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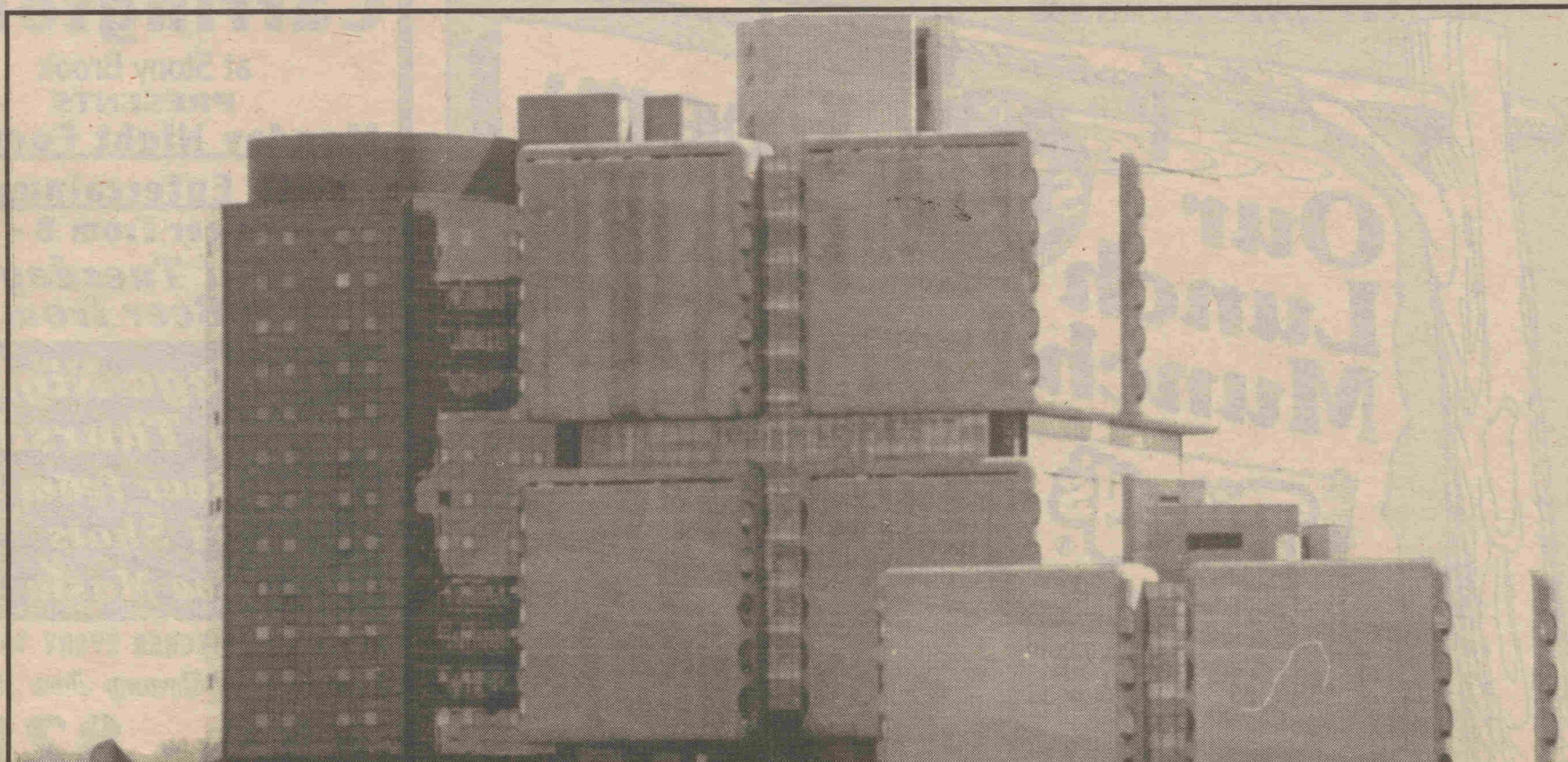
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# Poisonous Past

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*Hospital Fires Doctor After Learning  
He Poisoned Former Co-workers*



University Hospital, where Dr. Michael Swango was employed before his criminal past was revealed.

Statesman File Photo



# Burger King In A Hard Place

A Burger King sign was stolen from the Burger King in Roth Cafeteria on Tuesday evening. The sign was later recovered on the second floor of Hendrix College.

A window on the first floor of Hand College was smashed on Tuesday morning. Estimated cost of replacement is \$150.

A Trek Jazz mountain bike was stolen from the Indoor Sports Complex on Monday night. Estimated value of the bike is \$450.

A 1992 Jeep Wrangler valued at \$15,000 was stolen from South P Lot on Sunday. A \$450 CD player, \$200 worth of CDs, rugby equipment valued at \$1200, and two credit cards were also stolen.

A Giant Iguana bike was stolen from the Schick College bike rack on Saturday. Estimated value of the bike is \$350.

This report was compiled from the daily bulletin of Stony Brook's Department of Public Safety. Anyone with information regarding campus crimes should call Public Safety headquarters at 632-6350 or 632-3333.

## POLICE BLOTTER

### Ary Rosenbaum

A set of pool balls were stolen from Commuter College in the basement of the Union on Sunday. Estimated value of the pool balls is \$60.

A Mongoose mountain bike was stolen from the Eisenhower bike rack on Friday night. Estimated value of the bike is \$200.

The CPU and hard drive of a 286 computer was stolen from first floor Dewey College on Friday. Estimated value of the CPU and hard drive is \$1200.

The hinges from the south gate on South Drive was damaged on Friday. Estimated damage is \$100.

A black leather jacket was stolen from a Jeep Cherokee in the Toscanini parking lot on October 14. Estimated value of the jacket is \$500.

An Epson dot-matrix printer was stolen from a second floor office in the Psychology A building on October 14. Estimated value of the printer is \$250.

The driver side window of a 1980 Volkswagon was smashed in the Mathematics parking lot on October 14. A Benzi box adaptor valued at \$200 was stolen from the car. Estimated cost of replacing the window is \$500.

Two male students entered the Burger King in Roth Cafeteria on October 13 and stole two drinks and two sandwiches. The value of the food stolen is \$10.

A Trek 7000 bike was stolen from the Graduate Physics building on October 13. Estimated value of the

bike is \$700.

The rear vent window of a 1988 Toyota was smashed in the Schomburg parking lot on October 13. Two seat covers valued at \$20 were stolen from the car. Estimated cost of replacing the window is \$175.

The rear passenger window of a 1984 Honda was smashed in the Roosevelt parking lot on October 13. An AM/FM Radio worth \$200, a Sony Disc Man worth \$250, and an emergency light worth \$60 was stolen from the car. Estimated cost of replacing the window is \$100.

A student stole three cheeseburgers and two orders of fries from the Burger King in Roth cafeteria on October 12. The student was later referred to Student Judiciary.

A leather jacket containing keys and a meal card was stolen from the Langmuir College office on October 12.

A wallet containing two credit cards was stolen from the Indoor Sports Complex on October 11. The wallet was stolen from a locker in the men's locker room.

The rear driver side window of a 1982 Oldsmobile was smashed on October 10. Estimated cost of replacing the window is \$100.

A black mountain bike was stolen from the Baruch College bike rack on October 9. The estimated value of the bike is \$150.

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# Hospital MD Fired For Poisonous Past

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By Andrea Rubin  
Statesman Editor-in-Chief

A doctor at the University Hospital was fired after an investigation completed Tuesday revealed he had spent time in prison for poisoning his colleagues.

Dr. Michael Swango, a psychiatric resident who could not be reached for comment, was convicted of poisoning fellow paramedics in Quincy, Illinois. "He was charged with four or five separate crimes," said Scott Walden, state attorney for Adams County in Illinois. "[Swango] was giving low doses of arsenic for the apparent reason of getting more overtime." According to Walden, Swango would lace his co-workers food with poison in the hopes that they would be too ill to work and he could fill in for them. Swango was charged with aggravated battery and was sentenced to five years in prison. He served two years in different jails throughout Illinois.

According to Stephen Villano, associate dean for public affairs at the School of Medicine, Swango began his residency at University Hospital on July first. He completed the first portion of his residency at Veterans Administration Hospital in Northport. He started working in the Stony Brook hospital on October first. "We've already checked records of all patients he's come into contact with," said Villano. He added that there were "no suspicious illnesses among his co-workers."

On his application, Swango did admit to being convicted of a crime, but, according to Villano, "the crime he admitted to was a bar room brawl when he was in the Marines." Villano said if the hospital had known about his background he would not have been accepted into the program. "If he had told us... you can be certain he would not be admitted into the residency program." The hospital did not conduct any additional background check into Swango.

The investigation into Swango's history began last week after Robert Talley, dean of the University of South Dakota Medical School contacted Stony Brook. Swango was a resident with the University of South Dakota Medical School between July of 1992 and February of 1993. According to Talley, his medical school learned about Swango "two ways almost simultaneously." He said that a friend of his from the American Medical Association contacted him. "He said 'do you know this guy's background?'" said Talley. In addition, a rerun of the television show 20/20 appeared about Swango's case. "It was seen by people who recognized Michael Swango," said Talley. He said that he "was not at liberty to say" how he found out Swango was working at Stony Brook. "Let's just say somebody who knew his girlfriend was in correspondence with us."

Prior to his 1985 conviction, Swango was a neurosurgery resident at Ohio State University's College of Medicine in Columbus. Although no charges were brought against him, several of his patients died under suspicious circumstances. "It's a very touchy subject," said one school official who would not give his name.

The dean of the Stony Brook School of Medicine, Jordan J. Cohen, said in a written statement "The University Medical Center of the State University of New York at Stony Brook acted swiftly in the case of Dr. Michael Swango, upon learning of his carefully hidden history." According to Cohen, "within minutes of my conversation with Dean Talley," on October 13, "I relieved Dr. Swango of all clinical responsibilities and any contact with patients, and directed that a complete investigation be conducted."

The investigation was completed Tuesday, said Villano, and Swango was fired.

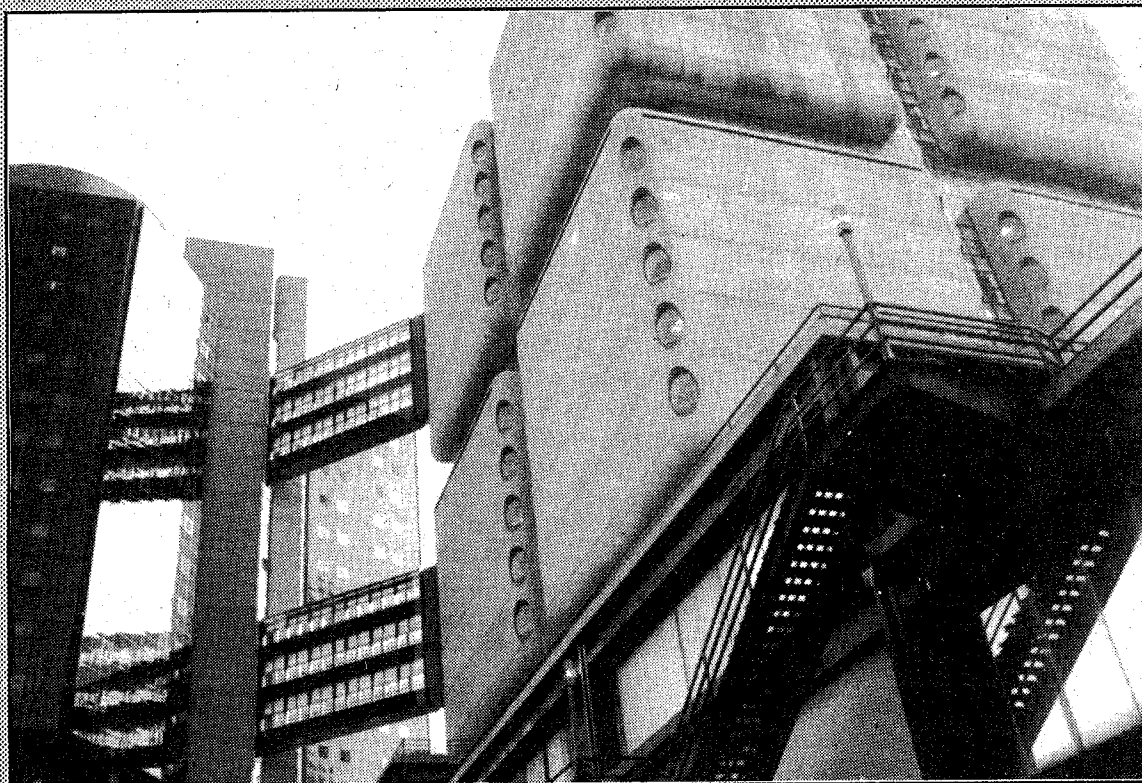
Villano said that Swango's history was discovered early. "We're lucky we caught him as soon as we did." He said that while Swango was at the University Hospital he received good evaluations.

Cohen said that he will send a letter warning all medical school deans and academic teaching hospitals throughout the country about Swango's case. "As Chairman of the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education, I will alert, in writing, every graduate medical education program in the country about the facts of the Swango case, and urge that stringent nationwide information sharing and candidate screening processes be

adopted," said Cohen.

Villano said that the medical school is taking these steps to assure that Swango does not work for any other hospital. "Stony Brook is doing something unprecedented," he said. "We don't want this to happen again some place else." Villano added that he felt a responsibility to other hospitals in the country. "Our obligations are not only to our patients here," he said. "But we have obligations to patients all across the country."

University Hospital is reviewing its selection process to assure that something like this does not happen again. "We are carefully examining our own application and appointment process for residents and are assessing the need for improvements," said Cohen.



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"[Swango] was giving low doses of arsenic for the apparent reason of getting more overtime."

-Scott Walden, State Attorney For Adams County, Illinois

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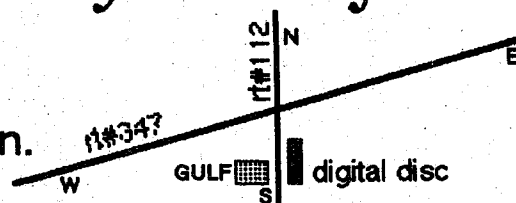
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# Got Nothing To Lose

AS I MENTIONED IN A PREVIOUS COLUMN, this year has been one that is quite different from my previous years at Stony Brook. As many of you know, this is my final year at Stony Brook and I feel everything is really winding down. I have come to the realization that I have nothing to really lose. It's the trivial things that I have lost like back stabbing "friends" and the multiple death threats. The important stuff like my sanity are almost impossible to lose, or so I think. As my fellow editor Richard Cole once said, "A man who has nothing to lose is a man to be feared." Just kidding, folks.

## General Dinkins and Liberal Giuliani

Like a good portion of Stony Brook students, I happen to be a resident of New York City and I have a vested interest in the mayoral race. This mayoral race reminds me of the recent presidential race with the "none of the above" mentality, I wish someone else would run. Politicians like Fernando Ferrer, Guy Molinari, and Herman Badillo would make better mayoral candidates than those currently running. All I know is that I would rather vote for Barney the Dinosaur than General Dinkins.

David Dinkins must have so much contempt for the city if he really wants a second term. Dinkins has overseen the deterioration of the city, I'm sure he wants to finish the job in his second term. The

Korean store boycott, Crown Heights, PVB corruption, the school asbestos scandal, and a city in financial ruin are some of Dinkins' "accomplishments". Boy, we could have used a man like Ed Koch again!

Most voters in the city that are supporting Rudy Giuliani are merely supporting him because he's running against Dinkins. Giuliani is a stealth candidate, he has no genuine ideas to help this city, and he always appears to have no clue. Is Giuliani a Republican or a Liberal? I really don't know, it depends on the weather.

Conservative candidate George Marlin is a bigger joke than Dinkins or Giuliani. Marlin claims he is running for

mayor based on principle. Marlin claims that Giuliani is nothing more than a liberal and he will try to expose Giuliani for what he is. Who is Marlin trying to kid? When did principles have anything to do with politics? Anyone who will cast a vote for Marlin is casting a vote for Dinkins. A Marlin vote is a wasted vote that would have gone towards Giuliani.

My one request after the election is a rather simple one. If Mayor Dinkins is re-elected, will the last person leaving New York City please turn out the lights?

## Save New York, Dump Cuomo

The recent actions by Governor Cuomo on the issue of the death penalty shows that he is out of touch with New Yorkers and he

should leave his personal views out of his decisions. Thomas Grasso, a convicted murderer was scheduled to be executed in Oklahoma for murder. Grasso also murdered two people in New York and was scheduled to serve 20 years to life in N.Y. State Prison. A federal court judge decided that Oklahoma can only execute Grasso if they get Cuomo's approval. Cuomo requested that Grasso be returned to the state to serve his sentence, primarily since Cuomo is vehemently opposed to the death penalty. Grasso has repeatedly stated that he wanted to be put to death. If Cuomo has his way, Grasso will serve 20 years in prison and then he can be put to death in Oklahoma. If Grasso serves the 20 years, it will cost state taxpayers at least \$600,000 to pay for his stay. There is no interest for New York state residents to have Grasso imprisoned. Grasso should get his wish and be put to death and I should get my wish for a new governor.

## What is the Truth?

I've been writing for *Statesman* for six months and I have learned a number of things about the truth. Before I was involved with the paper and before I came to Stony

Brook, I thought that the truth couldn't be debated. On this campus, there is no truth, the truth is rather subjective. At times, I feel like Diogenes, but instead of looking for an honest man, I'm looking for the truth. It may take me a day or a month, but one day, I will find it.

## Chase Bites The Dust

The national nightmare is over, Chevy Chase's late night talk show was finally put out of its misery. Chase's show was horrible, I was surprised they didn't take him off the air sooner. Chase proved that not everyone can become a good talk show host. Chase follows the other greats of late night into oblivion; Whoopi Goldberg, Pat Sajak, Joan Rivers, and Alan Thicke. Forget about Sinbad or Howie Mandel, Fox should name Howard Stern as Chase's replacement. Beware, Conan O'Brien, you are next!!



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# WUSB Amplifies to Reach Deeper Into LI

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By Errol Cockfield

Statesman Staff Writer

Suffolk County residents will be able to listen to WUSB, 90.1FM from anywhere in Brookhaven after approval is given to move their transmitter site to a telecommunications tower in Brookhaven.

**"There will be a substantial increase in the east and southeast and deeper into Suffolk County."**

**-Norman Prusslin, General Manager of WUSB**

There will be a substantial increase in the east and southeast and deeper into Suffolk County," said Norman Prusslin, general manager of WUSB-FM. "The end result of this will have positive impacts."

W U S B decided to move after it became evident that signals from many adjacent stations were interfering with its coverage area.

"O u r coverage area was being chipped

away," said Prusslin, "The mission was to position the station and the university to maintain a quality broadcast service for the future and beyond."

Involved in the radio signal race were the University at Stony Brook, Long Island University at Southampton College, Sacred Heart University and Connecticut Public Broadcasting. All four parties began negotiations with the Federal Communications Commission to obtain their respective goals and frequencies.

"We felt that as best as we could we would persevere



Jim Ross, A DJ at WUSB, which will reach a greater Long Island audience.

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in gaining everything we asked for," said Prusslin, "We were tangentially involved because we had our own station."

In the final agreement, the FCC had to waive some of its technical rules to accommodate all parties involved. WUSB received everything it requested. For FM

stations, obtaining a tower that is high and in a central area is important in coverage area expansion.

"He is at the final stages of his approvals," said Prusslin, "There is no reason to think there will be a problem. It's a very detailed and drawn out process and we're coming to the end of it."



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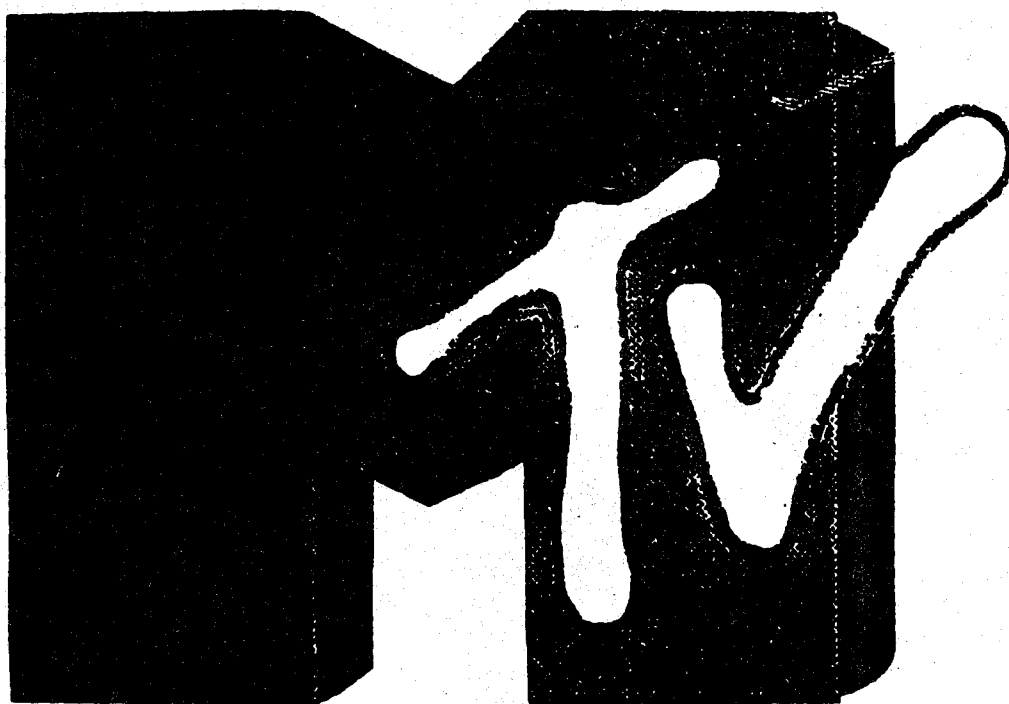
By Kelly Dolan  
Assistant News Editor

MTV scouted for talent at universities on Long Island today auditioning for its show, Lip Service.

The popular station visited Adelphi University, Hofstra University, Dowling College and our own University at Stony Brook.

Try outs were held at the Indoor Sports Complex where two team competed for an appearance on the lip-synching show. Michael Bazini, from MTV, said contestants have to bring their own music on a cassette tape, a current upbeat MTV song no older than a year, be between 18 and 25 years old, and be in groups of either three or five. Contestants had to prepare a three minute long lip-synched and choreographed routine.

There were originally five teams scheduled to audition today, but only two teams showed up. There was the five man team of Ed Snajder, Joey Castellano, Erik Wurtz, Rob Howell, and Jayson Somolsy, of Tau Delta Phi Fraternity. They performed their rendition of the song "Slam" by Onyx. Castellano said that they decided to tryout when they



## MUSIC TELEVISION

saw the flyer for the audition hanging up in the union. "We want to be on MTV," he said.

The competition was Melissa O'Connor, Jessica Spodick, and Adena Shemberg of Sigma Delta Tau Sorority performing "Hey Mr. D.J." by Chane'. "It was a lot of fun," said Spodick. "Hopefully you'll see us on MTV."

Eric Sheppard, associate producer and cameraman for the tryouts, was surprised at the small turnout. "Today's was good, but we usually get more people in the audience," he said.

The teams will be notified within a week if the show is interested in the group for either a second audition or an appearance on the show. If they're chosen the teams will go to the MTV studio in New York City to tape their segments sometime in November, but an air date has not yet been set,

said Sheppard.

If they are chosen for the show, the teams could win a free vacation, clothes, phones, stereo equipment, or televisions.

Contestants received free MTV T-shirts.

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## Can't Hide Our Polity Pride!



# Students Get Toned for Timex

By Kelly Dolan

Assistant News Editor

Toned up and trimmed down students competed this week in the Timex fitness condition competition, which concludes today with the two top physically fit students going home with a Timex watch.

More than eighty people have come down to compete in the timed events, also co-sponsored by Listerine and Ocean Spray, testing the individuals endurance and

strength.

Marie Turchiano, assistant director of intramurals, said that the competition serves "to make students more aware of the importance of fitness activities."

Since Monday contestants have competed in the stationary bike endurance ride challenging participants to ride as quick and as fast as they can in three minutes. The four other events in the competition are long distance running, short distance sprints, sit-ups and push-ups.

Free prizes like water bottles, Listerine mouth wash samples, a variety of Ocean Spray drinks, sun visors and tee shirts were given to contestants.

"It's a good way to introduce students to the activities available in the fitness complex," Turchiano said.

Today's activities include the Bicycle scavenger hunt at 4 p.m. in front of the sports complex and the World's Largest Aerobics Class at 6 p.m. in the Pritchard Gymnasium.

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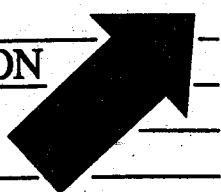
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## Editorial

# Trust Must Be Earned, Not Just Accepted

Trust is a funny thing, at times, but in this case it is anything but amusing. Dr. Michael Swango was hired as a resident physician by Stony Brook University Hospital with his employment starting date being July 1 of this year. In the application process, Swango admitted to being convicted of a crime, yet he said that it was pertaining to a bar brawl. He neglected to mention that he tried to poison fellow workers of his to try to get overtime.

The university took his word for fact and he was accepted into the program. Trust is something that you would like to have in everyone, especially someone who literally holds your life in their hands. Doctors are respected individuals in our society, but they are not perfect, they are humans that make mistakes. The fact that they are doctors should not detract from the amount of caution used before

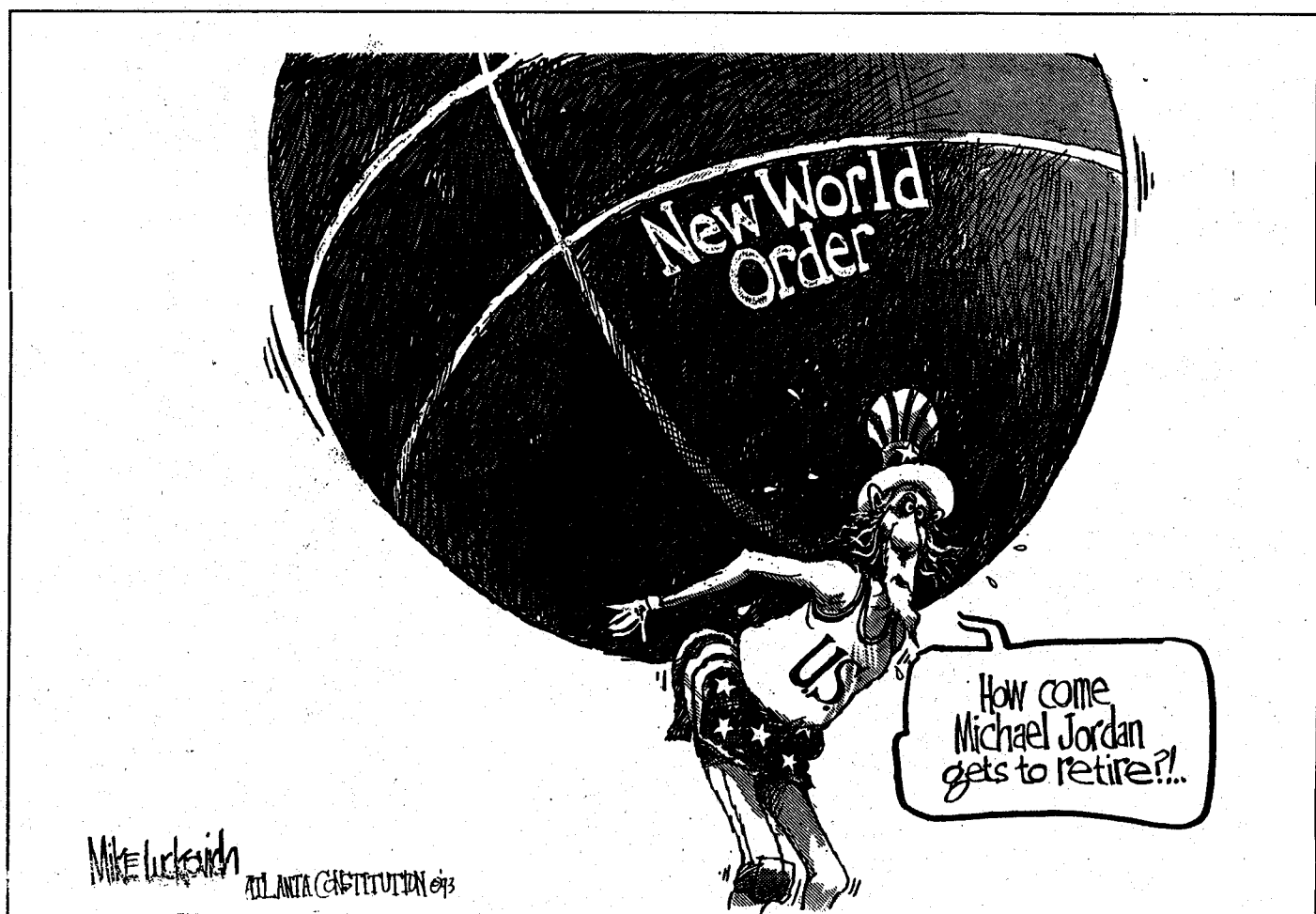
placing them in positions of trust.

It was discovered that Swango served two years in prison in Illinois for poisoning six paramedics and was investigated for a number of suspicious deaths. Although he was only charged with the original six poisoning, there was circumstantial evidence to link him to more wrong doing. The cases were never brought forward due to a lack of physical evidence.

A doctor is someone who many people put immense amounts of trust in. Patients put confidence in them to look out for their best interest. A patient should not have to worry whether or not her physician is going to poison her so he can work to resuscitate her. It seems what needs to be investigated here is whether or not the people hiring the doctors are competent and worth our trust. This is not to say that the doctors are free from any blame in such matters.

Could time be of such an essence in hiring residents that there is not enough to do a background check. Criminal records are public. The amount of work it takes to research a person is not overwhelming. People applying to jobs that receive minimum wage have their police records checked by their employers. A doctor at this university admitted being convicted of a crime but it was not verified out what crime it was. His admission should have been a warning bell for the admissions department to delve deeper into the past of Swango. If they had, his past of poison would have easily been discovered.

Luckily, the truth about Swango was uncovered before something happened. Perhaps, from now on, the admissions board will look more carefully at the applicants who seek employment at University Hospital.



## WRITE US

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## Let the Good Times Roll

To the Editor:

As a fourth year student here at Stony Brook I feel compelled to ask everyone a general question, "What the hell are you doing?" We've all read the articles about getting involved on campus, whether it be joining polity, pledging a fraternity/sorority, volunteering for public interest groups, or most recently supporting school athletics (the fact that we are improving to Division I has made this a matter of urgency.) These, as well as many other branches of school life, can have the busiest people running around like mad chickens throughout the day. What I want to know is what everyone is doing at night? Does anyone drink beer anymore? Has dancing become a worn out fad? I see the same couple of hundred faces everytime I go out. You don't have to be twenty one to have an active social life at Stony Brook. It seems as though this campus is totally against the students improving their social skills. Fraternities and sororities are constantly restricted from doing anything that resembles fun. As a former RA I learned that the Division of Campus Residences likes to run things more like a prison camp than a social environment. Most students got away with more at home than they can at school.

We have an Undergraduate program that consists of 10,000 students, where at least 90% of them are happy not hanging out with each other. I relish the day I decided to join a fraternity because at least I can go off-campus to parties and take part in a social institution that's been associated with college for years: drinking.

I want to know where everyone watches Monday Night Football, where are you going to be during game seven at the World Series, what kind of enjoyment do our alumni have to look forward to during homecoming (let's face it, they're not coming to watch the football game, they're coming to drink beer with old friends.) I think it's about time this campus gets a social kick in the ass. If you are just here to go to classes than you are not getting a full education. A person needs more development than what he/she can get from text books. This campus needs to start mingling. We need to pack the bars and clubs in the area, support the social organizations on campus, and most of all, let's do some heavy partying so that when we look back at our college years we'll remember more than just our grades, we'll remember friendships.

Tom Collins

Hegemon, Tau Kappa Epsilon

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## Thursday, October 28

5:00-6:00 PM • Concert Teaser, Bleacher Club  
6:00- 8:00 PM • Blizzard-O-Bucks, Union Ballroom  
8:00 - 10:00 PM • USB Spirit Night, Patriot Field  
10:00-2:00 AM • Tokyo Joe's, Union Ballroom

## Friday, October 29

2:00 PM • Groundbreaking Ceremony for New Activities Center (Academic Mall)  
8:00 PM • Magic with Harry Blackstone, Jr.- Staller Center  
10:00 PM- 2 AM • Wild Video Dance Masquerade Party, Pritchard Gym, Indoor Sports Complex

## Saturday, October 30

9:30 AM- 2:00 PM • Alumni Registration, SB Union  
10:00 AM • Panel Discussion: The Stony Brook Undergraduate Experience, SB Union Auditorium  
10:00 AM • Campus Tours: Starting at Union Lobby, every hour on the hour until 2PM

9:30 AM- 12:00 PM • Homecoming Parade, for more information please contact Scott Law, (516) 632-0339.  
10:30 AM • Alumni Basketball Game, Indoor Sports Complex. For information call (516) 632-7200

11:00 AM • Lacrosse Reunion. Contact John Espey, (516) 632-7219  
11:30 AM • All-Alumni Barbecue, Patriot Field  
NOON • Distinguished Alumnus/Outstanding Professor Luncheon, University Club

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Harriman School; call (516) 632-7428

School of Health Technology and Management (formerly Allied Health Professions); call Karen Mendelsohn, Assistant Dean, (516) 444-2252

11:00 AM • Reunion Luncheon Honoring the Class of 1963, Javits Room, Melville Library

Tailgating Event, North P Lot (Mandatory Registration).  
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1:00 PM- 4:00 PM • Football Game, USB Patriots vs Western Connecticut at Patriot Field

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2:00 PM • Career Advisor's Network Presentation, SB Union Auditorium

3:00- 6:00 PM • Flag Football, Intramural Field

3:00 PM • Alumni Volunteers in Admissions Program, SB Union Auditorium

Class of '73 Reunion Gift Dedication, Commuter Lounge, Melville Library,

3:30 PM • The University: Yesterday, Today, Tomorrow  
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6:00 PM • Class of 1968's 25th Reunion Party, Union Ballroom, Reunion Party '73 & '78, University Club

6:30 PM- 10:30 PM • Reunion Party Class of '83, Alliance Room

9:00 PM • Concert (Band TBA), Indoor Sports Complex, sponsored by SAB

## Sunday, October 31

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9:45 AM • Walkers and Physically Challenged Race Starts

10:00 AM • Runners Race starts

10:00 AM- 12:30 PM • Homecoming Pancake Brunch and Trophy Presentation, SB Union Auditorium

11:30 AM- 2:00 PM • Hillel Reunion, University Club

12:00- 2:00 PM • Flag Football, Intramural Field

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For general information call: Student Polity Association Inc. (516) 632-6460, Staller Center (516) 632-7230, University Club (516) 632- 6565, Alumni Affairs (516) 632 6330

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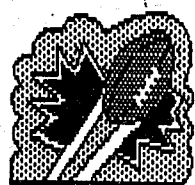
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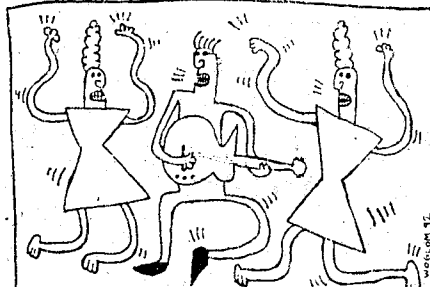
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## ATHLETE OF THE WEEK

# Rosalia Runs to Weekly Honor

By Mark Peterson  
Special to Statesman

Last Saturday at the Allentown College Invitational, junior Luci Rosalia of the Lady Patriot cross country team finished in 21st place to help Stony Brook finish 12th, defeating 20 other teams. Rosalia, who completed the 3.1 mile course in a time of 20:26, earned honors as one of the top individual performers at the invitational. For her performance, Rosalia was named Statesman/VIP Club Athlete of the Week.

Rosalia has been among the top runners for Stony Brook during the past two years, but this season she is the top runner and leader of the young cross country team. As a freshman, Rosalia was named Stony Brook's top runner and last season was named the team's most improved performer.



Luci Rosalia

"Luci really trains like a workhorse and has definitely been the heart and soul of this year's team," said Stony Brook head coach Denise Chestnut. "She keeps the team focused and together."

Earlier in the year, Rosalia finished third in the Public Athletic Conference championships running the difficult Sunken Meadow State Park course in 21:26, and ran her best time of the year at Vassar when she finished in 20:24. This weekend, Rosalia will look to lower her personal best of 20:06 as the Lady Patriots compete in the Albany Invitational on Saturday.

"Lucy has been running well and if she keeps up this pace, she should break the 20:00 barrier for the first time," said Chestnut. "Hopefully, it will be this weekend in Albany."

## THE PRO ZONE

By Jay Kash

## Olerud May Get Splinters

With the third game of the world series starting, all eyes were on the Toronto Blue Jays line-up card. Will it be John Olerud, Paul Molitor, or Ed Sprague? At this point all anyone can say is that Cito Gaston is a whiz.

Besides the fact that this is only Gaston's fifth year with the Jays, he has went to the post season four of those years. He has a lot of courage to do what he did. I don't know many managers that would sit the leagues top hitter through the regular season. Olerud who batted .363 with 200 hits, was on the bench as the Jays took the field in game three.

After the first inning it seemed that Gaston should have been voted manager of the year. The right handed hitting Molitor, sent a frozen rope in the gap in right center, that turned out to be a two run triple, that was just the beginning of the opening of the flood gates. He later strutted to the plate and hit a seed over wall in the third inning. He led Toronto to a 10-3 win over the Phillies.

Molitor was the key acquisition in the off season for the Jays. He batted in the heart of the line up for the Jays and

had maybe the most productive year of his career, but he didn't see much time on the defensive side of the field. This is what make Gaston's decision even more difficult.

What I was wondering is why he didn't play third base? Molitor was seen taking grounders at third in the practices before the game, should he have taken out his leading hitter average wise hitting .333 in the world series, instead of Spargue who didn't hit close to three hundred, and hitting a meager .125 before game three? Molitor also had prior experience at third, but it was also back in 1989.

In any case, Gaston's decision paid off. Molitor went 3-4, 3 RBI, and 3 runs. While Spargue went 0-4 with 1 RBI, to lower his series average to .083. Molitor also handled five chances in the field, and also turned a key double play in the seventh inning, while Spargue was lonely all game, he didn't have to make a play.

Who will it be in game 4, Molitor, Sprague or Olerud. Gaston will probably make a change, because Danny Jackson, who started game four, was a lefty, and game four starter is Tommy Greene, a righty. Maybe Olerud will get his shot, only Cito knows.



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MIAMI	7 1/2	Indianapolis	Colts	Colts	Dolphins	Colts	Dolphins	Dolphins
CHICAGO	3	Minnesota	Vikings	Bears	Bears	Bears	Vikings	Vikings

Standings After Last Week

	W	L	GB
Guest Coaches	39	30	—
Ary Rosenbaum	36	33	3
Robyn Sauer	35	34	4
Guest Professors	35	34	4
Andrea Rubin	34	35	5
Vincent Grasso	33	36	6

Statesman Picks the Pros for last week was full of upsets. Ary Rosenbaum was tied for the last place position and by ahevling a 7-2 record for the week. Due to the bad luck of the other experts and his week's record he took second place in the standings. Robyn Sauer took a nose dive by going 2-7, which leaves her tied for third, only two weeks after holding first place for awhile. Matt Senk, coach of the baseball team held his own for the athletic team going 5-4, keeping their standing in first place. Frank Meyers of the Political Science department kept his team tied for third place. Vincent Grasso remains in last place.

This week's Guest Professor is Paul Dolan of the English department. On the Athletic Team is Head Coach of the hockey team, Eric Wuss.

-Robyn Sauer

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# Patriots Will Attempt to Sink Mariners

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By Thomas Masse

Statesman Assistant Sports Editor

The Patriot football team is traveling to King's Point, on Saturday, to meet the team which took away hope from many players last year. Starting with four wins, the Pats lost their third game in a row. This time, the defeat was at the hands of the United States Merchant Marine Academy, who handed the Pats a crushing 28-7 loss. The Mariners completely dominated the Brook, with a 25-10 edge in first downs, a 184-26 advantage in rushing yards, and a 4-9 deficit in punts.

## Football PREVIEW

That was last year.

This year, Stony Brook goes into the game with a 4-0-1 record and King's Point, at 4-1, is coming in after losing a tough game in the final minute to the Worcester Polytechnic Institution Engineers last week. "King's Point is a different team this year," said head coach Sam Kornhauser. "They have a different running back and quarterback. We're better than last year, and I don't know if they're as good."

Stony Brook, trying to protect its undefeated record, will be looking to make amends on last year's home loss. Kornhauser said that the team will do be showing a different team to make it happen. "Last year, we had a number of injuries on our offensive line that caused a problem," he said. "This year's offensive line is healthy and has grown together as a unit. Offensively, we have a couple more bullets." The defense that played like a sieve last year has also seen some change. "We're getting much better play from the defense," said Kornhauser.

Overall, the team is one level higher than last season. "We have become more and more consistent each week...every game is a new challenge," Kornhauser said. "This team has learned that we can play with anyone on our schedule...that if we keep our focus and believe in themselves, positive things will happen."

According to sophomore running back Chris Delmadge, the running backs will have to be more aggressive and raise

their level of play against the tough Mariner defensive ends. "We have to cut-block more than go to the upper body against them," he said. "Running just did not work against them. This year we're more experienced." Delmadge, the Patriots rushing leader, also said, "One mistake or missed assignment on offense may end the whole game." On the more positive side, he said, "I have 100% confidence in my offensive line."

Kornhauser agrees on the importance of the running game. Last year "they forced us into passing," he said. "We have to run the ball better in order for us to win this game."

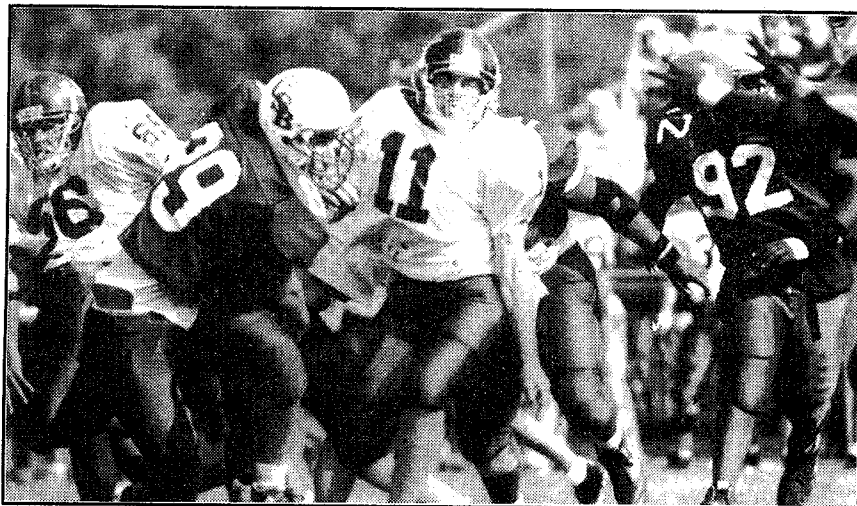
Another consideration in this match-up is King's Point's loss to WPI last week. Kornhauser is not sure how the Mariners will be affected by the setback. If anything, "they'll be more hungry," said Kornhauser. Delmadge did not dispute. "It's also their homecoming, so they'll be looking to give us a whuppin'." Then, he added, "They don't know what they're in for."

While last Saturday was a bad day for the USMMA, Stony Brook enjoyed a week off. According to both Kornhauser and Delmadge, it was a beneficial week during which the team healed and, more importantly, "relaxed." "We hope to have charged our batteries, and we had the opportunity to experiment with some new stuff," said Kornhauser. The coach hopes to reveal some of the new offensive "wrinkles" this Saturday.

So far, no one has disputed the importance of this game. Ultimately, it could have the Freedom Conference title, national rankings, and bowl game invitations riding on it. However, Kornhauser noted, "even if we win this

week, if we lose next week, this game doesn't matter at all."

Kornhauser, like many others, agrees that King's Point is the toughest team the Brook has faced and probably will face all season. Still, he is looking forward to the



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Stony Brook's defense will have to fend off hungry Mariners, as Keith McInnes did here against Gettysburg.

challenging ramifications involved. "It's great to be in this position and to have the opportunity to control our own destiny."

While Delmadge was not willing to make a prediction, his coach confidently voiced an opinion. "I predict we're going to win. We're going to win because we're going to control the ball on offense, because we're going to shut down [WR Kevin] Feighery and [RB Dreu] Beers, and because our players are playing at the top of their games right now."

This may be one of the single most-important games in Stony Brook history. The game is scheduled for Saturday at 1:30 p.m. at Captain Tomb Field in King's Point.

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## Unlucky 13

By Thomas Masse

Statesman Assistant Sports Editor

The good news is the volleyball team moved up a spot in the Division III National Rankings last week from twelfth to eleventh, and advanced in the Northeast Regional Rankings from second to first. The bad news is that they lost their potential thirteenth straight victory in a heartbreaking defeat at the hands of Hunter College on Monday. The 24-5 Hunter downed the Lady Pats in five games, 9-15, 10-15, 15-8, 16-14, 13-15.

Summing up the match, head coach Teri Tiso said, "Hunter played well...we could have played better." Unfortunately, the Brook arrived at Hunter a little late and this prevented the Lady Patriots from completing their usual warm-ups. Tiso said that this was not an excuse, but it did affect the early games. And it showed, with Stony Brook going down two games to none early in the match.

Tiso said she made a couple of changes in the third game, and the Brook fought back to win a convincing third game and a difficult fourth game.

However, the Lady Patriots lost control late in the fifth and deciding game. "We had the lead 9-5 in the fifth," said Tiso, "but Hunter came through." Hunter was led by senior captain Lynette Rodriguez, who had 37 digs and a number of kills. "She's known as one of the best diggers in the country," said Tiso.

Standouts for the Lady Pats, according to Tiso were freshman middle hitter Christy Innes and freshman middle hitter Jolie Ward, both of whom had tremendous impacts in the third game rally, and junior middle hitter Betty Develus, who had a fantastic serving game with three serving aces in the third game.

Tiso said that the difference was Hunter's extremely scrappy defense. "We're more of an offensive team, and they're more defensive," she said. "In the end, their defense won out."

To Stony Brook's credit, they never gave up, but according to Tiso, this young team just does not have the experience to come back in a game like this. "It's definitely an experience thing. I'm confident that it won't happen again."

Another reason the Brook may have not been really ready for the intensity of this game was the relative easiness of their recent schedule. "We haven't been challenged in two weeks," said Tiso.

Analyzing the game and looking forward to the rest of the season, Tiso said that this loss is not by any means the end of the world. "The team showed a lot of character coming back the way they did, even though we didn't win," she said, adding "Sports does not build character, they reveal character."

She concluded by reinforcing her belief in her players. "We're learning as a team," she said. "As long as we remember that no matter how good we are, we can be better."

Tomorrow, the team heads to the New York Invitational at Ithaca (one of the year's most important tournaments), where they will face Ithaca, Courtland, Brockport, and RIT over Friday and Saturday.



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Stony Brook ruggers were not as successful in their scrums as they had hoped, but they won the game through their kicking.

## The Cryin' Game

### Ruggers Beat Seton Hall In An Ill-Mannered Gentleman's Game

By Thomas Masse

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The men's rugby club extended its season winning streak to four with a modest downing of the Seton Hall Pirates, 15-6.

A somewhat bizarre game, all the scoring for both clubs was accomplished on penalty kicks. For the Brook, junior Nick Martschenko was good on three of three penalty kicks and junior Mike Bergamini hit on two.

"We should have killed them," said Martschenko. "But we won. It's a victory."

According to Martschenko, the ruggers had a very difficult time getting a real offense going due to the limitations of the field. "The field is way too narrow," said Bergamini after the game. "Fifteen players get about two yards each across the field."

Similar concerns were voiced by many of the team's players and fans. The ruggers currently host

their games on the Intramural practice field, which does not comply with the normal standards of a rugby field.

The real moaning, however, came from the opposite sideline. The Hall's captain constantly complained to the referee, and all it did was annoy everyone. Even when a call was for the Pirates, he refused to be silent.

In a sport where there is seldom any non-sportsmanship whatsoever, the Seton Hall captain found a way to injure the integrity of the game. Outside of the griping, the Hall also appeared to instigate a number of post-play skirmishes.

In the interest of keeping peace in the amateur sport, many of Stony Brook players refused to participate in the name-calling during the game or comment on the Pirates' lack of sportsmanship after the game. "They're like that every year," said a Brook rugger, who asked not to be identified.

The 4-0 rugby club will be travelling to Vassar next Sunday at 1:30 p.m. to try to continue their undefeated season.

### Rugby

Patriots: 15

Seton Hall: 6

## PATRIOT ACTION THIS WEEK

Home games in **SMALLCAPS**

THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
	Volleyball at NY Invitational, 5 p.m.	MEN'S SOCCER vs. BINGHAMPTON, 2 P.M.  Football at Kings Point, 1:30 p.m.			VOLLEYBALL vs. FORDHAM, 7 P.M.	WOMEN'S SOCCER vs. VILLANOVA, 3 P.M.  Hockey at Nassau Coliseum- Hofstra, 7:30 p.m.