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Déjà Vu

State approves another \$500 tuition hike, \$7.2 million cut to Stony Brook

By Jason Didner

Statesman Associate News Editor

he state budget approved recently will bring an annual tuition increase of more than \$500 a year and more than \$7 million in cuts to Stony Brook, the university announced Monday.

If passed by SUNY's Board of Trustees, the university will suffer a 4.5 percent cut in its operating budget next year even after the tuition increase is taken into account, said Glenn Watts, vice president for finance and management.

\$2,700 In-State Tuition

The new state budget "has a monumentally large tuition increase," said University President John Marburger. Watts said a tuition hike as high as \$535 will bring in-state tuition to nearly \$2,700 a year.

The tuition increase awaits approval by SUNY Central administration's Board of Trustees, which is the only entity authorized to raise tuition in SUNY.

Marburger blasted the state for passing the budget, which he said "is similar to the budget that was proposed by the Governor [Mario Cuomo].

"It's a serious mistake for the state not to fund SUNY," he said. "[It's] going to hurt New York."

2 Percent Cuts to Academics

A reorganization plan places more than half of the 4.5 percent cut on administrative costs, while the remainder will force a 2 percent cut in academic programs, according to Provost Tilden Edelstein.

Despite the axe to academic programs, officials predicted no faculty will be laid-off.

Marburger said state legislators failed to restore much of SUNY's funding because their constituents excluded university funding from their priorities. Long Island constituents, he said, voiced their concerns for public school aid in elementary and high school. "More people spoke out on the school aid issue... because it affected their property tax," said Marburger, adding that cuts in state funding to public schools would increase property tax for Long Island residents. "That's

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Grad stipends slashed, faculty spared in plan

By Jason Didner

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The university plans to save more than half of the \$7 million in cuts by slicing 125 graduate stipends and encouraging early retirements.

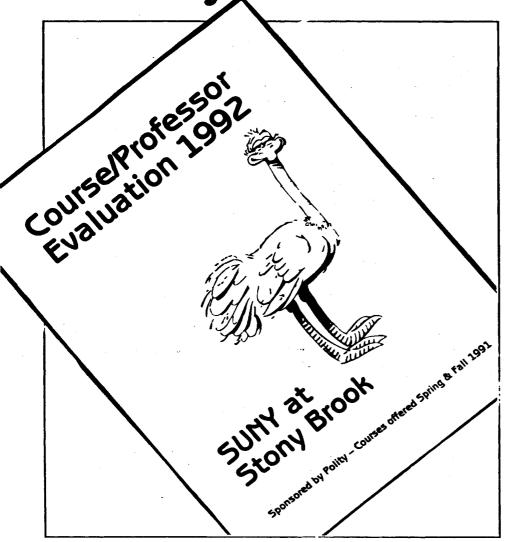
According to a university reorganization plan presented to the University Senate on Monday, much of the academic cuts will be felt by eliminating almost one quarter of the state-supported teaching assistant and graduate assistant positions.

"That may affect the quality of the classes," said Monica McTigue, president of the Graduate Student Organization.

But faculty layoffs, feared by many in

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Faculty evaluation books hit shelves



Faculty evaluation book that went on sale in the campus bookstore last Friday

By Shane Rosenberg

The Polity-sponsored faculty evaluation book hit the shelves in the campus bookstore last Friday, but the completed book has been received with mixed opinions.

Former Senator Darren Cotten, the original chairman of Polity's Academic Affairs Committee, had told the senate last semester the book would be 500 pages, including 20,000 student evaluations, the finished book has 44 pages of evaluations. The cost, originally set at \$3, has been reduced to \$1, which will cover the \$10,000 cost of production.

The original plan also included written evaluations of Stony Brook faculty, but the finished 1992 Course/Professor Evaluation Book includes only statistical data with no answers by students to open-ended questions.

Low participation at tables set up by Polity last semester to survey students in the academic mall last semester forced the committee to scale down the book, said Aaron Westcott, who was appointed to head the project after Cotten transferred colleges.

The committee compiled the book in order to provide insight into the relationship between students and their professors, Westcott said. The book is not intended to evaluate professors' performance, he said, because open-ended answers are not included

The evaluations take the form of bar graphs, representing the information on a standard instructor evaluation form. The

graph bars are separated into 10 sub-bars, each with a different pattern. These sub-bars signify different questions.

But some students question the validity of the evaluations and whether it was worth student money. "I think it's a useless book and a waste of money," said Scott Skinner, a junior.

Skinner, a campus activist and former Stony Brook Press columnist, disputes the accuracy and content of the book. "In order for a teacher and course evaluation book to be useful, it must have student comments," he said. "There's no way that they [student comments] can be summed up in multicolored graphs."

But there are those who view the book as a useful aid. "Before I take anymore classes, I want to know which professors are good or bad," said freshman, John Block.

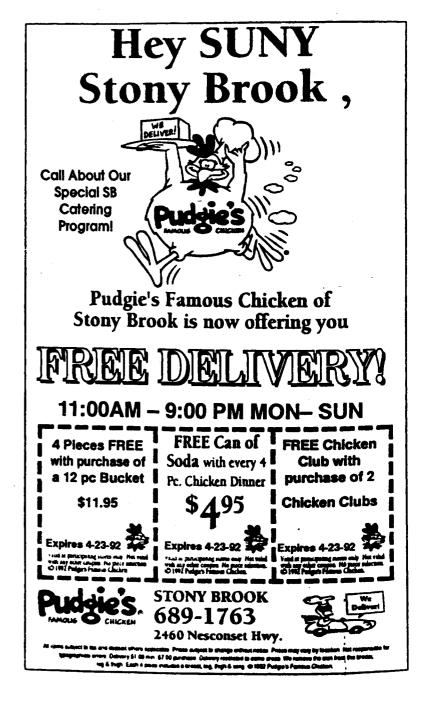
Sales since the book was introduced last Friday are low.

A Barnes and Noble cashier, who asked to remain anonymous, said, "There weren't a lot of purchases of the book so far, considering the amount of students attending this school." She said she had sold about eight copies of the book during her three hour shift.

"The books are selling, but not like hot potatoes," said Jayne Mo, assistant manager of the bookstore. "Once the word gets out that we have them, I am sure that they'll sell better."

"Next year, hopefully they'll get a little better," said Dan Slepian, Polity president. "People had some problems with it, but they're done."





Polity to fund speaker despite student protest

By Jason Didner
Statemen Associate News Pain

More than 30 students at last night's Polity Senate protested the use of student money to pay for a speech by a controversial Moslim speaker who they called racist.

Khallid Abdul Muhammad, national assistant to controversial minister Louis Farrakhan of the black Moslem movement Nation of Islam, is surrounded by controversy for making allegedly anti-semetic remarks in his speeches on college campuses.

The students attended the meeting in protest of Polity's vote last Wednesday not to strip Muhammad of the funding that Polity-funded cultural interest organizations raised for an event April 22 that features Muhammad as a keynote speaker. The program, "A Black History Extravaganza," in the Staller Center for the Arts, will cost several of these organizations about \$3,000, according to Oral Muir, president of the UNITI Culture Center, a group that is co-sponsoring Muhammad's appearance.

The protestors attempted to overturn Polity's ruling last week, but they could not call for a defunding of Muhammad on legal grounds, said Polity President Dan Slepian. "The only way the senate can have a say in how clubs and organizations spend is if it can prove mismanagement of funds," he said.

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Senate upholds election veto

By David Lee Statesmen Staff Writer

The Polity Senate last night upheld a council veto of election reforms that would have removed ballot boxes from campus dorms and stretched the elections from one day to two.

The reforms included the centralization of voting

areas instead of the previous 26 residential polling sites, and the extension of the voting period from one day to two to increase turnout, said Ron Nehring, chairman of the election reforms committee. The senate passed the reforms to the old election bylaws on April 1, but the Polity Council vetoed the motion in order to ensure more discussion of the reforms, said Polity President Dan Slepian.

The veto was approved by a vote of 15-13-1.

According to Jonathan Hanke,

Toscanini senator, the discussions at the last meeting on the elections did not provide the opinions of our constituents.

"The constituents vehemently opposed the reforms," he said. Treasurer David Greene said, "Something as important as this should be brought to our [building legislatures] before voting... We actually had to applogize for our ignorance."

as this should be brought to our [building legislatures] before voting... We actually had to apologize for our ignorance." He said his legislature unanimously opposed the changes and were angry at not being notified before the vote on the reforms.

"The members of my Leg were ready to attack both [Jonathan Hanke] and myself," Greene said. Todd Stephens, United States Student Association delegate for Stony Brook, said, "The bottom line is, the constituency does not want it . . . They chewed [the reforms] up and spat [them] out."

But Hand Senator Michelle Malone said her legislature wasn't totally against the idea of the reforms. "I'm just here to say not all the residents are against the reforms," she said. Hanke said, "I don't think [the reforms] would help more than they will help."

Nehring defended the reforms by noting that the senate vote for the motion to reform the old bylaws passed by a 22 to 4 margin. "There is a need to create equity and equal access... If your going to have elections, do it right," he said. "Have equal access and try to end corruption."

But Fred Baptiste, Amann senator, said corruption should not be a factor. "I haven't heard of corruption from people other than commuters who have admitted to voting several times for fun," he said.

"We're always going to have corruption [but] more voting places means more places to vote," said Allen. "[The old bylaws] aren't necessarily convenient, but they are the right way to do it."

Irving Senator Jerry Canada criticized several senators for pitting commuters aganist residents. "This is a Stony Brook community, not commuters versus residents ... The present system does not work."

"Only 15 percent of people came out to vote... When you're limiting the number of voting stations, then you're limiting access to the people," said Greene. Lorreta Schaeffer, Eisenhower senator said, "I would rather see a voter turnout to be horribly lower than last year in order for it to be legit."

In response to accusations that poll-watchers have given advice to voters, Desiree Peterson, vice-chair of the election reforms committee said, "There will be training instructions for poll-watching and unannounced check-ups."

Another safeguard against possible corruption was set in a motion by Nehring. Effective on the April 29 election, the senate will select four senators who are not running for office — two commuters and two on campus residents — who will be allowed to supervise the ballot counting process. "I don't care if we have to count votes in the Sports Complex," said Nehring, "we should have people to overview the counting process." This now brings the number of observers to five, the four senators and an additional noncommitted person, who was already provided by the old rules, said Slepian.



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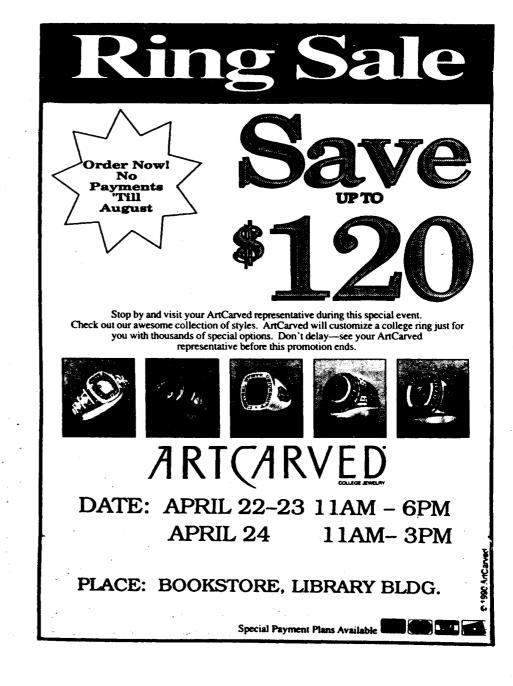
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We Still Don't Get the AIDS Crisis

AST WEEK'S DISCLOSURE BY ARTHUR some progress. Ashe about himself being HIV-positive was another stun to the nation. His announcement

comes only months after pro-basketball great Earvin "Magic" Johnson announced that he also was carrying the virus that is a precursor to AIDS. As the list of victims grows and as the memorial quilts get larger each day it still seems that most of the population still does not understand the magnitude of this disease.

I'm afraid of AIDS and the HIV virus, and you should be too.

The government is giving token concern to this epidemic while it infects TONES OF SEDITION more and more people. The FDA has finally reduced the waiting period for experimental drugs used to combat the HIV virus thus giving hope to some

people. There still is not enough money being spent by the government on research of this disease. To too many politicians and their constituents AIDS is the other person's disease. It probably won't be until a member of one of our country's "royal families" is diagnosed HIV-positive, and forced to come forward with it the way Ashe was, that we will see some great abundance of federal funds going to AIDS research. Just imagine if Neil Bush, William Kennedy Smith or Ron Reagan Jr. was HIV-positive. Then we would see

Dwayne Andrews

The present administration's "just say no" attitude to sex and drugs — the two major way AIDS is

transmitted — is just denying the facts. It's like telling a mugging victim from the city, "Well if you weren't riding the train at two in the morning you wouldn't have gotten mugged." The fact of the matter is that people have been having sex and using I.V. drugs since before the onslaught of AIDS and are continuing to do so afterward. Telling people not to engage in activities that the adminis-

tration does not publicly approve of is just like telling a crack-head to just say no, instead of providing him with an outlet for rehabilitation. Of course this is standard Bush administration, though. We ask him for a national

health care plan, he tells us to eat right and we won't get sick. Huh?

Unfortunately, all the blame can't fall on our friends in Washington. Most people still treat AIDS as a disease that affects gays or drug users or whores or promiscuous people or people who have had transfusions . . . anyone else besides themselves. Who is to say that the first person you ever sleep with without using a condom is not HIV-positive? The reality of the matter is, no matter how much of a cliche this may be, is that

when you sleep with somebody you sleep with all of the people that person has slept with. Imagine the possibilities one day when you think about who you've slept with and who they've slept with, and on and on. Even if you're in a relationship where you are faithful, who is to say that your partner has been so? Condoms aren't even 100% safe, so who is to say that a condom's going to save you?

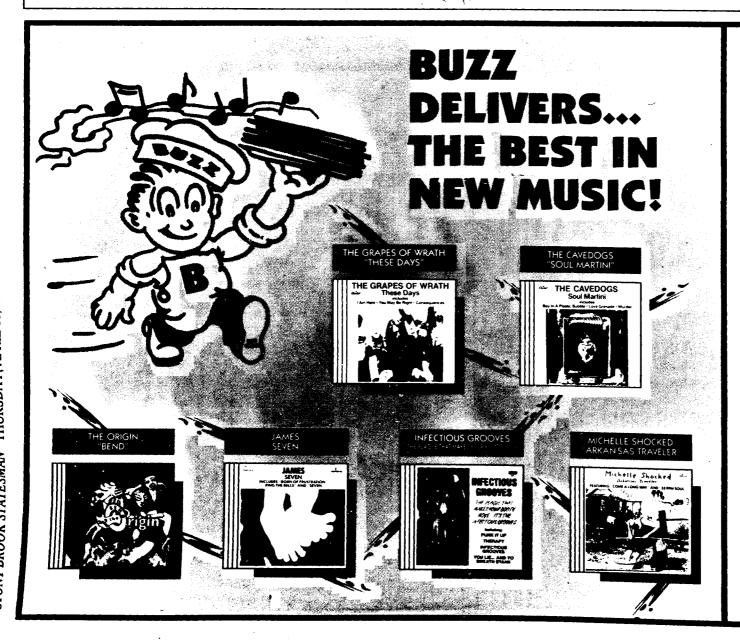
College students, especially after having a few drinks are holding a loaded Uzi to their brains and trying to play Russian roulette with AIDS and sex. It is a game that cannot be won, but we are still looking at AIDS as a disease that affects the other people. Most of us, even if we do know someone HIV-positive, they are probably in their early stages, so it is no big deal. We look at Magic Johnson and Arthur Ashe and they still look great. Let's see if NBC televises Magic from his deathbed 10 years from now the way they did his All-Star game triumph this year. Maybe when our peers start dropping all around us then maybe we will get the message.

But will it be too late by then?

AIDS is a scary disease that is not going to go away by everyone just ignoring it. The sense of fear we have after every celebrity announcement soon dies down and then it's back to business as usual. This reactive thinking has to stop before it is too late. Think about it: there is probably someone right now reading this article that is HIV-positive and does not even know it.



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Plan cuts grad stipends, spares faculty

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the senate earlier in the semester, will probably not occur, said Pam Burris, a member of the ad hoc reorganization committee and assistant to the chair of the physics department. "It's our understanding that there won't be any faculty reductions," she said.

"One of the things we all hope is that the cuts can be accomplished without retrenching faculty," said Janos Kirz, a physics professor and member of the committee. "That has been the underlying aim of the work of the committee."

University President John Marburger told Statesman that faculy will not likely be laid off in this budget cut. "My guess is that most of it could be handled by retirement," he said. "Some of it could be handled by laying off nonfaculty personel. Some of it could be handled by not filling vacant positions."

Most of the jobs slashed last year were eliminated when employees quit or retired, said Burris. Only 19 employees were fired to eliminate jobs, she said, and 18 of those were administrative and clerical workers for the provost. She said no tenured faculty members were dismissed last year.

The plan also involves a \$1 million cut to GA and TA stipends for graduate students. "This step was taken with the greatest reluctance and awareness of the importance of this resource," Edelstein's reorganization report states. The \$300,000 in cuts from graduate support would provide undergraduate studies with money for adjunct instructors and save the university \$700,000, McTigue said.

McTigue added that the cut translates into a loss of at least 125 TA/GA lines of the 734 that are currently funded by the state.

McTigue blasted the cut to graduate support, calling it "shortsighted." She said the cut reflected "a shift in emphasis [from graduate] to the undergraduate education."

The shift will cost the university more than the money it saves, she said. "Our prestige may drop," she said. "Our capacity to carry out research at this university will also

decrease . . . We really believe that graduate students are cost effective. You get the most for your money."

Whether the university can reverse the cut to graduate stipends in future years "will hinge on what will happen in the state," said Glenn Watts, vice president for finance and management.

The GSO has called a town meeting in response to the proposed cuts. The meeting will take place tonight in Central Hall's lecture hall at 7:30. Edelstein, Helen Cooper — vice provost for graduate studies — and representatives of the University Senate executive committee are slated to attend.

"The morale is at an all-time low among graduate students at Stony Brook," said McTigue, "and we hope that [Edelstein] can shed some light on recent actions that directly affect graduate students."

Edelstein also outlined a cut in clerical support, or secretarial staff. His document calls for a cut that will raise the faculty to clerical staff ratio to 7:1 and save the university \$400,000. "This reduction could be reversed should fiscal conditions ease in the future," said Edelstein.

"I think it's a reasonable plan," Marburger said. "I

think it's about the best we could come up with at this point. It will still cause considerable discomfort, but I don't see how we can do with any less."

Edelstein suggested that the university consider a long-term goal by forming a single College of Arts and Sciences, as opposed to the current structure of separate academic units, such as social and behavioral sciences, or humanities, each with its own dean. He said the university could save more than \$300,000 by consolidating all dean positions into a single Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences. He proposed appointing a committee to investigate the ramifications of such a structural change and report back to him by the end of the year.

The reorganization plan is a basis for a final plan that he wants to present to Marburger by May 6, pending any feedback provided by faculty members.

Edelstein's plan for changes in the academic budget is the culmination of three weeks of research by a senate committee he formed to advise him on academic spending, said Edelstein. The committee consists of members of faculty and staff, including University Senate president Richard Porter.

State approves \$500 hike

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what legislators decided to pick," he said.

Last year, an \$8.6 million budget cut forced the university to slash 137 jobs to save \$7 million in cuts. The eliminated jobs included administrative, building maintenance, middle management, and clerical positions.

Cuts last year also forced a tuition increase of \$500, which marked the first hike in SUNY since 1983.

Edelstein said Marburger restored an additional \$1.4 million for the university "through the use of one-time managed savings, primarily from energy conservation and

price fluctuations." Watts noted that the money was shifted from the university's campus resources fund to its academic areas to provide the university with relief from \$4 million mid-year cuts the state imposed this semester.

In light of the current budget cut, Marburger forgave Edelstein the \$1.4 million that he had initially planned for the academic areas to pay back.

The state budget cuts leave approximately \$167 million in state aid to Stony Brook. Marburger predicted that the state will soon impose more budget cuts "based on the widespread reports that the budget passed by the legislature is not in balance," he said.



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Slepian: I won't run

Polity President Dan Slepian, who said last week he was considering a run for an unprecedented third term as president, said last night he would not

Slepian told the senate last night that he plans to graduate over the summer. His decision over whether to graduate by summer was the deciding

factor in running, he told Statesman.

Slepian, who is completing his second term as president, served as freshman representative and vice president during his first two years at Stony Brook. All of his Polity positions gave him a vote on the Polity

- Jason Didner

Senator may lose vote

The Polity Senate passed a new bylaw last night stating that a senator accused of illegal behavior can lose voting rights until that senator faces the judiciary committee.

The bylaw stemmed from a vote to impeach Senator Vincent Bruzzese's for curruption March 18. The senate passed the legislation 19-7, which allows the senate to suspend an impeached senator's voting power with a three-fourths vote.

"Everyone has a political agendas here," Bruzzese said. "[This is] what I consider to be a political con-

Polity Treasurer David Greene said bylaws like this one are necessary to clean up Polity's image. "The senate needs to send a clear message that we're on the right track," he said.

But Senator Clyde Cook said the bylaw was unfair. "You cannot punish him without giving him a fair trial," said Cook

The senate decided to table a motion to suspend Bruzzese's voting rights based on the new bylaw.

The senate voted to impeach Bruzzese after he was accused of suggesting that a student club forge its constituiton to get funding in the Programs and Services Council, a committee that allocates program money to clubs. Bruzzese, who refused a plea by the senate to resign, was chairman of the council.

— Jason Didner

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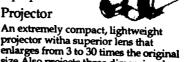
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Polity Senate gives nod to fund speaker

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Though Polity told the protestors that they had no grounds to cut funding from Muhammad for ideological reasons, they continued to voice their concerns that Polity money — which comes from the mandatory student activity fee - will fund Muammad.

"Do you think people would stand if we wanted to have the student activity fee fund someone from the KKK coming here?" said Eisenhower Senator Loretta Schaeffer. who called the motion last week to defund Muhammad. "We're having someone who outwardly said that every African-American should take the nearest Jewish individual and kill him or her."

"The motion was brought up last week and shot down," said Senator Fred Baptiste, "That should be the end of it."

But Senator Richard Cole argued that hiring Muhammad constitutes a misuse of funds. "I think we can

"Wherever this man goes, violence occurs."

– Senator Richard Cole

prove a mismanagement of funds," he said, "... and we should consider cutting the funds on Dr. Muhammad. Wherever this man goes, violence occurs and there have been threats made.

The motion raised to overturn last week's decision failed overwhelmingly. Had the motion passed, however, it would not necessarily cut Muhammad's funds as protestors hoped. Rather, it would have opened an investigation into the sponsoring organizations' use of funds, according to Polity Treasurer David Greene.

"The mission of a university is to promote the exchange of ideas," said Senator Jonothan Hanke. "But if we cut the funding from [Muhammad], what do we accomplish? It is important that this many people do want him to come and speak on campus."

Robin Macklin — a student who spoke at many fraternity, sorority and club meetings to incite students to protest - said he had initiated the protest under the misunderstanding that the senate had direct control over funding for Muhammad. "I came in here presenting a case based on misinformation, but this amounted to a mere procedural discrepancy," he said. "The case still stands that student money is being spent, whether directly or indirectly, to support someone who has, time and again, preached statements that promote disunity."

B'Nai B'rith Hillel, a Jewish interest organization on campus, said it will protest in front of the Staller Center an hour prior to Muhammad's speech next week, according to Keith Babitch, the organization's student president.

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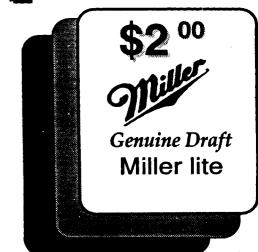
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Editorial

Give Students Evaluations They Can Use

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What was originally going to be a collection of 20,000 student evaluations in 500 pages fell way short. Sure, the students who worked on the project cut the cost to the students, but it's likely students would have been eager to pay \$3 instead of the \$1 they'll

So. It's that time of the year waste on this pamphlet — which is neither understandable nor insightful.

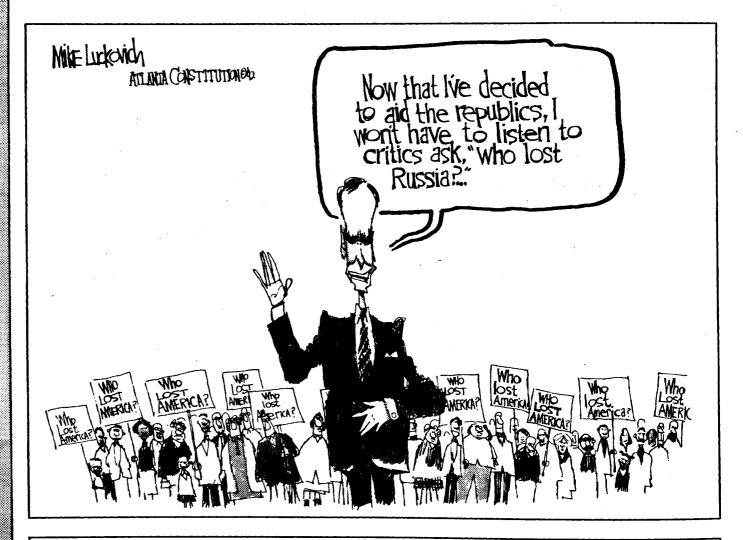
What good are a bunch of fancy bar graphs? It's not the sort of feedback that students easily digest. Where are the comments? You know, the section on the evaluation where the open-ended questions are asked and you really get to say what's on your mind? How can you expect to learn anything from a student evaluation if students' comments aren't even being presented?

The publishers of the book, who do deserve a great deal of credit for their time and effort, have explained this in the typical cop-out: It would subject them to severe criticism and a loss of faculty support to print answers to open-ended questions, answers they got last semester from tables set up in academic buildings.

But students can clearly get only so much from graphics. A professor's performance can't be measured in a bar graph. It's the insight into the class, its content and its significance that draws a student to it.

The only way to capture the flavor and interest of a class is to experience it through the eyes of another student. Granted, a list of answers to open-ended questions may not be a reliable cross-section of the campus, but at least it would give students an idea about what they're getting into.

Students who planned to buy the long-awaited book should think twice. Lack of interest in the book will get Polity's evaluation ball rolling again. And maybe then students will get something they



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Muhammad Is Racist

To the Editor:

If Polity President Dan Slepian is quoted correctly in the April 9 article on the Polity Senate's discussion of funding a lecture by Dr. Khallid Muhammad, then I fear he has become so open-minded that his brain has fallen out. It is ironic that Dan chose this opportunity for a public pronouncement of his Jewishness in order to defend the free speech rights of a notorious anti-Semite.

No one is arguing with the right of Muhammad to speak or with the right of student groups to invite him. What many have questioned, however, is whether or not student activity fees, which are paid by all students, should be appropriated for this type of program. Muhammad's track record is long and well-documented. When he spoke at Columbia he referred to the institution as "Columbia Jewniversity in New York." He referred to the Central Park jogger as a "no-good, low-down, nasty white woman." At Queens College he commented on "dirty, hook-nosed Jews," and at Ithaca college stated that "African-Americans should slit the throats of Koreans and Jews." Is this the type of speaker for whom Polity wants to spend student activity fees to facilitate David Duke, or Tom Metzger of the White Aryan Resis-

Dan observes that "after the program... I would like to see ... people of color and Jewish students come together." Where were you, Dan, when African-American and Jewish students did just that last November in a wonderful program organized by Sean Joe and Isaac Rubinstein called "Bridging Our Communities?" If this proves one thing it's that dialogue on this campus is not only possible, but likely, if conducted in the right atmosphere. Unfortunately, Jewish students, who have been flooding the Hillel office with calls and holding emergency meetings to discuss this issue, are frustrated, frightened, and

angry. Tell us, Dan, how you envision what you call "a calm, intelligent dialogue" with someone who has just informed you that "Hitler probably had good reason for exterminating six million people?" Please, Dan, tell us.

Rabbi Joseph S. Topek Director, B'nai B'rith Hillel Foundation

Cut the Fluff, Statesman

To the Editor:

Once again the Statesman offers the Stony Brook community fluff instead of reporting. I'm certain that more than a few of the people who made up "the largest crowd" on the USB campus all year had some inkling of what presidential candidate Jerry Brown's fundamental message is. Too bad the Statesman reporter, uh, pardon me, editor-in-chief, couldn't ascertain what it was or find someone to quote who had. I think that to report this story properly, one would have to try and find out just what brought such a crowd together. While the story quoted one political animal who stated that his reason for attending the gathering was "to actually see a candidate," many others could probably have commented on issues a little more compelling that simply eyeballing a quasi-celebrity. Maybe David Joachim solicited other remarks but simply chose to utilize the inane in order to give the piece the prerequisite skew that so often plagues the Statesman. The time and time again portrayal of the whole of the USB student body as a bunch of apathetic knownothings has worn more than a little thin. 'You can only get so much from TV," huh? Taken out of context, this statement means absolutely nothing. Joachim should know

I believe I was paying rather close attention to Brown's words, and I don't recall him saying anything about Gennifer Flowers or Hilary Clinton's business dealings. We already knew about that stuff. It's old news. I believe he did address the Arkansas governor's home state and its environmental nightmare perpetrated by a leading corporate Clinton-backer.

I know of a large number of people, including myself, who were out there in the cold because Brown is one candidate who is not afraid to speak plainly about some of the fundamental problems facing this country, that is the core of his stance, whether or not you believe in the viability of his ideas. Certainly, no one person is a panacea for the ailments of the nation, but there is a shortage of those who are willing to take the first step of admitting that those ailments exist.

Bottom line: we know what the Bush years have brought us (interpret that anyway you want, while you ponder the possibility of an \$800 tuition hike in Sept.)

We can see from using Arkansas as a microcosm, what kind of leadership Clinton offers. And then there's Jerry Brown, who presently and very vocally is declaring himself beholden to no one except anyone who envisions that something is seriously wrong when a system that was designed to serve many has degenerated into an orgy of irresponsible self interest. Maybe we were out there because we would like to at least hear a candidate who is telling us that, yes, the average citizen does deserve a better deal, and technically, a mandate based on people power has the potential to deliver it in this jaded, divided, often pathetic, often wonderful late twentieth century declining civilization. Read: "use your mind or someone will use it for you" Ruben Blades)

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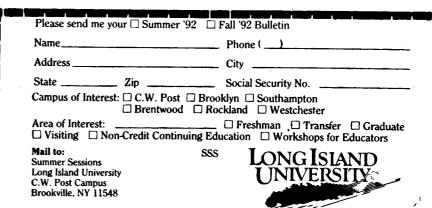
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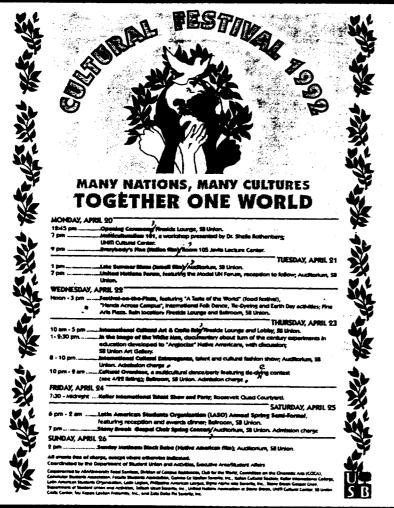
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Ken Kortright (7) scores against Queens

ROCK AND ROLL TO A BLOWOUT

The baseball Patriots rocked and rolled Skyline opponent Kings Point last Tuesday as they romped the Mariners14-0.

Freshman pitcher Mike Robertson was outstanding as he baffled the Mariners in a completegame shutout victory. The Kings Park native struck out 10 and walked just two while allowing only four hits in the nine-inning stint.

At the plate, the Patriots destroyed Kings Point with 19 hits, including four doubles by junior Kenny Kortright, junior Scott Shermansky, senior Bil Zagger and freshman Dave Marcus. Zagger also knocked a home run in the game, going 3-for-5 with three RBIs.

Stony Brook got on the board with three runs in the first inning and added two more runs in the

Their biggest inning came in the seventh as the Patriots scored five runs and knocked Kings Point starter John Uhlman out of the game.

The Mariners fielding was horrendous with six miscues. Bob McCann, the first baseman made

Junior Jason Greco had two hits and drove in two runs. Kortright had three hits in four at-bats and scored twice with two RBIs. Jason Yellin

Sal's the right hand man

By Jeremy Krevat an Staff Writer

When baseball Head Coach Matt Senk talks about his "right-hand man," he is talking about undergraduate Assistant Coach Sal Azzariti.

After playing three years as second baseman for West Islip High School, Azzariti went on to play college ball at NY Tech. When the baseball program there folded, Azzariti came to Stony Brook.

After transferring from Tech, Azzariti decided to coach baseball rather than play it. He talked to Senk, whom he had known from the New York Baseball Academy.

The Head Coach remembered Azzariti for his enthusiasm and knowledge and quickly named him an assistant.

Azzariti still continues to play baseball in the Stan Musial Summer Baseball League and as he starts his new role as a coach, he feels he is getting "the best of two

Azzariti is playing a very important role as a undergraduate assistant. "I have become a mediator between the coach and the players," said Azzariti, who is closer to the players in age.

They want to win," Azzariti said. "They are aggressive and they are just starting to come together.'

The young coach, who feels fortunate working with the 1992 Patriots, is also glad to be working under Senk. He feels the head coach is enthusiastic and knows how to recruit great young players. "He is a great role model," Azzariti said. "I watch him to become a better coach [myself]."

And Azzariti should be watching Senk since he is planning to become a baseball head coach in the future. As a matter of fact, after graduating from Stony Brook, Azzariti plans to get a graduate coaching job elsewhere. He would then hope to work his way up the coaching ladder as far as it will take him.

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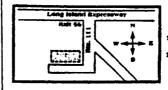
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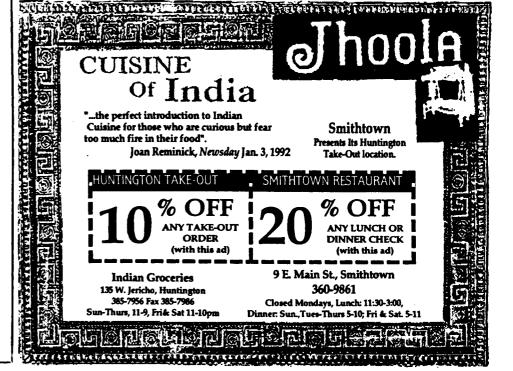
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Patriots don't put up Fight against Irish

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was game high with three goals and five assists.

"We anticipated a real close game,"
Notre Dame Head Coach Kevin Corrigan
said. "We had played them three years ago
in an overtime game. We knew they were
a good defensive team. We anticipated a
close game."

Like the Michigan State game, Stony Brook dug a hole for itself early as Notre Dame scored six unanswered goals. But Stony Brook would not come back against the Irish.

The Patriots tallied their first goal in the second quarter, courtesy of midfielder Tim Kolm's shot, bringing the score to 6-1. Attackman Joel Insinga answered a Notre Dame goal by receiving a feed from Rob Walker to make it a 7-2 game. But Stony Brook would only score one more time late in the third, with an unassisted goal by midfielder Kevin Dalland.

"They weren't anything special," Insinga said. "They played like a team and we didn't."

Goalie Rob Serratore was credited with 24 saves, from 63 shots on goal.

Patriots Head Coach John Espey said his team was flat and played with a lack of emotion. But Espey also acknowledged Notre Dame's effort. "They were fast," Espey said. "They hustled and they moved the ball better than any teams to date."

Another big game coming up for the

Patriots is the match-up this Saturday against Georgetown, a team which beat Stony Brook last year, 16-9.

"We have to keep out of their transition game," Espey said. "We can expect a similar game as Notre Dame. This is a game they can't overlook."

The Patriots faceoff against the Hoyas at 1:30 pm. And on the 24th, the Patriots will host Air Force. Ticket for both are available at the Union ticket booth.

S.B. Carreon contributed to this story.

Pats split double header for first loss of season

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center, scoring Verunac and freshman catcher Bridget Fennelly.

Junior third baseman Jo-Anne Greggo was the lone Stony Brook runner to score in the third, when she was knocked in by Matich. The Pats now led 5-0.

In the fourth inning, Gandolf led off by doubling to left field. She advanced to third when Racioppi grounded out to short, and scored on Greggo's sacrifice fly to center.

Matich walked to start the seventh and was replaced

at first by pinch runner Joanna Kerney. Kerney advanced to second on a passed ball, and when the throw from the catcher went wide, she moved to third. Kerney eventually scored on a sacrifice by DiMaio. Staten Island scored once at the bottom of the seventh to make the final score 7-2.

Matich went 2-for-2 in this game, collecting an RBI. DiMaio went 2-for-3, with two RBIs and Gandolf got an RBI on 2-for-3 hitting. Gandolf went the distance for the Pats, upping her record to 4-0.

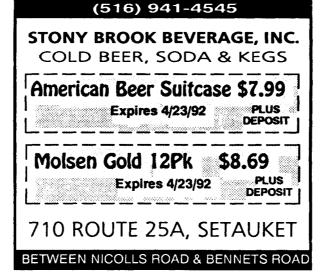
Christ was pleased with her team's play in the second

game. "We bounced back this game," Christ said. "They had the same pitcher, but we hit."

Stony Brook returned home yesterday when they played Hunter College and defeated them by a lopsided score of 18-2.

Carasig hit a two-run over-the-fence homerun. Gandolf went the distance for the victory and ups her personal mark to a perfect 5-0. The team improves to 6-1. They play again today against William Paterson in a doubleheader starting at 3:30. More on these games in the Monday edition of *Statesman*.











Patriots learn from Dickinson downing

By Laney Biffer Statesmen Staff Writer

TEANECK, NJ — The men's tennis team moved up to 3-2 despite a disappointing loss to Division I Fairleigh Dickinson in Teaneck, NJ last Friday afternoon.

The loss came after a defeat in the hands of Division II Queens College and a satisfying win over Hunter Tuesday afternoon, 8-1.

The Patriots' 8-0 loss against a solid Fairleigh Dickinson team

Men's Tennis

was a learning experience, according to the Patriots. "You never get any better if you don't play teams that are better than you," said Head Coach Chuck Carron. "This match will help them for the upcoming Kings Point conference match."

Naveen Balasubramanyam played a good second set, 7-6 with a tie breaker of 7-2.

In the doubles matches, Ariel Malabanan and Tony Lu played a competitive match. They seemed to fight until the end. "We will gain bigger points with more experience," said Lu.

The day was full of learning. "It is hard to watch six players at a time," said Carron. He watches each player for five minutes on a rotating basis and that way he is able to pinpoint what each player is doing wrong.

The team is very insightful when it comes to analyzing its matches. The players carefully think about how to improve and make less errors. They don't put their tennis minds away once they finish a game. Their post-game conversations about the losing effort during the bus ride back to campus from New Jersey is testament to this.

The team played Hunter College at the United States Tennis Center in Flushing Queens, the home of the U.S. Open, before the loss to Fairleigh Dickinson. Alex Kaltsas, one of the day's top players, won 6-0, 6-

The tennis team lost against Queens College on Thursday afternoon. They played a tough match against the Division II team. They didn't give up and seemed to fight hard. "We lost to a team with superior talent and a higher level of playing," Carron said. "Queens College is on a partial scholarship and we didn't expect to beat them."

The doubles matches got rained out. They were down 6-0 at that point. "It was a fighting game for the team," Pallav Shah said. "Although there weren't any wins, we didn't give up. It was a tough match and they were just a better team."

The team played Monday afternoon at Dowling College and Hofstra yesterday afternoon.. Their snowed-out game against Manhattanville has been re-scheduled for April 25

Four runs allowed means a win, a loss

Pats lose first game but come back to win second in double header split

By Aimee Brunelle Statesman Staff Writer

Stony Brook's softball team split a doubleheader Monday afternoon with Staten Island, losing the first game 2-1, but came back to win the second, 7-2.

Stony Brook got on top in the second, when senior second baseman Kim Verunac singled home senior pitcher Traci Racioppi to lead 1-0. But Staten Island scored in the bottom of the third and sixth innings, and shut down Stony Brook with its 2-1 lead.

Stony Brook attempted to rally in the seventh, but fell short even after loading

the bases.

Racioppi and senior shortstop Dana Carasig both went 2-for-3, in a game which saw the Pats collect only six hits.

Head Coach Judy Christ was a little disappointed with the results of the first game. "I don't like losing when we're better than the other team," Christ said. "I'm not sure what happened, maybe we tried too hard because we knew we could hit [their pitcher]."

In the second half of the doubleheader, the Patriots came back to win 7-2.

Stony Brook got on top early, when

"I don't like losing when we're better than the other team."

- USB Coach Judy Christ

sophomore pitcher Joan Gandolf hit a grounder to center, scoring senior first baseman Cathy DiMaio, to lead 1-0.

In the second inning, three walks and three hits allowed the Pats to score three

runs. DiMaio collected an RBI when she singled in junior centerfielder Beth Matich. Carasig got two RBIs on a two-out hit to

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Gandolf pitches award-winning games

By Tony McMullen

Sophomore Joan Gandolf of Centereach led the Patriots softball team to a perfect 3-0 week as she pitched two complete-game shutouts and batted .667.

Gandolf, named the Stony Brook VIP/ Statesman Athlete of the Week for the week of April 6, improved her pitching record to 3-0 on the young season by blanking Mt. St. Vincent in both games of the doubleheader. In game one, Gandolf struck out 10 Mt. St. Vincent batters and yielded only one hit as the Patriots easily downed the Dolphins, 14-0. In the second game, Gandolf scattered four hits and fanned 10 on her way to a 12-0 win.

"Joan is difficult to hit because her unusual motion makes the ball hard to pick up," said Head Coach Judy Christ, "She may not be as fast as other pitchers but her ball moves around a lot."

Gandolf's pitching arsenal consists of three pitches: a drop, a rise and a fastball. In addition, she is currently working on adding an off-speed pitch to her repertoire. "My most consistent pitch is my drop," said Gandolf, "but I usually strike out batters with my rise."

In each of her three starts this season, Gandolf has struck out 10 opposing batters, with only the season opener going the full seven innings. Some mathematics indicates that she averages an astounding 1.67 strikeouts per inning.

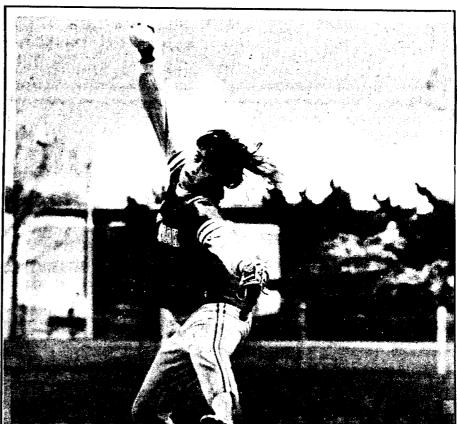
Although Gandolf's strength may lie in her pitching arm, her prowess at the plate has been equally impressive. By out-hitting the entire Mt. St. Vincent team in the doubleheader, going 6-for-8 with two runs batted in and a 2-for-4 performance against Molloy on Friday, Gandolf finished the week batting .667.

"Joan will play in every game for us, either pitching or playing the outfield," said Christ. "We need her bat in the line-

Gandolf attributes her "hot" start to the softball team's spring training trip to Myrtle Beach, South Carolina. "Since I was coming off the basketball season, I did not have as much time as the other players to prepare for the softball season," said Gandolf. "The week of softball helped me get focused for our season."

And it just may be that this season is the year Gandolf begins to receive the recognition she deserves. "People are just noticing her now," said Christ. "She will win her share of awards by the time she finishes playing at Stony Brook."

The only award on Gandolf's mind at this time is a New York State softball championship.



Joan Gandolf goes into pitching motion

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So you don't like track. How about 18 holes of golf? On Friday, May 8, the Intramural Golf Tournament will be taking place at Heatherwood Golf Club. The cost is \$21 per person. This includes greens fees, prizes, awards and hero sandwich and salads.

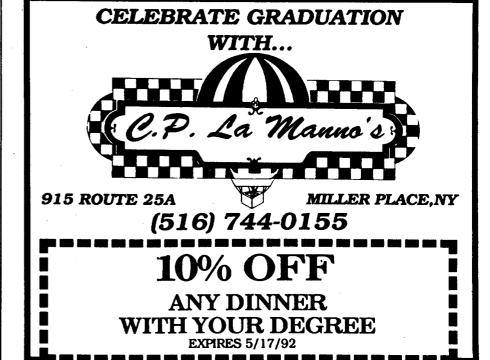
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Baseball hosts New Paltz: Friday, April 17, 1 pm.

Lacrosse hosts Georgetown: Saturday, April 18, 3:30 pm.

Top rebounder pulls down All-American

By Sandra B. Carreon Statesman Sports Editor

She smiles humbly. She speaks softly. She deflects compliments and attention almost as naturally as she rebounds a basketball that no one would ever guess Joan Gandolf is an All-American.

Gandolf, the Patriots women's bas-

ketball team's top scorer and premier rebounder with averages of 13.2

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and 14.3 respectively, was selected Regional Kodak All-American last week by the All-American Selection Committee—a tremendous honor in itself, but more so in light of the team's subpar performance this season.

According to Maria Ahmann, national coordinator of the All-American Selection Committee and the Women's Basketball Coaches Association, Kodak All-Americans are selected on the basis of their "team's achievement, present year's statistics, academic success and fulfillment of team potential."

Because of the Patriots' 10-15 record this year and their inability to make the post-season tournament, Head Coach Dec McMullen was pleasantly surprised that Gandolf received the honor. "It's really incredible that she made it this year," said McMullen, who's coached Gandolf for the past two years. "We didn't even make the playoffs. It's really a very, very big accomplishment."

The sophomore forward out of Centereach High School is no stranger to accomplishments. Not only does she star on the hardcourt for the Patriots basketball team, she excels on the mound for the softball team as well. But Gandolf admits basketball is her favorite. "I always enjoyed it better," she said. "It's more action. You're always into the game."

Gandolf's knack for keeping her mind into the game has trademarked her success. She channels as much effort into practice as she does against opponents. "Our team notices her because of her work ethic," McMullen said. "She's like the Eveready battery — she just goes on and on and on ... It's like an intuitive knowledge. She has that incredible desire to win. I don't know if there are many athletes like that now."

The sophomore sociology major, though, recalls a time when she almost gave up on her sports career. "I was a sophomore in high school," Gandolf said. "I was kind of fed up with it but my dad made me stick with it even when I wanted to quit."

"It was a commitment she made," Jack

Gandolf said. "I told her she couldn't think of herself. She had to think of her team. I couldn't see her packing it in. She was glad it worked out fine."

Jack Gandolf has been a stabilizing influence in her life, especially with respect to sports. It was her father who'd tape her high school games and then review them with her. "I still watch her tapes from her first year [at Stony Brook]," Jack Gandolf said. "In high school, I taped the games for her and it was helpful."

What's also been helpful to the All-American forward is the encouragement and support she has received from family and friends. "I don't think I had as much influence on her in sports as her father," Maryann Gandolf, her mother, said. "But I always encouraged her and enjoyed watching her."

All the accolades that have been thrown Gandolf's way has not fazed her. In fact, she has maintained her soft-spoken nature despite her feats — a rarity among today's athletes

McMullen said that he mentioned to Cathy Crean, a teammate and suite mate of Gandolf's that Gandolf had just been selected All-American. "Cathy told me, 'I never would have found out from Joannie," McMullen said. "Yet you put her on that court and she'll do everything to win. She's

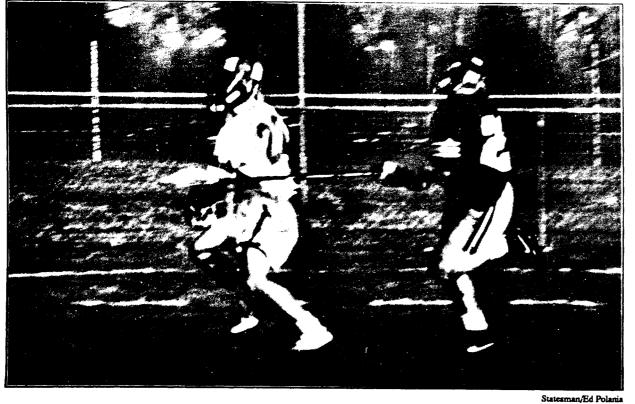
just a coach's dream."

Gandolf's quiet persona belies her competitive nature. According to McMullen, Gandolf's best attribute is "her competitiveness, her drive to excel and her drive to make the team a winner," McMullen said. "You'll never see her saying 'I'm great' or 'I made the last shot' . . . I knew that what Joannie had would make All-American. She just has that intangible."

Just as Gandolf possesses the "intangible" that prioritizes her teammates on the court, she will not hesitate to back her friends off the court. "I've been friends with Joannie since high school," Lori-Ann Danko, Gandolf's roommate and good friend, said. "She's a great person. She's always been there for me. She's a very warm-hearted person."

"We're very proud of her," Maryann Gandolf said. "She's always achieved what she wanted to achieve. When she sets her mind on something, she gets what she wants."

Ironically though, the athlete who did not want all this attention, has commanded the attention strictly because of her unselfishness and commitment to winning. "You sit in the stands and you might not notice her because she doesn't score 20, 30 points," McMullen said. "But she's just one of those kids."



Kevin Dalland (22) who scored at Notre Dame gets past Canisius opponent

Pats laxmen lack luck of the Irish

By Dave Fallace Statesman Staff Writer

Less than two minutes into the game, Mike Sullivan of Notre Dame scored an unassisted goal and then a minute

and 30 seconds later Sullivan fed Randy Colley. The combination of Sullivan and Colley proved to be a lethal pair for Stony Brook as the Patriots lacrosse team lost to the Fighting Irish Monday afternoon, 14-3.

Notre Dame:14
Patriots: 3

Sullivan, with his three goals and three assists, became Notre Dame's all-time leading scorer with 162 career points. Colley, on the other hand,

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