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Pres. Kenny Officially Assumes Helm

Shirley Strum Kenny Inaugurated As University President; Sets Goals For USB

By JASON YUNG
Statesman Staff

University President Shirley Strum Kenny invoked the "Spirit of a New Beginning" at her inauguration last Friday.

The event began with a fanfare of trumpets as University Senate President Aldustus Jordan, Grand Marshal, and Professor Barbara Elling, Mistress of Ceremonies, led a caravan of professors, students, community members and special guests into the Arena in the Indoor Sports Complex. Kenny followed the procession to the platform, over which hung red and gray banners and a large USB logo glowing red.

Jordan opened the ceremony, and after some opening remarks from Elling, the Rev. John Denniston of the Interfaith Center gave the Invocation.

According to Elling, the ceremony was to be kept as short as possible as per Kenny's request; therefore, the speaker list was kept short.

The first speaker was Congressman Rick Lazio, who said that "no matter what politics we have," we must all work for the good of Stony Brook.

State Senator James J. Lack spoke of his own experience at Stony Brook. He called the University the "flagship of the SUNY system," which would sail steady with Kenny at the helm.

Assemblyman Steven Englebright also offered his congratulations.

Leaders from various organizations spoke on behalf of faculty, staff, and students, including Polity President Crystal Plati, who thanked Kenny for her efforts to address student concerns. Thomas Galgano, President of the Stony Brook Alumni Association, bestowed an honorary lifetime membership on Kenny.

After Gloria Rocchio, President of the Stony Brook Community Fund, gave her congratulations, Elling told the audience how Kenny wanted to



Kenny marches out of the Arena with her granddaughter, Chava, at the end of the inauguration ceremony.

involve the community outside of the campus. She then thanked the Stony Brook and Setauket Fire Departments for offering to be the color guard for the event. In addition, the Ward Melville High School Wind Ensemble played at the ceremony.

After a brief interlude,

Stony Brook Foundation Chairman James Simons offered his congratulations, after which SUNY Chancellor Thomas A. Bartlett took the podium.

In a slip of the tongue, Bartlett first congratulated "President Kennedy," before correcting himself, and won

back the crowd by congratulating this University for having its first woman President.

Bartlett went on to praise the University for becoming known statewide, nationally and globally as a great research

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DEWEY WINS!

Well, for all we know, he did.

The Election Board *still* does not have a final tally from Thursday's election.

The Election Board claimed that the computers they use to count ballots were not available Friday due to Pres. Kenny's Inauguration.

Gang Violence Preys on Students

'La Familia,' a street gang from Brooklyn, has taken a foothold on campus

By JOHN LOWTHER
Statesman Staff

The word "family" is normally used to denote ones' blood relatives - people that can be trusted and relied upon. At Stony Brook, however, the word "family" takes on an entirely new - and dangerous - meaning.

"The Family," or "La Familia," as they are called in Brooklyn, is the name of a street gang that has stalked the Stony Brook undergraduate campus for some time, the *Statesman* has learned. It appears the gang is comprised of both undergraduate students and individuals who do not attend the University. The gang members that do not attend classes frequent the dorm rooms of the students that reside on campus.

The actions of individual gang members have resulted in a number of threats, verbal altercations, and actual attacks; two students were admitted to the University Hospital

because of injuries sustained during the attacks.

Two of the cases involving individuals of La Familia have been brought before the Office of Student Affairs - the *Statesman* has obtained copies of actual trial hearings, witness statements, and letters to individual undergraduate students who are allegedly connected with "La Familia."

The earliest appearance of threatening activity by "La Familia" dates back to April, 1994, in O'Neill College, G2. During the Spring, 1994 semester, a number of events involving David DelGardo, a student who has since graduated, led to complaints to University Police, hearings at the Office of Student Affairs, and a letter to University President Shirley Strum Kenny from one of the victims.

On April 26, 1994, at approximately 12:45 a.m., DelGardo became involved in a verbal altercation with Ikechukwu Iregbulem, allegedly the ringleader

of "La Familia" here at Stony Brook. Apparently, a light had been switched off in the G2/F2 lounge. The students who were inside the lounge, including Iregbulem and Fred Gamble, a 24 year-old male not registered for classes at Stony Brook, started a verbal altercation with several residents of G2. DelGardo happened to be one of those students.

DelGardo gave this account: after the group demanded to know who had switched off the light, they approached him in a threatening manner. Iregbulem stated that "The Family" ran the f**king school." Shortly thereafter, DelGardo was rushed by several members of the gang and knocked down, but was not seriously injured.

A referral for Campus Judicial Proceedings was made by University Police officer Ed Ruland on April 27, 1994 to the Office of the Vice President for Student Affairs, Fred Preston. Interestingly enough, a letter by John J. Orwat, See GANGS, Page 3

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CAMPUS CALENDAR

Monday, May 1
Undergraduate Recital, 5:00p.m., Recital Hall. Free.

Tuesday, May 2
Society of Professional Journalists General Meeting at 1 p.m. Room 057, Stony Brook Union. All welcome to attend.

Softball, Seawolves vs. Southampton (doubleheader), 3 p.m., Softball Field.

Wednesday, May 3

All Day: DUNK the PUNKS. Sponsored by the Society of Professional Journalists. Student Leaders and University Administrators risk their pride for a good cause. \$1 per throw. Proceeds to benefit the Am. Red Cross Diasater Relief for Oklahoma City. **Fine Arts Plaza.**

"Confronting Domestic Violence In Ordinary Lives," an LIPC public forum for women and men. 12:45-2 p.m., Fireside Lounge, Stony Brook Union.

MPB'sa Spring Festival. Barbecue and more. **Fine Arts Plaza, Campus Lifetime**

The Stony Brook Coalition For Education and Social Justice Organizational Meeting, 12:40 p.m., History Department, SBS N-318.

Stony Brook Spring Chamber Music Festival. Will highlight performances by the Stony Brook Quartet and graduate Piano Trio. Recital Hall, 8 p.m. Free. For more info, call 632-7330.

University Wind Ensemble, Spring Celebration. 8 p.m., Main Stage. Features works by Verdi, Grainger, Holst, Gershwin, Respeighi, and Frederick Loewe. Free.

for more info, call 632-7330.

Thursday, May 4
University jazz Ensemble. 8 p.m. Recital Hall, Free.

Friday, May 5
Last day of classes.

Human Resources Dinner. Stony Brook Union Ballroom. 6 p.m.-midnight.

C.O.C.A. film "Jungle Book," 9:30 p.m. and midnight. Room 100, Javits Lecture Center. \$3, \$2 with sbid.

Saturday, May 6
Destiny Awards Dinner. 6 p.m.-midnight. Stony Brook Union Ballroom.

Camerata Singers. 8 p.m. Features early music, Bach, Barber and Mathias. Recital Hall. Admission \$6.

The Long Island Symphonic Choral Association's Spring Concert. 8 p.m. at the Messiah Lutheran Church. For more info call 941-4278.

C.O.C.A. film "Jungle Book," 9:30 p.m. and midnight. Room 100, Javits Lecture Center. \$3, \$2 with sbid

Sunday, May 7
Lacrosse, Seawolves vs. North Carolina, 2 p.m., Seawolves Field.



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"What Do You Think Should Be Done?"

The Stony Brook Coalition For Education and Social Justice held a teach-in last Thursday in the Javits Conference room at the Melville Library. More than 50 participants attended the forum and discussed Governor George Pataki's proposed budget cuts to the SUNY system. Panelists (above photo; from left: Africana Studies Professor William McAadoo, History Professor Joel Rosenthal, Women's Studies Professor Temma Kaplan, and History Professor Nikhil Singh), teachers, and students spoke for political action and directions for students and local business and community leaders to become active. An organizational meeting is scheduled for Wednesday (see calendar above).

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'La Familia' Preys on Stony Brook Students

GANG, From Front Page

Residence Hall Director of O'Neill College, was given to DelGardo. While Orwat acknowledged that DelGardo suffered an injury, he also issued a number of Official Directives, including restricting DelGardo from O'Neill F3. "Please note that failure to comply with the above directives will result in judicial action," noted Orwat.

This was only the beginning of a number of altercations that would result in more attacks against DelGardo (see sidebar).

A much more serious incident occurred on the night of May 10, 1994, in which six men wearing ski masks ripped DelGardo from his room and began to kick and swing at him. There were several witnesses who saw the men being led into O'Neill. "I witnessed Ike opening the side door and allowed his friends [The Family] to enter the building," said one eyewitness who wished to remain anonymous. "Approximately one minute later I saw those same guys in front of somebody else's door, only this time one of the guys had a ski mask on."

This time, DelGardo had to be taken to the University Hospital. He was released a few hours later with only a few bruises.

The actions of Iregbulem and 'The Family' culminated in an Administration Hearing on September 9, 1994. In a letter to Iregbulem from Gary Mis, University Hearing Officer, a list of DelGardo's witnesses was provided to Iregbulem. In all, a total of seven names appeared on DelGardo's behalf.

Because of altercations on April 26, May 8, and May 10, 1994, a letter was given to Iregbulem, signed by Dallas W. Bauman III, assistant vice-president of campus residences. The letter was dated May 19, 1994, and addressed to room F308, O'Neill, Mendelsohn

Quad. "I am temporarily suspending you from the University's residence halls and their surrounding parking lots and grounds until this matter is adjudicated," wrote Bauman. Furthermore, if Iregbulem were to be found guilty, he would be guilty of the following sanctions of the University Student Conduct Code: Sections II.A.1a-d; II.A.5; II.B.3a; and II.B.3b.

However, several witnesses stated that the suspension had been rescinded, and that Iregbulem remained in O'Neill the following semester.

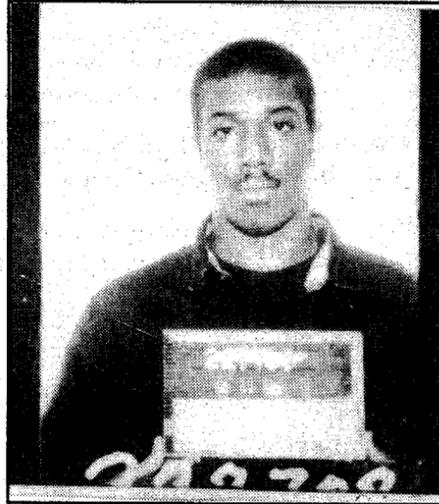
On the hearing of September 9, 1994, only one of the seven witnesses on DelGardo's behalf showed. Many said they feared retribution if they had testified against Iregbulem.

A memorandum of the hearing, signed by Roni Paschkes, then assistant University hearing officer, stated that both DelGardo and Iregbulem would receive the same sanctions: a verbal warning and disciplinary probation for one year.

DelGardo wasn't satisfied with the outcome. "There is something seriously wrong with the system here at Stony Brook," DelGardo said. "The school has to start catering to the needs of its students instead of the needs of known criminals."

Detective Steve Varga was the only witness at the hearing on behalf of DelGardo. "The Office of Student Affairs made no real attempts to accommodate for my cases' unusual circumstances," said DelGardo. "They didn't care that witnesses were threatened. Their inaction resulted in more violence."

Jason McCracken is another student who has been attacked by members of "La Familia." On December 5, 1994, McCracken was



Fred Gamble Jr., 25, 6'3", 190 lbs., was arrested on March 9, 1995, in the Indoor Sports Complex on charges of second-degree assault because of an attack on an undergraduate student.

Indoor Sports Complex to play basketball. The case against Gamble is currently pending. Information concerning Martin was unavailable.

Earlier this year, Iregbulem was arrested by University Police for the brandishing of a gun in Hand College on March 10, 1995 at 12:03 a.m. during a verbal altercation with another student. The *Statesman* reported the incident in the Police Blotter on Thursday, March 23. This incident was brought to the Office of Student Affairs. The exact details of the case are unknown, as judicial proceedings on all college campuses in the United States are exempt from Freedom of Information laws.

Because of the gun brandishing incident, anonymous sources stated that sanctions were rendered against Iregbulem. He was removed from his room in Hand College, Room 225, and apparently dismissed from the University. Anonymous sources also allege that Iregbulem is appealing the decision. It has also been alleged that Iregbulem's father may also be involved in the appeal process. The student who brought the case before the Office of Student Affairs wished to remain anonymous, and stated that all he wanted to do was put this matter behind him.

The *Statesman* has been provided with the names of several other individuals that may be involved with "The Family," but eye witnesses have refused to step forward in linking these individuals with the gang. Many state that these members will seek revenge if they release any details.

If you have any information regarding gang activity on campus, or any incidents regarding "The Family" or the actions of individual members of this group, please call Crime Stoppers at 632-TIPS. □

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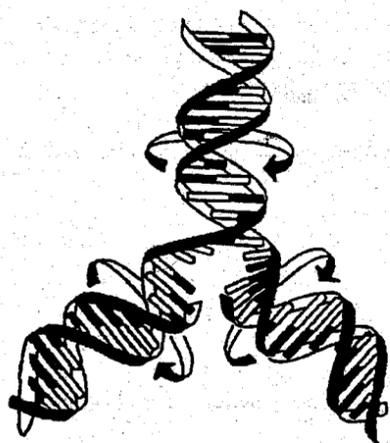
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By DAVID SAMUEL SHASHOUA

Oklahoma Bombing

In Oklahoma City, a terrorist bomb exploded at a Federal building on April 19, causing the deaths of at least 100 people (including children).

The FBI arrested one suspect, Thomas McVeigh, who was charged with the destruction of a federal building.

Another suspect, "John Doe 2", is still at large. There is suspicion that a right-wing militia group caused the bombing.

The Justice Department is investigating James and Terry Nichols, possible co-conspirators and material witnesses.

President Bill Clinton assured the nation that prosecution of a suspect in the bombing would be "swift and severe".

He proposed legislation to Congress to strengthen the FBI's security detail, so it can counteract domestic terrorism. Some civil rights organizations fear that such legislation would infringe upon the civil rights of Americans.

Senate Tax Proposal

Two U.S. Senators introduced tax legislation Wednesday to encourage Americans to save more.

According to a proposal by Sen. Sam Nunn (D-GA) and Sen. Pete Domenici (R-NM), the legislation would levy a 40% tax rate on spending rather than taxing income.

"There are many causes of inadequate private savings and investment," Domenici said. "Perhaps the most important is the disincentives created by our nation's tax policies."

This tax legislation is being proposed as other ideas (e.g. a flat income tax) is being circulated throughout Capitol Hill.)

Bomber Kills 16th

The "Unabomber" has attacked again, killing an employee of the California Forestry Service in Sacramento, California. This is the 16th time the bomber has struck in 17 years.

Federal agents said they have narrowed the investigation.

The bomber sent an anonymous letter to *The New York Times* (26 April) stating, "We are getting tired of making bombs."

The author of the letter asked to have a newspaper publish his views of anarchism, without any scrutinization. The *Times* refused.

Gun Ban Repealed

The Supreme Court struck down a federal law Thursday that banned guns within a local school zone.

The Court said, in a 5-4 decision, that the Congress exceeded its powers on regulation, because banning guns is a local concern and not a federal concern. Under the commerce clause, Article I, Section 8, Clause 3, Congress has the power to regulate interstate commerce, but not, according to the Court, intrastate commerce.

Banning guns in local schools is a intrastate commercial matter, under this new ruling.

This ruling, according to most legal scholars, might set back various regulating laws that Congress has passed in the last sixty years (since the New Deal of FDR).

Look for Mr. Shashoua's inside analysis of D.C. politics in *The Washington Chronicles*. Every Thursday, only in *Statesman*.

A History of Violence

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April 26, 1994 - First recorded incident between students and alleged members of 'La Familia', in the G2/F2 lounge in O'Neill College. Minor physical altercation between alleged gang members and an undergraduate.

May 8, 1994 - Altercation between the alleged ringleader of 'La Familia' and an individual student outside of O'Neill College.

May 10, 1994 - Six alleged gang members physically assault a student after pulling him out of his dorm room. According to anonymous sources, the six men are wearing ski masks, and repeatedly shout, "It's the family, kid," during the assault. Student is brought to the University Hospital.

May 19, 1994 - Alleged ringleader of 'La Familia' is suspended from his dorm room. He is allowed to return three weeks later.

September 9, 1994 - Student Affairs hearing due to attacks on April 26, May 8, and May 10. Witness fails to testify for plaintiff - both plaintiff and defendant receive the same sanctions.

December 5, 1994 - Another physical altercation involving one undergraduate student and two alleged members of 'La Familia'. Attack results in student being admitted to University Hospital with a fractured cheekbone. Warrants are issued for the arrest of these two individuals.

March 9, 1995 - Fred Gamble is arrested in the Indoor Sports Complex in relation to the attack on December 5, 1994.

March 10, 1995 - Yet another altercation between the alleged ringleader of 'La Familia' and another student in which a gun was displayed by the alleged gang member during the altercation. The alleged gang member is arrested by University Police.

April 6, 1995 - Student Affairs holds yet another hearing involving the student who allegedly brandished the gun on March 10, 1995. Student is dismissed from the University.

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institution. He also praised Kenny for starting the National Commission on Educating Undergraduates in the Research University.

"What a relief that you don't have to be a physicist named John to be President of this University," he said, referring to the University's past three presidents: John F. Lee, John S. Toll and John H. Marburger, all physicists.

In her Inaugural Address, Kenny first expressed her initial doubts about having such an extravagant ceremony, lauding the efforts of the inauguration steering committee to raise private funds to make the weekend possible. Kenny said that "it was important to affirm the future of Stony Brook now."

This was not to say that Stony Brook's past was irrelevant; Kenny also remarked how Stony Brook has grown "faster than any other university I can name. . . built from scratch, with no recognition of the seeming impossibility of the task [of growing from] a small college into a world-class research university." Still, this has "not made us complacent. Stony Brook is, as it has always been, a work in progress."

In these changing times, Kenny stressed the need to "re-engineer" the University in hopes of justifying our existence to "those who pay the bills."

In addition to improved communications, the University should also seek better and more efficient "modes of operation," she said.

Kenny also touched upon the effect of



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SUNY Chancellor Thomas A. Bartlett accidentally called President Kenny (seated left) "President Kennedy" in his congratulatory speech at the installation ceremony.

budget cuts on the University. "I am not ready to say that because the state is cutting our budget, we can only be second-class. I am not willing to be second-class." On this note, she called all the parts of the University to action: "Although the parts of Stony Brook are extraordinary, we have not yet realized the whole."

Kenny said she envisions "a future shaped by the attitude of winners, the sense of youth and energy to forge ahead

whatever the odds [and] the sturdiness to reach our goals." Kenny promised "a journey worth the taking," paved with "hard work, frustration and aggravation, and triumphs."

In conclusion, Kenny called her inauguration "a celebration of a glorious past and a commitment to an even more glorious future."

"I am ready," she said. "Together let's make that future ours." □

Inaugural Buffet Attracts Many

By KRISTINE SEITZ
Statesman Staff

While President Shirley Strum Kenny was being installed as the 4th President of SUNY at Stony Brook, the Physics Green was being transformed.

A large white tent was raised above the Physics Green. Centered beneath it was an extensive buffet prepared by Aramark, the company that runs the University's food service. The offerings included carved turkey, hot pasta dishes, stir fry dishes, cold salads, fresh fruit, vegetables, dips and a selection of cheeses.

"I'm just here for the food," senior Ken Flickstein said as people began to filter in. The early guests circulated among pastel covered tables and punch tables situated around the tent as the Stony Brook Jazz Ensemble began playing an upbeat selection of tunes for the afternoon.

Near the band, a display was set up to showcase the congratulatory letters sent to Kenny from colleges and universities from all over the country.

When the inauguration was completed, waves of people flowed into the tent from the Indoor Sports Complex. The talk was of the inauguration and of Kenny.

Natalia Brown, a sophomore, said that the inauguration was "boring." Jeff Morgan, also a sophomore, said that he expected more students to attend.

Freshman Daniel Halpert, on the other hand, described the ceremony as "fascinating."

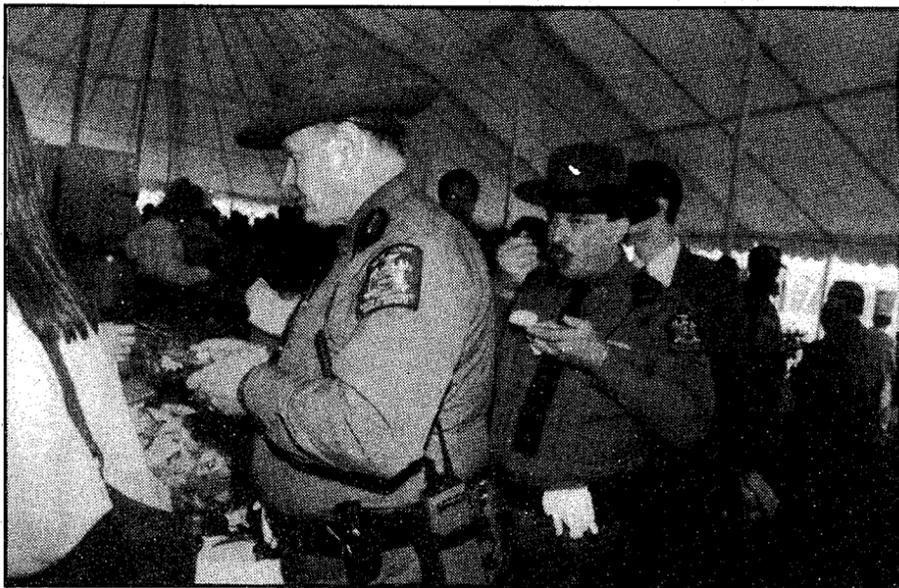
Participants in the ceremony had good things to say about Kenny's inauguration. Distinguished Teaching Professor in the Social Sciences, Shi Ming Hu, agreed with Kenny's speech. She said, "Waiting for the budget to decide what you can do isn't the way to succeed—you must start with what you have. And we must work as a

community—students and faculty together."

Bill Kuzmack, Associate Director of Student Accounts, was also energized by Kenny's address. "She did an excellent job," he said. "She set up a real challenge for us and I believe that we're up to that challenge. I look forward to a lot of years of

growth and development."

Kenny was jubilant as she joined the festivities, mingling among the guests and wellwishers. She was accompanied by her husband, children and grandchildren. When asked how she felt she smiled and summed it all up by saying, "It's been a great week." □



Statesman Photographs By John Chu

University Police enjoys the food provided by ARAMARK at the Inaugural Reception under the tent on the Physics Green.

New Mace Inaugurated, Too



Friday's ceremony also marked the inauguration of the official Stony Brook ceremonial mace. It was presented by the University Senate and was carried in Friday's procession by Mistress of Ceremonies Barbara Elling. The mace is made of silver and rare Honduran mahogany.

Maces were first used in processions in the 13th century, when they were borne by the sergeant-at-arms, a royal bodyguard established in France by Phillip II and in England by Richard I.

Kenny's 13 Goals

In her Inauguration Speech, University President Shirley Strum Kenny outlined her goals for the University by 2002.

1. Double the number of nationally ranked programs, by maintaining those already ranked, strengthening programs approaching national recognition and developing interdisciplinary research clusters.

2. Broaden the spectrum of excellence. Kenny noted how many programs which need less funding than the more expensive (but better known) ones are neglected.

3. Improve the Health Sciences Center by increasing research and promoting interaction between HSC and the other departments on campus. Additionally, HSC would work more closely with hospitals across Long Island to provide improved medical care.

4. Improve undergraduate education, not at the expense of research, but because of it. Kenny cites this as the purpose of the National Commission on Educating Undergraduates in the Research University. With this committee, she hopes to create a new curriculum integrating the "research, graduate, and undergraduate missions to provide a new kind of undergraduate experience available only at research institutions," making Stony Brook a model for undergraduate education at research universities.

5. Create a better environment for students. For undergraduates, there will be improved student services, from registration to advising. For graduates, there will be further fundraising to bring "the best of the best" to Stony Brook, and more help getting from school to a career, serving students beyond their time at Stony Brook.

6. Increase sponsored research by 60 percent. In the past few years, research has been increasing by 55 percent, "even in times when we have begun to worry about national research support."

7. Double or even triple external fund raising. This goal becomes even more urgent in light of increases in tuition and cuts in financial aid. It is Kenny's hope that "no deserving student will be deprived of a Stony Brook education for lack of funds."

8. Decrease administrative costs by 20 percent, while improving services at the same time, by improving efficiency, improving technology and simply saving money. She hopes that all personnel cuts will be voluntary, through retirement and attrition.

9. Improve and integrate the computer systems. "Within the next four years, our computer systems must be reconceived to meet our current needs."

10. Improve and better maintain "dormitories, classrooms, laboratories and outdoor spaces. . . We cannot learn, teach, or do research in sub-standard spaces. . . Our workplaces should convey the conviction that what we do here is important."

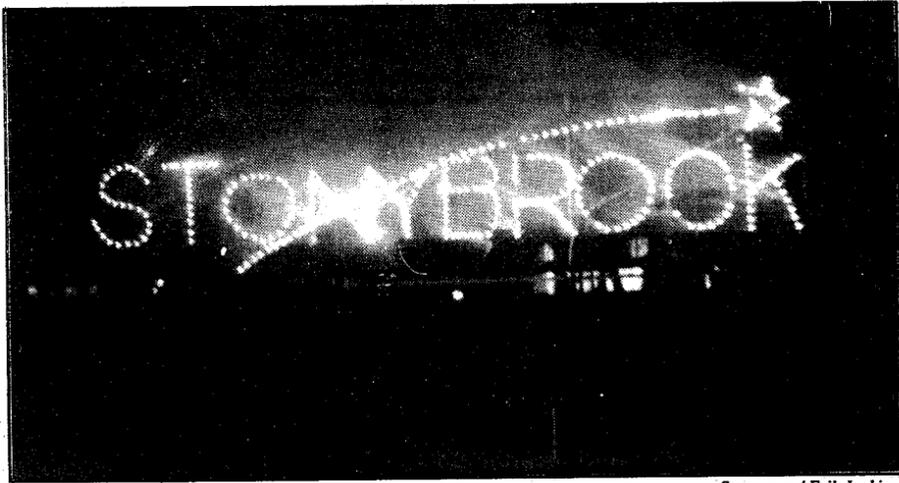
11. Become "a community of scholars in which every person is judged by his or her own strengths." By improving the diversity among faculty, staff, and administration, students will learn in a "global context." This not only means hiring more women and minorities, but "retaining and promoting them" as well. "Diversity at institutions of learning is not a luxury; it is a necessity for intellectual excellence."

12. Become more involved with the off-campus community, in particular to help revitalize the Long Island economy.

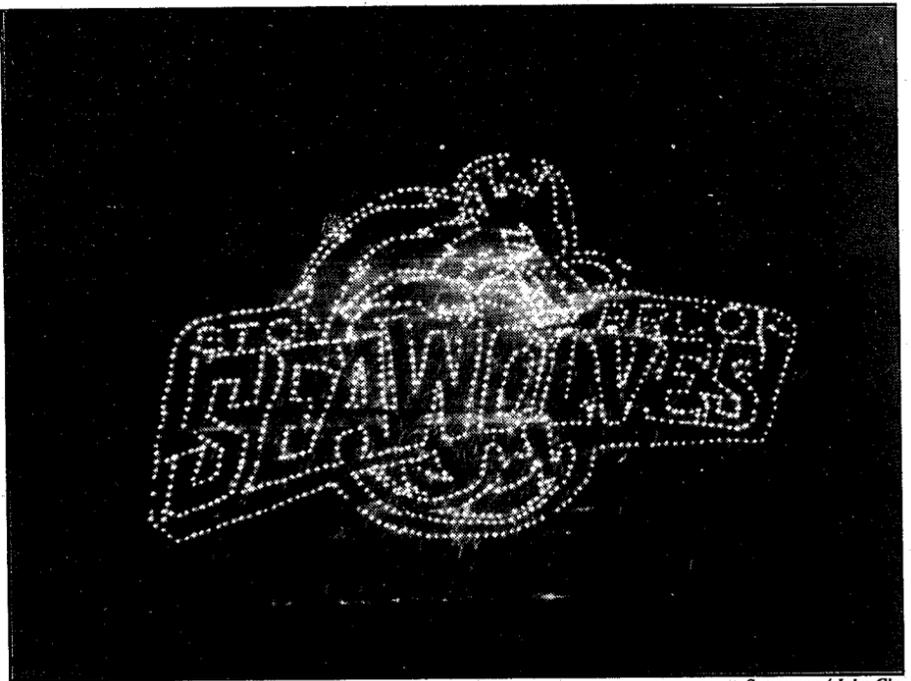
13. "Let the world know that Stony Brook has continued its meteoric rise in the ranks of American institutions. . . Stony Brook will not only be top tier, it will be widely recognized as top tier." □

- Jason Yung

Grucci Fireworks Spectacular Lights Up Stony Brook ⁷



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Last Thursday night marked "Spirit Night" in honor of President Kenny's inauguration on Friday. Students gathered to celebrate a "spirit of a new beginning" with performances and fireworks. Performers included talent show winners from around campus. Theta Phi Alpha performed their first place winning performance titled "A Tribute to Women," in honor of Kenny.

Unveiled at the beginning of the fireworks show was the new Stony Brook star logo (Top left) that was used on all materials relating to Kenny's inauguration. Also at the fireworks show, the Seawolves logo (Above) was lit up as the crowd cheered on.

Kenny and her family were at hand for the event. She appeared on stage and hugged the Seawolves mascot (left) and received a booming response from the crowd. The fireworks show and the Seawolves and Stony Brook logos were designed by the famed Grucci family.





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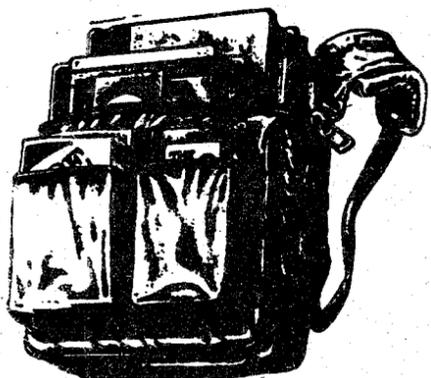
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Editorials

Women Set Back a Dozen Years

To us, it's really amazing. For the last few years, Stony Brook has touted itself as a multicultural, diverse and progressive university. With its growing Women's Studies program and the Center for Womyn's Concerns, Stony Brook has fought for the advancement of women on many fronts.

Apparently, however, not the entire University seems to understand the concepts behind gender equality. More importantly, most do not understand the means by which it can be obtained.

While Spirit Night, in general, is a great event that has become a Stony Brook tradition in just a few years, one portion of last Thursday's festivities set women at Stony Brook at least a dozen years.

The winners of this previous Thursday's talent show, Theta Phi Alpha, put on a display that will long allow women to be considered nothing but meat.

Their performance, called "A Tribute to Women," was obviously chosen as winner of the event for political reasons - that they were

trying to send out "the right message." But, apparently, none of the judges actually watched the show.

"A Tribute to Women" began with a depiction of 50's life. A sorority sister was dressed in a plain frock, holding a frying pan. Her "husband," another Theta, asked what was for dinner and then brushed by his wife as he headed off stage.

This promising beginning was followed by five dance numbers with era-style music from the 50's, 60's, 70's, 80's and 90's.

This, however, is where the bottom fell out.

Each decade was represented by a group of sorority sisters who danced to a song from the decade and wore outfits respective to that decade. At least, that was the intent.

What the crowd saw was groups of women doing nothing but dancing - as if that's all women can actually do - one group wearing less and less than the one before. There was nothing in the style of any of the dances that implied a woman could do anything but.

Much worse, women's progression was measured by the amount of clothing they were not willing to wear, and then further measured by the body parts they didn't mind fondling in public. The men of the crowd ogled. The women applauded. Even administrators loved the exhibition.

Breast cones and crotch grabbers - yeah, that's progress.

The only chance that this is progress is that a few years ago, for this display, the women probably would have been arrested for public lewdness. But, though they were not arrested, it was a crime - regression in the first degree.

The "display" ended with "the husband" at home cooking and "the wife" coming home and asking, "What are you cooking me for dinner?" Great. Nice message.

But the ends did not justify the means.

All that happened Thursday night during the performance was that women were cheapened to their prescribed role of fleshy bodies and baby-makers.

Progress? No.

Your Money Will Let the Courts Decide

"I question the integrity of Statesman as a student newspaper and representation of the student body. Miller and Korzenik's decision regarding the Sunshine Law has been disputed by several other law offices."

- Crystal Plati,
 April 24, 1995

"We will not stand for outright, brutal, unfounded attacks on our professionalism and integrity. We will not have our intelligence insulted."

- Statesman Editorial,
 January 26, 1995

Our out-going student government president's council-meeting comment brings up a few interesting concepts.

First and foremost, is entertains the question of what are they talking about?

The Stony Brook Statesman is not a representation of the student body? If Plati is talking about the make-up of the paper, there is no evidence to support her claim. Take a look at the staff box and note the diversity there.

If Plati is talking about the content of the paper, there is an equal lack of evidence. Math-

scam, NIA-scam, constant budget news, Polity coverage, special guide supplements to the communities in which we live, a letters page where all students can express their views, a monthly supplement where students can display their best literary work, and today's most important coverage of La Familia.

Do you get this from Polity? Many would probably say that The Stony Brook Statesman is a better representation of the students than is the student government.

Then there is the question of open government laws. For some reason, Plati and Leonard Shapiro (Polity's attorney) are focused on the Sunshine Law, which deals with open meetings.

The Statesman has been questioning Polity's position on the Freedom of Information Law - the state version of the federal Freedom of Information Act. This law deals with open records and has nothing to do with meetings - so we have no idea why they

are discussing the Sunshine Law.

As it turns out, the council and Mr. Shapiro have apparently rejected complying with New York State law and have decided to fight against the Freedom of Information Law - even though court precedent has been set saying they are wrong.

So, while The Stony Brook Statesman is looking to protect the best interest of the students, uncovering the scandals, providing crucial information, and supporting the betterment of Stony Brook, your student government is going to spend tens of thousands of your dollars fighting an already lost cause.

Plati's Newt-Gingrich-like, anti-media comments are unfounded and uninformed.

In light of her comments and Mr. Shapiro's professional opinion, one thing is clear: We'll see you in court.

LET EACH BECOME AWARE!

Why couldn't a paid election board hand-count votes during the weekend so that we'd have unofficial results for today?

"Where law ends, tyranny begins."

- William Pitt the Elder
 (1708-1778)

Letters & Opinions

It's About Money and It Makes Him Sick.

To the Editor:

Many humans seem to have a pathological, masochistic and potentially if not inevitably suicidal notion that any discovery made must be produced or utilized practically, materially, without any consideration for the long-term consequences of that action.

They do not weigh the pros and cons; they only consider the former and what they might be missing out on if the development does not occur, or if someone else discovers and produces it. They couldn't stand to see someone else profit from something that they chose not to for ethical reasons. They then say we should have done it. You see, it was developed anyway.

We even find scientists and others making statements like "It's not a matter of if it will be developed. It's a matter of when." They know that with sufficient financial backing, they are ensuring enough propaganda to win over the ignorant masses approval with misinformation. And once the public approves of anything, regardless of the consequences or ethical implications, business will supply it.

They convinced us that margarine was safe and 30 years later we find that it is more pernicious than butter. We were told to eat beef fat. We were all raised on it, and now we find that it causes a plethora of diseases.

It's about money. Everything is about money in a purely capitalist society and it sickens me. I don't believe that a different political system is the answer. As progressive and wonderful as socialism and communism may sound at first, I think there will always be room for corruption and deception as long as we are forced to act virtuously.

Kant would say, we must want to do the right thing, the moral thing, not because the consequences seem pleasing to us, for someone else might find a different path pleasing, but simply because it is the morally right thing to do.

Yet even if we take a utilitarian view, we must see that the universe is truly an ecosystem, as is our planet, and recognize that we can have a healthy economy and a healthy technology where neither one is supported by the war machine and neither one so drastically changes the natural environment in so short a time that we are unable to adapt, along with all the other infinite species we share the planet with, and cease to exist.

Sincerely,
Bruce M. Hardina

Double Standard in Student Groups Funding

To the Editor:

As the spring semester comes to a close, most students are busy studying for final exams and preparing to begin their summer jobs and internships. But some students have come under fire for their viewpoints. These young people are suddenly forced to dedicate their time and energies to preserve their rights in the face of a now entrenched campus thought

police.

It's been a banner year for Political Correctness on campus. I need not remind you about Lee Bass, the would-be donor of \$20 million to his alma mater Yale, and Rutgers president Francis Lawrence, a victim of his own PC web-weaving, who both know first-hand the ravages of political correctness on today's campuses.

Bass was forced to request that his donation be refunded after Yale administrators were unwilling to use the funds to develop a Western Civilization program. And Lawrence was indicted by his own speech code when he made reference to the ability of certain racial groups to perform on standardized tests. Unfortunately, many students have even more disturbing tales to tell.

This spring, for instance, universities have been coming under increased scrutiny over alleged double standards in the dispersal of student activity fees to student groups.

At the University of Virginia, nestled in the rolling foothills of the Blue Ridge Mountains where Thomas Jefferson made his home, both conservative and religious student groups have come under attack. Earlier this month, the student council approved the Student Appropriations Committee's recommendations to defund *The Virginia Advocate* and Habitat for Humanity. *The Virginia Advocate* is a conservative student magazine and Habitat for Humanity is a local student chapter of the national organization that builds housing for the poor.

What heinous crimes have these student groups committed?

The Virginia Advocate is charged with being a "political organization," and the Habitat for Humanity has been indicted on several counts of being a "religious organization." The University is sending a message loud and clear - at WA, diversity is only skin deep.

"We have been subject to discrimination because of our beliefs. *The Virginia Advocate* offers the only conservative yet non-partisan voice at WA," says Ellen Riegel, editor-in-chief of the magazine. "They went for the heart. I think they were looking for a reason to get rid of us."

The decision to defund the two groups came just weeks after the U.S. Supreme Court heard oral argument in *Rosenberger v. Rector and Visitors of the University of Virginia*, a case stemming from a 1991 University decision to deny funding to a religious student magazine, *Wide Awake*.

Briefs filed with the Court indicate that while Jewish, Muslim, environmentalist, and gay advocacy groups all received funding, the Christian magazine was singled out for exclusion. A decision in *Rosenberger*, which challenges the school's double standard in funding student groups, is expected by June.

If the University of Virginia was an isolated case of PC run amok, the need to sound the tocsin would not be so great. But the double standards are occurring on all too many campuses.

The Carolina Review, a conservative magazine at UNC-Chapel Hill, is filing a lawsuit in response to the Student Congress' decision to defund the journal, claiming that it was politically partisan. While the UNC Student Government Code prohibits funding of "programs, services or events of a religious or politically partisan nature," newspapers published by the Black Student Movement and BGLAD, a homosexual advocacy group, received university funds even though they both actively campaigned and endorsed candidates for office. *The Red and Blue*, another conservative magazine at the

University of Pennsylvania, was also defunded this spring.

At the University of Minnesota, the Student Services Fee Committee [SSFC] denied funding to two conservative groups: Students for Family Values and the Conservative Interest Research Group. The SSFC funds a variety of liberal groups including a gay, lesbian, and bisexual group, Ralph Nader's Minnesota Public Interest Research Group [PIRG], and YM, a feminist organization.

While *The Virginia Advocate* and the other two defunded magazines have obtained legal counsel and are appealing the decisions, student leaders of Habitat for Humanity have decided not to appeal. The decision came as a result of a discussion between the student chapter's president Andrew Chapel and WA Dean of Students Robert Canevari.

The University administrator told Chapel that because the preamble to the national organization's bylaws reflected the religious values of the group's founder, they were ineligible for funding unless they could prove that they were not religious. Strike up another one for the campus secularizers.

By censoring conservative and religious perspectives and groups from the public squares of our nation's campuses, these administrators are creating an uneven playing field, effectively depriving students of a free marketplace of ideas during their formative years.

Sincerely,
Ronald W. Rosenberger

Ronald W. Rosenberger, plaintiff in the *Rosenberger v. Rector case*, is a program officer at Young America's Foundation in Herndon, VA.

Clarification: Last Thursday's letter "Division I Athletics - Friend or Foe?" was written by Ivan Candelaria

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Statesman Features

Monday, May 1, 1995

Binge Drinking Common Among Freshman, Study Finds

CAMBRIDGE, Mass. (CPS) - University of Illinois freshman Andrea Salow says she woke up with a hangover her second day away at school.

"The first night there, a bunch of us ended up in someone's room doing shots of Goldschlager," says Salow, 18. "Nobody knew each other yet, so we just sat around drinking, talking about high school and stuff."

Like many new students, Salow's first campus experience with liquor came before she was fully unpacked. "I was sick the next two days," she remembers. "It wasn't exactly the way I wanted to start out at school."

Most college freshmen get drunk their first week on campus and begin a steady drinking routine that lasts throughout their stay at the university, according to a recent survey by the Harvard School of Public Health.

"The study indicates that college students drink early and often," says

Henry Weschler, author of the study, which is the second part of a survey on binge drinking. "They find a routine and latch onto it rather quickly."

Drawing on data from the first study, which surveyed 17,592 students from 140 colleges across the nation, Harvard researchers questioned 720 freshmen from the 13 unidentified schools with the strongest levels of binge drinking. According to Weschler, binge drinking is defined as consumption of five or more drinks in a row for men or four or more drinks in a row for women on one or more occasions during a two-week period.

The survey revealed that 78 percent of freshmen went on a drinking binge at some point during their first semester, with 54 percent doing so within the first week of school.

All of the freshmen surveyed said that alcohol was very easy to get on

campus, and 96 percent said campus drinking rules had no effect.

"It's pretty easy to get beer or something whenever you want it," said Linda Arlington, a sophomore at Ohio University. "It was easy in high school, and then you had to rely on someone's older brother or something. Here, you just walk down the hall and give someone money."

In addition to academic programs and student opportunities, 54 percent of the freshmen said they considered the social scene of the university when deciding where to go to school.

The study also found that:

- more than half of the students said it was "appropriate" to get drunk with friends or at parties.

- 54 percent said they sometimes regret what they do when they get drunk. The same percentage said they sometimes can't remember things they've done after drinking.

- male and female freshmen binge

at the same rate.

- 84 percent said alcohol consumption was a problem on campus.

Ruth Engs, professor of applied health science at Indiana University, says that drinking patterns usually diminish as students get older.

"Freshmen usually drink the most, but as students mature, they cut down on their drinking because they realize the negative effect it can have on their grades as well as their lives," says Engs. "They usually want to do the best they can, and they see that missing tests or even studying time because of what they did the night before can be very costly."

The latest Harvard study follows an earlier survey on binge drinking, which found that 87 percent of college students suffered secondary binge effects from drunk students. These effects ranged from insults to cases of sexual assault. □

Sugar Ray Will *KNOCK YOU OUT*

When I first saw Sugar Ray's debut album "Lemonade and Brownies" in my mailbox, I thought: 'oh god, record companies must be hard up for new talent because Sugar Ray Leonard is even putting out records.' If Shaquille O'Neal and Deion Sanders can make an album, I thought why not the ex-Middleweight Champion of the world.

Well, I was wrong. It wasn't the boxer, but instead: the tele-marketer (Rodney Sheppard), paralegal (Stan Frazier), truck driver

(Mark McGrath), and pizza chef (Murphy Karges), who make up the band Sugar Ray.

Their debut album has enough variety for everyone to enjoy it. This disc is a combination of rock, rap, soul, metal, and funk all rolled into one. The executive producer for this record, House of Pain's DJ Lethal adds his stamp to this outrageous mix. DJ Homicide who has become a permanent fixture in Sugar Ray's stage show does most of the scratching on the disc.

Vocalist McGrath says of the rap element: "We're just rap fans. Adding a hip-hop element to our music is a natural part of that appreciation." When referring to bands that were influential to him McGrath cites: *Van Halen*, *Beastie Boy's* "License To Ill," *The Sex Pistol's* "Never Mind The Bullocks," and *Ted Nugent*. These guys clearly have no boundaries.

One of the best tracks on the record showcases their rap and rock influences to a tee. It's the first song, "Rhyme Stealer." It just comes at you and smacks you between the teeth. The sound is aggressive and refreshing. It starts off with DJ Homicide scratching a record to a funky groove and then all of a sudden blasting

rap sound via *The Beastie Boys*.

And yet again, they have a slow groove sounding vibe that is reminiscent of 70's soul bands like *Sly* and *the Family Stone* and *Marvin Gaye*. Throw in a little *K.C. and the Sunshine Band* and you'll get the idea.

Sugar Ray's record label, Atlantic

Records may have themselves a potential superstar. Their sound is unpredictable and very appealing. They even have a song "Iron Mic," about the ex- Heavyweight Champion of the world, Mike Tyson. At least I wasn't too far off in what I initially thought this record was going to be about.

The Final Grade: B+



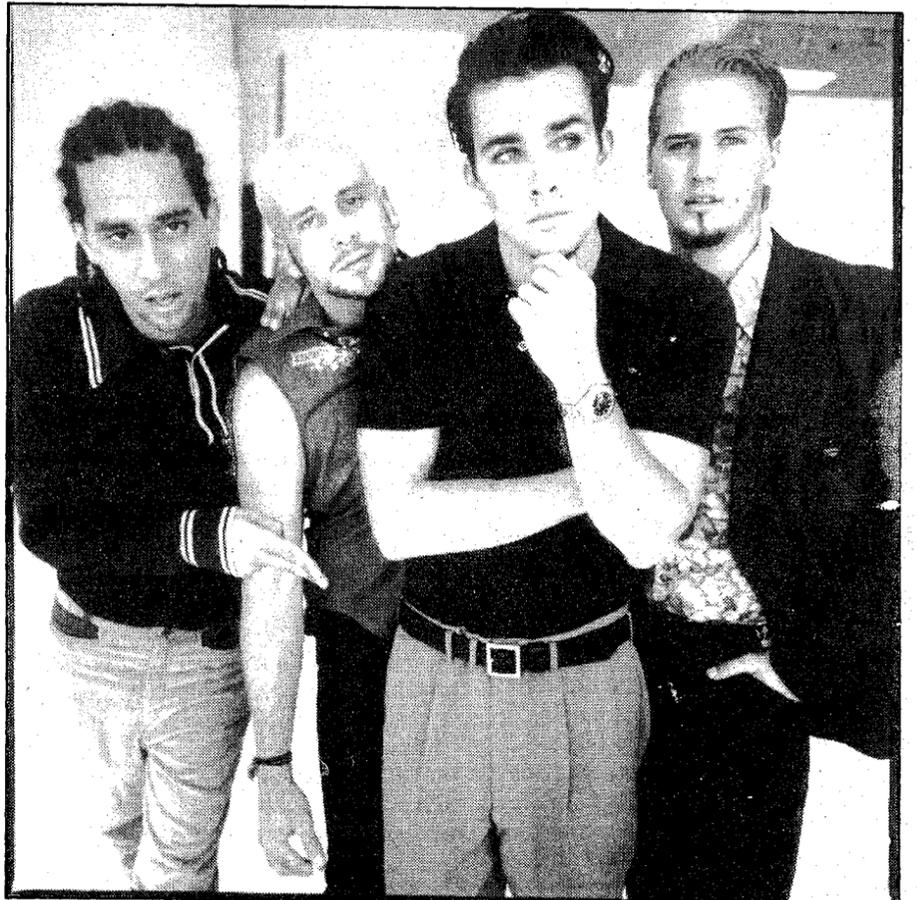
The Final Grade By Richard Vergara

off into a *Sabbath*-esque heavy guitar riff. This track smokes.

Another top track is "Mean Machine." The verses in the song remind me of *Iron Maiden's* 1990 single "Holy Smoke." So it's not all that original sounding, but it's a great song nonetheless. When I listen to it, I just imagine the Sugar Ray fans at one of their shows moshing until their hearts content. This track has *attitude* written all over it.

Some other solid tracks are "Big Black Woman," "Danzig Needs A Hug," and "10 Seconds Down." Vocalist McGrath says about the latter song, "I'm really bad in the sack. The problem is that I only last for about 10 seconds and I can only do it once. Seriously. Afterwards, I immediately need the remote control so I can switch on 'Sports Center.'" O. K., so they're not *U2*.

I am not at all sure how you would categorize Sugar Ray's sound. These guys seem to be the type of band that probably doesn't want to be placed into a category. They have a progressive (whatever that means nowadays) sound like *Nine Inch Nails*, a punk sound like *Offspring*, and a



Sugar Ray's debut on Atlantic Records has a little to do with boxing. Their rap/rock style prompted in-house critic, Rich Vergara, to award the new guys a TKO.

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“Sky's the Limit”

By John Chu

Nazis in the Outfield

By Cordell!!!! Z. Taylor

The shortstop didn't have a chance. It was a solid shot. Dad would've called it a ground ball with eyes.

The left fielder scooped the ball, hit the cutoff, and, because he hadn't hurled it directly home, a run scored.

Like a good center fielder, I had backed him up the whole way.

"Why the hell did you do that?" the right fielder demanded. "A run scored. You could've gotten him out, you panzy!"

The left fielder screamed: "You idiot! I had to keep the base runners from advancing any further! I've made the next out even easier!"

Runners on first and second. The next shot was a Texas leaguer into right field. I backed him up.

The right fielder had a gun of an arm. He threw it home. The guy on second tried to score, got pinned at the plate.

The left fielder shouted: "How could you take a chance like that? You're too aggressive."

Right field: "It worked! Shut the hell up!"

Left field: "You should do things my way! My way is correct. You messed up everything!"

Right field: "You don't know how to get the job done!"

Left field: "You just threw it home because the runner was a lefty. You hate lefties. All right fielders do!"

Right field: "You should talk! All you guys in left field hate righties!"

Left field: "We do not, you moron! At least I play the game fair."

Right: "Bleeding heart left fielders always think their right. You've got delusions that everybody's fair."

Left: "You're not fair! You don't give anybody a chance, you right-handed racist!"

Right: "This is a game. We have to win."

Left: "We're here to have fun."

Right: "Win!"

Left: "Fun!"

Right: "Win!"

Left: "Fun!"

The next shot was a dead center fly. I took care of it. Side retired.

Thank God managers still have the common sense to place their best outfielders in center. The other two guys were too busy arguing that they didn't even back me up, didn't even budge.

I hoped the next half inning would keep me on the bench for a while and maybe get some runs for us, not to mention some peace and quiet for myself.

I hit a grounder that ended the inning with a 6-4-3 double play.

Hey, nobody's perfect. ■

You spat on my cheek, but that's okay.

By Christopher Chu

Sanctimony in my thoughts,
sitting in a diner
with a cup of coffee and mushroom omelets;
in paradise once lost.
Watching dragons in the cold
breathless;

all the little things are what counts

precious ink to tattoo my skin
there for me to remember this moment
forever

With the company of friends
begging for intimacy.
her smile:
so satisfying in its innocence
so opens a fortune cookie;
spilling out stolen glances;
and new found dreams
to fill an empty place
happiness is an order of take-out.

*For tonight I will be fate's keeper.
I will be a night of
great joy and merriment.
No longer shall she be the light
by
which I may see.
No longer shall she bind
my heart in an
incestuous vice.
Tonight shall be fate's keeper,
I shall chain her to Hades door.
Unrelenting, Unchanging, Unforgiving,
as she has been to me.
Take care sweet foe, for now
it is my time to
be
Fate's keeper.*

By Altaf Shaikhi

My "D"

By Foyzal Zaman

She is dead
She fell into a lake
I walked to the lake, sorrowfully
buried her broken love

In the world she was a presence
perhaps she was very bright
She was a love for all
caring for her loves.

I watch the changing shadow
I watch the changing reality

By her grave I took a flower
I watched as its heart fell from my hand
I passed my hand over her grave
Her heart shattered
The last bit of life in a dying heart
I hear a baby cry
Mysterious Night was over
I turned over regretfully

The water risen to reach to cover its sin
The night was full of darkness

I despaired to reach to her
I stood through the dark hours and hours
I asked how is heaven
I was speechless by the mystery

I buried my love.

The Way Through

By Daniel Omel

Electric light enlightens the street. Cabs constantly carouse the city coming through the way street. Large brownstones line the way. A maple tree rests next to the lamp. It stands as tall as any man. It is enlightened on the right and dark on the left. The street is illuminated by artificial light. Trees cast their shadows like dice on the pavement. It is ten to six a.m.. The way through is quiet. The lamp is blown out.

*Within true love
Lies deep sorrow
Happiness is fleeting
And gone tomorrow
Love does die
And joy turns to pain
This bitter world drives some insane
Many search
But few discover
The true affections of another
A lonely soul
I feel from within
But an uncontrolled heart can never win
Better to love with your mind
So as to choose to whom you bind
Because scars of love they cut too deep
Those memories forever you will keep*

By Fernando E. Lastra

TIGER MAN

By N.M.N.

Mother is lying awake tonight,
waiting for the slow creaking of the door
and my kiss on her lips —
summer breeze, bubble-gum breath.

Please take me home.

Her insides are writhing.
A mother knows.
She is dying below these August stars
along with me.

Mommy, don't cry.

The school yard is closed,
why am I here?
The Tiger Man has found me,
He's chewing on my flesh.

Tiger Man, Tiger Man, please let me go.

Cold broken glass scarring my back,
You, scarring my life.
As claws tear denim like tissue paper,
my mind blows away with the wind.

Prowler.

I have aged twenty years
at the scrape of your paw.
I can almost see Mother's flesh
beginning to fold and crease.

Now you leave?

The corpse of a child
lay broken in the schoolyard
as I walk home to kiss
Mommy's wrinkled face goodnight.

Sonnet III: Buoyancy

By Wayne Mennecke

Along sheltered shores waterfowl flock
 like ship to port no single bird will stray
 but gentle thumps of vessel bumping dock
 loosen tangled lines from rocking quay.
 Chin touches chest, eyes grow
 heavy, dropping like a rusted anchor
 the dull ochre just visible below
 foundering chain plunging shadowed water.
 A thought to secure the ship now drowns
 in restless sleep. Lakewater licks the hull
 like wagging tongues of seven thirsty hounds
 sloshing drink from a rancid waterbowl.
 Heedless nods become a sleeping break
 and the moorings slip, settling at the bottom of the lake.

The pain I have felt will only take me higher
 This world exhausts me but no I will never tire
 For I am the Phoenix reborn within the fire
 Resurrected from my death by my savior and Messiah
 So I strive everyday to take myself to a higher realm
 On Apollo's chariot towards the sun I take the helm
 And like the Eagle I soar alone towards the heavens
 I fear nothing for I embody the number Seven
 My soul is too deep perhaps you do not understand
 But I need not explain for I am my own man
 For I survived the cold dark waters with which this world tried to drown me
 And now I compel the very stars to revolve around me
 For I am creator of my world
 And creators must be hard
 So look closely at my face and you will see the scars
 Of a life filled with pain
 That has been overcome
 Father unto myself
 I am only my God's son
 So pray to God your father
 For the power to elevate
 Within your hands lies destiny and the creation of your fate

By Fernando E. Lastra

Myself

By H.L.M

I was flying like a bird in spring air,
 I am Brancusi- no no.
 Dreams fill my lucid mind with lust and intensity.
 I am Dali- no no.
 Your tender eyes leave a depression on my simple mind.
 I am Magritte- no no,
 Cubes fill my mind and you distort me like the way you shatter
 my image.
 I am Braque- no no.
 Flat forms, bright color- I will have no other
 for I am Matisse- no no.
 Your body is full and supple and your luscious breasts are
 heaving but you have no face.
 I am the Venus of Wilendorf- no no.
 The truth must come out
 for I am only-
 only-
 only-
 myself- no no.
 I am many many selves I am everyone
 as one
 although I
 am all alone.
 alone.
 I deny myself to exist I am
 a metaphor- no a simile-
 Whores Pimps Trees- Beloved Poppypeeds
 sunshine
 rape
 I can't anticipate
 -myself.

I Have Walked

I'm up all night writing for my life, existence beneath a
knife, cutting through resilience and tearing out my bowls
like Helter Skelter

I need shelter, I need love, something new in the groove to
keep on moving, to keep on proving that my feelings are real
and that I exist

I have walked through lakes over reverence looking for the
words, doubting, shouting, does anything work ?

I am still young, dumb, embarrassed of what I do not know,
everything is spun out in efforts, every night I waste is
angry with escaping vision, jettisoned into the void

Reaching out towards the diamond light, the forlorn wisdom
known all too easily by others

Shifting my position if only physically I must take on a
larger role in the politics of the cosmos

Many times asking the question - Where is my garden, my
sojourn into the holy land, my romance under moonlight,
fading away like summer ...

II

Fading into a world curled and twisted, enlisted into armies
of shame, refrained from the pain, blind to the pain,
falling into eternity

This is the world we've chosen, shine guilt built for
sorrow, come back tomorrow and expand the command we've
found around your ignorance, recalcitrance, malevolence,

By Michael Oliva

troubled and ignored

I have walked through this world with a chip on my shoulder,
smooth angered smolder molded and folded tripping and hungry
at dawn

III

I have walked through the doorway which leads
to the day

I have walked through the doorway to see vacant
soul'd men and women searching for sanctity
among the junk like wails of lonely street lamps
at midnight, and their light which blinded
them with the crimson carnage of greed and lust

I have walked through the doorways of retribution
and seen the tired children of opposition,
trying and sighing and lying to insolence
dying tired

I have walked through the doorways of jails and
brothels of churches and perches and dreams
of desire

I have walked through the doorways of a thousand
years and a thousand sorrows and seen a
thousand people
falling
and
crying
and waiting in the lonely darkness
for someone or something
which may never arrive to save them...

Fun

By Daniel Omel

Green dreams are empty like the bottle in his hand. Cans, spread like butter on the floor.
At the door David is dead or sleeping. Sunday service sounds with a pipe organ next door.
"I swear I'll never drink again," said Sam his thousandth time.

OPEN

By Ryan Hikata

As I bout with fitful wakingness,
 My fever reaches a fervent pitch, the mind is ever willing but
 the body fades to rest and sleep...
 Hope stands stake alone in the corner of my bedroom,
 We lie apart separated by the cold and my covers
 I will not drink or take that pill, no.
 I must see you clearly in your most demure clothing,
 in your most composed posture.
 Images and emotions blend, but I keep a thorn in the back of my
 brain, a sharp intruding stethoscope to feel your presence,
 sit here, still felt as I go, go, go ... to sit—
 harder and harder it becomes to breathe of naked dreams of you,
 the warmth and abandon of the bed and the dead
 nestled close to the naked breast.
 Oh but dreamt warm soft beaches and rustling leaves
 must be trampled under your fleeting foot to restless horizon
 burning, burning as I chase you into the sun, my muscles and nerves ache
 my head is ablaze... but a cold sweat begging to relieve me
 like the cool wind under clouded skies and the gross chill of my
 bedroom. I sleep in sleep nevermore.
 Oh hope don't you want me to cross your sacred border!
 I'll rise for you from hateful happiness,
 I'll kill for you those shallow loves,
 I'll sin for you against these willful ideals,
 because we believe in God, because we believe in the idiot suffering in the corner
 of the room... you can abandon your scattered heart, your
 unending dreams, you can leave it all where I'll take you, where I'll take you.
 I'll rest in you, to rest with you, I'll rest with you to rest in you,
 to rest not to dream.

Thirst

By Irtiza Mohamrred

Should I tell you something
 Should I let you know
 Your thoughts are in my mind
 I have fallen in love with you.

Too many questions filled with emotions
 What is this pain?
 What is this thirst?
 My heartbeat is getting restless
 Why can't I just stay away

The storm of your love is shattering my heart
 And these emotions are the burden of my soul.
 How can I let you know?
 Should I close my eyes?
 OH GOD! Please let me know.

Who we truly are
 Is who we are within
 Not many people know
 This world of appearance is paper thin
 Some times it breaks the heart
 That those you love can not truly see
 So sad they can't look further
 Past the way things seem to be
 So flee to your solitude my friend
 Alone you must strive to overcome
 And take solace my friend in knowing
 That alone
 How many battles you have already won

By Fernando E. Lastra

Alisa M. Chang

Christopher Chu

What if,
there was no god?
No heaven, no hell.
No Krishna to come forth again.
No bird to arise from it's own ashes,
to declare itself a new day.

What if,
energy and matter
could truly neither be created
nor destroyed?
All things become finite...
What if life and death were just something biological;
no magic, no mystery, no wonder.

Then let me become apart of
the sun that shines upon her face,
and wakes her from her sleep.
Let me become apart of the night that
holds her as she walks into the darkness
when nothing illuminates but the stars that look
down.
Let me become the water that quenches her thirst, and bathes her skin.
let me be the fire that warms her she is cold.

Let all things become.
If only life were all things beautiful.

Love Vigilantes

He is on his knees
She listens to him
in the vast emptiness of the night
He is so sorry
She is so lonely
whispered reconciliation's, shadows of a fight.
Desperately he grasps her hand
numbingly, for the last time, she holds his fingers to her face
and slowly tears are shed.
in argument of "what is right"
Once again love is lost
Under the moon's haloed light

Manhattan Underground

By Heemin Kim

Midnight. An old skinny black man in
A red parka rain jacket over a
Blue hooded sweatshirt over a
Blue and white striped poly-cotton blended
Button down.

Thin, worn gray corduroy jeans.
Sitting on a sheet of cardboard above a
Milkcrate.
In the rear of the steps leading to the E-
Train platform.

Playing the guitar-
With his black vinyl case open with a
Few coins inside,
Black capped head bobbing with the slow music,
Legs tapping the ground.
Looking up only to thank contributors with a smile
And a nod.

Each small crowd disperses as the train arrives,
Still throughout the noise of each train the song survives.

Playing music that sounds like
Jimi Hendrix crying,
Dying.
Seeking heaven above.

New York

By Daniel Omel

The city bums with fire on
Saturday night. It is a new body.
I'm excited and shy. Its vibrant passion
puts me under pressure.
I desire it. I need it now.
I never hungered
and starved in such a city.

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Company Of Idiots

By Kendrace! Miller

In the company of idiots
I sit everyday.
Wondering how I should act,
and what I should say.

They sit in a pack
that's uncomfortable and unclean.
They carry a rancid odor,
that of a week old sardine.

They whisper and they babble.
They truly have no class.
It probably wouldn't hurt
if they received a kick in the ass.

My brain is undernourished.
It feeds on thoughts honest and sweet.
Their brains are decrepit and hollow,
with thoughts that remain incomplete.

These people are as dense as detergent
that couldn't clean a stitch.
The filth will never come out,
for every plan has a glitch.

These morons are people I know,
the people who have no guts.
Some are women who call me a dog.
These same women are also called sluts.

I cannot tolerate idiots.
Their depth perception is low.
They've planted their seeds too close to the surface,
they cannot possibly know.

Next to me is a group of dumb,
insensitive intolerant jerks.
The group of them could not come up
with a single brain that works.

I am in the company of idiots
and this is no lie.
Life is indeed a bitch,
and then you die.

Newton's Third Law

By Wayne Mennecke

I leaned my ladder against
a chestnut

tree and on my way
up to pluck down fruit

I met a squirrel
on his way

down to pick up
nuts under the

chestnut tree that leaned
against my ladder.

What You Gonna Do?

By Dennis M. Fekert

And she was beautiful.
Less than two years have gone by.
I killed my best friend the other day.

I was drunk.
I left as the sun went down, the cover of night.
They said it was humane, he didn't need to suffer.
He expired before my eyes. This pure and fine creature,
this pure and fine soul. What are you gonna do?
What you gonna do? Somebody tell me.

Her light shone thru the alcoholic haze and slapped my face.
And she was beautiful.
This pure and honest person, this pure and honest soul.
What are you gonna do? What you gonna do?
Didn't need to be told.

Under the cover of night I left the city of angels,
I bought a snickers in case I got hungry.
There would be little rest, I was headed into doom.
No need to hurry, doom is patient.
It came out to greet me, resting in my throat as a wad of bile
that no amount of budweiser could cut thru.
There were many turnoffs on the way.
Crossroads.
What are you gonna do?
You do what you gotta do.

DiCaprio Holds Court in "Basketball Diaries"

(CPS) - Shoot, score!

Leonardo DiCaprio just can't miss. The young actor first won acclaim starring opposite Robert DeNiro in "This Boy's Life," earned an Oscar nomination for his stunning performance as a retarded teen in "What's Eating Gilbert Grape?" and held his own with Sharon Stone in "The Quick and the Dead."

Now, there's "The Basketball Diaries," a powerful drama based on the autobiographical, drug-enhanced musings of rocker Jim Carroll. As a youth growing up on New York's mean streets, Carroll excelled for a time at high school basketball, then slid into a seamy existence fueled by heroin, petty crimes, prostitution and violence. "Diaries" is strong stuff, explicit and often unflinching, and DiCaprio's effective performance - especially an agonizing withdrawal sequence, has Best Actor Oscar nomination written all over it.

On this April Day in Manhattan, a loose, friendly DiCaprio, who looks far younger than his 20 years, faces the media at a Manhattan hotel to promote "Diaries." It's pointed out to him that young actors these days seem to be tackling riskier material than their peers of years ago. DiCaprio disagrees. "Movies for young actors have changed," argues DiCaprio, who made his big screen debut in "Critters III" after playing a recurring role in the TV sitcom "Growing Pains." "We're taken a little more seriously now as people in the business. I'm no spokesperson for my generation. It just seems the movies we're getting offered now, as compared to the Brat Pack days, are better. There are a lot more movies being produced about young men, unfortunately (for women), more coming-of-age stories. That's good for me.

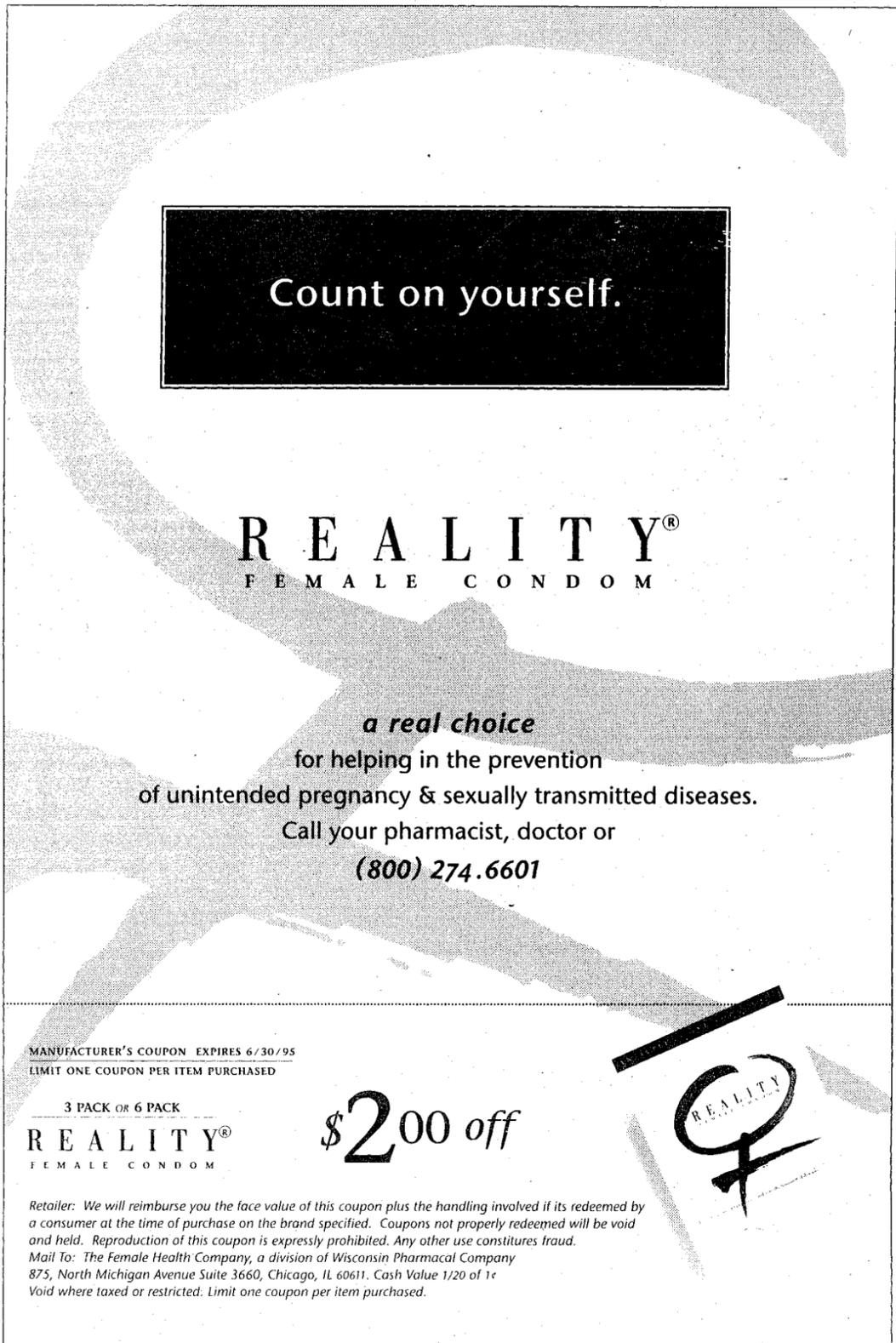
"I was comfortable with the material in ('Diaries'). As far as an acting standpoint was concerned, there was so much for me to do. I saw a lot of color in the character and a lot of ways I could go. Doing those scenes, like the withdrawal scene, that I'd never experienced before was like, 'Whew!' I had to turn into a little primal beast. Doing those scenes where I'm strung out were weird to get into at first. But once I did, I got to explore what it was about. I didn't really rehearse them physically. I just went in there, knew what I was going to do and just did it."

Jim Carroll himself served as a consultant on "Diaries." He even shares a scene on screen with his cinematic alter-ego. DiCaprio reports that he and Carroll discussed the film quite a bit and became friendly, but that they never tried forcing a connection. "We just hung out a lot in my trailer, on the set, and we just talked. I asked him questions about the movie, about the character, and all the different drugs. The cool thing about Jim is you can ask him anything, and you'll get the most detailed answer on the planet, and it'll be completely honest."

Ultimately, DiCaprio sounds pleased with "Diaries," explaining that it does justice to Carroll and delivers a profound warning about the evils of drugs simply by depicting the toll they took on one person who was lucky enough to survive. "When I saw the film I walked away disgusted by heroin. The movie has a lot more aspects than that," notes the actor, "but the thing that held me the most was 'I'm never going to try that.' The movie is not pushing a big anti-drug message, it's just showing what can happen, and what happened to Jim. That gives a certain message to people, especially kids, without beating you over the head with it."

DiCaprio, who lives in Los Angeles, will next be seen in the art house film "Total Eclipse," in which he portrays the French poet Rimbaud opposite David ("Naked") Thewlis as Verlain. His name has also been banded about for lead roles in Francis Coppola's version of "On the Road," a "Romeo and Juliet" remake, and the long-delayed James Dean bio-pic. Not at all a stupid fellow, DiCaprio knows all eyes are on him and that huge things are expected of him in the future.

Yet, wisely, he prefers to simply give all he can to one role at a time and let the chips—awards, the media spotlight, stardom—fall where they may. "I want to keep on level of doing films that interest me. Hopefully, there will be enough business to support my films financially, for them to break even. If they make money, great. All I want to do." DiCaprio concludes, "is keep on looking for the next interesting character. That's all I'm concerned with now. Of course, there's pressure on me to do good work. I try my best to do that, and that's all I can do." □



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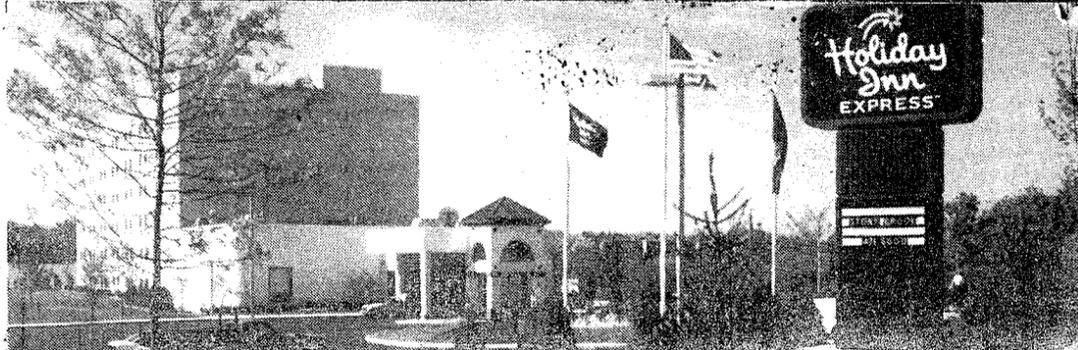
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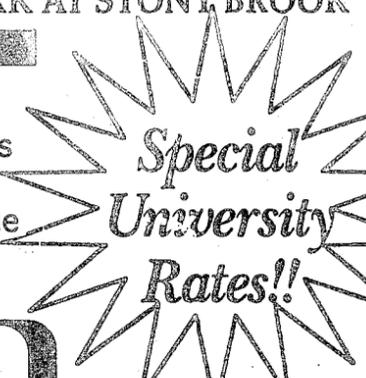
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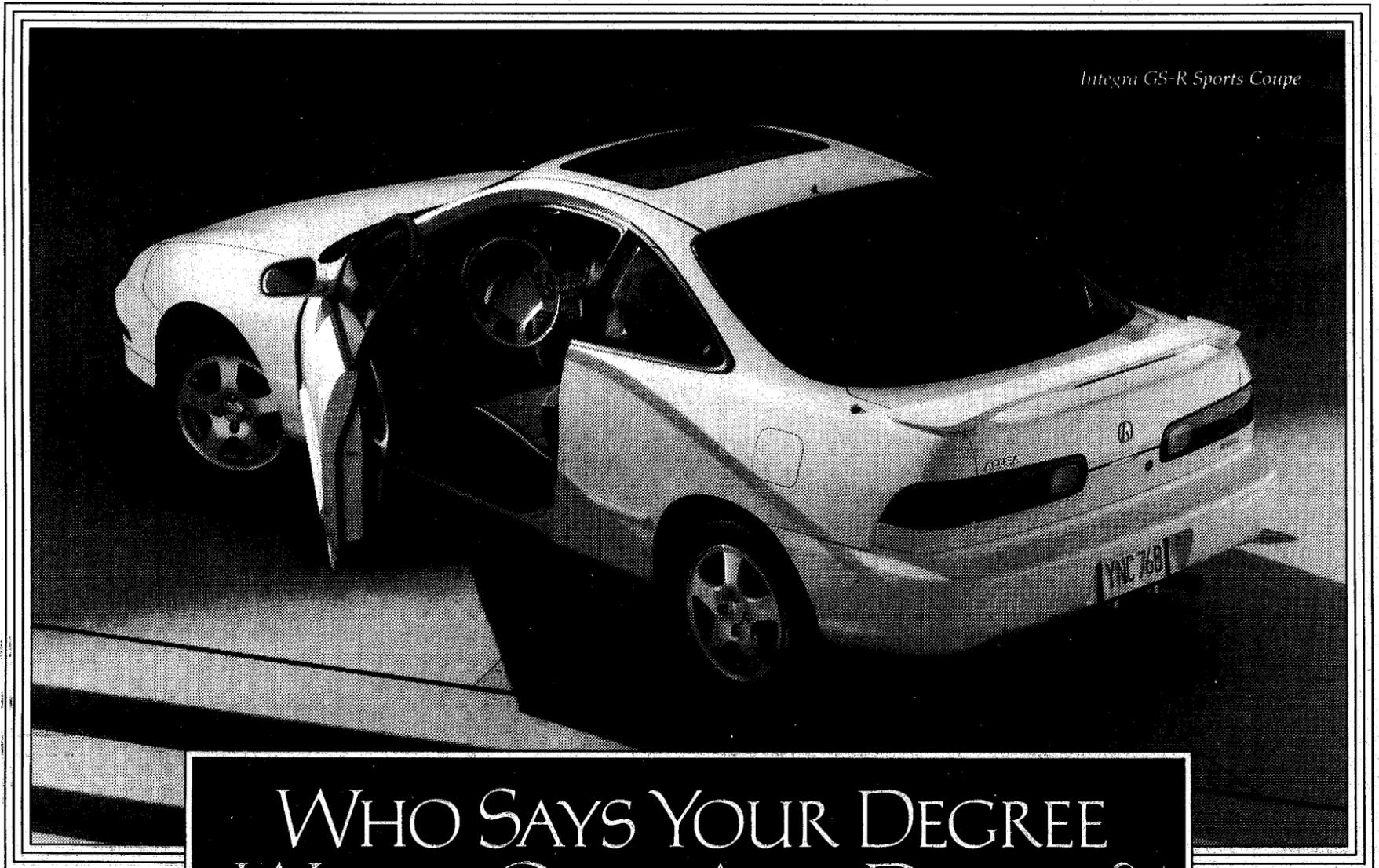
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Allegations of SAT-Inflating at New College ¹³

SARASOTA, Fla. (CPS) - New College administrators recently rallied together to rescue the crumbling image of what has been billed as State University System of Florida's top honors school.

USF President Betty Castor and top officials of New College attempted to deflate a *Wall Street Journal* report that New College "deliberately inflated its Scholastic Aptitude Test scores by lopping off the bottom-scoring 6 percent of students." The report stated that by removing the bottom 6 percent, the average for freshman SAT scores was lifted by 40 percent. New College has consistently been named the best buy in undergraduate education by "Money" magazine, based partly on those SAT scores.

"It's misleading and unfair. It's not been the practice for the last two years, and the reporter who wrote that article knew that," Castor said.

She confirmed that at one time shearing the bottom 6 percent was the policy, but said that now it is not.

In its report, the *Journal* said that *Money* magazine's 1994 college guide lauded the freshman class' average SAT scores but that the scores given to the magazine from the college were false.

Wall Street Journal national education

reporter Steve Stecklow, who wrote the story, said the newspaper stands behind the information in the story.

"We did not report any information that we knew to be false," Stecklow said from his Boston home April 5.

Money magazine managing editor Frank Lalli said the new information will change the way the magazine rates colleges and universities.

"If it is true, we are certainly not happy about the information. In the past we have taken the colleges' word for it. We did some basic spot-checking," he said. "Because of this report we are going to look at schools even more closely. We will be looking very closely at the scores from [New College]."

Lalli said this raises questions about the integrity of USF as a whole. "This reflects badly on the school, if it is true. We don't want to pass on information that is not accurate," he said.

But he said the starting freshman SAT scores are not among the 16 factors the magazine looks at when it rates colleges.

"From what we can tell, [New College] would still do very well in our survey," he said.

In response to the allegations in the story, USF released a statement that said the *Journal*

article was misleading in two ways. The statement said the college no longer drops the bottom 6 percent of scores and had not done so for two years. The release also said the college has stopped reporting average SAT scores and is instead reporting the middle 50 percent range of scores.

"The implication is that we are misrepresenting ourselves to score highly in national ranking. Nothing could be further from

the truth," the prepared statement read.

The *Journal* story said that New College Admissions Director David Anderson regularly raised the SAT scores until just recently and that this was used as a "marketing strategy" in the battle to attract the nation's top students.

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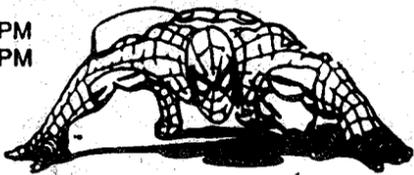
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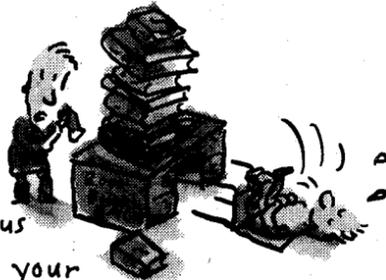
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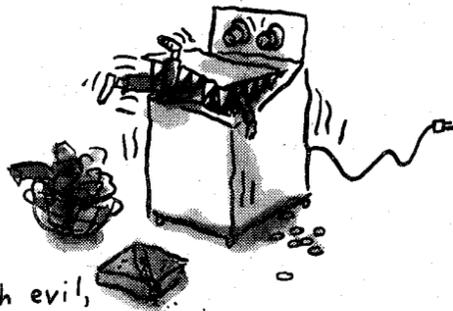
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Spring allergies. For many, they are the enemy, the source of sleepless nights and runny noses.

"Most people come in with symptoms of a runny nose with clear discharge, runny, watery eyes that itch and a nose that itches," said Harriet Kolmer, who is serving her fellowship in the allergy clinic at the UV Health Sciences Center. "These are typically symptoms of hay fever."

For some people, however, allergy symptoms far exceed hay fever's common discomforts.

"If someone has asthma, they may have chest tightness and shortness of breath," Kolmer said.

Various pollens cause most of those symptoms.

"The main allergens are grass and trees," Kolmer said. "Usually tree pollen starts in the beginning of April and lasts throughout all of April. In May and June, grass pollen is present. Ragweed is typically a fall, August and September weed that causes allergies."

Unfortunately, allergy sufferers have few options short of living in a plastic bag.

"There's little you can do short of avoidance and staying indoors, which we don't recommend," Kolmer said. "Mainly just take antihistamines."

But students expressed wariness for drugstore relief.

"I used to have a prescription, but I became immune to it," first-year UV student Mandy Renaghan said. "I tried over-the-counter medications, but they made me really tired. So now I just bring a lot of tissues with me to class."

"There are some prescription antihistamines that don't cause sedation," Kolmer said. "Seldane, and the newer one,

Claritin, tend to be less sedating."

But other options exist for those suffering from persistent symptoms and nasal cavity inflammation.

"There are anti-inflammation nasal sprays," Kolmer said. "One is steroids which don't get absorbed into the

system. Another is Cromolyn, which also reduces inflammation. They both allow someone to breathe a little easier through the nose."

An otolaryngologist, or ear, nose and throat doctor, also helps allergy sufferers.

"We see allergy patients primarily because people are tired of having congestion in the spring and fall," said Michael Ward, an Otolaryngology resident at the Health Sciences Center. "They often have nasal congestion, and clear drainage is impeded."

Otolaryngologists prescribe antihistamines and steroid nasal sprays to cut down on congestion, Ward said.

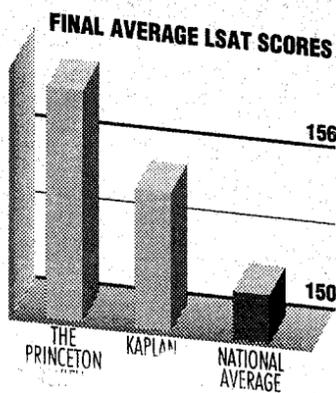
Allergy shots are another common option for allergy sufferers. The shots, which doctors give for extended periods of time, are sometimes used if a patient does not want to take medication but is absolutely miserable all summer from allergies, Kolmer said.

"With hay fever allergies, some people stay on shots for 15 to 20 years, while some get shots for five to six years and then stop taking them and are fine," she said.

Sometimes, if doctors do not treat and alleviate those allergy symptoms, allergies can lead to sinusitis and sinus infections.

"Sinuses are normally air filled pockets located in the forehead, over the cheeks and deep in-between the eyes," Ward said.

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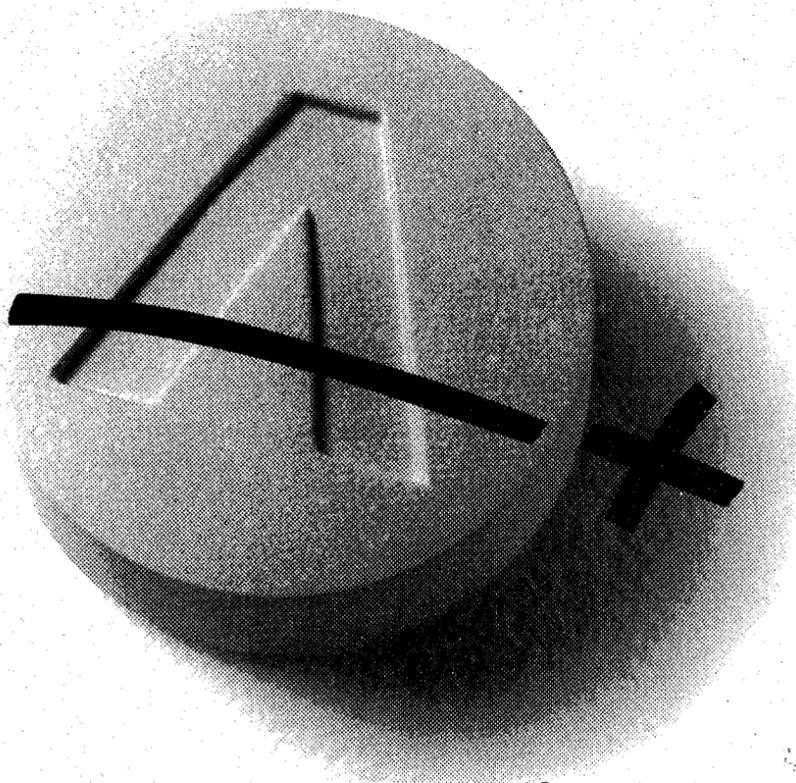
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Sinusitis is a sinus infection obstructing the sinus' normal draining pattern.

"Allergies can cause sinusitis," he said. "With allergies, you could get the lining on the nose so swollen you can impede draining and bacteria backs up, causing sinusitis. Other things also cause sinus infections, like colds."

Renaghan sometimes experiences sinus infections because of allergies. But she said, "Sometimes your sinuses can be full and you can have problems with allergies without it being due to a sinus infection."

"Not all allergies, though, will lead to sinusitis or a sinus infection," Ward said.

Besides complaints about pollen, medical workers often deal with dangerous bee stings during the summer.

The number of bee stings "definitely rises starting in the summer in our clinic population," Kolmer said. "We haven't seen a rise yet, but I imagine in the next month or so the numbers will probably rise."

Allergic reactions to bee stings can be dangerous and are potentially life-threatening.

"Treating the bee sting depends on the reaction," Kolmer said. "If it makes the

throat swell so the person cannot breathe, we can treat it with immunotherapy, which is the same thing as allergy shots."

Shots for bee stings involve a process called desensitization. A person is given small doses of what they are allergic to, such as bee venom. As the doses increase, tolerance builds up in the body.

"The desensitization usually takes three to four years to complete," Kolmer said.

Bee-sting patients also may carry an epi-pen, allowing a person to give themselves a shot of epinephrine if a bee stings him.

Regardless of the allergy's nature, sufferers should be aware of their own body's reaction to summer's outdoor obstacles and be prepared to fight the stuffy noses.

Allergies tend to run in families, but such trends never can be certain, said Sharon Krause, a registered nurse with Student Health's general medicine division.

"Anyone can become sensitive to almost anything at any time in their life," Krause said. "But there is some tendency [for allergies] to run in families."

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NBA's Second Season

All in all, it is pretty cut and dry - the Knicks are a team that can win it all, could win it all, wants to win it all, but won't win it all. New York has tasted the Finals. They will settle for no less than a championship. It's a sad thing that they'll have to. -Paul Wright

The Knicks, Seattle and Orlando have all lost. It seems that anything can and will happen these days in the NBA playoffs. The Celtic defeat of the Magic Sunday after getting masquerade by 40+ by them in game one, was nothing short of stunning. Even the mighty Magic now seem far less formidable than the talented juggernauts of playoffs past. Since defending champ Houston also has it's hands full just against first round foes, Utah-the playoff picture looks wide open. This year's champion, so it seems, may depend on who has the most desire. From the Chicago Bulls, right down to the LA Lakers everyone seems to have a shot at this. Except maybe Atlanta. Hey, after Boston captured home court advantage yesterday, The Wilkins, Radja and Douglas trio seems all the more stronger.

If the smoke clears, and anything makes sense in the SHOT CLOCK world, the first round might end up like this:

Knicks vs Cleveland- After the Knicks walloped the Cavs in game one, most NY'ers would have bet the farm for a sweep. The Cavs not only have set an over confident NY back in reality, but have reminded them of how they always play, "down to their opponents." Nevertheless, the Pacer's grinding, slow down the clock, half court game doesn't compare to the Knick's own perfection of it. They can't beat the Knicks at their game. **Pick: NY in 4.**

Indiana vs Atlanta- Already down two games against Reggie Miller and co., the Hawks situation looks grim. The Pacer crew is the same relentless bunch that fought NY down to the wire in the East' finals. The addition of Mark Jackson's passing will get Reggie's teammates even more involved. **Pick: Indiana in 3**

Orlando vs Boston- Okay the Celtics stole one, but that may have been more of an underestimation of the Celt's than an overestimation of the Magic. With or without free throw points Shaq, Scott, Grant and Hardway should carry Orlando over anybody at least until the conference finals. **Pick: Orlando in 4**

Chicago vs Charlotte- The series is tied 1-1. There is a lot more even about these two teams. They share the same problem of talent distribution within positions. Chicago's Jordan, Pippen and Kukoc make them extremely strong at the two guard and swing-man's positions, but they have gaping holes on the inside. Charlotte can dominate the boards with Mourning, Johnson and Gattison but lack of perimeter shooting make them predictable. Jordan is the only difference between the two. If and, only if, Jordan can keep willing the Bulls to victory, they

will win. **Pick: Charlotte in 5**

Utah vs Houston- The Rockets looked dazed throughout the season. After winning it all, the dog days of the regular season must have seemed unbearably stale. Look for the defending champs to wake up and come back over the heavily favored Jazz. Without Thorpe though, they look vulnerable in the later rounds. **Pick: Houston in 5**

San Antonio vs Denver- The Nuggets are young and talented. The Spurs are experienced and talented. Though the Spurs are without a standout guard, Robinson, Rodman and Rivers provide a wealth of playoff experience which should be the difference. **Pick: San Antonio in 3**

Phoenix vs Portland- Though Phoenix looks weaker and weaker with each passing year, Cliff Robinson and the Blazers are no competition for Barkley and KJ. **Pick: Phoenix in 3**

Seattle vs L.A.- Seattle still has the most talented overall squad in the west. LA is an up and coming squad with explosive scoring potential. Both teams play perfectly the semi-tough screen and shoot type games they play out there in that conference. This one is up to Seattle. If they don't brain

freeze like they did last year against Denver, they won't get upset by the Van Exel and the Lakers. **Pick: L.A. in 5** □

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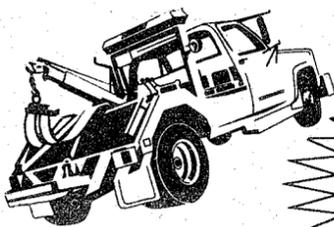
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brought the 'Wolves to within two with two minutes to go and made Stony Brook's fairytale of defeating a top-twenty team seem plausible.

However, much to the dismay of the crowd, Navy won the ensuing faceoff and played keep-away from the overpursuing defense of the 'Wolves. The Midshipmen tacked on two last-minute goals to put the final at 10-6.

Taylor made 16 saves in net for the 'Wolves. The face-offs, at one point in the season a trouble spot for the Brook, continued to improve as they won 12 of 18.

"After we got crushed by Penn State we decided to make some changes," said Espey. "We put Kollmer and 'Theo' at the wings to take advantage of their stick-handling. And Pete Gillen has continued to play tough."

The 'Wolves also won the ground ball battle 44 to

35.

"The game was lost in the first quarter," said Espey. "I should have had us playing zone from the beginning."

The loss was their fourth to a top-20 team this year and dropped their overall record to 7-6 with number six North Carolina Tar Heels coming to Seawolves Field next Sunday for Stony Brook's last game of the season.

"It's frustrating losing to all these top-flight teams, but in order to reach that same level we need to play these games," said Espey. "We keep proving we can play with the big boys, and hopefully we'll get the Heels. Who knows, maybe they'll be the one."

LAX FACTS: Wilson's two goals gives him sole possession of the team goal scoring lead with 27 on the season. . . Brian McDonald, Jason Cruciani and Leron Herod were cited by Espey for their performance on Saturday. . . Steve

Cox handled the demotion gracefully and with class. "We have three great goaltenders. I just have to be ready to play when it's my turn again." . . . Assistant Coach Sal LoCascio appears to be finishing out his tenure with the 'Wolves. "I just took another job so we'll have to see about next year." LoCascio is the starting goaltender for the MILL New York Saints. . . When asked if Taylor will start the Sunday 2:00 game against the Tar Heels, Espey responded "Yes, I would assume so."

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Hoop's Second Season

Today's column features my first **BUZZER BEATER**, or a response from someone about something I wrote. Today's "desperate shot to beat the clock", is from fellow senior staffer Paul Wright regarding last week's Riley-Knick story. Note that only time will tell if Paul will hit his "shot", or miss the rim entirely. So without further regard, here is:

BUZZER BEATER: READ THE LINES ON MASON'S FACE

When reading Pat Riley and the Knicks, you have to read between the lines. Perhaps you can start with the ones on Anthony Mason's head.

It is playoff time yet in the NBA, and yet again, the Knicks are in the thick of it. The brash style of play that in the past had teams intimidated has brought New York back to contend for a title. However, the playoffs will go for N.Y. the same way that they have gone since Riley's arrival - the Knicks will end up coming close, but won't win it all.

There are a few reasons for this. While Pat Riley is a great coach, he is not the best. His playoff record, best in the NBA, has been severely inflated by the Los Angeles Lakers.

At the time Riley coached them, the Lakers were a team that anyone with one operative brain cell could have coached to a title. They had several perennial All-Stars. They had an incredibly deep bench. It led them to the NBA finals most years in the 80's. Now, Riley is with a somewhat less-talented team, and it definitely shows.

While the Knicks have some holes in their lineup, they are by no means one of the more untalented teams out there.

Then there is the team itself. The New York Knicks have major problems coming in. With the new hand-checking rules, the

Knicks will have to adapt to getting called in the playoffs for things they got away with last year. The rough style of play will be hyped by their opponents time and time again. A couple of years ago, Bulls head coach Phil Jackson went to the media to plead his case. One could say that this is whining, but who enjoys a flagrant foul?

Then there is momentum. The Knicks had *none* coming in to the playoffs, losing almost all their games in the

past few weeks against winning teams. This is no way to build confidence. Considering the fact that the Knicks will be playing nothing but winning teams from here on in, they'd better find a way to beat them if they hope to win it all.

Then there is history. Teams simply cannot put up a high level of losing without a major collapse. For example, the Buffalo Bills failed to make the playoffs this year, after suffering four consecutive Super Bowl losses. The Portland Trail Blazers have dropped out of sight since their dominance of the West just a couple of years ago. Sports teams that can't get over the hump end up crashing and burning - something that could happen to the Knicks if they can't get past Cleveland.

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Baseball, 27-4, Has Chance for 30 Wins

5-4 Win Over D-II Mercy Could Move Up 'Wolves in Today's Nat'l Rankings

By KRIS DOOREY
Statesman Staff Writer

The baseball team concluded the New York section of the regular season with a 6-4 win over Division II Mercy College Thursday afternoon at University Field. The victory gave the Seawolves a 27-4 record, with four regular-season games left to play this weekend at the Salisbury State Invitational.

Sal Tavernese continued to be the Seawolves' dominant pitcher, hurling a complete-game eight-hitter, with seven strikeouts. The complete game gave the junior right-hander eight on the season to set a new University record.

Stony Brook wasted no time in jumping ahead of the Flyers scoring three times in the first inning. Danny

BASEBALL

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Paradis got things started by reaching on an error. Chris Livingston followed with a single and then Joe Nathan singled to drive in Paradis with the game's first run. After Nathan's hit, Dave Marcus drilled a single to score Livingston and Eric "Boog" Haag followed with a sacrifice fly to score Nathan with the inning's final run.

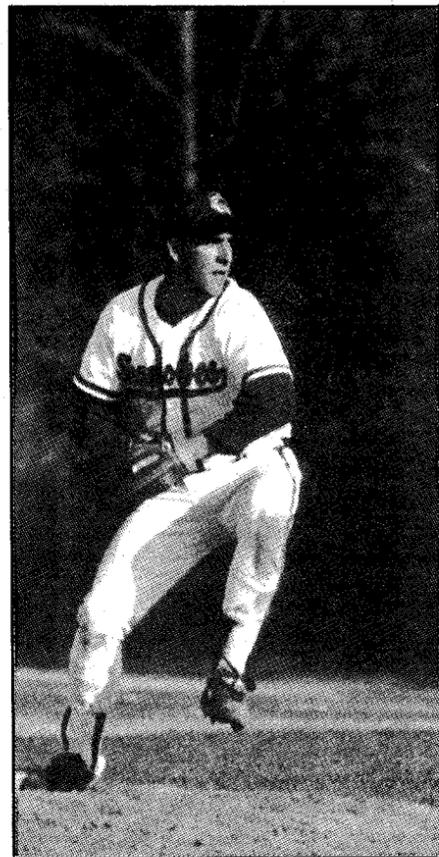
Vin Causeman drove in Marcus in the third inning with Stony Brook's fourth run and then in the fifth inning Frank Colon drove in Marcus to give the 'Wolves a 5-2 lead. Colon also drove in Stony Brook's last run when he and Haag drilled back-to-back doubles in the seventh.

Marcus and Livingston paced the Seawolves with three hits apiece,

while Paradis, Nathan, Haag and Colon each had two hits in Stony Brook's 16-hit attack.

Next: Stony Brook travels to Maryland to participate in the Salisbury Tournament this weekend. Next weekend is the ECAC Playoffs and that is followed by the NCAA's the weekend after.

Diamond Chips: The Seawolves finished the season with a 14-0 record at home. . . Stony Brook's next win will give Matt Senk his 100th win as head coach at Stony Brook. . . The 27 wins broke the University record of 26 set last year. . . Tavernese now has 59 strikeouts on the year which better the University record (58) set last year by Drew McDowell. . . Tavernese has picked off nine base runners this year. . . Nathan and Livingston will both reach the 100-hit plateau with their next basehit. □



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Sal Tavernese broke a University record with his eighth complete game of the season.

Navy Lax Sinks Seawolves' Ship, 10-6

Home Team Wraps Up Season Sunday Against Powerhouse North Carolina

By SCOTT LEWIS
Statesman Staff Writer

The Navy Midshipmen withstood a late rally by the Seawolves and held on to win 10-6 in a home lacrosse game on Saturday.

The game marked the first start in goal for freshman Greg Taylor. Taylor replaced incumbent Steve Cox, who had posted a 7-5 record on the season with a respectable 9.51 goals against average (GAA).

"Nothing against Cox, who has come up big for us all year, but this was a change I've been thinking about for the past two weeks," said Espey. "I wasn't sure if I should put a freshman in for his first start

against a team like Navy (ranked number 16 in the nation Division I), but Taylor has been so good in practice recently that I felt like he deserved a shot."

After Navy opened the scoring with a Rob Bailey wrap-around goal 3:19 into the game, the 'Wolves answered three minutes later with a goal by Will Imhof. Prithish Patel took a shot from in front of the net that rose over the Navy goal. Chris Kollmer snatched the ball out of the air from behind the net and quickly sent the ball back in front to Imhof, who was left open on the right side of the goal crease.

Taylor looked shaky between the pipes in the opening period as the Midshipmen

followed Imhof's tally with four more scores in the first. The last two goals of the period coming off of outlet pass throwaways.

"Throwaways have been a problem for us all year," said Espey. "But as we play more top-level teams like Navy, our young guys will learn how to handle situations better."

The first period ended with Navy up 5-1, but it was at that point that Espey changed his defense from man-to-man to zone.

"The switch to a zone slowed our offense down and Stony Brook played tough the rest of the way," said Navy Head Coach Richie Meade.

Tough indeed, as the 'Wolves held the Middies to just two more goals over the next two periods. Taylor settled down and made several spectacular saves to keep the Seawolves alive. Only another goal by Bailey in the second period and a man-up goal by Rich Costello in the third, after Courtney Wilson had been called for slashing, got past the lightning-quick reflexes of Taylor.

However, the only thing tougher than Taylor and the newly implemented zone defense of the 'Wolves was the physical play of Navy and their standout netminder Garrett Luebker. Luebker, who stands 6'4" 210, didn't allow a goal after Imhof's score for 35 minutes. At one point, Luebker took off from his goal in the third period on an end-to-end rush. Luebker was looking for his second goal of the season; having already scored against number 3 Virginia in their third game of the year.

With the score 7-1 and 2:52 remaining in the third, Courtney Wilson broke the scoring drought with a goal off an assist from Chris Theofield. Wilson's goal extended his personal goal-scoring streak

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to 14 games and concluded the third period scoring for both teams with the Middies leading 7-2.

Theofield opened the scoring in the fourth period as Wilson returned the favor, setting up him with 5:56 left to play. Navy responded with a goal of their own a little over a minute later.

With Navy up 8-3 and four minutes on the clock and ticking, the fun began.

After a delayed pushing penalty was called against Navy, Dave Danielson ran the ball downfield and spotted Kollmer on the side of the goal crease. The pass was low, but Kollmer timed it perfectly and like a one-timer in hockey "slapped" it past Leubker to bring the 'Wolves within four.

It was at this point that Leubker was pulled from the cage in favor of second-stringer Tim Fox.

"I thought the game was over," said Meade. "It almost backfired on me."

The Seawolves responded to the goaltending change by winning the subsequent face-off. Kollmer ran downfield and immediately delivered the ball to Imhof, who fired a shot over Fox's right shoulder for his second goal of the game.

This put the score at 8-5 with Navy hanging on and 3:08 remaining. The almost capacity crowd on hand roared at the improbable comeback the 'Wolves were attempting to achieve and 20 seconds later the cheers became deafening as the Middies were assessed a technical foul.

21 seconds into the man-up situation Courtney Wilson rifled the ball between the legs of a shell-shocked Fox. This



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DEALING WITH IT: Head Coach John Espey (right) hasn't been able to find the answers to make Stony Brook a contender. Closing out his most successful season in three years, Espey clearly isn't satisfied.