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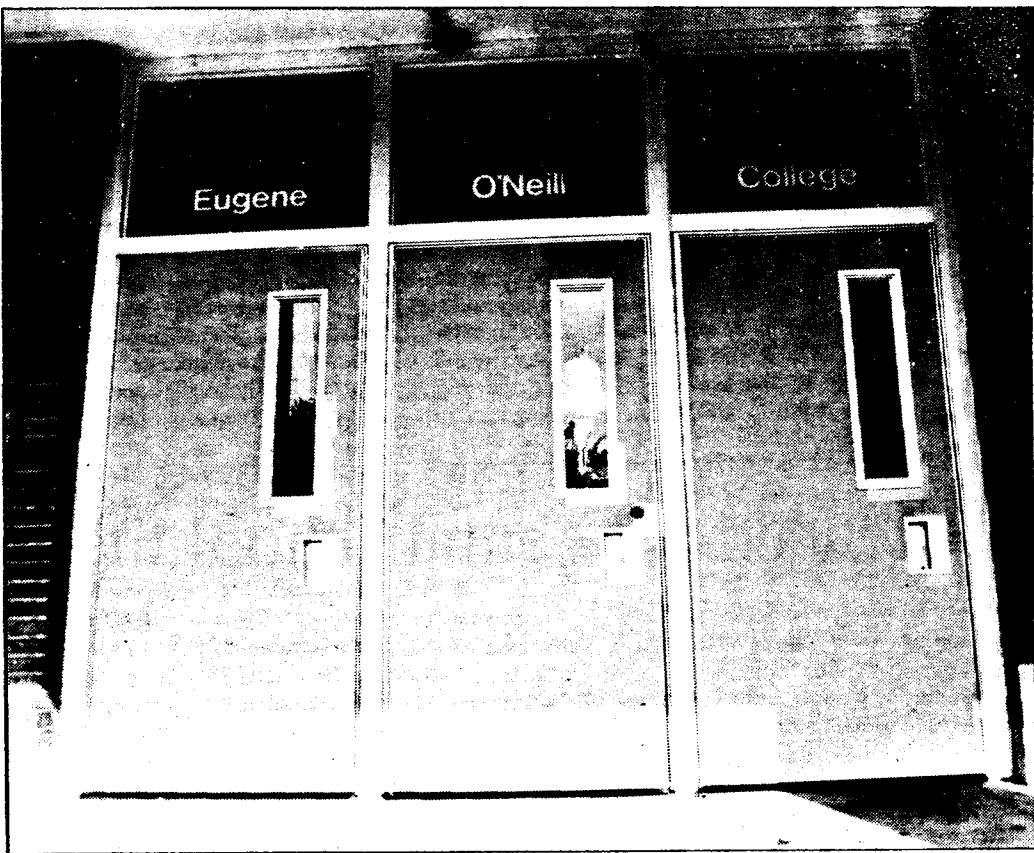
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At least 13 former residents of Irving and O'Neill colleges have developed cancer.

Did Dorms Cause Cancer?

University investigates disease in 13 former students

By Patricia Huang
 Statesman Staff Writer

Stony Brook medical experts and state health officials are investigating whether campus dormitory conditions contributed to at least 13 cases of cancer reported by former students.

The 20-member team of Stony Brook researchers will try to determine whether there is a link between the cancers developed by several former Stony Brook students who all lived in Irving and O'Neill colleges between 1981 and 1988.

Friends of the former students reported that they knew of seven former students, who all lived in the adjoining dormitories in G-Quad, that had developed cancers. Three of the seven students have died of cancer.

Since the initial report, more students have come forward with information and the cases now total 13, according to Roger Grimson, a bio-statistician and epidemiologist at University Hospital.

One in 250 Americans between ages 20-29 develop cancer, according to Frank Sala, spokesman for the American Cancer Society's Long Island division.

Grimson reports that the students have been diagnosed with at least eight different kinds of cancer such as hip cancer, prostate cancer and lung cancer. "I've been working with cluster situations for several years,"

said Grimson, who is writing a book on the analysis of clusters of diseases. The former students developed different kinds of cancer, he said, which leads him to believe they are not related. "Never has there been a reported cluster of various kinds of cancer," he said. "That is a key factor that makes me not really worried."

Researchers on campus are working with the Center for Disease Control, the Suffolk County Department of Health and the New York Tumor Registry and are currently waiting for the medical records of the former students, environmental sample results and other information to be collected.

"We're going to look at all students in G and H quads and take a sample of a few thousand students elsewhere," said Grimson. "The other buildings could serve as a control group."

Grimson said the rate of cancer in those buildings and the national average may not be comparable because the buildings experience a high turnover rate.

"From my position, I'm not going to say 'no,

there's not a threat,'" said Grimson. "But the fact that a few people knew others who had cancer is not unusual." Grimson calls this "heightened awareness," saying that people in certain situations will tend to notice others in similar or identical situations.

Researchers are looking at the two principles of patterns and biological plausibility, according to Grimson. "I'm treating this as though I don't know what it is. I'm being objective," he said. "It could be heightened awareness. In general that's what a lot of these things turn out to be."

Grimson predicts the investigation conducted by the Department of Environmental Health and Safety and other groups will take a while. "Maybe some parts of it will be complete before the fall semester starts," said Grimson. "But six months for a final write-up is optimistic."

Grimson does not believe at this point that Irving and O'Neill colleges should be closed down. "That would be a case of overkill," he said. "They would be overreacting."



Roger Grimson

New Polity officers raise their pay

By Patricia Huang
Statesman Staff Writer

The new student government officers raised their stipends an average of 25 percent as one of their first acts as the new Polity Council.

Previously at \$80 per week for the president and treasurer, \$70 for vice president and secretary and \$60 for class representatives, the weekly stipends for the summer sessions have increased to \$100, \$85, and \$75 respectively.

Polity officials said the raises are intended to create incentives for new council members and compensate for their long weekly schedules.

The summer stipends for four Polity council members, three Student Activity Board chairs and one COCA chair total \$7,100, about 16 percent of the \$43,500 summer budget.

Until recently, Polity Council stipends were based on an hourly wage, according to several former council members. "Back then we were required to put in 10 office hours a week," said Lorelei Apel who served as acting secretary in the spring 1990 semester. "Basically, they took the stipend and divided it by the 10 hours to figure out the wage. My stipend was \$70, and so for every hour I didn't work, my pay was deducted by \$7."

Since then, the procedure changed. "Originally, according to the old wage scale, we're supposed to be working 10 hours a week," said Fred Baptiste, Polity acting treasurer, who says he works 15-20 hours a week. "We don't feel this should be based on an hourly wage because we feel it should be a labor of love. But a lot of people can't afford not to have a job."

The reason for the increases, according to Polity President David Greene, is to give council members extra incentive and compensate them for the long hours. Greene says he puts in at least 40 hours a week for Polity and he adds that some council members who are working on Polity projects are not required to be here in the summer.

"Because the council is aware that this may be the subject of controversy, they are researching stipend averages of other schools," said Polity Executive Director Strosser Altemis. The schools researched include other SUNY schools such as Farmingdale, Binghamton and Albany. However, the amount of the increase is not based

on the other schools, according to Greene. The research was conducted to see how many hours a week other council members were working. "We were doing a study to see how much time is required to be successful in these positions," said Greene, who served as Polity's treasurer last year.

The student officers already had the highest stipends in the state university system. A survey of university center student governments shows the presidents making the following annual stipends: Albany, \$2,000; Binghamton, \$2,000; Buffalo, \$3,600; and Stony Brook, \$5,200. All numbers include summers.

The stipend increase, which will be in effect at least until the fall senate meets in mid-September, was proposed by the council and approved by three senators and Polity Secretary Rachel Richards.

But one of Polity's spring senators is already bothered by the raise. "If they think they deserve a pay increase, they should've waited until the fall instead of doing it in the summer in hopes that no one will notice," said Richard Cole, who served as commuter college senator last spring and ran for president in April. "The fact that they did it in the summer makes it automatically suspect."

Greene said the students benefit the most from the council and he says that without the administration of the council, the

STUDENT GOVERNMENT STIPENDS

The following are the results of a Statesman survey of annual stipends for student government presidents at SUNY's four university centers:

Albany:	\$2,000	Buffalo:	\$3,600
Binghamton:	\$2,000	Stony Brook:	\$5,200

Note: Stipends include summer service.

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clubs would not run. "The primary benefit comes from this office," he said. "It was not our intent to seem as if we were pushing this through while no one is around." The increase in stipends is in conjunction with increased requirements, he said.

"I'm not a fan of stipends because I think you should be up here because you want to do good for the school," said Altemis. "But I understand why there are stipends. Any kind of compensation these students can get is deserved. I'm working to see if they can get [academic] credit."

"There are a lot of senators like myself who put in a lot of time who don't get any pay or credit," said Cole who says he puts in 15-20 hours a week during the year. "They're stealing from the students and the

students I've spoken to are outraged."

Cole believes that the council members should get credit but not stipends. "If they get credit, they should be graded and if they don't do their job, they should get an 'F,'" said Cole.

"We've had a lot of reservations about giving a senator stipends because then you have to give all of them stipends," said Greene. However, in the fall the Polity council will consider giving stipends to some senators depending on the projects they are working on, according to Greene.

"There's a lot of wasted money in Polity and stipends are where the budget can be cut. It should be a voluntary service" said Cole. "This really shows the decayed state of Polity as a form of student government."

Students sentenced for dental school thefts

Two former Stony Brook students who confessed in March to stealing \$20,000 in university dental equipment were sentenced early this month to community service and a fine.

Domenick Coletti, 23, of Port Jefferson Station, and Anthony Peluso, 22, of South Ozone Park, Queens, were ordered on July 2 to perform 140 hours each in community service and pay a \$1,000 fine, said Drew Biondo, spokesman for the district attorney's office. The two pleaded guilty to petty larceny charges, part of a plea bargain that freed them from felony charges of grand larceny that would have given

them a maximum of seven years in prison.

Coletti and Peluso were arrested March 6 after police, armed with a search warrant, entered a house the two shared with other dental students and found more than \$20,000 in equipment owned by the school. Police said the students intended to use the equipment for their future dental practice.

Responding to a tip that equipment was being stolen regularly from the school, Public Safety hid video cameras that led to the students' arrests.

The students, who police said confessed to the burglaries after their arrests, were suspended from the univer-

sity shortly after their arrests, but they have not attempted to have the suspensions lifted, said university spokesman Dan Forbush. The students must either plead guilty to university charges and accept sanctions, or ask for a hearing. Until they take action, their suspensions will remain, he said.

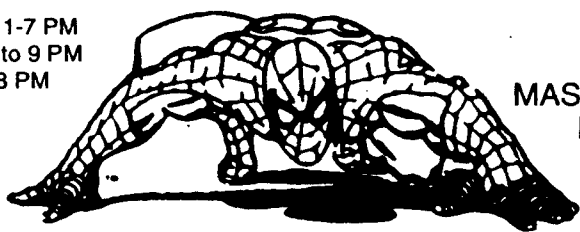
The university had no comment on the plea bargain.

The site of their community service has not been determined, Biondo said.

Peluso could not be reached and Coletti would not comment.

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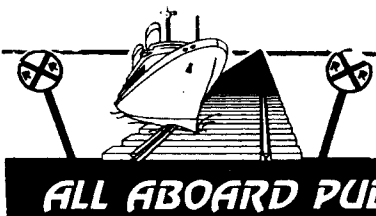
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Student accused of killing cop

By David Joachim
Statesman Editor-in-Chief

A Stony Brook student accused last week of murdering a Suffolk police officer is being held without bail at Suffolk County jail in Riverhead and will face a grand jury this week.

Michael Oddo, an engineering student and son of a retired New York City police officer, pleaded not guilty last week to charges that he murdered officer Henry Stewart, 45, a 20-year veteran, police said. Oddo was charged with second-degree murder after a car the student was driving dragged Stewart 500 yards to his death.

The events that led to the officer's death are not clear, but police said they believe that Stewart approached Oddo, a 19 year-old commuter student from Brentwood, after the officer heard loud noises outside his Bay Shore home just after midnight on July 11. Police said Stewart identified himself as a police officer and asked Oddo to step out of the car.

Oddo refused, police said, and suddenly sped off, dragging the officer along Brookdale Ave. in Bay Shore. The car swerved down the street, throwing Stewart into mailbox posts and road signs before striking a parked car. Oddo drove off after Stewart was pinned underneath the parked car, according to police.

Officers responding to the scene lifted the car off the officer. Stewart was taken to Good Samaritan Hospital in West Islip, where he died of internal injuries.

Witnesses provided police with a description of the driver and the license plate number of the car, which led police to arrest Oddo at his home five hours later, said officer Donald Yorrie, a police spokesman.

Oddo's attorney, David M. Kaufman of Bay

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Searching the Rubble

Budget bomb forces university to cut courses, jobs

By David Joachim
Statesman Editor-in-Chief

A month after Albany dropped the budget bomb on the state university system, Stony Brook officials are searching through the rubble this summer to salvage what they can.

But it won't be easy. The university is still recovering from six previous blasts. And with each strike, officials say, the damage becomes harder to fix.

With the latest budget, Stony Brook has suffered cuts in state aid totaling \$23.3 million through seven rounds of annual and mid-year budget cuts, according to Glenn Watts, vice president for finance and management.

But there is some relief this year. Despite the \$14.2 million initial round of cuts from Stony Brook's \$162 million in state academic aid, nearly \$7 million was restored by a \$500 tuition hike passed in April. The \$7 million, however, still will severely affect the university's operations next year, sending shock waves through more areas of the university.

Administrators spared many areas of the university last year, when \$9 million was yanked from the budget, but that was the last of the good news. "There's enough pain to spread around this time," Watts said.

The university will be forced to terminate at least 15 campus employees, Watts said, but tenured faculty will be immune. "That's the good news," he said.

Watts said the positions will likely come from the administration and physical plant.

Though faculty will be protected, the university is losing many faculty to other institutions with fewer budget problems, Provost Tilden Edelstein said. "We lost some people we wish we hadn't lost," he said. Incoming faculty have been disheartened by the budget problems because they feel their chances of tenure are slim, he said, and many have chosen to teach and research elsewhere.

Edelstein said the university hired one-third fewer tenure candidates this year than it did four years ago. And the university has replaced only one-quarter of the faculty who have left since the budget crisis began.

Academic departments that have been protected in recent years may not be so lucky this year. A plan released by the office of undergraduate studies last week calls for the cancellation of at least four 300-level sociology courses and nine 100-level philosophy class sections, Edelstein told *Statesman* last week. Despite these cuts and a partial restoration of funds saved last year by hiring 100 fewer



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Glenn Watts

graduate teaching assistants, "we're still short," Edelstein said.

University President John Marburger predicted more fall classes would be cut, but he was optimistic about the spring. "When you have to take cuts immediately, unfortunately your options are far fewer," he said in a telephone interview last week. "It's unlikely we'll have a mid-year cut" this winter, despite two successive mid-year cuts, he said, because of the massive hit SUNY took this year. "The Legislature is becoming aware that the cuts were really too large."

The university will keep the targeted courses open until final registration in the hopes that money can be found to save the courses, Edelstein added.

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• A car stereo equalizer valued at \$200 was stolen from a 1985 Ford parked in the Kelly Quad parking lot last Wednesday. No one was arrested.

• A buffing machine worth \$400 was stolen from the basement of Douglass College last Wednesday. No one was arrested.

• Two Hot Point double door refrigerators, worth \$700 each were stolen from a Sullivan Hall storage room last Wednesday. No one was arrested.

• Thieves broke into the Humanities Cafe last Monday night and stole \$20 worth of potato chips.

No one was charged.

• University and local fire officials searched the University Hospital last Tuesday in response to a bomb threat made by an anonymous male caller to Suffolk County police. There was no evacuation of the hospital and no bomb was found.

• Two boxes of narcotics were stolen from a refrigerator in the University Hospital recovery room last Sunday. The drugs were worth about \$50. No one was arrested.

• During the month of May, \$170 worth of calling card thefts occurred in calls being made to and from campus using a Macy's NYNEX calling card number. A Public Safety investigation is continuing.

• A 1985 Chevy station wagon had its rear driver side window broken on July 6. Stolen were \$400 in camera equipment, \$50 worth of clothing, \$150 in tennis equipment, and \$500 in tools. No one was arrested.

• A 1988 Nissan crashed head on into a Smith Haven Mall bus at the intersection of South Loop Road and Forest Drive on July 6. The driver of the Nissan crossed the double yellow lines, totalling his car. The driver was treated at University Hospital for a knee injury.

• Kenneth Brown, a 22-year-old student from Hollis, Queens, was arrested for possession of a stolen motorcycle on July 2. Also, 24-year-old

Erwin Garfield and 22-year-old Stony Brook student Royce Ambat were arrested for criminal trespassing, a misdemeanor at L-1180 of the Chapin Apartment complex. Both Brown and Garfield were taken to Sixth Precinct and Brown was charged with charged with third-degree possession of stolen property, a felony. Garfield had an outstanding warrant for felony assault. Ambat was released by Public Safety. There was no relation between the two arrest other than that Brown and Garfield were mutual acquaintances.

• A Hayco asbestos vacuum valued at \$1,500 was stolen from the basement of Hamilton College on May 30. No one was arrested.

• Shelving worth about \$2,500 was stolen from the basement of the ECC building on June 26. No one was arrested.

• A 1983 Sentra valued at \$1,300 that had an overhead projector valued at \$200 and a tool box valued at \$40 in it was stolen from the Chapin Apartment Complex parking lot on June 21. No one was arrested.

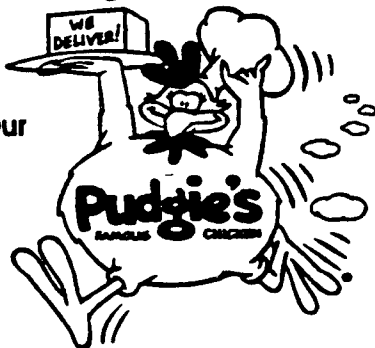
• Nearly \$1,200 in \$20 bills was taken from the Morrison Cafe in the University Hospital on June 16. No one was arrested.

• A black Cannondale mountain bicycle worth \$600 was taken from inside Benedict Lounge in Benedict College on June 15 at 3:15 pm. The bike was found on June 19 in the bushes by Benedict College.

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Graduate students elect new officers

By David Joachim
Statesman Editor-in-Chief

Graduate student government senator Norah Martin took office early this month as the new Graduate Student Organization president.

Martin, who ran unopposed, received 184 of the 192 votes for the organization's highest office. Texas billionaire and former presidential hopeful H. Ross Perot pulled in one write-in vote.

The election featured only one race for office, as all candidates ran unopposed. The secretarial race, however, was tight, with Tom Pepper beating write-in candidate Jean Rousseau by 20 votes. Pepper received 119 votes, Rousseau 99.

Emily Zakin won the unopposed vice presidential race with 185. Among the write-ins was Leona Helmsley.

Tim Morton took office as treasurer after he won his unopposed race with 187 votes. Comic strip star Bill The Cat was among the write-ins.

A \$1 increase in GSO allocations to campus child care passed its referendum in the election, bringing the cost of care up to \$18 for full-time graduate students, said Ida Fuchs, office manager for the GSO. Part-time graduate students will pay 25 cents more, pushing their cost to \$4.80.

"It's hard to get people to run for office because it's a hard job," said Gary Halada, election committee chairman, on why all candidates ran unopposed. He also offered

suggestions on how to get more students to vote. Last month's vote-by-mail election drew 250 voters.

"Most people don't vote because they're not part of the process," Halada said. The GSO is considering changes in election procedure, including one that mimics the undergraduate student government election by setting up polling stations, he noted, but he warned that the organization would need more volunteers for the plan.

Halada added that the 250 votes for last month's election was below average, but not the lowest he has seen in his three years as part of the GSO.

Halada said the new officers are "well-balanced" on unionization, the largest issue to hit SUNY's graduate students in years.

University targets classes, jobs in cuts

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"I regret very much that we had to make these cuts so quickly," Marburger said. "We couldn't do it as gracefully as we would have liked. We'll have to work hard this year to recapture the confidence of the university."

Marburger stressed that non-major programs taught by adjunct professors — like Africana Studies and journalism, both of which are often subjects of budget rumors — are not in danger.

State officials are starting to feel for the university system, Marburger said, and he hopes that will change the state's priorities. "I hear quite a bit of sympathy for SUNY," he said.

But, he said, SUNY still is in better shape than many public and private universities in the country that have suffered cuts. This can be partially contributed to the various non-academic facilities on campus, such as the hospital, the veterans' home and research facilities whose combined \$400 million annual budget comes from either private sources or non-academic state programs.

Edelstein noted that the \$1 million saved from not hiring graduate TAs was intended as a "one-time fix" and will not be repeated.

Several officials cited a recent *Newsday* series about the problems with

the SUNY system as an argument to restore funding. "The series made it clear that the state must stress higher education," Edelstein said. He added that the university will take advantage of the se-

ries and the fact that this is an election year to lobby the state Legislature to restore funding.

"It [the series] certainly did make the point that the state doesn't support SUNY

enough," Marburger said. But he criticized the series for comparing SUNY to the California state university system and stressing SUNY's weaknesses over its strengths.

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— University President John Marburger

Student accused in cop's murder

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Shore, asked the court to release Oddo on \$50,000 bail, but Judge Ralph Costello denied bail. Police said Oddo, who has a 1990 petty larceny case pending, was involved in several acts of criminal mischief

prior to the officer's death that night. The student told police he had been drinking.

Oddo has not yet been charged for the events before Stewart's death, said Drew Biondo, a spokesman for the district attorney's office. The case will go in front of a grand jury next week, Biondo said, but

similar murder cases typically take more than eight months before trial.

Stewart, who worked with the Third Precinct crime squad, is survived by his wife and three sons. More than 1,500 mourners attended the officer's funeral last Thursday.

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Editorial

Polity Stipends Undermine Students' Efforts

The Stony Brook campus is filled during the academic year with what administrators like to call "student leaders." Hundreds of students are involved with the countless clubs and organizations that give the campus its unique and diverse character.

Filled with an abundance of productive energy, these students volunteer 10, 20, sometimes more than 40 hours a week to the causes they choose: cultural programming, residence life, peer tutoring and campus media to name a few. Their colossal efforts are driven by a spirit only college could create — the desire to experience and to make things better, to heighten awareness and bring about change.

Ask former college volunteers and many will tell you, even a post-graduation pay check doesn't create the kind of satisfaction felt by volunteering to bring about change.

Apparently, satisfaction and experience are not enough for the new Polity Council. As one of their first official acts, the new undergraduate officers raised their stipends, or compensation, an average of 25 percent last month. The president, for example, now makes 100 tax-free dollars a week,

the highest student government stipend in SUNY. That's not a stipend in our book. That's pay.

A Statesman survey shows that Polity's stipends are higher than any comparable student government in the state. The presidents make the following stipends annually: Albany, \$2,000; Binghamton, \$2,000; Buffalo, \$3,600; and Stony Brook \$5,200. (All numbers include summer service.) At \$4,160 annually before the stipend increase, the Polity president already had the highest stipend in the state.

To make matters worse, Polity has relaxed its policy on summer stipends. Former officials would be forced to work 10 hours a week during the summer. If they missed an hour, 10 percent was deducted. Now, no minimum number of hours is enforced by the paycheck.

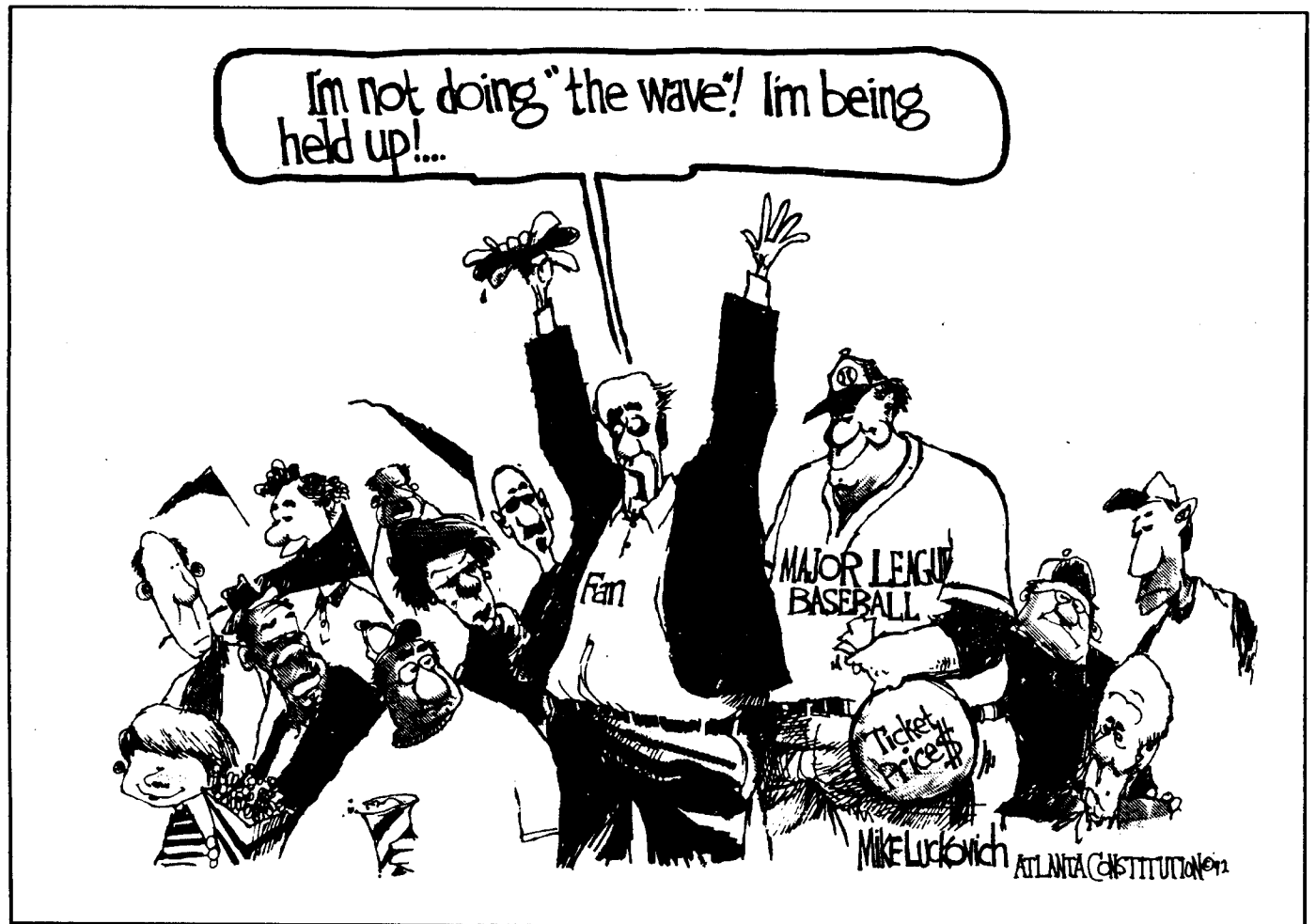
So, while the other several hundred students work on their respective projects this year, giving comparable study- or work-time for their causes, eight students in Polity will be undermining their efforts. Though it probably wasn't intended, the raises send us a message that student government is more important than other clubs or causes.

The already-high stipend system has gone out of control. A whopping 16 percent of Polity's \$44,000 summer budget is allocated to stipends. And remember, students pay for the stipends through their activity fees.

Unfortunate was the timing of the raise. The new council made the decision at its second meeting of the summer, during a time when little could be done to balance the council's power. Sure, a temporary senate meets periodically during the summer, but its members are unarguably less informed or experienced, and less likely to challenge the wisdom of the officers.

The fall senate could overrule the raise. But last year's senate didn't meet until October, which means the officers will at least enjoy their raises for four months without challenge. And the present system, in which council members have votes in the senate, makes overriding a council decision nearly impossible.

What's worse, as stipends soar in the \$1.5 million organization, elections will be more than just the issues. They will be fights for good, high-paying on-campus jobs. That's not the spirit of student advocacy.



Send Us Your Viewpoints

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Pats Capture Levi's Bowl in Holland with 10-0 Win

Stony Brook defeats Euro-Bowl champions in its first varsity international game

By Jason Yellin
Statesman Assistant Sports Editor

The Patriots football team played in their first international game last month, when they defeated the Amsterdam Crusaders 10-0, in the Levi's Bowl in Holland. The contest is also believed to be the first overseas varsity competition for a Stony Brook team.

Football

Stony Brook was challenged by the five-time European Bowl champions throughout a downpour in Amsterdam June 7. The game was arranged three years ago by Kornhauser and the International Sport Connection in Gadsden, Alabama. "They (Stony Brook) played very well and very hard in a tremendous effort," said Head Coach Sam Kornhauser. "Their players were a lot bigger and stronger but our experience really helped us."

Defensive end Mike Bendetto was impressed with the players' size, but felt that the Patriots had an advantage since they have been playing football for many more years. "They had size but they lacked technique," said Bendetto. "They did not have the fundamentals from playing which we had."

Stony Brook went on top in the first quarter by a 3-0 score. Kicker Rich Black booted a 32-yard field goal. Earlier in the contest Black had missed another three-point opportunity.

The two teams had their chances for the remainder of the contest but wet conditions forced several fumbles for both teams.

"We had other opportunities, but we couldn't hold on to the ball," Kornhauser said. The coach predicted that on a dry day each team would have scored two or three more times.

To open the second half the Patriots went to a power-I offense. With that set the Patriots worked their way down to the Crusaders nine-yard line before fumbling.

The Patriots second score, and only other score of the day, came on a 12-yard rush early in the fourth stanza by quarterback Kevin Walsh. Black added the point after for a 10-0 lead.

On offense, fullback Ken Zach was the star for Stony Brook. The junior rushed for nearly 100 yards on the wet Sport Complex grass. "I took the handoffs and went straight up the middle," said Zach. "Since it was raining it was an inside game." He also caught three passes for 40 yards. His outstanding performance earned him them Most Valuable Player Trophy of the game sponsored by the major jeans manufacturer. "It was real surprising to win the trophy," said the fullback. "We were gathered in the end zone and I heard them call my name for the trophy."

The game marked the first time that a team from the United States had played in Holland. In prior years the Stony Brook had been approached about playing in France and Germany. The Patriots are one of four teams in Division III to be playing overseas.

The game concluded a fabulous week in which the Patriots toured the Dutch homeland. The team stayed in Zeist, Hol-



The Patriots signify they are number one after winning the Levi's Bowl.

land, which was right in the center of the sports action. Three Olympic soccer teams were also making their home base in the Zeist Sports Complex.

They toured the museums in Amsterdam, took canal rides, and even took in a Holland major league baseball game. A highlight of the trip for the team was seeing the Floridae, a flower exhibit which takes place in Europe once every ten years. "The sights are something I will never forget," said Bendetto.

The Dutch fans were amazed with the Stony Brook football team. Many Patriots signed autographs for the foreign fans and had their pictures taken with the young-

sters as well. The team conducted a clinic at Mercante College and were the subject of a press conference. To enhance publicity for the game Stony Brook players dressed in the jerseys taught some people how to play the sport outside of the Queen's Palace. "Most of them never saw a football before," said Zach. "It was fun teaching them some plays."

"They treated us like royalty," said Kornhauser. "We were the Washington Redskins to them."

Kornhauser said that the experience was one he and the players will never forget. "You could not have written a better script."

Committee searches for new department head

By Laney A. Biffer
Statesman Sports Editor

Final negotiations are continuing in the search for the dean of the athletic department.

Originally titled director of the Division of Physical Education and Athletics, the title dean of the Division of Physical Education and Athletics, enhances a better understanding of the position and denotes academic authorization in linking athletics to academics, according to administrators.

According to Eugene Katz, dean of Biological Sciences and chairman of the search committee, the title is more appropriate and will enable the position to be on the same level with other deans within the university. The salary for the position will remain in the same range.

The title change is not a new concept. While not directly related to the possible move to Division I, the committee hopes to provide a leader to take the university

to the Division I program. John Reeves, the first permanent director of athletics lobbied for the title change before he left for a position at Columbia University in 1991. John Ramsey, an associate professor for physical education at the time, replaced Reeves temporarily. Ramsey intended to serve as the director for only one year, while efforts were begun to fill the vacancy.

Starting in January of this year, a committee was established to conduct the search. The committee, comprised of 12 members, includes faculty, administrators, students, alumni and representatives of the athletic department.

In mid-February, the position for dean was advertised in the *NCAA Newsletter*, and *The New York Times*. Phone calls were also placed to various athletic buffs to apprise them of the position. The deadline for applications and nominations was March 13, 1992.

The committee received a total of 50 applications and

evaluated them based on criteria such as academic background, leadership and management skills. They narrowed their selection down to five candidates, whom were then interviewed. "The committee has been pleased by the quality of the applicants," Katz said. A second round of interviewing is currently being considered by the committee before they forward their recommendations to Tilden Edelstein, who will then make the final decision.

As outlined in the job description, the dean of the athletic department, "is responsible for providing overall leadership and administrative supervision for the division and reports directly to the provost." Accountable to the dean are the directors within the division of athletics. This position promotes a higher status and greater degree of responsibility.

Interviews will take place throughout the month of July and pending the decision the elected candidate will take office in September, at the start of school.

