram represents the harmony of the five basic elements: Earth, Air, Fire, Water and Spirit. Together, these elements in balance bring one closer to nature and the Goddess and the God.

The Wiccan calendar and all of its holidays are based upon the cycle of life; the cycle of the seasons, the heavenly bodies and the harvest. Halloween, or Samhain, is the Wiccan New Year and the end of the harvest. It is a cross quarter day, halfway between the Fall Equinox and the Winter Solstice (both of which are among the Wiccan holidays). It is the death of the Earth, and so a day of mourning, but it is also a celebration of the bounty of the past year. Wiccans know that there can be no life without death, so too do they know that the death of the Earth will be followed by Her return to life in the Spring. The cycle of birth, death and rebirth is central to Wiccans, who, throughout the ages have always celebrated life, and sought to be in harmony with Nature and the Gods.

It was only until the Judeo-Christian era that "Witches" (a term coined by Inquisitors, and proudly reclaimed by Wiccans today) have been so maligned. Before this, they were the healers who used the herbs and simples of the countryside in their remedies, the priestesses and priests who served in the ancient

temples, the Sybils who foretold the future, and the wise elderly who understood life and the world in ways that no young person could, and passed this knowledge down through the generations.

This knowledge, however, was threatening to the priests of the new God, who sought to eradicate it, and replaced the tender, nurturing Goddess with visions of fire and brimstone, and a jealous and vengeful God. A Wiccan truth, which was unknown to them, would have allowed two such diversified ideas of Divinity to co-exist. This truth being: all Goddesses are one Goddess, all Gods are one God, and both of them together represent our frail human attempt at defining and understanding. That which is limitless. Therefore, Witches honor all Gods and traditions, and condemn none, even as they themselves were once, and are still, condemned.

Since the beliefs and traditions of Wicca are varying and personal to each Wiccan, none will be revealed here. Instead in honor of the New Year, a better understanding of a very misinterpreted religion is promoted, for today, there are many thousands of Witches in the United States alone, who fear for their jobs, social standings, yes, even their lives—a sad truth in this day and age. Society as a whole needs to be re-educated as to the reality and existence of alternative schools of religious thought, such as Wicca and many others. The emergence of an Occult Studies group on this campus is a positive step in the right direction. College is a place to become educated in every respect. Don't allow yourself to continue living with the same fears and misconceptions which have been propagated by society for years. Expand your mind. Expand your heart. Expand your soul. Happy New Year and Blessed Bel!

(The writer is an undergraduate and a member of the Occult Studies Club.)



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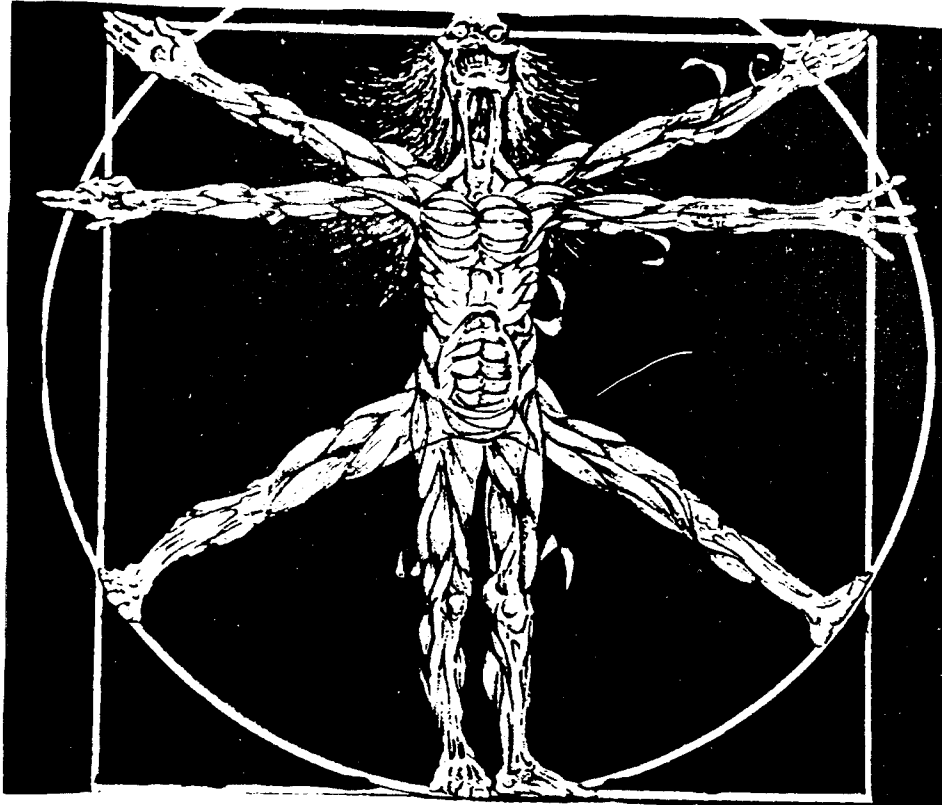
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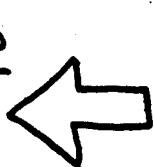
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VIEWPOINT

Liberal Views Exclude Part of the Picture

By Ron Nehring

In the "Viewpoints" article of Monday, October 16th, Mr. Tom Weissenburger, an apparent sympathizer of Mr. Mitchel Cohen's radical leftist organization, the Red Balloon Collective, aims to perpetuate the idea that the United States of America is indeed an "evil empire." His statements also perpetuate the idea that anyone who looks at the positive, bright side of our country is giving a "Rose-tinted version" of it. I disagree and offer a counterviewpoint.

Firstly, Mr. Weissenburger should realize that a positive statement regarding United States foreign policy does not aim to justify every action, or to defend every mistake. Obviously there have been mistakes, failed policies, and bad decisions. However, there have also been triumphs, such as the Marshall Plan, the success of Corazon Aquino's "People's Revolution," the formation of Poland's non-Communist government (the first such non-Communist government in the Eastern Block in 40 years), the opening of the Iron Curtain at Hungary's border, the Soviet pullout from Afghanistan, and so on. Here, American efforts have paid off.

And yes, it is unfortunate that there exists a need for the Central Intelligence Agency, and a large military, but there are certain costs involved with having to share the planet with the Soviet Union, which is only now beginning to scale back its aggressive activities.

The world is changing, and United States foreign policy must adapt to this fact. The Intermediate Nuclear Forces treaty is a prime example of that. For the

first time, we have a treaty which actually reduces the size of our nuclear arsenals. Yes, its numerical impact is small (only approximately three percent of total global nuclear stockpiles), but it sets a precedent, and indicates a new, progressive direction. The results of this are coming through every day, with progress in START talks as an example. Is this a "rose-tinted" version of the world? No, absolutely not. It is a pragmatic and realistic one.

The American reaction to the Tiananmen Square massacre was attacked by Mr. Weissenburger as being not much more than rhetoric. Well, what would he have done? Well, war is pretty much out of the question. Economic sanctions...they're there, but we've seen how effective they have been with South Africa. Use the CIA? No, that only gets people like Mr. Weissenburger upset. A diplomatic offensive? We've already seen what the Chinese government does when their situation gets desperate (e.g., they start shooting people). Unfortunately, that doesn't leave much.

Mr. Weissenburger's comments regarding governmental activity toward treasonous groups also deserves attention. In his article, he claims that the American government aims to control every aspect of our lives. "Two examples are the wiretapping and opening the mail of groups the government views as subversive (meaning those working to educate the population on the U.S.'s shameful domestic and foreign policy)," writes Mr. Weissenburger. I take it that Mr. Weissenburger here is saying that

groups deemed 'subversive' by the government are actually good and mean to educate the American people. Like the Ku Klux Klan? The government has a responsibility to protect Americans from groups such as the Klan, which aim to overthrow the American government, spread chaos, and tear apart the very fabric of American society.

Taking a pragmatic look at the United States does not mean "rose-tinting" everything. It means looking at the good as well as the bad. If Mr. Weissenburger and Mr. Cohen like to portray the United States as a land of doom, gloom, and chaos... well, then that's their business. But they should also realize that being patriotic, and being proud of one's country, does not presuppose ignoring the problems which also exist.

We do have problems, and as Mr. Weissenburger very well knows, I addressed those problems in my earlier Viewpoint article, despite the impression created by his response. We, as a people, must address the problems of the homeless, the environment, teenage pregnancy, drugs, and crime, along with the problem of the federal deficit, the trade imbalance, unemployment, and the erosion of our manufacturing base. When waging war with these problems, we must not forget that we have the resources to solve them: the highest Gross National Product in the world, natural resources, and the determination which drives us all to improve the world in which we live.

In conclusion, Mr. Weissenburger and Mr. Cohen should realize that it is indeed

possible to be proud of one's country, and still realize that it does have its problems. I feel that solving them is not going to be through Mr. Cohen's ideas of "revolution and love," but rather through the combined efforts of all of us, through challenging each other's ideas, and coming up with solutions that work. That's why the liberal bias in the faculty and in the media here is so unfair to the Stony Brook student. How is the student supposed to come to a good decision, or to decide on his or her own ideas when he or she is overwhelmingly exposed only to the ideas of the left? If a person -- any person -- wants to be a Democrat, Republican, Liberal, Conservative, or Independent, then it should be because he or she has seen the ideas of all sides fairly, and has made a choice.

(The writer is president of the College Republicans.)

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ACROSS THE NATION

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rooms)," said Bob Clay, University of Kentucky's dorm director.

At Northwest Missouri State University, which claims to be "the first electronic campus" in the U.S., "there are some reports that students are spending a great deal of time in their rooms on the computer," said Dean of Students Phil Hayes.

"But if it wasn't there, they'd be doing the same thing in the library," Hayes speculated.

Students also don't seem too alarmed by the phenomenon. Mansfield sophomore Matt Watkins reported, "You can just walk by (a dorm room) and hear a TV and four or five people. But there are enough other things to do than just sit and watch TV."

NMSU students can use their dorm computers to write, communicate on an electronic mail system, read the student newspaper and consult an encyclopedia and dictionary, but "students don't spend a lot of time in their rooms," said NMSU sophomore Greg Thompson.

"I would hope, though, that if (a room rat) pattern is emerging, an RA would identify the person so that someone could talk to him."

Hayes said.

At the same time, the university doesn't have much of a right to tell students that they can't spend time in their room, added Hayes.

"If they said, 'I really prefer to stay in my room,' there isn't much that we can do about it."

In fact, there isn't much negative about staying in one's room, added Michael Cunningham, a social psychology professor at the University of Louisville.

"It's clear that somebody who avoids people has problems," Cunningham observed. Yet if a student is hacking on dorm room computers in pursuit of good grades, he or she "is making a wise choice that probably should be emulated."

Rodney Andrews, student government president at Mansfield, said the aggressive programming is working. Last semester, nearly 300 students went out for intramural volleyball, he reported.

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ments and tracing the groups selection controversy will be the topics of a talk given by D.S. Wilson of SUNY Binghamton. Coffee will be served at 3:30 p.m., the lecture will follow 15 minutes later in Room 038, Life Science 038.

Men's Soccer Game

The men will travel to Manhattanville for a game at 3:30 p.m.

Thursday, October 26

African Merchants Day

Held in the Union Fireside Lounge from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Institute for Social Analysis Lecture

"Beyond 'Black' and 'White' Universities: Toward the Universal Mission of the University" will be the talk given by Professor Bruce R. Hare from 1 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. in Room N-405 of the Ward Melville Social and Behavioral Sciences Building.

Physical Chemistry Seminar

George Crull will give a lecture at noon in Room 412 of Graduate Chemistry on NMR studies of Peroxidase Enzymes.

Organic Chemistry Seminar

Nada Zein of American Cyanamide will speak at 4 p.m. in Room 412 of Graduate Chemistry on DNA and Calicheamicin.

Women's Volleyball

The women will travel to Hunter for a 6 p.m. game.

Friday, October 27

African Garment and Art Show

Union Fireside Lounge from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

"Field of Dreams"

COCA movie at 7 and 9:30 p.m. and midnight in Javits Room 100.

"Retrovirus Evolution and Variation"

This is the topic of a lecture by Nobel Laureate Howard M. Temin of McArdle Laboratory, University of Wisconsin at 4

p.m. in Lecture Hall 1, Level 2, Health Sciences Center. For more information call 444-3050.

Chemistry Seminar

S. Anderson, associate Professor of chemistry will speak on beam studies and C. Burrows, assistant professor of chemistry will speak on molecular receptors and catalysts from 12:50 to 1:45 p.m. in Room 412 of Graduate Chemistry.

Women's Soccer Game

Home vs. Niagara at 3 p.m.

Women's Volleyball

Women travel to Elizabethtown Invitational at 5 p.m.

Saturday, October 28

A Chamber Music Series Concert

The Orion String Quartet with guest artists Gilbert Kalish and Julius Levine will play in the Staller Center for the Arts Recital Hall at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$14. For more information call 632-7230.

"Field of Dreams"

COCA movie at 7, 9:30 p.m. and midnight in Javits 100.

Women's Volleyball

Women go to Elizabethtown Invitational, 9 a.m.

Cross Country

CTC Championship at Van Cortlandt Park at 11 a.m.

Football

Men vs. the USMMA at 1 p.m.

Men's Soccer

Men go to Cornell at 1 p.m.

Sunday, October 29

Women's Soccer

Women go to Cornell at 1 p.m.

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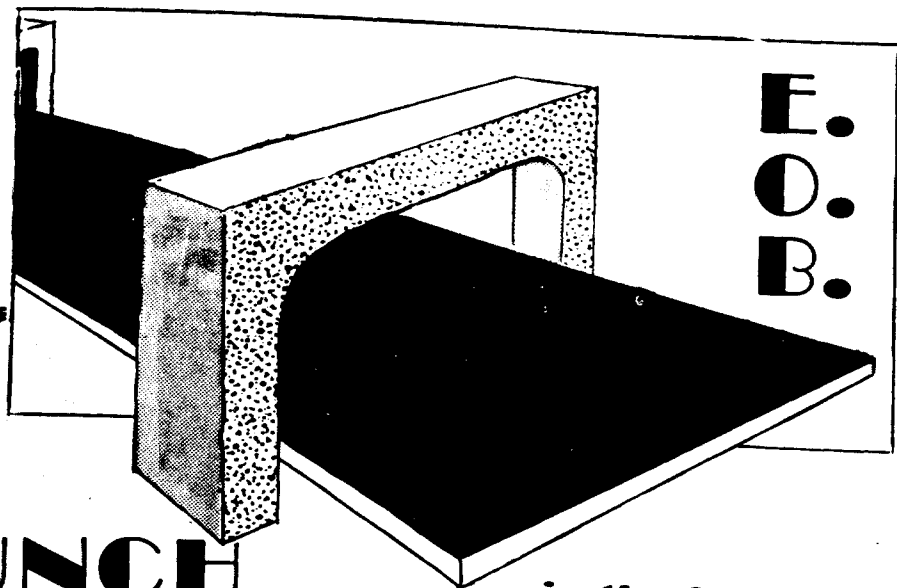
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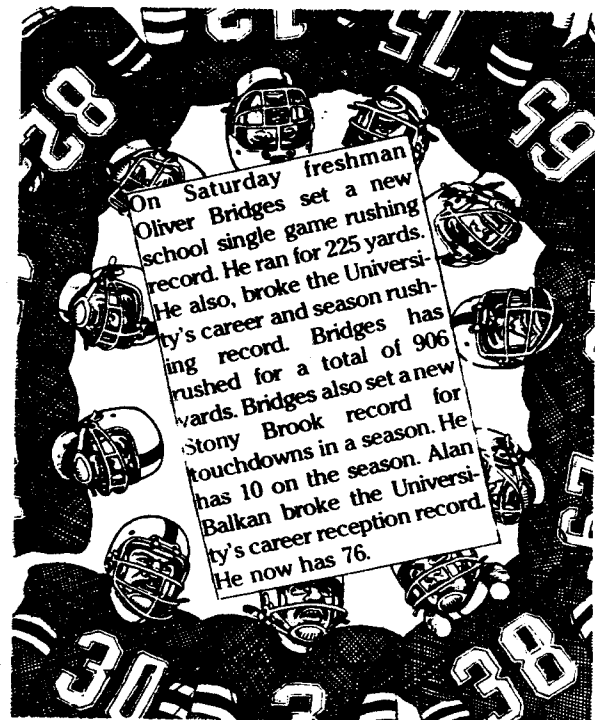
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Patriots Never Lost The Faith

(continued from page 20) but the Chieftains simply refused to die. Stonehill took advantage to two drive-saving Stony Brook penalties to get it into the endzone for the first time with just under 11 minutes to go in the half. The most important was a personal foul against Tom Harkins, who had just sacked Drake on a third down play. Drake completed four of six passes for 57 yards, the last a 26 yard toss that found its way through two defenders to Kevin Adamson just beyond the goal line.

The Chieftains were on the move again when Burden came up with his first interception at Stony Brook's 22 yard line. The patriots didn't take long to capitalize. Joe Cappellino's diving grab off a Moran pass down the right sideline put the Patriots past midfield and Balkan hauled in a 28 yard throw that left the score at 27-10 when the snap for the extra point was short.

It was with less than two minutes to go that Stonehill cashed in on a Stony Brook turnover. Rich Rocco recovered a Moran fumble at the Chieftain 45 and three Drake completions set up a 4 yard sweep by Pete Venturelli that made the score 27-17 at halftime.

The turnovers continued in the second half. Hinchey pounced on a fumble by Drake at the Stonehill 22 and Bridges waltzed in from five yard out to the Patriots lead to 17 again. But Stonehill, helped by Randy Kopp's shanked punt deep in Stony Brook territory, answered once again with Drake's second touchdown pass of the day, a 1 yard toss to Strachan on fourth down. Less than half a minute into the fourth quarter, the Stony Brook lead had shrunk to 3. Bridges fumbled while fighting for extra yardage and the Chieftains closed to 34-31 on Brian Driscolls one yard dive moments later.

The team exchanged turnovers before the Patriots could secure their lead. After a short punt by Driscoll, Moran handed off twice to Bridges for 29 yards and then Napoli scored the touchdown.

Coach Kornhauser praised his offensive unit after the game calling it the best at Stony Brook since he arrived six years ago.

"Oliver (Bridges) is obviously a super talent, but Joe Moran is playing as well as anyone has ever played quarterback here and the offensive line is getting better each game," said Kornhauser.

Moran completed 10 of 21 passes for a total of 142 yards and a touchdown. The touchdown was a 28 yard throw to Balkan, who became Stony Brook's all-time leader in career receptions in the first quarter. He also scored a touchdown for the Patriots in the second quarter. Balkan now has 76 catches on the season.

Looking towards Saturday's match-up against USMMA, Kornhauser said, "We've won a couple of games now, but still not any in the Liberty Conference. We really want this one."

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PATRIOTS PREVIEW

Women's V-Ball hosts Molloy, Monday, 7:30 p.m.
Men's Soccer at Manhatanville, Wed 3:30 p.m.
Women's Soccer Hosts Niagara, Fri 3 p.m.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 23, 1989

Patriots Looking Stronger Than Ever

Bridges Lead Patriots to Victory

By Liam McGrath

Led by a newly explosive offense, the Patriot football team held off a pesky Stonehill Chieftain (2-3) squad to win Saturday's game by a score of 41-31. Stony Brook (2-5) got another outstanding performance from freshman tailback Oliver Bridges and some big plays from its defense as the Patriots triumphed for the second consecutive week.

Stony Brook would score on each of its first three possessions and lead, 21-3 after the first quarter. But it wasn't until Bob Burden's second interception of the day, with less than three minutes to play, that Patriot fans were able to breathe easy. After the game, head coach Sam Kornhauser said, "That was too close for comfort. It should've been easier."

The first play from scrimmage provided notice that the game would be a high-scoring affair. Bridges broke loose for a 66 yard touchdown run and after just 19 seconds the Patriots led 7-0. But Stonehill countered with a 37 yard field goal by Mark Vecchio after Frank Strachan, ripped off a 43

yard run, on the Chieftain opening play. In the game Bridges would break, last year's record set by Mike Lugo's of 740 yards rushing in a season. Bridges rushed for 225 yards and three touchdowns in the game.

The Patriots went 75 yards for another score on their next possession of the ball. Three passes from Joe Moran to senior wide receiver Al Balkan keyed the drive which was completed by Bridges' 20 yard burst up the middle.

After Kevin Hinphy's sacked Chieftain quarterback Mark Drake, the Patriots offense marched to its third touchdown of the first quarter. All of the 62 yards the Patriots acquired were gained on the ground. Moran accounted for 34 of them, 29 on a third and 4 scramble from the Stonehill 45 in which he broke 4 tackles. Jim Napoli, who ran five times on the drive, bulled over the one to make the Patriots lead by 18 points.

As the second quarter began, Patriot Field rooters sensed another Stony Brook romp.

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Patriots Safety Robert Burden (top) getting the first of two interception on the day. Alan Balkan (bottom) catching a touchdown pass in the second quarter.



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ATHLETE OF THE WEEK

Junior Forward, Love Bricourt has been named *Statesman/VIP Athlete of the Week* for the week of October 9. Bricourt scored the game winning goal against both Southamton and New Paltz. The team posted a 2-0 record for the week. In the game at Southamton, Bricourt scored the team's third goal in a 3-2 victory. Bricourt broke a 1-1 deadlock against New Paltz, with a goal 3 minutes into the second half as the Patriots defeated New Paltz 2-1.