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We Are the Champions!

Volleyball team ranked 4th in nation after capturing state title

By Marco Aventajado
 Statesman Assistant Sports Editor

The Patriots volleyball team captured its second New York State Championship in three years by defeating the Rochester Institute of Technology 16-14 and 15-11 in the finals at St. John Fisher College on Saturday. The championship elevated the Patriots to the number four ranking in the nation.

The Patriots will be playing in the NCAA Tournament beginning on Thursday. Stony Brook will be hosting a region of the tournament. Play will get underway at 6 p.m. on Thursday in the Indoor Sports Complex.

The title was sweet revenge for the Patriots. After winning the State Championship in the 1990 season, the Patriot volleyball team went into the 1991 State Championship well prepared. They had the home advantage but they lost to Rochester Institute of Technology team in straight sets 15-7, 16-14. Then the team headed for the 1992 New York State Women's Collegiate Athletic Association Championships with something to avenge.

But to win the championship, the Patriots, who were ranked second in the championship tournament, had to ultimately face RIT, which was ranked first in the championships. After a "sifting" process, teams, which were unworthy or unlucky for a shot at the title, were eliminated in the succeeding rounds of play. In the end it was the Patriots facing the Tigers of RIT.

The last time the two teams met was the semi-finals of the RIT tournament where the Tigers won a grueling five-set match 15-7, 8-15, 15-1, 7-15, 15-12. This time around, with a new strategy and philosophy, Stony Brook took the game in straight sets 16-14, 15-11 and the state championship title was again the Patriots. Stony Brook swept through the championships without losing a set. "We played Stony Brook volleyball all weekend," said junior Sara Helmer.

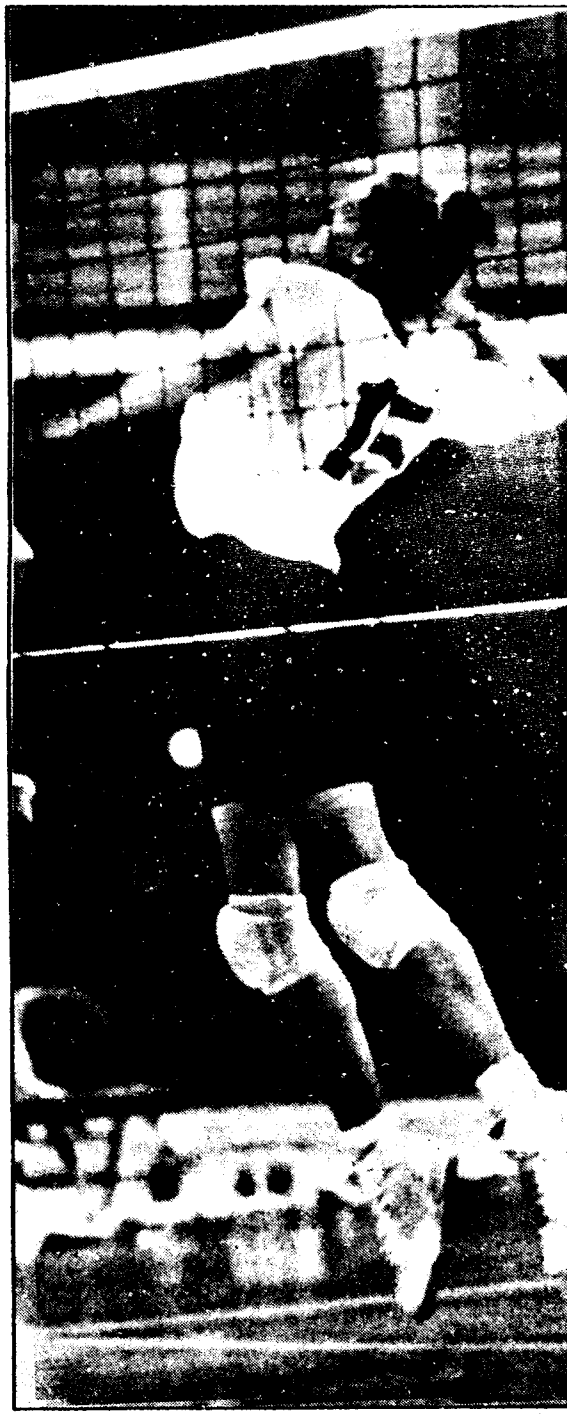
In the title game Helmer led the team with 12 kills and two blocks while senior Stasia Nikas had nine kills and four digs. Junior Denise Rehor registered 37 assists for the Patriots. Sophomore Janna Kuhner had seven kills, six blocks and four digs. Nikas, Helmer and Rehor were named to the all-tournament team.

With the win, Stony Brook became fourth ranked in NCAA Division III. This is the highest ranking given



Statesman File Photo

Denise Rehor was top setter in New York.



Statesman File Photo

Janna Kuhner was top blocker in New York.

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MONDAY, NOVEMBER 9

The Mentor Program, "Presentation on Overview of D.E.C." (Requirements and Support Services for undergraduate students.) 4-5 p.m., Office of Special Programs, Room W-3520, Frank Melville, Jr. Memorial Library. For more information, call 632-7080.

LGBA Workshop, "Sex in the Age of AIDS" 8 p.m. Dreiser College Lounge, Tabler Quad. For more information, call 632-6469.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 10

Minority Women Business Enterprise Trade Show, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the Sports Complex. A shuttle bus will be provided from the University Hospital to the Sports Complex at 11 a.m., 12 noon, 1 p.m., and 2 p.m.. For more information, contact Joanne Joy at 632-6046.

Alternative Cinema Film, The Story of Women, a French film with English subtitles. 7 p.m. and 9:30 p.m., Union Auditorium. \$2 tickets at the door. For more information call 632-6136.

Forum: "Media Coverage of Minority Communities and Ethnic Media", 7-9 p.m., Staller Center for the Arts, Room 3022. Sponsored by the Society of Professional Journalists, Stony Brook Student Chapter.

Lesbian, Gay and Bisexual Film Festival, Witches, Dykes, Faggots and Poofers. 9 p.m., Union Auditorium. Free. For more information, call 632-6469.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 11

Veteran's Day is Dollar Day at The Museums at Stony Brook with free admission to all veterans and military personnel reduced \$1 per person ticket for the general public. Museum open 10-5 a.m.. For information of directions, call 751-0066 x241.

National Student Exchange Information Session, 1-2 p.m., Room 231 Stony Brook Union. Experience life at another U.S. university and graduate from USB. For more information, call Barbara Fletcher at 632-6871.

Poetry Reading, "Poems/Poesie/Poems," sponsored by the French and Italian Department. 4:30 p.m., Poetry Center, Room 238. Free. For further information, call 821-6033.

Staller Center Presentation, "The Chamber Music Society of Lincoln Center." 8 p.m. Recital Hall, Staller Center. \$20 For more information, call 632-7230.

LGBA Discussion, "Lesbianism Within the Latin Culture." 8 p.m. Dreiser College Lounge, Tabler Quad. For more information, call 632-6469.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 12

NCAA Division III Volleyball Tournament, matches at 6 p.m. and 8:30 p.m., Indoor Sports Complex

Department of Theatre Arts, The Rivers of China. Through Sunday, Nov. 15. 8 p.m., Theater 1, Staller Center. \$6 seniors and students \$8 general admission. Call 632-7230.

LGBA Event, "RAVE II — the invasion." A Technofest. 10 p.m., Fannie Brice Theatre, Eleanor Roosevelt Quad. \$5 For more information, call 632-6469.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 13

NCAA Division III Volleyball Tournament, matches at 6 p.m. and 8:30 p.m., Indoor Sports Complex

C.O.C.A film, Boomerang through Sunday night. 7 p.m.-9 p.m. and midnight. Javits Lecture Center, Room 100. \$1.50; \$1.00 with Stony Brook I.D.

Lesbian, Gay and Bisexual Film Festival, The Rocky Horror Picture Show Midnight, Javits Lecture Center, Room 105. For more information, call 632-6469.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 14

NCAA Division III Volleyball Regional Final, match at 7 p.m., Indoor Sports Complex Football.

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Proposed tuition increase causes battle

By Andrew Avril
Statesman Assistant Features Editor

A clash between the SUNY Board of Trustees and the Student Association of the State University of New York (SASU) occurred earlier this semester over a misunderstanding about a tuition increase.

Although no tuition increase was directly proposed for the 1993-94 academic year, the Board of Trustees Budget Committee produced a document outlining how much money would be raised if there was an increase. The document, "Tuition 1993", stated that if the Division of Budget were to consider a raise in tuition, "An average of \$100 would generate approximately \$15.4 million (gross) to support the [1993-94] budget request." "Tuition 1993" also stated Division of Budget would be allowed to raise costs under the guidelines of SUNY's tuition policy.

However, SUNY Director of Public Relations Ken Goldfarb, said that a tuition increase was not being suggested. "I cannot say more emphatically that the tuition increase document was not a part of the budget proposal," Goldfarb said, "They just happened to be submitted at the same time."

But SASU President, Glenn Magpanty, says that is bad enough. "They didn't have to put it in the proposal," Magpanty said. "What you do is lay out the parameters for a tuition increase and you give the reasons why. You do everything but put it in black and white. In my eyes, that is enough cause to give the Governor to raise tuition."

"Tuition 1993" accompanied the primary budget proposal which was submitted to the Board of Trustees by their Budget Committee at the Sept. meeting. Goldfarb said that it was submitted at that time because, "if the Board did decide to raise tuition, this would lay out how to do it."

Magpanty still calls it bad timing and turned to last year's \$500 tuition hike to support his fears. "You don't talk about a tuition increase unless you plan a tuition increase," he said. "Look what happened last year: tuition increases were discussed and then look what happened."

At a news conference after the Sept. meeting, a reporter called attention to the document. "That's where all the confusion began," Goldfarb stated. He said that after explaining how "Tuition 1993" outlined the amount of money raised through a tuition increase, "Reporters made it look as if tuition was on the table at the meeting."

The document, said Goldfarb, show's the board had no intention to raise tuition "The last phrase of the document says, 'this information is provided for the committee's review and no immediate action or tuition recommendation is expected.'"

Magpanty does not agree. "You don't work out the numbers on tuition and then say you're not going to implement them," he said.

According to both Magpanty and Goldfarb, SASU did not understand that the tuition document was not originally part of the budget proposal. Because SASU thought a tuition increase was in the budget, immediately

following the Oct. meeting, they launched a campaign to have the document removed. They wrote letters to the Board of Trustees and urged members of the State Senate and Assembly to write letters and make phone calls advocating the removal of the document. Assemblyman Hector L. Diaz of the Bronx wrote, "The second proposal is to strike the \$100 tuition increase from SUNY's final budget request."

At the Oct. Board of Trustees meeting, the document no longer accompanied the proposal.

Chairman Fred Salerno said, "We won't be discussing differential tuition today or any tuition at this meeting."

SASU chalked this up as a victory. In a press release dated Oct. 22, SASU stated, "Students were victorious today when the Board of Trustees decided to no longer include a tuition increase in 'SUNY's 1993-94 Budget Request' to the Division of Budget."

The mistake was blasted in a press release by SUNY Office of University Relations also dated Oct. 22. In it, Ken Goldfarb called the SASU press release "distorted and uninformed." Last Thursday, he accused SASU of "one, trying to make it appear that 'Tuition 1993' was in the preliminary budget and two, that their lobbying efforts helped to get it out of the budget when, in fact, it was never in the budget to begin with."

In another press release, SASU admitted its mistake concerning their beliefs that "Tuition 1993" was included in the budget proposal.

NEWS

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Call Jana Katz at 2-6480 or stop by Room 075 in the Student Union.

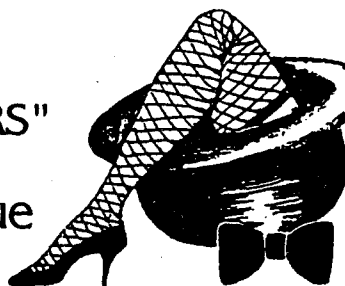
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NYS INSPECTION


SB student killed in Israeli Army

By Lyle Goldstein
Shelton Student Newspaper

Eran Weichselbaum, a recent Stony Brook graduate serving in the Israeli army, was killed last week during military training exercises. He was 22.

Weichselbaum's body was returned to the United States this week for services. Details of his death were unclear.

The former Stony Brook student was praised by both his friends and professors as great friend and scholar. Weichselbaum was a member of three honor societies: Sigma Beta, Alpha Epsilon Delta and the physics honor society, Sigma Pi Sigma, and graduated Magna Cum Laude with a double major in math and physics. He also served on the Hillel Board member and the founder and president of the Chevre, the Israeli club. In his spare time, Weichselbaum tutored students in math, physics and chemistry.

Weichselbaum was a man with unbridled enthusiasm and constantly optimistic about life, friends say. He was outspoken and active, said Sidney Cahn, a graduate student who worked with him.

"He was an intelligent and alert student . . . and had the tenacity and persistence that are very valuable in the scientific professions," said physics Prof. Luis Orozco.

Plans are being made to name part of the physics library for Weichselbaum and a similar effort is being made to name an area in back of Hendrix College, where he lived as a student.

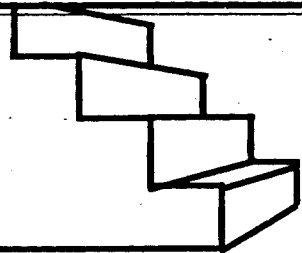
Weichselbaum is survived by his parents, two sisters and a brother.

Project blooms in Spring



Statesman/Chris Vacira

Maureen Palmieri, a second year graduate student at USB, finds time in her schedule to help beautify Stony Brook's campus. We've all seen the hundreds of small wooden stakes on the east side of Forest Drive. For part of her Master of Fine Arts thesis project, she has created a particular design with the use of flowers. In March or April, her bulbs will bloom in a large array of color according to her design. Among approximately 3,500 flowers she planted include daffodils, hyacinths, narcissus, and grape hyacinths and they are perennials so we can enjoy their beauty year after year.



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WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 12:00-4:00 PM**

The Career Development Office will be holding the Fall University Job Fair on Wednesday, November 18, from noon to 4 pm in the Stony Brook Union Ballroom. Representatives from a wide variety of employers will be present to discuss their organizations and conduct job interviews. Included are:

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NOTE: Since these are real job interviews for real positions, it is vital that you come properly prepared. This includes having copies of your resume to hand out and being professionally attired and ready to be interviewed.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION: Come to the **INFORMATION SESSION** to be held Wednesday, November 11, in the Union Auditorium from 12:40-2:00 pm. Handouts with further details will also be available in the Career Development Office by Monday, November 16, and at the door.

Libel trial ends in dubious win for both sides

By Vincent Grasso and Jana S. Katz
Statesman Staff Writers

A former student who sued the student government and two student newspapers for defamation withdrew his claim last week after five days of testimony.

Former student Ira Levy filed suit against Polity, *Statesman* and *The Stony Brook Press* in 1984, charging that a Polity investigation into Levy's alleged financial misdealings and a series of newspaper articles covering the controversy defamed and embarrassed him. The trial in State Supreme Court in Riverhead ended before Levy completed his case, but not before Levy and two former *Statesman* reporters testified.

Levy dropped the \$900,000 libel suit on Nov. 6 when both sides swore to a statement, which said that while the former concerts chairman did not commit embezzlement, the newspaper articles were fair and accurate reports of the 1983 Polity Council meetings in which Levy was ousted from the Student Activities Board.

The agreement, which prevents any appeals in the case, had both sides claiming victory. "We are quite elated," said Levy's attorney, John Ray, who added that Levy had set out to clear his name and to get monetary compensation for defamation of his character. Levy settled for clearing his name after he determined that the defendants — the government, the papers, two former *Statesman* reporters and two former Polity officials — would not have the money if a judgment was made against them, Ray said.

But the defendants maintain that they won because Levy did not get paid.

"Levy said he wanted money and an apology," said David Joachim, *Statesman* editor-in-chief. "He got neither."

The defense costs did not pose a problem for the \$1.4 million student government. "It was not a really big hit for us," said Polity President David Greene. "We were able to subsidize it." He compared the financial costs to funding a big campus event.

"The whole thing was kind of frivolous," said *Press* Executive Editor Greg Forte. The 1983 *Press* articles showed no bias and were accurate reports. The financial burden for the paper was light because Polity footed the bill for the paper's defense, he said.

Statesman, which does not receive a Polity budget, felt the financial blow a little more, said Joachim. "We live hand-to-mouth," he said of the paper, which receives about 95 percent of its budget from advertising revenue. With bills for legal fees and trial expenses coming in, "we don't have the cash, but we're exploring some fundraising avenues," he said. But he added that if *Statesman* had lost the case it would have forced the paper out of business.

Former *Statesman* reporters Mitchell Wagner and Geoffrey Reiss, who spent about \$15,000 apiece on legal fees and expenses from their absence from work, are getting as much financial help as *Statesman* can afford, said Joachim.

Wagner, now a senior editor for a computer trade magazine, and Reiss, now general manager for *Spy* magazine, were hurt by the financial burden, but Wagner said the pain ran deeper. "In terms of time

"This is a perfect illustration of the case that as soon as you get sued, you lost."

**— Mitchell Wagner
former Statesman reporter**

and stress, [the burden] was enormous as well," he said. "This is a perfect illustration of the case that as soon as you get sued, you lost."

Wagner said the object was to minimize the damages, but after putting in approximately 40 to 60 hours a week on organizing the defense resources, he said, "I feel like three months of my life were taken away from me." An appeal, he said, would have doubled the defense costs.

This statement said that Levy did not commit embezzlement or any other improprieties and that the news articles were fair reports of the student council meetings and the media defendants reported on the meeting neutrally and responsibly. "I think he could have gotten a statement a long time ago," said Korzenik, adding that the trial went on for seven days before the plaintiff

withdrew the complaint.

There was no reason to continue the trial once it became clear that the plaintiffs could not prove that Polity had acted with malice or that the newspapers had acted irresponsibly, said Korzenik, a libel expert. The case was withdrawn on condition that the case cannot be reinstated and is withdrawn without cost to either party, he said.

Polity attorney Leonard Shapiro, who represented the government and *The Stony Brook Press*, said his clients won because they did not have to pay damages. Neither Polity, *The Press*, nor *Statesman* had to apologize for their actions, an end that Ray has said was one of the plaintiff's goals.

Also named in the suit were former Polity President David Gamberg and former Polity Executive Director Robin Rabii, who is now director of payroll at Stony Brook.

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Editorial

Stony Brook Traditions Never Last

Stony Brook traditions never last.

Stony Brook University has a tendency for not being the same school for any long length of time. It is a community always restructuring, rebuilding, and, yes, re-naming, without consideration of the community.

Within the past five years, the Old H parking lot no longer exists by that name. Neither does Stage XII, now Roosevelt Quad; the Field House, now the Indoor Sports Complex; Residence Life, now the Division of Campus Residences or the New Graduate Apartments, now Schomberg. Even Public Safety doesn't carry that label on its cars anymore, now they are the University Police.

The newest addition to this list is G-Quad. Harold Mendelsohn, former G-Quad director who passed away last May, is being considered for the honor of having the quad in which he spent countless hours toward the benefit of the students under his charge and to the

university as a whole. This is a supreme honor, however, let us look at some of the consequences of this honor.

First, it might send a gigantic hiccup through the systems of every student, past and present, at the school. As originally planned, G&H Quads were to be given official names. That was some twenty-five years ago. In that time, a lot of allegiance was given to the name "G-Quad."

With the situation of Stage XII which is now Roosevelt Quad. Even Jerry Stein, Associate Director of Campus Residences said that the name change took two attempts because of student resistance. To this day, people can be heard referring to that quad as Stage XII, bringing confused looks to the faces of newcomers.

This move will also question this university's desire for establishing traditions. We have little we can call our own campus tradition, besides the Roth Quad Regatta, Opening Week Activities,

and let's not forget G-Fest. People will question the "G" in G-Fest for years to come if the change was made. Why rock the boat?

Mendelsohn does deserve something to memorialize his countless efforts, huge positive opinion by the students under his charge, and sincerity to the university. However we feel there are more unobtrusive and more definite ways of remembering him. All alternatives should be considered before giving the university one less thing to be remembered by. Some of these alternatives include a statue placed in a prominent location either within, or at the entrance to the quad, complete with a statement chronicling his achievements, or a large plaque in front of the quad office, including a portrait and a similar caption. These options will be visible to all, and will provide a more concrete remembrance of Mendelsohn than the abstract application of his name to an already well-established area on campus.



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S&B Magazine

Campus Life, People and Events

Monday, November 9, 1992

SUNY program ships students abroad

By Andrew J. Avril
Assistant Features Editor

Two years ago, Jesse Reichler, just needed to get out of Stony Brook. So he did what any junior would do - he went to England for a year.

Reichler is just one of over a hundred students who have travelled to Europe through The State University of New York at Stony Brook's International Programming Office. Stony Brook offers programs to France and Germany but, if a student has their sights set on anywhere from Portugal to Peru, the office can help them out.

"Either through Stony Brook or any other SUNY University, you can go to just about any geographic area in the world," says James McKenna, director of international programming.

According to McKenna, Motivation to travel abroad differs between students. Some go to experience a new culture, some to sharpen their language skills and some, like Reichler, just to get away from it all.

"I needed a change," said Reichler, "and I definitely needed to get away from Stony Brook and Long Island."

When matching a student with a program, McKenna looks at commonalities such as finding a known language. For those students who aren't proficient in any language, English-speaking countries like Scotland, Australia, England are usually, but not always, the way to go.

"Being I didn't know any foreign languages, England seemed just perfect for me," said Reichler. "Not knowing French or Italian kind of gets rid of those countries."

Sometimes no language background can be positive, according to McKenna. "The Spanish program would let students begin the studies of Spanish there. After spending a semester building up their language, they come back and they've learned a hell of a lot of Spanish," he said.

Students may be worried about graduating on time, says McKenna, but if the language barrier can be overcome than so can credit transfer.

With careful planning, most credits are transferable. Reichler warns other students to be careful, however.

"You take two or three classes each semester," says Reichler who attended Sussex University in Brighton, "and you finish up the year only having taken five classes. So now you have to get two classes worth of

"Either through Stony Brook or any other SUNY University, you can go to just about any geographic area in the world."

— James McKenna,
director of international programming

credits for each class you took and it's not that simple."

Courses are usually taken pass/fail, unless the program is through Stony Brook, says William Strockbine, university registrar.

There are GPA and other requirements for the program, but they're not always written in stone. "One guy who came in knew very little Spanish, but he was highly motivated and was willing to get out into the streets and try," says McKenna. "I wrote a special letter to the Albany program and arranged it."

Once clearing academics out of the way, the next hurdle is budget. For most students, budget is something to be taken seriously but the cost of going over seas doesn't have to break them. "Money is a reality," says McKenna. But there are different programs for different budgets. Generally, a student pays the tuition of the school who's program they are going through.

"If you're the typical SUNY student, you're probably talking about a SUNY program because you're paying the Stony Brook tuition and you're eligible for other aid," says McKenna. If a student is from out of state, they pay that number and if they go through a private college's program, they unfortunately have to pay their tuition.

"I felt bad for the dude who came over here from Sussex because he was paying their prices for Stony Brook," said Reichler. "Here I was attending a private University in England and paying SUNY prices."

Travel is the other major expense, according to McKenna. "But after that, it's hard to generalize." Reichler points out that he found prices to be higher in Europe as a whole, but that it varies from country to country.

Emotionally, the transition can be hard but most people come away with an immensely positive experience. "The typical first reaction is confusion and then culture shock," says McKenna. "No matter how much you think you've gotten ready, you're not."

Reichler admits that England was not that big of a shock. "But when I did have a problem, the people were very friendly."

After an initial mixture of confusion and euphoria, the students begin to settle in. There may even be a bit of a let down around Thanksgiving. But McKenna says things pick up after that. "The troops are a little restless once they get past Christmas time and they usually scrape up, beg, borrow, or steal money and travel a little around Europe."

Coming home is a mixed bag of reactions, according to Reichler. "It's a lot like summer vacation or summer camp," says Reichler. "I wanted to come home, I wanted to see all of my friends, but I was also sad about those I was leaving. Nothing surprising." Although when it came to school, Reichler's feelings were very directed. "I'd give anything to be able to finish up my [senior] year there. I wish I didn't have to go back to Stony Brook; that wasn't pleasant."

If you're interested in travelling abroad, it's never too early to start exploring, says McKenna. "Now's the time to start coming to talk about next year," he says. "Figure it in with your personal life."

Reichler came away a very satisfied customer. "I had a very good year. I felt very good about the whole thing."

Travel agents help students plan vacations

By Jana S. Katz
Statesman Features Editor

Are you at a loss when it comes to choosing and planning a vacation? Many students find themselves in this situation, but the good news is that your local travel agent is more than willing to help you get the most for your money when it comes to your travel plans.

"The biggest fallacy is that we're going to charge the

client a fee," said Lori Kraus, manager of Garber Travel, at the Stony Brook campus office. "The airline pays us a fee for booking tickets - so we can give the client the best price available. We can give them an objective viewpoint, because it doesn't matter to us who the customer chooses."

But one student advises checking up on all your plans.

"You've got to be careful," said Barry Sitkoff, a 22-year-old senior. "They'll try and screw you over just

because you're a student." Sitkoff said the tour companies are the ones to watch out for. These are the package deals on the flyers hung up around school.

It is possible for students to buy their tickets directly from the airline, but Kraus said, "with a travel agent there are no additional fees, it's convenient and if you need to alter the ticket all you have to do is go back to your travel agent and they can adjust it for you." When a ticket is

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CAMPUS VOICES

By Rebecca Phelan

Question of the Week:

How do you feel about D'Amato's re-election?



"It's reason number one why I'm applying out of state for grad school."

Megan Perillo, 21
Class: Senior
Major: Political Science

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Kelly Goon, 18
Freshman
Mechanical Engineering



"He's the lesser of two evils."

Dave Marcus, 19
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"He should just stay at home with Mama D'Amato."

Lisa Calvacca, 19
Sophomore
Psychology



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Planning with a travel agency pays off

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purchased directly from an airline the customer has to go back to the airport to change it, and wait in the customary long lines to do so.

Students who are purchasing regular airline tickets (within the U.S.) are suggested to buy them at least 14 days in advance for the best fares. This 14 day rule changes periodically, sometimes it's 20 days, other times 30 days in advance. Kraus urged that "if you're sure of your travel dates, you should book it as soon as possible. There are limited seats available on every flight at the lowest fare."

Students should be sure to ask their agent what the best and cheapest ways to travel are because as Joanie Sexton, a senior, said, "I went to a travel agent because it was more convenient, but the woman didn't go out of her way to tell me that there were charter flights available. I ended up booking a flight on a major airline and spent \$700, when I found out later I could have spent \$350 for a charter flight."

If students are planning a spring or intercession type of vacation, Lorraine Scafide, a travel consultant at Three Village Travel, suggests students go to a travel agent at least 3-4 months in advance.

However, for international travel plans, Kraus suggested a minimum advance ticket purchase of 21-30 days in order to get the best prices available. She also cited that there are regulations that affect the price of the ticket. "The best fares limit the holder to 14-21 days in the country. If a client stays over that time period, the price of the ticket can double," said Kraus.

Unfortunately for students there are generally no longer domestic discounts available. According to Kraus they used to be 10%, but were cancelled at the beginning of the summer. There are international discounts available of at least 50% off, but reservations can only be made 72 hours in advance. And according to Kraus, "no one usually takes them, because they're too risky." One savings advantage that is available is an Ameri-

can Express Card program that offers first time card holders a special discount good for travel within the U.S. East of the Mississippi \$129 round-trip, and West of the Mississippi \$189 round-trip. Both travel agents cited that individual airlines offer their own discounts at certain times of the year and that these can be of great savings to the customer.

When it comes to Spring Break, both travel agents agreed that Cancun is a favorite destination. According to Kraus, this trend changes every few years. "It used to be Florida, now it's Cancun. Advertisers offer discounts to Cancun and it's not that much more to go there than Florida," she said.

Sitkoff, who went all over Florida, said he got a hotel, rental car, airfare package for \$300.

Scafide and Kraus found that the average student spends approximately \$600 for a package to Cancun for six nights. They both suggested that students buy travel packages that include airfare, hotel and meals, because everything is discounted at a great savings to the customer.

Rob Sollazo, a senior, went to Cancun last spring with a group through a travel agency. "I had a great time and would definitely do it again," he said. "But it would be hard to top it because I had such a great time. If I did go again I'd go by myself, but I would definitely go through a travel agency again."

Kraus suggested that "anywhere in Mexico is a good value now - the Bahamas and the Caribbean are the same amount of money, but once there it is extremely expensive to do anything."

Kraus cautioned students to be wary of unbelievably cheap airline prices advertised in newspapers. "The best thing to do is come to a travel agent, they can usually find a comparable package and the agency will then back it up if anything should go wrong." The biggest service that travel agencies provide to their clients is security, as Kraus pointed out "The university backs up our agency, they know we're a reputable organization. We have 72 offices across the U.S. We're not going anywhere - it's a safety net," she said.

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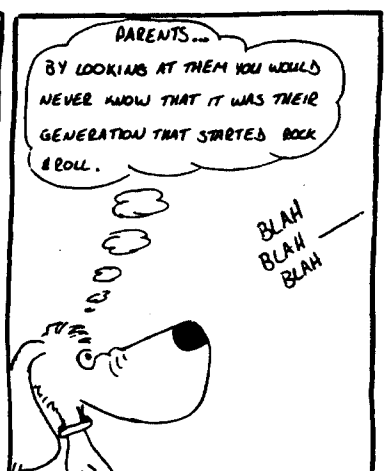
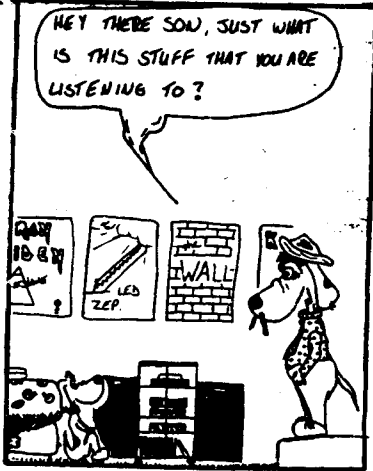
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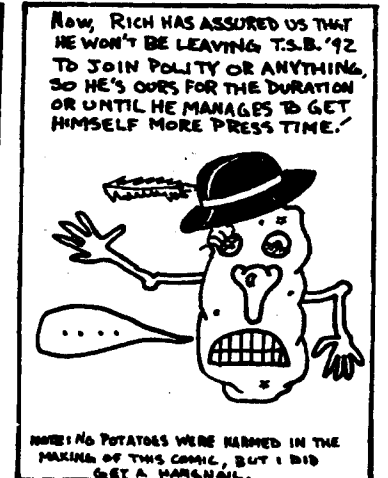
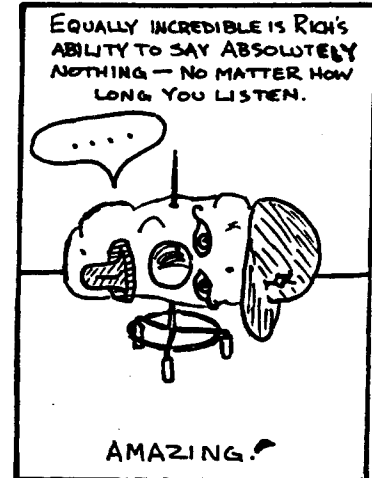
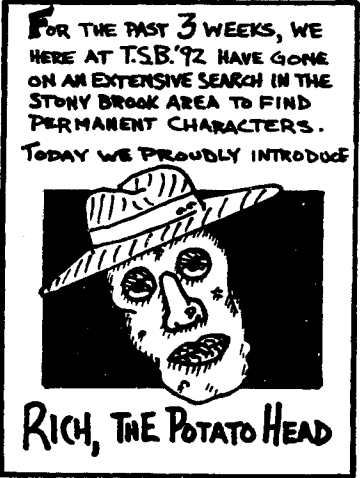
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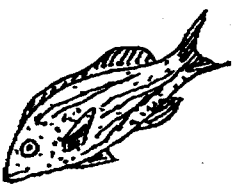
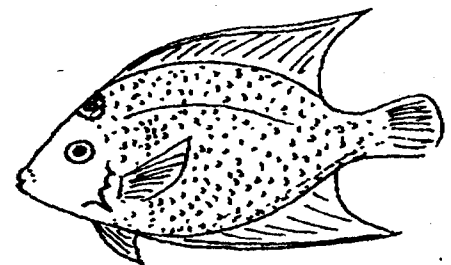
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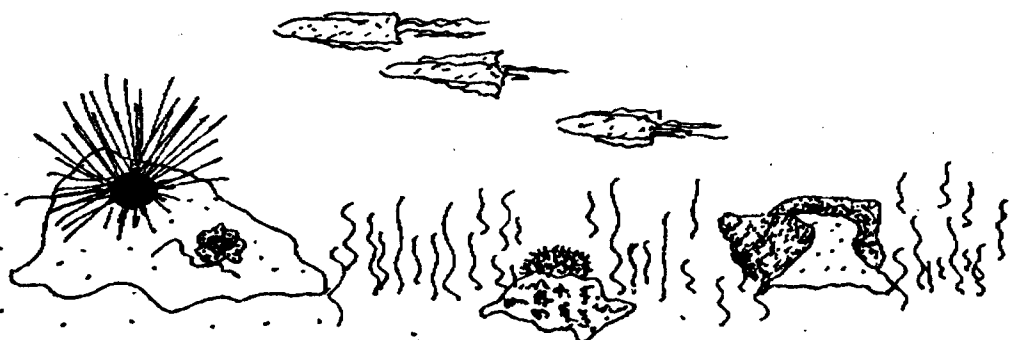
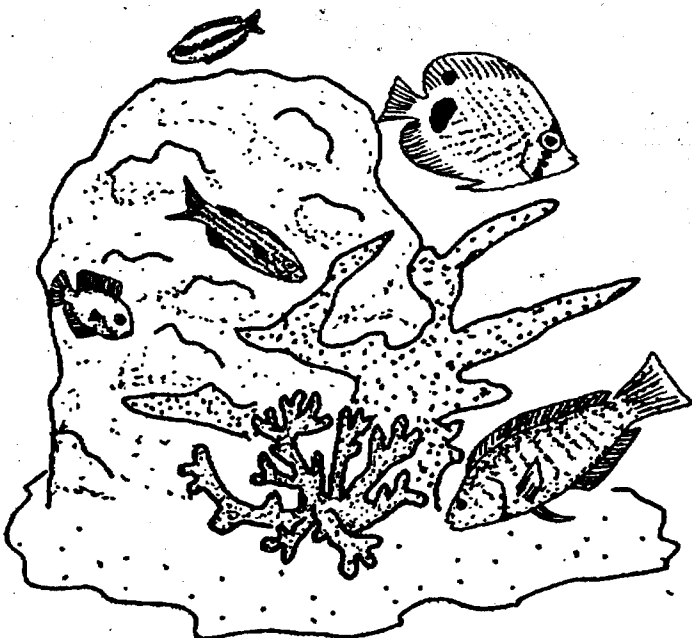
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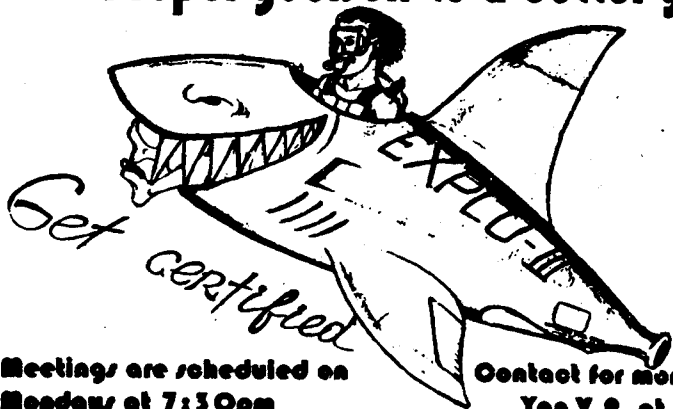
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Letter

Public Safety Responds Unfairly To Women Regarding Safety Issue

To the Editor:

When is Public Safety going to take threats against women seriously? It has come to my attention that within the past few weeks, perhaps even months already, there have been numerous reports of a 5'2" Asian male lurking in women's bathrooms across campus. This man wields a knife, and has repeatedly threatened the women he has encountered. What was Public Safety's brilliant response to this potentially dangerous situation, you ask?

The swift task of prevention administered by Public Safety was, unforgivingly weak and pathetic. Public Safety responded to the "stalker" situation by sending out an ambiguous memo to all academic departments, asking each professor to tell their students about the situation. In addition, the brief memo asked each professor to urge all female students to go to the bathroom with a friend.

Gee. Thanks for all the backup, Public Safety. I feel much better now that you've given the women on this campus such safe, sound advice. In fact, next time I'm alone and I really have to go, I'll be sure to search each building for a friend. Come on, Public Safety! Be realistic, will you? We don't always have a friend with us when it's time to go to the can.

Clearly, a memo to the professors of this campus and a warning to go to the bathroom in pairs simply cannot suffice as protection for the majority of women on this campus. Perhaps you should con-

sider the following solution: If this campus could secure at least one floor of every building by having, for example, volunteers, community service workers, or work-study students outside the bathroom, there would be a "safe" place for students to go to. A program such as this should not be especially difficult to implement, particularly if it were able to garnish enough support from volunteers.

The fact remains, however, that the response of Public Safety regarding this matter is dangerous and humiliating to all women. Women should rightfully feel humiliated that a knife-wielding man is treated with a memorandum; that there have been no real alternatives for prevention offered by the establishment hired to protect us.

Finally, I ask Public Safety why that have constructed their prevention to center around blame. Already, there exists the implication that if women don't go to the bathroom with a friend, they will not have heeded Public Safety's advice, thereby making *them* at fault. Public Safety and prevention in this case should be synonymous, however it is obvious they are not. Quaint but unrealistic advice about going to the can with a friend just doesn't cut it. I implore you to find a better solution — *now*.

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Pats set down RIT

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NYSWCAA championships, the game between New York state's biggest D-III volleyball teams were set.

"It was whoever could get to 15 first would win," said junior Denise Rehor. The two teams were so evenly matched that neither led by more than four points at any point of the game. The Patriots were leading 6-4 early in the set and Head Coach Jim Lodes called a timeout. "We were serving, hitting and block tough," said Head Coach Teri Tiso. The Tigers came back but Stony Brook just went at them with their aggressive offense and defense and at the end it was the Patriots winning 16-14.

In the second set, Stony Brook was down 9-11 before they made the comeback

for the set. The play which exemplified the whole game was when junior Sara Helmer spiked the ball down to RIT side hitting the Tiger's All-American Christine Grey. "It flustered her and the whole team," said junior Kelly Grodotzke characterizing RIT after the incident. Something out of the ordinary would have to happen to change the course of the game. "RIT didn't play defense after that," said Helmer. Set and match to Stony Brook as they won 15-11.

In the match Helmer had 12 kills to pace the Patriots. Nikas added nine kills, four digs, two blocks. Rehor posted 37 assists and made five kills in six attempts.

The possibility now exists for the Patriots and Tigers to match up again in the NCAAs. The Patriots will face the winner of the RIT- Cortland match.

Frosh lead men's team

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Patriots and Golden Banana Slugs (yes, that is their nickname) recorded scores over the phone and competed based on their results in each school's pool. The Golden Banana Slugs came away a narrow victor in the meet by a score of 123-121.

This weekend the Patriots will have another preparational meet. The Patriots will go to Fordham University in the Bronx for a Relay Carnival. "We get to meet our competitors and see how they are working," Tesone said. "We can feel them out

and see them."

The Patriots face a grueling regular season schedule in the Met Conference. The Patriots' first two meets are on the road at New York Maritime on Nov. 18 and at Trenton State on Nov. 21. The Patriots return at Stony Brook for their home opener on Dec. 4 versus Albany.

The Patriots will swim in four dual meets this year which will provide stiff competition. The first come on Dec. 9 at New York University. That will be followed by ones with New Paltz, Montclair State and Kings Point.

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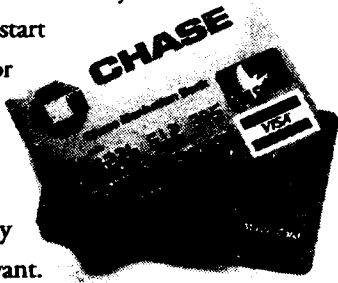
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Five weeks of heartache for Patriots

By Craig Blenman
Statesman Staff Writer

For the fifth straight week, the Stony Brook Patriot football team played extremely hard.

For the fifth straight week, the Patriots showed determination and refused to quit in the face of adversity.

Unfortunately, for the fifth straight week, the Patriots were unable to come away with a victory.

In front of a small home crowd of dedicated fans who braved the cold temperatures, the Patriots were defeated by the Plymouth State Panthers 21-10 on Saturday.

Unable to generate an efficient offense, due in large part to a number of injuries to key players, Stony Brook went down to their Freedom Football Conference rivals. Freshman running back Chris Delmadge, who rushed for 181 yards last week, and senior wide receiver Leroy Saunders didn't play because of assorted injuries. Without those two, there was no deep passing threat and the running game struggled to produce. Both are expected to return by next week's game.

Sophomore quarterback Timm Schroeder, who was the second leading rusher with 28 yards, had Stony Brook's only touchdown on a one yard run in the second quarter. He also completed 13 of 27 passes for 144 yards.

Lenny Catalano led all Patriot rushers with 101 yards on 22 carries.

Freshman wide receiver Glenn Saenz had his best day as a collegiate. He caught five passes for 71 yards.

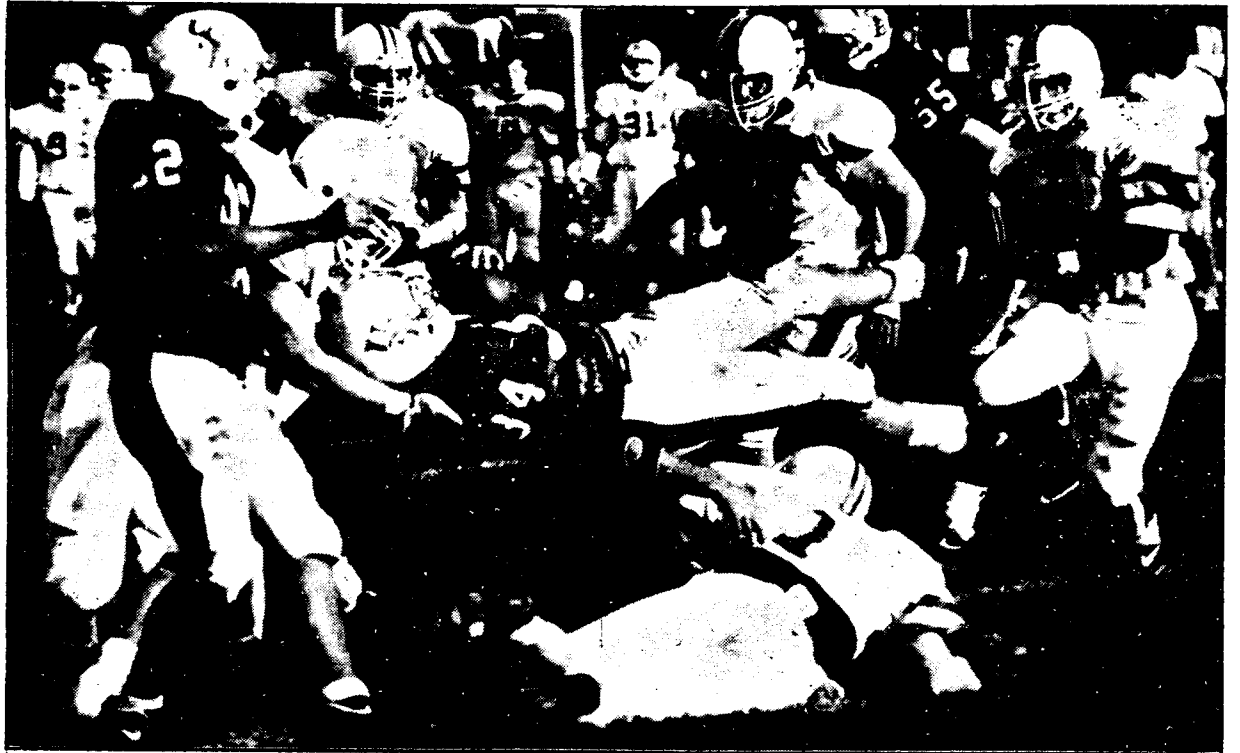
Senior kicker Richard Black completed the Patriot scoring by kicking a 32-yard field goal in the first half.

The Panthers were led by junior quarterback David Turner, who completed 14 of 24 passes for 188 yards. He also threw two touchdowns, one a 41-yard bomb to Matt Friedman late in the first half.

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Plymouth: 21

Patriots: 10



Lenny Catalano, who gained 101 yards rushing, falls to the ground after flying through the air following a hit.

Friedman, a Panther running back, also gained 80 yards on 17 rushes to lead the team.

The Patriot defense played aggressively on a cold, hard field. Led by senior linebacker King Wilson and sophomore defensive back Sean Van Slyck, who each had four unassisted tackles, the defense kept the game competitive. Van Slyck also broke up two passes.

Other notables were freshman safety Rick Geier and senior defensive end Alphonso Grant who each deflected

Panther pass attempts, and Marc Phillips, who recorded a sack for a 5 yard loss.

Head Coach Sam Kornhauser down-played the importance of the injuries, as well as questionable calls by the officials. He felt that his team simply lost to a better ball club, but praised his players for playing so hard and refusing to quit.

The Patriots close the season next week with a home game against UMass-Lowell.

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Young swim teams are ripe and ready

By Jason Yellin
Statesman Sports Editor

The men's swimming team, coached by John DeMarie in his 14th year at Stony Brook, will have a new look for 1992. The team has ten freshmen on the roster for the season. Only two swimmers on this winter's team are seniors so the Patriots have a very young conglomerate. "I feel that this year we have gotten a lot of good new recruits," said senior Brian Seeley. "They have a lot of potential."

Men's Swimming
PREVIEW

Seeley, who swims freestyle and Mark Palagiano, also a freestyler, are the only four-year performers on this year's squad.

Seeley is one of the Patriots top aqua men. DeMarie believes that he can make the NCAA's this season. Another top swimmer who could qualify for the NCAA tournament according to the head coach is junior Marc Danin. "Marc has the most talent and ability and should go the NCAA's in more than one event," according to Seeley.

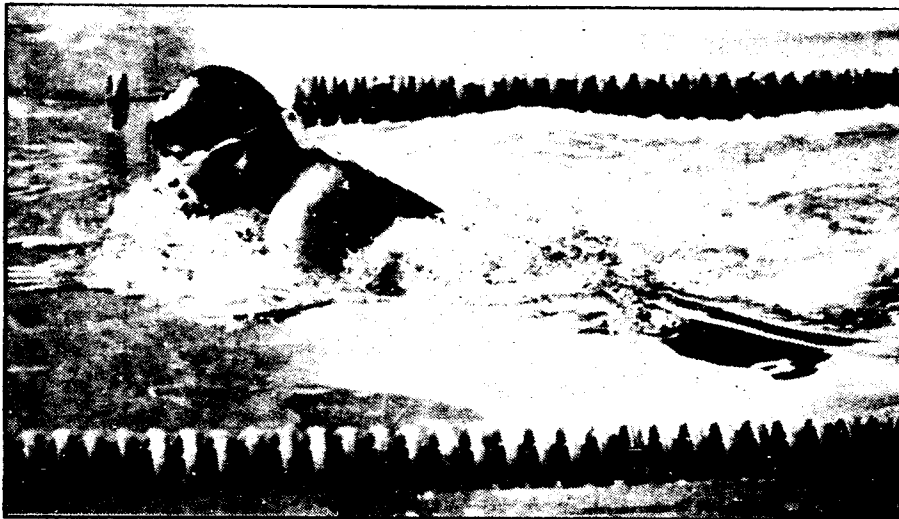
On the diving side, Assistant Coach Trae Scott is looking for a big year from Dan Tesone, a junior. "I'm hoping to do really well this year," said Tesone. "I've added some new dives."

The Patriots raced in a rather interesting pre-season meet this past Saturday. The faced off with the University of California at Santa Cruz in a phone meet. The

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Junior Marc Danin swimming breaststroke in the 200 IM last Saturday.



Rebecca Phelan, who won her butterfly race in Saturday's phone meet.

By Jason Yellin
Statesman Sports Editor

The women's swimming team opens up their season this Wednesday as Queens College travels out to Stony Brook for a meet at 5:30 p.m.

The Patriots are looking to comeback from a poor 1991-92 showing.

Women's Swimming
PREVIEW

Last year's team was hurt by early season losses and went 1-8. The Patriots are on the rebound for this season led by co-captains senior Jennifer Cuniff and junior Victoria Roebuck. Cuniff swims fly and Roebuck is the squad's top diver.

Also a key performer is senior Brigid Corr. Corr, who swims breaststroke qualified for the NCAA championships two seasons ago.

The Patriots have a young squad with over 10 newcomers that will make for an interesting mix this season.

The Patriots swam against the University of California at Santa Cruz in a phone meet on last Saturday. The match was an exhibition in which the Patriots lost by a score of 155-81.

They face a challenging schedule this year. After the meet with Queens the Patriots go to Fordham for the Metropolitan Relays on Nov. 14. The Patriots host their only home dual meet in early December. The Stony Brook Defender's Cup take place on Dec. 5 with Southern Connecticut, Albany, Albertus Magnus and Skidmore.

The Patriots also have individual meets with rivals New York University, and St. Francis. The Metropolitan Championships will take place in early Feb at Kings Point.

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Stony Brook to host NCAAs

By Jason Yellin
Statesman Sports Editor

After capturing the New York State Championship last weekend the Patriots got even more positive news Sunday night. The Patriots were bestowed the honor of hosting the NCAA Regional in the Sports Complex this week.

The Patriots will serve as the host team but are seeded second in the tournament.

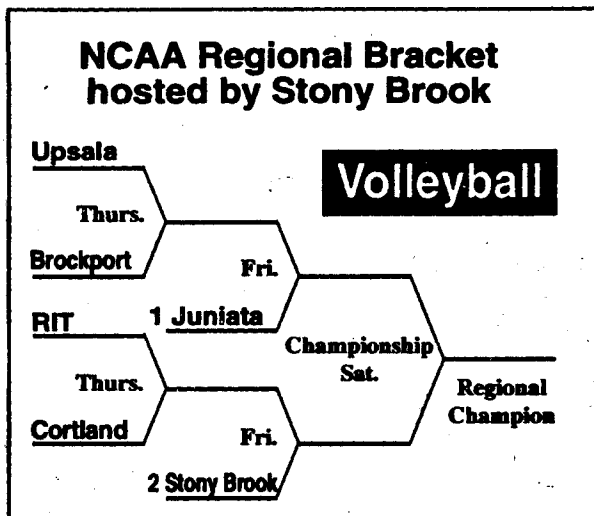
Five matches will be played in the Indoor Sports Complex. The championship match will take place Saturday night with the winner moving on to the final four which takes place next weekend.

The opening round play gets underway on Thursday. Matches will be played at 6 p.m. and 8:30 p.m. RIT will face off with the Red Dragons of Cortland St. The other match to be played on Thursday will be pitting the Upsala Vikings against Brockport State. It has not been determined which match will begin at 6 p.m.

The winner of the RIT-Cortland St. will face Stony Brook on Friday. The number one seed Juniata will play the victor of the match between Upsala and Brockport.

The two teams that come away with wins in the semi-finals on Friday will battle in the regional final on Saturday. That match will get underway at 7 p.m.

Four of the teams in this region played in the New York State Tournament. The Patriots defeated RIT in the



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final and Brockport in the semifinals. RIT defeated Cortland in the semi-finals.

The Stony Brook players are excited to be hosting the NCAA's in their own backyard. "We are psyched," said junior Kristin Smith. Junior Denise Rehor added that it is awesome to be the host team.

RIT downed

By Marco Aventajado
Statesman Assistant Sports Editor

With all the hype associated with the possible Stony Brook versus Rochester Institute of Technology championship game in the New York State Championships, no one could ask for a better game, if you were a Patriot fan.

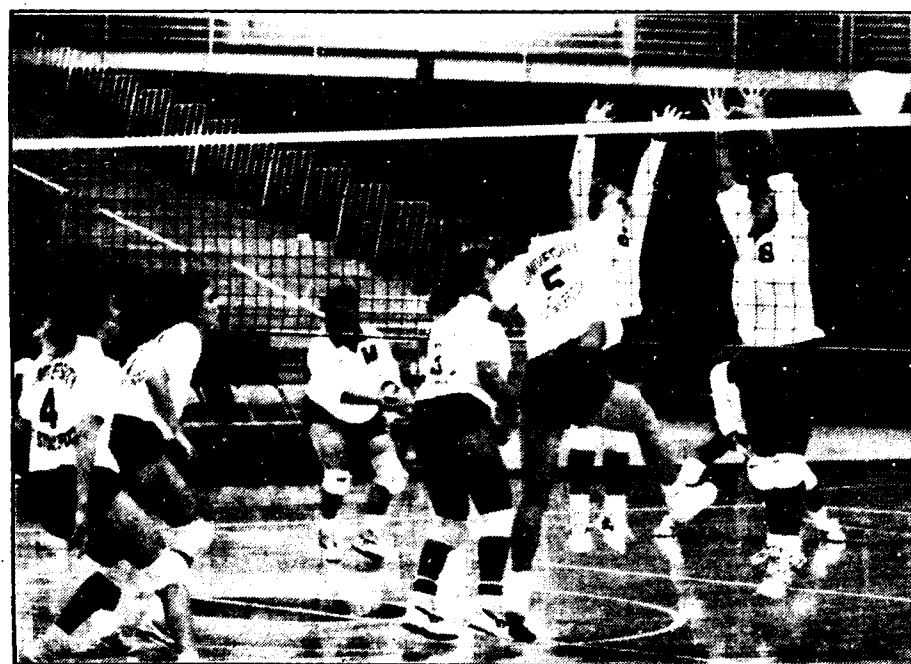
The Patriots avenged its loss earlier this year in the semi-finals RIT tournament. The Tigers beat Stony Brook in five sets, 15-7, 8-15, 15-8, 5-15, 8-15. Sophomore Sara Helmer (20) and Nikas combined for 41 kills while junior Denise Rehor had 70 sets in the marathon game which lasted more than three hours.

In last year's NCAA national tournament in RIT's Clark Gym, the two teams played a five set marathon in the regular semi-finals with Stony Brook winning 15-8, 8-15, 15-1, 7-15, 15-12. The Patriots had its revenge for the New York State Women's Collegiate Athletic Association finals held in the Sports Complex when the Tigers beat the Patriots in straight sets 15-7, 16-14.

After winning five matches each in this year's

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V-ball claims New York Championship



Statesman/Chris Vacirca

Stasia Nikas spiking home a point in a match earlier this year.

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to the Patriot volleyball team in recent history.

The championship and rank are big achievements on the part of the Patriots, who lost to R.I.T. in last year's state championships. Not since the 1990 team which won that championship, did Stony Brook have a championship team. Circumstances in both teams' NYSWCAA championships were totally different for any comparison. The 1990 team played with a dwindling number of members on the team. "We started off with 15 [players] and when we played States we played with eight [players]," said junior Kelly Grodotzke.

The road to success for the Patriots began on Friday, Nov. 6 in pool play. Stony Brook beat Potsdam easily 15-3, 15-0. The Patriots won over host St. John Fisher in straight sets 15-8, 15-3. Helmer (8), Kuhner (9) and Nikas combined for 29 kills for the team while Rehor had 30 assists. The Patriots closed out their pool with a win over Elmira College 15-6, 15-4.

Stony Brook was one of three teams to sweep through pool play in their respective pools, R.I.T. and Cortland State were the other two teams.

The quarter-finals were next on the agenda for the Patriots as they faced Oswego State. Nothing new here, Stony Brook won in, guess what, straight sets 15-0, 15-10. Junior Jill Pessoni and Nikas had six kills apiece with Helmer contributing four kills of her own. Rehor had 21 assists with seven digs.

Brockport State was next for Stony Brook in the semi-finals. The last time the Golden Eagles played the Patriots was in the consolation round of the R.I.T. tournament. Stony Brook won in a five set marathon 15-11, 13-15, 13-15, 15-13, 15-12. This time the Patriots didn't waste any time disposing Brockport State 15-12, 15-6. Rehor had 24 assists to go along with her five digs. Nikas had four kills, nine digs, two aces and four blocks for Stony Brook. Kuhner had eight kills and eight blocks while Helmer had seven kills and three blocks.

PATRIOT ACTION THIS WEEK

Home games in CAPS

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
9	10	11 WOMEN'S SWIMMING VS. QUEENS, 5:30 P.M.	12 NCAA V-BALL TOURNAY UPSALA VS. BROCKPORT RIT VS. CORTLAND MATCHES AT 6 P.M. AND 8:30 P.M.	13 NCAA V-BALL TOURNAY MATCHES AT 6 P.M. AND 8:30 P.M.	14 NCAA V-BALL REGIONAL FINAL AT 7 P.M. FOOTBALL VS. UMASS- LOWELL, 1 P.M.	15 SQUASH VS. CONNECTICUT COLLEGE, 11 A.M. SQUASH VS. HAVERFORD, 3 P.M.