

Math Learning Center Awarded Grant

By TAMIKO V. LOVE
Statesman Staff

The Undergraduate Project has awarded a grant to the Math Learning Center allowing it to expand greatly, with a focus on students who have weak backgrounds in math.

Flyers are being posted throughout the campus to announce the grand opening of the Math Learning Center in order to make students aware of the services which are available to them. Staff changes in the Math Learning Center reflect prolonged efforts of the Mathematics Department to help students who do not have the skills to get through their math courses.

The purpose of the Math Learning Center is to "make sure you really know what your doing," said the Math Learning Center's director, Alexandra Barcus.

Graduate and Undergraduate Teaching Assistants, tutor students on a one-to-one basis.

Each tutor is monitored to see, if they are teaching clear and effective methods of learning. Barcus said she picked many of the tutors who she felt had the "personality and ability to explain things." In fact the Math Learning Center is still looking for work-study students to fill in some tutoring positions. She also added, "I am really delighted with the tutors here. They are not just smart people, but really good teachers, who love to teach math."

Some students who took MAT 123 last semester complained about the terrible teaching assistants, and difficulty of learning from them. This semester some students have similar complaints. One woman who wished to remain anonymous said, "my TA will not hand back our homework, because twenty papers are just too heavy to for him to carry to class."

Expansions in the Math

Learning Center are still continuing. Currently a location for Sunday Tutoring Session is being set up and the Math Learning Center is getting computer hardware.

"Now we are working on tutoring sessions several hours a day with Math Learning Center's TA's at least four nights a week, in the Quads."

Barcus said that plans are now underway to provide tutoring on alternating weeks, one day in a different quad throughout the week.

Tutoring in upper division classes is not as strong as lower division, but the Math Learning Center stresses they are still available. Barcus said "If we can't answer your questions, we will get someone who can. If it is a mathematical problem we can tell you when help will be here."

There is no reason that a student should not get an A."

The Math Learning Center is on a first come first served basis. When you enter the

Math Learning Center there is a sign in sheet and a card given to each student. Barcus explained that the sign in sheet is for her personal records. No one is given the information. "I

use the information to follow up on students who have not returned to the Center. If I see a person has not been there in a few weeks, I want to make sure the Center did not do something wrong. I want to know we are giving students the help they need."

Math Learning Center Hours:

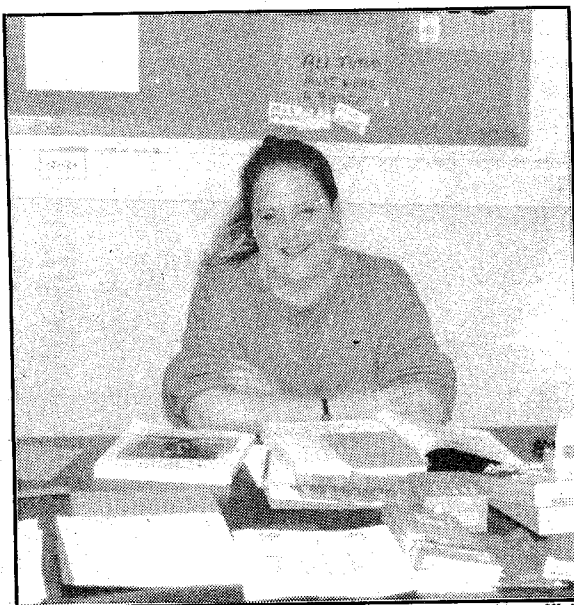
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Dr. Alexandra Barcus, assistant director of Mathematics Center

Polity: Do You Know What It Is?

By LAURA LO
Statesman Staff

The Student Polity Association, or simply Polity, is a \$1.4 million organization run by students for students, according to Polity officials.

All full time undergraduate students at Stony Brook are members.

According to Polity's Constitution, "The objective of Student Government at the State University of Stony Brook is to insure that each individual may become all that s/he is capable of being."

According to Polity Executive Director Stephen Adams, the Greek word *Polity* means a "political unit." Polity is the student unit which exists to uphold three principles: advocacy, service, and power for students.

While all students on campus may be members of Polity and paying for its services, many don't know it..

"I don't even think that a lot of students even know that they are paying for it," said Michael Putnam, junior.

For those who are aware of the organization's existence, some students are indifferent to their student government.

"I know the word but I don't know the meaning. I don't sit there and think about Polity," said John Rivas, sophomore. According to

Rivas, "If it were more powerful it would be more noticeable."

And for those who do know what Polity is about and wanted to get involved, they were highly discouraged once they got there.

"It didn't seem like the kind of student government I wanted to get

supposed to give students a sense that students and not faculty are working for them," he says.

Polity Vice-President, Nicole Rosner says that many of the things Polity does for students like making sure classes are taught by more professors or making sure that enough

books are in the bookstore go unnoticed because these things are taken for granted.

Not many students are probably aware that when this semester's only section of EGL 380 became filled,

Rosner went to the Provost, Rollin Richmond and demanded a second section be added to accommodate graduating seniors.

"If students have a complaint or an issue, I'm more than happy to fight for what they want, but one person can't fight alone. You need the support of the entire campus," says Rosner. She is quick to point out that polity funds academics, athletics, media, and cultural organizations, but "students have to get involved."

Rosner says that Polity is looking for ways to remedy it's negative image. "I'm looking for a good suggestion," she said. □

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- John Rivas, sophomore

involved with. I would only give my time to something that I thought would be rewarding," said Michelle, a junior, who requested her last name not be used. "It's like money that I'm throwing in the garbage because I'm getting absolutely nothing for it," she said.

Polity President Annette Hicks said that making Polity accessible to students is one of her goals. "It should be a service organization, service oriented, and let people know what they get for that student activity fee and what things are available."

Putnam agrees. "I think Polity is

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3:30 p.m.

A grand larceny was committed at the Melville Library in the ladies room on the first floor when a woman left a brown leather wallet on the sink upon entering and found it had been stolen upon exiting. The wallet contained an undetermined amount of cash and credit cards.

Time unknown

Sometime between Friday, Sept. 8 and Tuesday, Sept. 12 there was an attempted grand larceny committed in the Toscanini parking lot. A student returned to his car to find the wire harness and ignition had been tampered with. The vehicle had been left unlocked.

Wednesday, September 13

Time Unknown.

It was reported on Wednesday that on Tuesday a male on a ten speed bike was struck by a car on Center Drive at the Student Union crosswalk. He was taken to University Hospital with a bump on his head. There were no witnesses and the driver of the car is unknown.

A University Hospital employee was caught stealing diapers and was promptly dismissed.

Noon.

A petty larceny was committed at the Infirmary. Padding from the headboard of a massage table was taken.

8:00 p.m.

Criminal mischief was reported in the gravel lot at the Indoor Sports Complex. The driver side window of a car was smashed and an amplifier was taken. The type of vehicle and amount of damage is unknown.

Thursday, September 14

2:30 p.m.

Sometime during the week the front wheel of a 15 speed mountain bike was stolen. The bike was secured to the front

Thursday, September 14

11:00 p.m.

A female resident of Hendrix College reported that two pairs of gold earrings were taken from her room and believes her roommate took them. Her roommate reported that her Brooksonic 4-head VCR was taken and

she believes her roommate took that. They both deny the allegations and the matter is still under investigation.

Friday, September 15

1:30 p.m.

A wallet was taken from a satchel left unattended in the periodical section at the Melville Library. An undetermined amount of cash was taken.

3:30 p.m.

A grand larceny was committed at Hamilton College. A resident returned to find his new Bose 10-speaker stereo system

had been stolen. The stereo was still in the box. There was no sign of forced entry. The system was valued at \$1500.

Sunday, September 17

1:00 a.m.

A woman was assaulted by her boyfriend. The man was arrested and detained at the sixteenth precinct. No further information was available.

12:15 a.m.

The RHD at O'Neill College reported that she felt glass on her leg and it was found upon investigation that a BB had been shot through the window. It is believed to have been shot from the Infirmary parking lot.

3:55 p.m.

An assault was reported at Amman College. The victim was found in the first floor bathroom with a cut on his left eyelid and numerous bruises. He was intoxicated and could not identify his assailants.

Police Blotter: Every Thursday in Statesman!

Fight Breaks Out at EOB

A fight at The Bridge broke out after 3 men cut the line and exchanged words with others who were waiting during the restaurant's Lobsterfest, said University Police.

According to University Police, The Bridge's manager, Mike Weintrub reported the incident. Weintrub refused to comment on the fight and would only say he had filed a report with University Police. Weintrub reportedly told police that 3 males cut the line at The Bridge and then had words with others who had been waiting on the line.

According to Rich Rivera, a witness at the scene, the fight erupted after the three men entered the restaurant. The men "seemed to be looking for

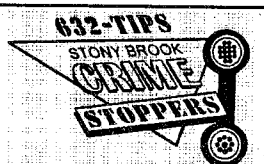
some friends," and, according to Rivera, were told by others who were waiting on line "You're not going to skip us."

Rivera said one of the 3 men who skipped the line threw the first punch and three separate fights erupted between the two groups.

John Cuccurullo, who was also at the scene said the fight only lasted two to three minutes. Cuccurullo said the fight was broken up by the employees at The Bridge and the manager and those who were involved left the scene.

University Police said they don't know who was involved in the fight because when they arrived at the scene the persons involved were already gone.

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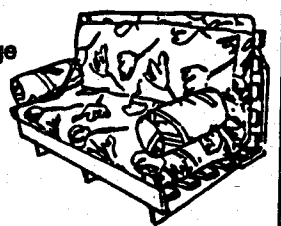
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Cultural Fest Highlights Polity Pride Week³

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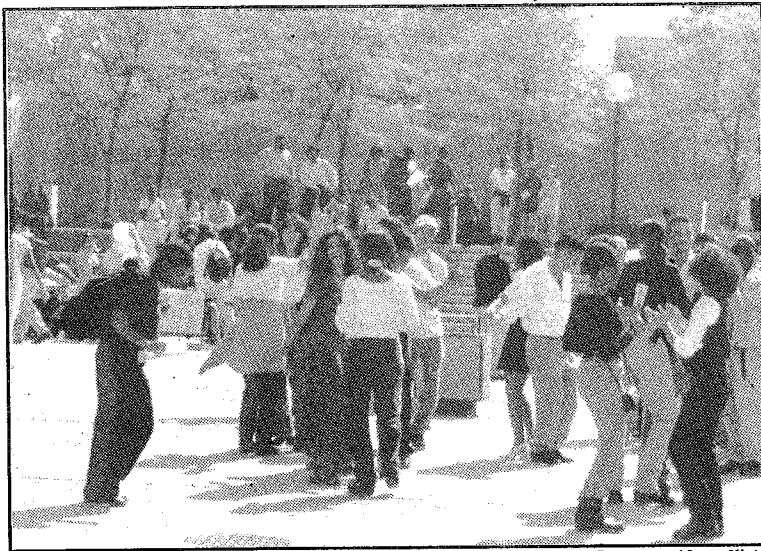
As part of Polity Pride week, a cultural fest was held on Wednesday, September 20 during Campus Lifetime.

This fair was designed to let students know about the different clubs and organizations they can join. Many clubs were geared toward certain cultures and religions, but there were also many nondenominational organizations participating.

Clubs that were giving out information included Hillel, Destiny, USSA, SASU, Center for Womyn's Concerns, LGBA, Intervarsity Christian Fellowship, Protestant Campus Ministry, Harriman Business Society, NYPIRG, ICON, Blackworld, the Hellenic Society, and Stony Brook at Law.

During the fair there were several performances, including the gospel choir and a bagpipe player. There was also a DJ that many enjoyed dancing too, including our own Seawolf mascot.

Most of the organizations



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Students gather in the Staller Pit Wednesday for the Cultural Fest

agreed that the purpose of the day was to let people know about the clubs that exist on campus.

"I am here to let people know that there is a Jewish home on campus: Hillel," said Ethan Brandler, president of Hillel.

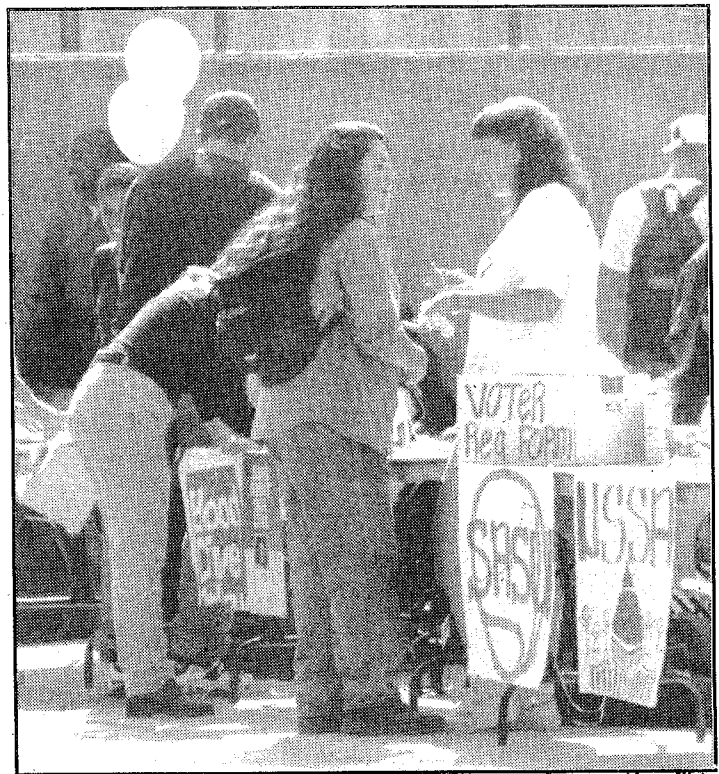
Aristea Haralambidis, vice president of the Hellenic Society, was asking people to sign a petition for a modern Greek language class because "no one uses ancient Greek any more and that is the only class offered." She was also offering information on

upcoming club events.

Okima Hodge was at the fair trying to get students to sign her petition for the new Stony Brook at Law club. "This club targets minorities and non-traditional law students."

Many of students who were not involved in the fair kept walking. Some stopped to ask what was going on, while others asked where the food show was.

But most organizations got names of interested students and invite anyone interested to join the clubs at their next event. □



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Students discuss one of the many clubs at the Cultural Fest, part of Polity Pride Week.

Attention Seniors Hoping to Graduate in December:
Just a reminder: Friday, September 22 is the deadline to submit petition for Graduation.

Campus Lighting May Leave You in the Dark

By TAMIKO V. LOVE
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Students not familiar with the University grounds had better make a list of items necessary to help them get around at night. Among the necessities should be a flashlight and a fresh supply of batteries. Relying on campus lighting will most certainly leave you in the dark.

At Stony Brook, student safety is a priority: walk services, and University Police have been established to insure student safety. These services are noted for their hard work and continued effort to secure safety, as well as to know the needs of students.

University Police encourages students to contact them if something suspicious is seen, and place a large emphasis on the use of walk service, and what people can do to play it safe.

Students have been provided with the essentials to survive Stony Brook night life, but lack the simplest tool for public safety- Lighting.

Several areas on campus are notorious for their lack of lighting. Some areas are difficult to light, such as the athletic field; therefore, advisories have been given to avoid traveling through these areas at night. If it is unavoidable, walking in pairs, or using walk service has been

stressed.

Other areas on campus are less difficult to illuminate, the Physics building near construction and the Earth Space and Sciences building, are prime examples.

The pathway through the Physics building that leads to the Union or the Sport Complex, lacks basic lighting to walk less than fifty meters. Campus advocates such as Masoom Ali, Director of Physical Plant, and Doug Little of University Police directly deal with Lighting on campus. Each light on campus is marked with a number that serves as a type of ID for each lighting fixture.

"There is not a periodic system of checking lighting on campus", Ali said. "It is the responsibility of public safety to report lighting problems..."

Little, of University Police, explained, "the lighting on campus does need improvement, but public safety patrols campus twenty-four hours a day. If they see any lights out they report it to the Physical plant for documentation."

The lack of lighting on campus has been noted, however it is still overlooked. The University Police's general emphasis is on student safety, not lighting. Students have been educated, but the University Police cannot be everywhere at once.

While police are patrolling to work toward a safer campus, the Physical Plant lacks the resources to turn the lights on.

"We do not have a periodic system of checking lighting, because we do not have the man power," said Ali.

About the lack of lighting near

construction areas, Ali said that "the construction area is under contract. We have nothing to do with the lights over there."

Lack of lighting is not a new problem on campus. One graduate student explained, "I graduated in 1990, and there were no lights over at Physics [then]." □

3-TV Budget Frozen Indefinitely

The budget of 3-TV, USB's student television station, has been frozen indefinitely because of the station's failure to furnish new by-laws to the Student Polity Association, said Polity officials.

Because of the freeze, all spending by 3-TV must be approved by the Polity Treasurer's office. Normally, all clubs and organizations themselves decide where to allocate their funds.

The main problem concerns 3-TV's by-laws. They are allegedly not specific enough to meet certain Polity requirements. "Their by-laws need to be more specific with their voting procedures," said Nicole Rosner, vice-president of Polity. "Their structure needs to conform more with student concerns and issues."

3-TV, an organization which receives referendum funding (i.e. students vote to allocate money to that club specifically), has an annual budget of \$46,250, or approximately \$5 per

student, paid by the mandatory Student Activity Fee.

For the first three weeks of the semester, 3-TV had no programming. Students tuning in were greeted with a blue screen. However, the television station had already signed a contract and paid for movies which should have been telecast into student dorm rooms. "Their trying to get credit for the period of time during which the movies were not shown," said Rosner.

Several students reported that this past Monday marked the first time 3-TV had programming. "3-TV, over the summer, upgraded equipment to bring the broadcast signal up to FCC regulations, which increased the quality of the picture and audio," said Rosner. "Because wrong equipment had been sent, 3-TV was waiting for the correct order to be delivered. This resulted in the delayed programming." □

Students and Student Health Insurance: 'What's the Big Deal? I Never Get Sick'

Many students have this or similar thoughts when considering the purchase of student health insurance. This is totally understandable when you consider it comes from someone who has never faced the reality of a serious illness.

But, there is always the possibility of accidental injury. Accidents account for a significant amount of medical expense among young people each year. An injury is not only unexpected, it can also be

unavoidable.

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Admittedly, the frequency and severity of these conditions are less than the population as a whole, but they have the potential for being just as costly. Any difference is only in the degree of probability involved.

Stony Brook students are strongly encouraged to look into obtaining a health insurance policy, whether it be from a private insurance company or through the University.

This year, the University is

offering domestic students two health insurance plans designed to meet their needs for protection against the high cost of health care. The first (standard benefits plan) pays up to \$25,000 for each accident and sickness. Although it has been designed to augment services available at the Student Health Service, to coverage extends worldwide for an entire twelve month year.

The second policy, offering catastrophe benefits, is also available. It pays up to \$225,000 for each accident and sickness, subject to the \$25,000 deductible that is paid by the standard benefits plan.

What's the bottom line? You can't be assured that an accident or sickness will not occur. You can reduce your risk by maintaining a healthy lifestyle and by staying away from risky activities, but the possibility of serious accident or sickness is always there. Compared to the cost of community health insurance, the student policy at Stony Brook is a real bargain.

Consider the possible consequences of going uninsured. Consider also the peace of mind that health insurance can provide. It may well be worth its modest cost on this basis alone!

For information about the Stony Brook plan, or to discuss your insurance needs, the Health Insurance Office at 632-6054 between 10:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. □

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Could It Happen: Powell for President in '96?

Earlier this week, the biggest news was not the GOP's Medicare and Medicaid reform proposals, nor the internal negotiating in the GOP Senate on welfare reform but the publication of the former Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, retired General Colin Powell's biography. While the President and Congress are still struggling on the federal budget, most of the schizophrenic American electorate is demanding that Congress and the President "get things done".

Since there is such a clash between the two branches of government, and the two parties as well, the electorate is looking for someone who's not ideological at all, someone who tries to be a very dignified statesman. Of course I am referring to Powell.

As a former military leader and someone who

was brought up in the South Bronx, he is trying to prove one of the most essential points of being a leader, character, something Max Weber called charisma. It something that is very important, something President Clinton has failed to learn.

There is another important point for a political figure to take, that is issue taking. I had the good fortune to watch Barbara Walter's interview with the retired general last Friday Night. My impression was that he always emphasized his background and outlook on life, especially during his military career. In the military you must be loyal, obedient, and disciplined. Such virtues help to build character in oneself.

Nevertheless, the political process is not only based on character, but where you stand on issues. During the interview, Powell made his positions known on social issues, and he was somewhere between the two parties but was leaning towards the GOP. He started to take on the issues very late in the interview, and yet his answers were moderate, trying to be all things to all people.

Nevertheless he did not say anything clear on the big question, "How much government is needed in today's society?" He simply laid out the two positions and said he understood the arguments of the two sides, but did not position himself on one side of the aisle or the other. Powell said he saw himself as a "fiscal

conservative with a social conscience," whatever that means.

In this day and age you have to be can't fool all of the people all the time."

Nevertheless, Powell did say he would make a decision on whether or not to run in the Republican primaries by late November of this year. Even if he says "no" to running as a Republican, he can wait until the Spring of 1996 to decide to run as an Independent. There is something about a military man campaigning for civilian office. Such a man really looks carefully about the situation and builds up a lot of momentum, then makes a full scale attack. That would be his type of a campaign strategy, similar to the military strategy he used during the Persian Gulf War.

In fact, most polls show he

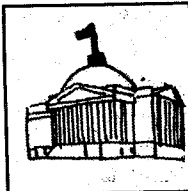
would win, even in a three-way race with Clinton and Dole. Powell said, during Walter's interview, he would run only to win, and not to formulate a third political party. Besides how can we develop another party? If one would form, it has to be only more left-wing from the Democrats, e.g. a Socialist Party or more right-wing from the GOP.

There is one thing he wants, moderation of the two political ideologies. A go-between of laissez-faireism and Keynesianism. You cannot reconcile these two sides without giving credence to one side or the other.

The best position that Powell should shoot for, is the Vice-Presidency on the Republican ticket. It is the perfect office for him, such a dignified person. Because the Vice-President can just lean over the President and let him do the work of governing the nation, while the Vice-President simply campaigns for or defends the administration's policies.

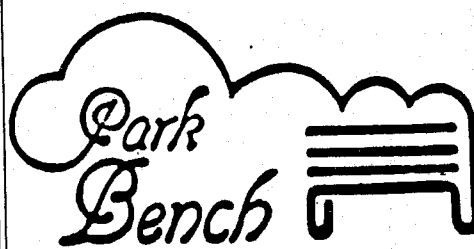
Thus the only qualification for the office of Vice-President, is to prove your loyalty to the President. For Powell, he has proven loyalty to any President, plus as dignified as the office is, it's almost our version of the Head of State, it would be a perfect office for someone who wants to be apolitical.

So how about Powell for Vice-President? Think about that. □



The Washington Chronicles
David Samuel Shashoua

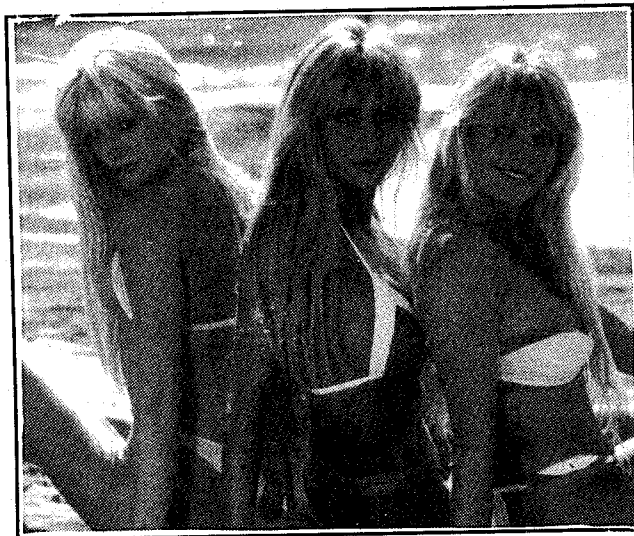
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6 ARAMARK Hosts Food Fair

By JOSEPH J. SACKMANN III
Special to *The Statesman*

There was food, food, everywhere and every bite was to eat.

It was all at the 3rd annual Food Show, held yesterday between 11 a.m. and 3 p.m. in the Union Ballroom. Organized by ARAMARK, The show was filled with students as well as staff enjoying free food and music.

The Food Show was coordinated by Naala Royale, marketing manager of ARAMARK. Royale said the Food Show was a chance to say thanks to all the students of Stony Brook. It was

also an opportunity to show the students what kind of prime products are used in the cafeterias and other establishments throughout the campus.

Some of the products used by the ARAMARK organization, are Healthy Choice Deli Meats and Sabrett hot dogs. Of course, if one is just looking for a small snack, that can be provided by Pillsbury, Entenmann's or Yoplait yogurt. After eating all that food one must be thirsty, and to quench that thirst all you had to do was pick up a bottle of Fruitopia.

When asked about the Food Show Ann Marie O'Hara, a senior majoring in Psychology said; "It's an excellent idea."

Penny Scholl, a member of the Stony Brook staff said "Are people aware of why ARAMARK has put on the Food Show?"

"All they probably know is that there is free food," Scholl said.

Genevieve Joseph, a sophomore majoring in Biology said.

"I assume it is to get us interested in the products. Everybody likes free food, and if they like it they will buy it."

Many of those who attended ARAMARK's Food Show said they thought the Food Show was a good idea and hoped it will continue on in the future. □

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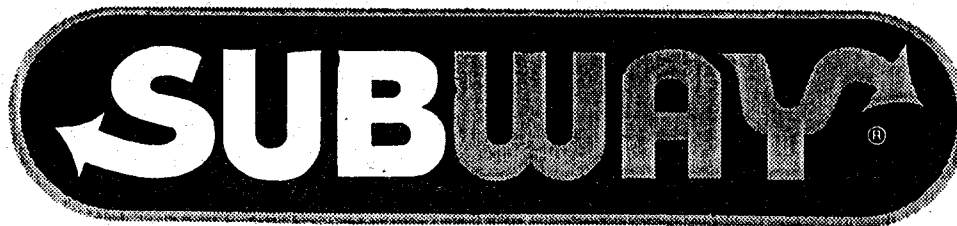
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The Weekend: How to Keep Students at USB During One

Another Sunday afternoon.

This day it rains. The Stony Brook campus looks quite dreary, draped in a blanket of water. The few people that are seen walking about look just as dreary, as they travel to and from Kelly and H to eat brunch. The inclement weather has hampered this weekend, preventing these students from enjoying the out of doors.

Of course, the rain was so severe, whipping about in *hurricane-force* winds, that no one was capable of performing *any* type of activity that required traveling, right? It is quite amazing that anyone even managed to make it to the cafeterias to eat. And we *all* know that the students of Stony Brook would be out in full force had the weather not been so harsh (sure, in this lifetime).

The worst part of the weekends, however, are not the miserable people that are here, or even the miserable people that aren't here. It is the vicious cycle of inactivity that pervades this campus. Because there aren't enough things to do on campus in the eyes of the students of USB, they choose to leave. Things that could be happening on weekends don't happen because of the lack of students on campus.

But how do we break the cycle?

We here at *The Stony Brook Statesman* would like to make a few suggestions to the people over at Administration as to how they might convince students to stay on campus during the weekends.

The USB Wall

Administration could construct a wall which separates Stony Brook from the rest of the free world. They could set armed guards at every checkpoint and be authorized to eliminate any student daring enough to make an escape

attempt.

BioBrook

A huge bubble could be constructed over the USB campus, preventing students from escaping. The federal government would be told that Stony Brook is, in reality, a biological experiment designed to simulate the effects of misery and apathy on college students. South P would be converted into a cemetery.

Beatin' of the Week

Every weekend, a two-day manhunt could be held to find that week's victim. The victim, someone who has brought misery into the lives of Stony Brook students, will be hunted down and chained to a post. There, the victim will receive a beatin' by the students of USB. There will be a variable charge, depending on the degree of difficulty in covering up the incident. To start things off right, the inaugural Beatin' of the Week should be George Pataki.

Money, Money, Money, Money...Money!

Bribes. Enough said.

LIRR Flood

Simply cause a small deluge on the Long Island Railroad, and you take out the main escape route for those students that aren't blessed with access to a car. And while we're on the subject of cars...

Hey, Sugar!

A little sugar in a gas tank goes a long way. After taking out transportation by rail, go after the next line of escape - cars. After a few cars blow up, students will get the drift.

Concerts on Campus

Oh, wait - that *could* actually happen.

Random Explosions

Convert the parking lot next to LIRR into a minefield, and have the students press their luck.

Sporting Events

Students could volunteer to attend sporting events - well, that *could* happen, too.

As one can plainly see, there are a myriad of things that Administration could do to encourage students to stay on campus during the weekend. Of course, there *could* be casualties, but who cares? Just as long as there is a little excitement on weekends, and students are here - by hook or by crook.

Delving back into the real world, there has to be some effort on both sides - students and Administration - to make Stony Brook a better place. Neither group can, or will accomplish this on their own. Students must get involved in their own lives. Administration must keep the students involved. Let all that have an interest in making Stony Brook a better place do what they can - what they *must* - to accomplish their goal, and LET EACH BECOME AWARE!

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- G. K. Chesterton

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An Open Letter to Students From President Bill Clinton

Dear Student,

This is a busy time for you. But while you are choosing classes and making the decisions that will help you build a good life for yourself, the Congressional majority is working to make drastic cuts in education — in your student loans, in national service, and even in your scholarships. And the cuts will jeopardize the future you and your generation are working toward.

I want you to know that I oppose these cuts. I will do everything in my power to fight them and to see to it that the dream of higher education remains real for all Americans. I will do this not only by defending the opportunities of those of you who are already in college, but by opening the doors further to make sure that even greater numbers of deserving Americans have the chance to stand where you stand today.

For the first time in a long time, leaders from both parties are resolved that we must balance the federal budget. From the day I took office, I've been committed to this goal — to getting rid of the budget deficit that quadrupled our national debt in the 12 years before I came to Washington. So far, we have made great progress. In three years, we have cut the deficit nearly in half, from \$290 billion to \$160 billion.

Now we are ready to eliminate the deficit entirely. On this, the Congressional majority and I see eye to eye.

But just *how* we get rid of the deficit is another matter. The majority in Congress wants to balance the budget in seven years, and do it while giving an unnecessarily large tax cut. But in order to do these things, the Congressional majority would make enormous cuts in education.

My balanced budget plan would take more years than Congress' to eliminate the deficit, but that's a small price to pay to keep your scholarships, your student loans, and national service safe and well. It would also preserve our ability to protect the environment and the integrity of Medicare for our older citizens.

Balancing the budget is about more than numbers. It's about our values and our future. Education has always been the currency of the American Dream. When I was your age, it was assumed — based

on our long history — that each generation would have a better life than the preceding one. More than anything else, a good education is the way we pass this vision on to those who come after us.

The facts speak for themselves. Earnings for those with no post-secondary education have fallen substantially in the last 15 years. The only people for whom earnings have increased steadily are people exactly like you — those Americans with more education. Every year of higher education increases your earnings by six to 12 percent. Those years also mean a stronger overall economy and richer lives for those who have them.

Balancing the budget will be good for our economy and your future if it's done right. But simply balancing the budget won't do us much good in the long term if your generation does not have the education it needs to meet the challenges of the next century.

Just think over what the Congressional majority's plan, if it went through, would do to you, your classmates, and any of the one out of two college students who receives federal aid. It would:

- Raise the cost of student loans by \$10 billion over seven years by charging you interest on your loan while you are in school. This would increase the cost of a college education by as much as \$3,100 for undergraduates and \$9,400 for graduate students.

- Deny up to 360,000 low-income students desperately needed Pell Grants in 1996.

Shut down Americorps, our national service initiative, which gives thousands of young people the chance to earn and save money for college while serving their country.

By contrast, my balanced budget plan builds on the national consensus that we must help people help themselves, through the power of education. It eliminates *both* of our deficits: our budget deficit *and* our education deficit. My plan cuts wasteful spending by more than \$1 trillion, but it also increases investments in education by \$40 billion over the next seven years.

Think over how my balanced budget plan would help guarantee your future and all the hard work you're about to put into it. It will:

- Increase funding for Pell Grants by \$3.4 billion. Almost one million more

students would benefit from the scholarships. And we would raise the top award to \$3,128 by the year 2002.

- Expand Americorps to let even more young Americans serve their communities and go to college.

- Protect our direct-lending program, which makes student loans more affordable, with more repayment options, and saves taxpayers, parents, and students billions of dollars.

I just returned from Pearl Harbor, where I took part in ceremonies marking the 50th anniversary of the end of the Second World War. In the late 1940s, when the veterans we honored left their loved ones to go off and serve their country, they were the age most of you are now.

When they came home, the country recognized their service and their potential, and it responded with the G.I. Bill, which guaranteed a college education to every returning veteran. Those who served weren't given a handout, and they didn't want one. They were given the opportunity they needed to take responsibility for their lives.

Your generation has its own battles to wage. You face the choice of doing something right and difficult — or something easy and wrong.

In taking on the responsibility of educating yourselves, you have chosen the right and difficult path. You did the work you had to do to get into college. You may be working now to pay your way. And your family may have worked long hours and made great sacrifices to help you get where you are today.

You deserve the nation's support. And your future success will likely repay our common investment. I do not accept the arguments of those who condemn irresponsibility in young Americans and then seek to deny the nation's helping hand to the millions of you who are doing the right things.

I hope you'll support my efforts to protect education and balance the budget. The fight for education is the fight for your future. In my life — and in the lives of countless Americans — education has meant the difference between the impossible and the possible. It should be true in your lives, too. With your help, we'll keep it that way.

William J. Clinton

the "Contract with America," but please do not distort God's Word for the sake of achieving your own agenda. Jesus' teachings do not point toward anti-family; on the contrary, it points to an absolute confirmation of the family.

Let's begin with Matthew 10: 34-38: these are the verses that the writer used to support his thesis. When Jesus said those things in these verses, he did not urge family discord; his message was a prophetic one.

Jesus Christ came to bring peace— peace between the believer and God, and peace among men. Yet the *inevitable result* of Christ's coming is conflict between Christ and anti-Christ, between Christ's children and the devil's children. This conflict can occur between members of the family. So he is not preaching a doctrine of discord in the family, but an *exhortation* of what is to come.

Now let's look at the writer's other arguments. He uses Mark 3: 31-35, in which Jesus says, "My mother and brothers are those who hear God's word and put it into practice." But in this case, he is not, I repeat, *not rejecting* his natural family; he is *emphasizing* the higher priority of his spiritual relationship to those who believe in Him. So again, his so-called proof is

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a distortion of the Truth of God. (He takes all his verses out of context)

Furthermore in Ephesians Chapters five and six, Paul talks about how the family should love and care for one another. "Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ loved the Church and gave himself up to her."; "Husbands should love their wives as their own body. He who loves his wife loves himself. After all, no one ever hated his own body, but he feeds for it and cares for it, just as Christ does the Church." Ephesians 5: 25, 28-29.

In chapter six it says, "Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right. Honor your father and mother— which is the first commandment with a promise— that it may go well with you and that you may enjoy long life on earth. Fathers, do not exasperate your children, instead bring them up in the training of the Lord." Do these teachings sound anti-family to you?

Jesus is the absolute antithesis of discord and hate. Jesus, as apostle John put it, was and is love. Jesus the son of God came as fully man to pay for our iniquities and our failures. His death on the cross was the ultimate example of love. He suffered and died so that we would have peace everlasting. "Peace I leave with you, my peace I give you." John 14: 27

Finally, I respect everybody's opinions and views, but please do not distort the truth of God to support some claim. You will never be able to destroy a falsity with another falsity. And please remember that God is forever holy and righteous, and his judgment will be upon your life. "I warn everyone who hears the words of the prophecy of this book. if anyone adds any thing to them, God will add to him the plagues described in this book. And if anyone takes words away from this prophecy, God will take away from him his share in the tree of life, and in the holy city, which are described in this book." Revelation 22: 18-19.

Kornel Chang

Buses and COCA

To the Editor:

I was hoping the *Statesmen* could shed some light on two situations on campus.

The first involves the campus buses. When I come across a campus bus that is idling at the train station, I can't help but wonder how much pollution is being introduced into our air during the interim of departures. Is there a logical explanation for this? That is, do the buses have trouble restarting if the engines are shut down?

Secondly, all of the COCA's current literature and advertising (including the ones in your publication) cites the cost of admission for a person "on campus", or with USB I.D., as \$1.00, and \$2.00 for "off" campus individuals. However, the actual admission price does not coincide with those published.

Now, some may say, "So what, it's only a dollar." I retort, "It's not about a dollar. It's about presentation of

accurate information, a responsibility that binds all groups."

So tell me, what's the deal?

Sincerely yours,
Tim Truc

Editor's Note: According to a spokesman from Polity, the costs of COCA films are \$1 with campus I.D., and \$2 without. As for the bus situation, a spokeswoman for campus bus services said that the buses are not turned off because the pressure for the air brakes needs to be maintained.

Distorting the Word

To the Editor:

The letter, "Christian Coalition Misrepresents Jesus' Teachings" in the September 11 issue of the *Statesman* at first filled me with much grief and sorrow. I was horrified at the ignorance of the writer. He totally manipulates the Bible so that he could vilify the Christian Coalition.

I really do not care if you disagree with

Statesman Features

Thursday, September 21, 1995

Some Hardcore Talking With Madball

By MARC WEISBAUM
Statesman Staff

Ask anybody who is even the least bit interested in the hardcore scene, particularly New York, and chances are they'll mention *Agnostic Front*. Fronted by the legendary duo of Roger Miret on vocals and Vinnie Stigma, the band set the standard by which all hardcore bands would be judged.

From their early *United Blood* recordings up to their final studio outing, *One Voice*, AF revolutionized the scene single-handedly. Following their last release, the band decided to throw in the towel and played their final show late in '92. This was hardly the end, however.

Rising from the ashes emerged *Madball*. The band boasts 60% of Agnostic's final lineup (Stigma- guitars, Will Shepler- drums, and Matt Henderson- guitars) and has actually existed since before Agnostic called it a day. Releasing their first 7", *Ball Of Destruction*, which was solely intended to show off frontman Freddy Cricien's (Roger's younger brother) vocal talents, it was recorded when he was only 13! The recording quickly became a collector's item and is still a very sought-after item ("I don't know where that album is. The kid was like 10 or 13 years old. His voice is so different, too. So hardcore," notes Vinnie). Another 7" followed, *Droppin' Many Suckas* around the demise

of Agnostic and this prompted the band to become a legitimate outfit.

Upon adding a full-time bass player, Hoya (Roger played bass previously) the band released its first full length album, *Set It Off*, on Roadrunner Records in '94.

"The album floated really long. I mean I'm ready to do another album but the record company didn't want me to do an album. They were like, 'No. Go on tour. Don't worry.' The album was taking off good and they wanted to promote it," said Stigma about recording the album.

"I wouldn't touch that album. It was a good comeback album for me full-length wise after AF. It's hard for somebody to get another act together. Let's say like Infectious Grooves as opposed to Suicidal (RIP). I think they pulled it off a little. I don't know Infectious Grooves' material too well. They're getting too rocky," commented Vinnie about the transition. As far as Agnostic goes, "It was just a time to end. The era was over. *Madball* is like a continuation. It's a lot more groovy. I mean, the hard edge is a lot more harder. I think it's better. I like *Madball* better," compares Stigma.



Photo Courtesy Chris Toliver / Roadrunner Records
Madball, from left, Matt Henderson, Vinnie Stigma, Hoya, Freddy Cricien, Will Shepler

The band just returned from playing a successful show at the Dynamo Open Air Festival. "I didn't realize what it was until a couple of days later. I didn't realize it was like over 200,000 people. It's bigger than Woodstock. I didn't realize that until I saw

the video. Everybody has a video from that and a single for the album they put out. Our single is a new one, 'Unity,'" remembers Stigma.

What makes *Madball* special?

"I dive head first into *Madball* and I'm not saying this because its my band 'cause I'm the biggest critic. I'll say sh*t about AF. I don't care. I say it the way it is. It's the kid (Freddy Cricien). He just destroys...every lead singer out there. He's the best frontman I ever saw in my whole life. We have a video for 'Down By Law' they show in Europe. I watch it and its like a rap style and a live show combination. It gives you a feel for the band both ways. Its like a story. Its the kid, he's so intense, that's how he got nicknamed Madball. After I watch him like in a video and then I see 'Sick Of It All' and I watch them, I

don't believe it like I do when I see Freddy. Lou can't step up to Freddy," explained Stigma.

He went on to talk of other vocalists,

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According to Eve

By Brooke Donatone



Tipping the Scales

I was talked into going to the 1995 graduation of my high school. I reluctantly went, stood in the back with my friends and yawned at the school board who pretended to care about one hundred and fifty students they never engaged in conversation. I watched with feigned interest as the rest of the honored speakers droned on and, unfortunately, found more interest in the cracked pavement.

Luckily, I was half listening to the reverberation of the microphone as I watched one of the black-robed women take the podium as the principal introduced her as being an alumnus of Bayport. Judge Gail Prudenti was elected one

of the first females to serve on the State Supreme Court and the first to serve on the surrogate's court. I was shocked to learn that my high school graduated such accomplished people.

I entered her chambers in the Riverhead Courthouse and glanced around her office when she stepped out for a moment. I noticed that she failed to mention that she was "Woman of the Year" in 1991, just another accomplishment that came so naturally for the male barrier-breaker.

She was never one to follow the normal route. In her junior year at Marymount College, she decided to study abroad in Aberdeen University in Scotland, and later decided to attend law school there as

well. Her first job was as a miscellaneous clerk, the lowest level clerk possible.

"When I was an Assistant District Attorney there were only 10 women out of possibly 110 assistants who were Assistant District Attorneys, now it's almost 50%," said Prudenti.

Her first office stood where the elevators currently are, hidden along a wall almost under a staircase. That is a far away memory compared to her office of today which is atop two flights of stairs and through corridors of secretaries.

Prudenti was a D.A. before she decided to go into private practice.

"We don't want to be known as women lawyers, we just want to be known as good lawyers," said Prudenti.

She told a story of when she was just out of law school and she had to conference a case with a group of male lawyers. She entered the conference and one of the older members asked her for a cup of coffee. She politely said yes and informed him that they could begin the meeting upon her return. He looked at her and said, "You're a lawyer?" And he profusely apologized and explained that he never would've asked her if he knew.

She told him, "I think that everyone should treat each other with kindness and courtesy, but you could ask me for a cup of coffee just like anybody else could. You shouldn't feel that way just because I'm a woman lawyer."

Besides being a practicing lawyer, there was another

glimmer in her eye- the thought of the Supreme Court. In 1991, the New York State supreme court was 300 years old.

"Myself and Mary Werner were the first two women ever elected to the Supreme Court in Suffolk County. So it took 300 years for a woman to be elected to the New York State Supreme Court in Suffolk County," Prudenti said.

Getting the respect from her colleagues and in the courtroom was just a matter of establishing a comfort level, but she was fortunate that there weren't any gender hoops for her to jump through.

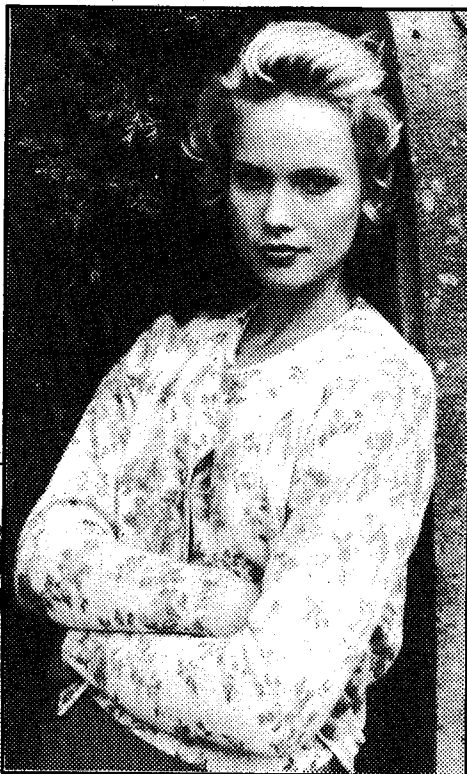
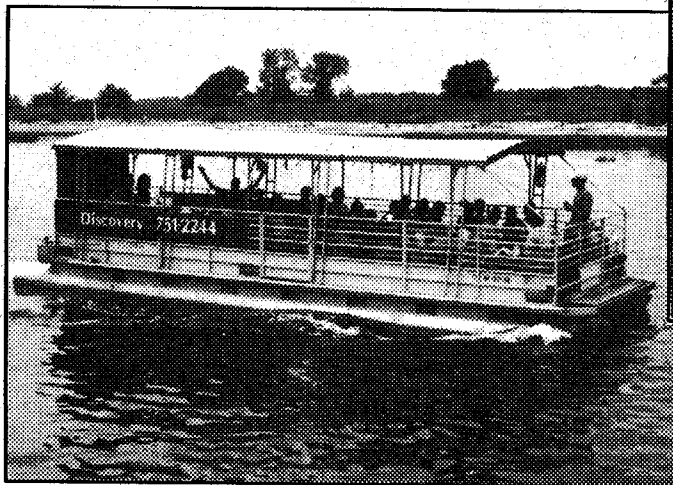
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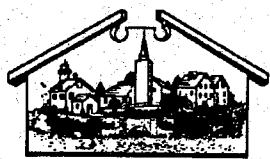
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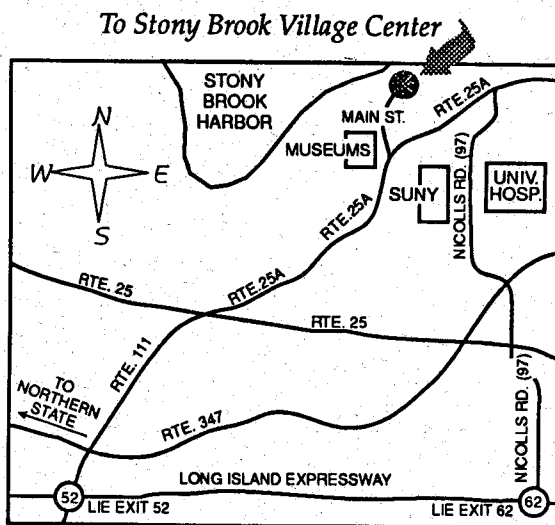
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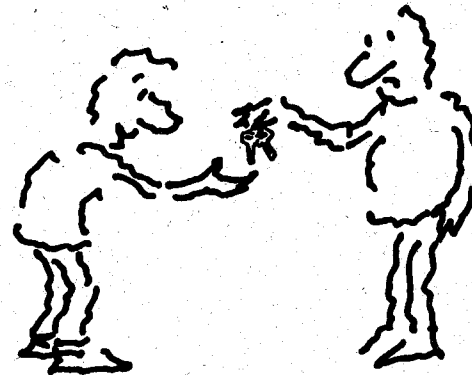
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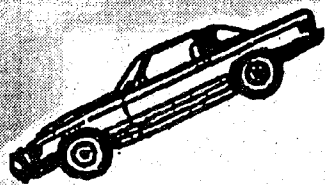
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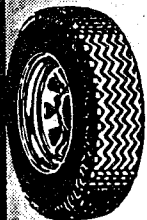


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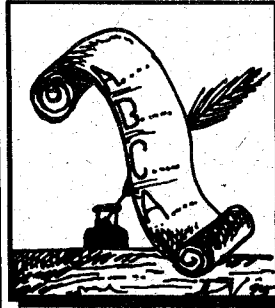
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The Final Grade

By Kristine Seitz

cd has going for it, it ends up to be a disappointment. Most of us have encountered a local band that covers the work of popular artists for their concerts. Sometimes these bands become so good at playing the sounds of other bands that they cease to have a style of their own. *Dead Hot Workshop* is a combination of styles that leaves the listener feeling like they've heard the song before—every one of their songs.

Originality isn't everything, of course. There are plenty of bands that sound similar to other bands

that have made it big. Great lyrics can make up for a world of the same old guitar riffs but here, again, *Dead Hot Workshop* fails to deliver. The guitar work, while excellent, obscures the lyrics of most of the songs. The wailing quality of the vocals doesn't make them any easier to understand either. The vocals were shrouded by the music and the rhythm was monotonous. The band seems like it made an attempt to conform to mainstream pop culture, but failed to do so.

The ballad "Jesus Revisited," is one of the only songs where large portions can be heard and understood. It's the song about a man named Jesus, "He was born in the suburban Christmas Day, sympathetic to the castaways on 'Gilligan's Isle,' marooned on his island, in a sea of despair, surrounded by the water in the ocean of life."

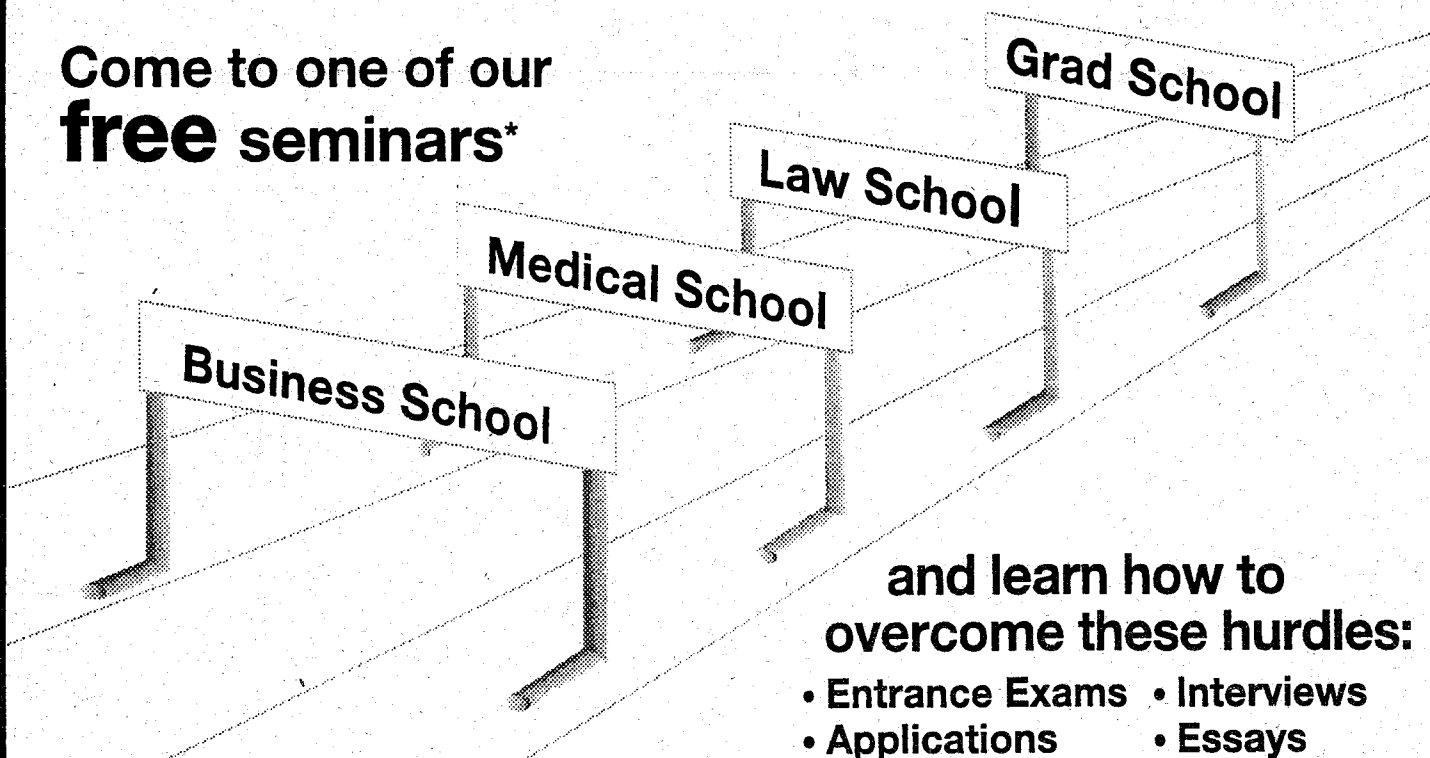
It's sort of poetic. It makes you wonder what they've been saying on the rest of the cd.

If you are a great fan of guitar work, this cd might be for you. However, between the lack of lyrics and the generic quality of the songs, the cd isn't worth the time for most other people.

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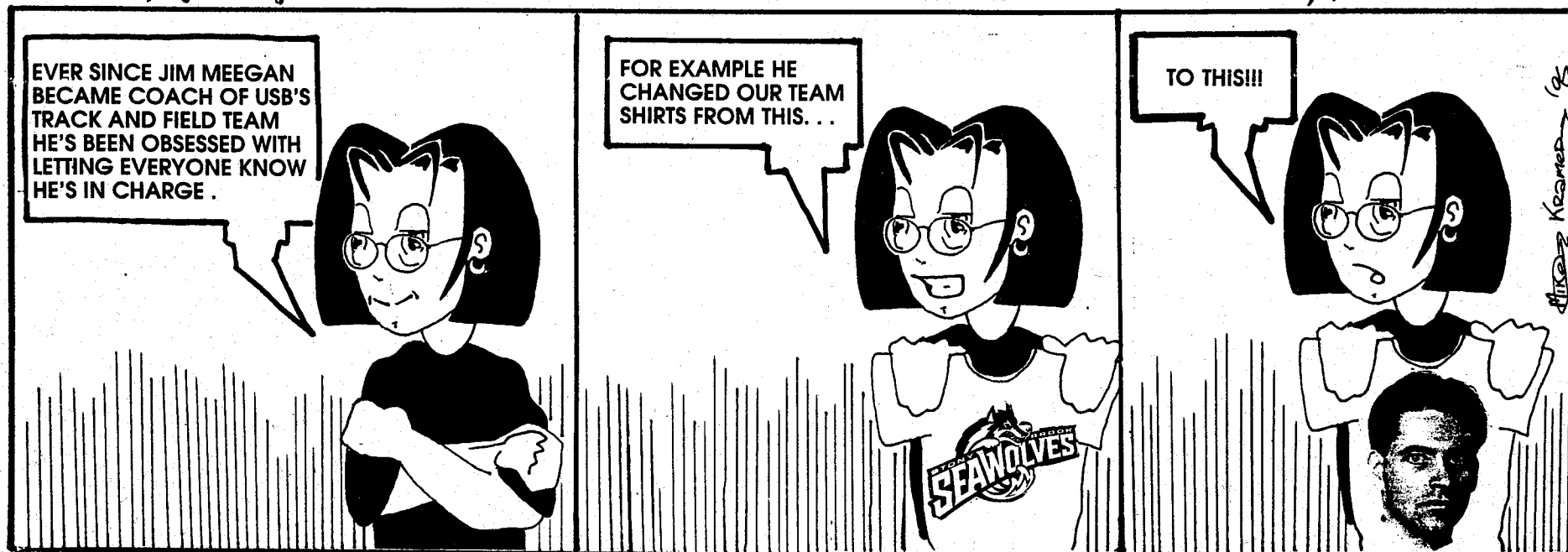
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Madball Speaks

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"Roger was a great singer, John from the *Cro-Mags* was a great singer and he should've left it alone. They tried to do that comeback. They did the metal thing, it wasn't the same. They weren't drawing the people. They didn't have the same power and spirit. I swore I'd never do a comeback band. I mean, how many comeback have the Bad Brains made?"

"I don't like bands that aren't hardcore but go under that label. To me, that's not hardcore. *Biohazard* says, 'We're not a hardcore band.' I've gotta' give it to them for that. I'd be the first one to talk s--- about them but I gotta' bite my tongue. Because they do a lot for hardcore. They do more for hardcore than a lot of 'hardcore' bands. They put a lot of bands on bills and stuff like that. They have the opportunity to do that and they do. They always tell us, 'You gotta' come on tour with us' and I tell 'em I know you're talking s---. You're gonna' go on tour with Slayer. You ain't got time for us. I understand it. I know how it goes. It'll never happen. I don't blame 'em in a way. Their shooting for different things," says Stigma.

Is there still a big scene in hardcore and who are the bands? "Yeah, there's still a scene in New York. Rejuvenate. People say they're a nobody band, they're sloppy, they're terrible, they get no action at all. There's new bands nobody knows now. Like New Faith. Down Low. These are the real hardcore bands. I always hear like Crown Of Thornz. I toured with them,"

notes Stigma. As for pseudo hardcore bands, Vinnie says this "I'm not saying they say it. I really don't know if they go around yelling hardcore."

"We've got to make a new album. We'll maybe do some weekend shows. We're recording in a month. I gotta do another album. I got like an EP already recorded. Three songs on wax and three that aren't. We are the most disorganized band of all I mentioned. First because we've been doing it longer and the kid's got an attitude. He knows. He's cool about it and he's like my son. He dances for all those bands, but I won't dance for 'em. I won't even watch em. I show my face. They're my friends, then 'I gotta' go.' I gotta' really like a band. They gotta' have great lyrics, hard sounding guitars, not necessarily the greatest musicians. Chemistry makes a band. I mean there are good bands. Integrity. I think they're better than *Sick Of It All*. I don't like the whole 'New York Hardcore' thing. If you're from New York, BOOM, you get signed. I give credit to *Sick Of It All*. They stayed basically hardcore. I also like *25 Ta Life*. They're a little metal," points out Vinnie.

What else does Vinnie like to listen to? "George Jones. No bulls---. I love him," exclaims the legendary guitarist. He is anxiously awaiting a copy of the new George Jones and Tammy Wynette CD entitled *One*. "I'll see ya' in the pit," concludes Stigma.

George Jones, himself, couldn't say it any better. □

Tipping the Scales

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awaken these people who think that way," explained Prudenti.

She led the ticket in the Supreme Court election, having received the most votes, and the other candidates, who were male, rationalized by saying 'it was the year of the woman'

"I think that sometimes people want to rationalize their own insecurities," said Prudenti.

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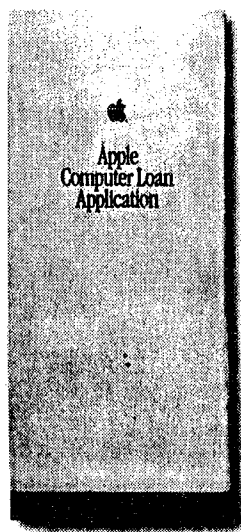
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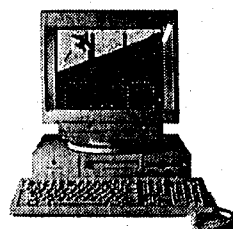
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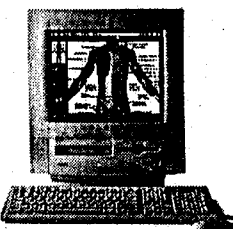
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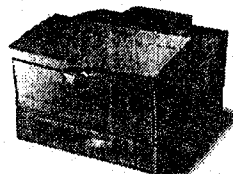
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Dave "Puppy" Chow pulled out a 9-6 record for the week's best. But anyone who picks Houston and Jacksonville, back-to-back, has got some problems on the horizon. Da Mass leads our sports writers, and he's getting a little cocky. A lot of good it did him last year. His pick of the week is Philly in a rematch of 1981's Super Bowl XV. What is *he* thinking. And the Cube? He says, "Wait 'til next week" so often, you'd think he grew up watching the Brooklyn Dodgers.

And then there's Chang. Who is he and why does he keep picking the Jets and the Giants. Guess he's taking his nickname too literally. Stay off the grass, son. And the rest of you: See you next week.

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Volleyball Wins Again

The volleyball team dominated Queens College on Tuesday,

winning 15-11, 15-6, 15-4. The 'Wolves boosted their record to 6-2 on the season. Maura Gormley had a big day, recording a .692 kill percentage on 18 for 26, with no hitting errors. Jolie Ward had eight kills, seven digs, as well as two aces and a block. Elka Samuels, Barbara Olsen and Melissa Wray also had strong games. Next up for the Seawolves is the Holiday Inn Express Invitational, Friday and Saturday in the Indoor Sports Complex.

Men's Soccer Loses 4-1

The men's soccer team lost 4-1 against Southhampton Wednesday in an away game. Southhampton led 2-0 at the half and scored one minute into the second half on a penalty kick

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Sandy Weeden Named Athletic Director

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Weeden has been with Stony Brook for 26 years, 23 as the director of women's athletics. She is, by far, the University's most experienced athletic administrator. The former men's director Sam Kornhauser, who is also the football coach, will serve as associate director of athletics.

Dr. Richard Laskowski, dean of physical education and athletics, said, "I believe that placing all 19 of our sports under the direction of one athletic director will create an even more efficient Division of Physical Education and Athletics. It has always been my belief that coaching football and directing an athletics program is impossible. Sam did a fine job as director of men's athletics, but as we move into Division II, the demands on all sports, including football, are increasing."

Among the most important things Weeden wants to improve in the sports programs is communication between the different heads. "I believe it is important that everybody is on the same page as we move to Division I," she said.

Men's Swim Team Gets New Coach

Dave Alexander will coach both the men's and women's swimming teams. Alexander had served as the head coach of the women's team for 16 years before Dean of Physical Education and Athletics Dr. Richard Laskowski announced the move. Alexander's career coaching record is 130-47-1 (.734) in meets and

his program has produced four All-Americans.

Nineteen of his swimmers have qualified for the NCAA Division III National Championships. Over 170 women's swimmers have earned All-Metropolitan Conference honors.

"Rather than search for an outside individual to coach the (men's) team we just asked Dave to fill the role", said Laskowski. "Technically the teams train and travel together, so it won't be such an imposition to him. He has been very successful with the women's team and we have full confidence he can do both jobs."

Jim Murphy Named New Softball Coach

Jim Murphy takes over for Terry McNulty as the head coach of the Softball Team. Murphy was the softball coach at Suffolk Community College from 1982-85, the head baseball coach at Oakdale Junior High School since 1989. He also earned his master's degree from Stony Brook.

"We feel lucky to have him," said Laskowski. "We now have a situation where we have someone to do this job full time. This [hiring] will bring this team hopefully to the level we want as a Division II team."

Murphy takes over a softball program which has had it's problems over the last three years. According to Director of Athletics Sandy Weeden, the team has suffered from a lack of a coach who could give full time commitment. Murphy can give that commitment.

"Right now I'm concerned with getting a team on the field," Murphy said. "We have a

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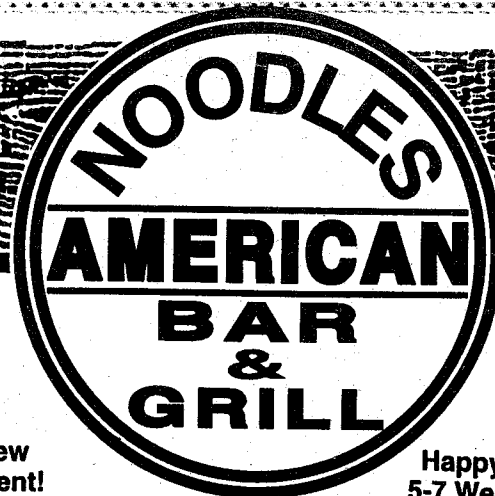
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18 Women's Soccer Looks to Regroup in Vermont

By JASON YELLIN
Special to *The Statesman*

The Stony Brook Seawolves women's soccer team will seek to get back on the winning trail as they spend their third weekend this month away from home.

On Saturday, Stony Brook will take on the University of Vermont Catamounts in Burlington, Vt. The Seawolves will be looking to break the hex of the Catamounts. UVM has defeated Stony Brook in each of their five face-offs.

"It will be good test for us," said head coach Susan Ryan. "We have been away a lot and it is beginning to drain us, but we must stay together and stay focused when we play Vermont Saturday and at Fordham on Tuesday."

Last year, the Seawolves lost a tough 2-1 decision to Vermont on September 11. Kim Canada scored the 'Wolves lone goal midway through the first half off a pass from Dawne Thomas to tie the game at 1-1. The Catamounts scored the game-winner in the second half. Keeper Annya Callahan made 18 saves in a sparkling performance.

"This game is very important for us," Ryan said. "We had two good games, beating Lehigh and Hofstra, but lost a tough one to St. John's."

In the St. John's game, the Seawolves fell behind just 9:49 into the contest and were unable to comeback as they fell at Red Storm Field, 2-0 on Tuesday night. Jodi Yerys, who was named Stony Brook Athlete of the Week last week made eight saves for Stony Brook.

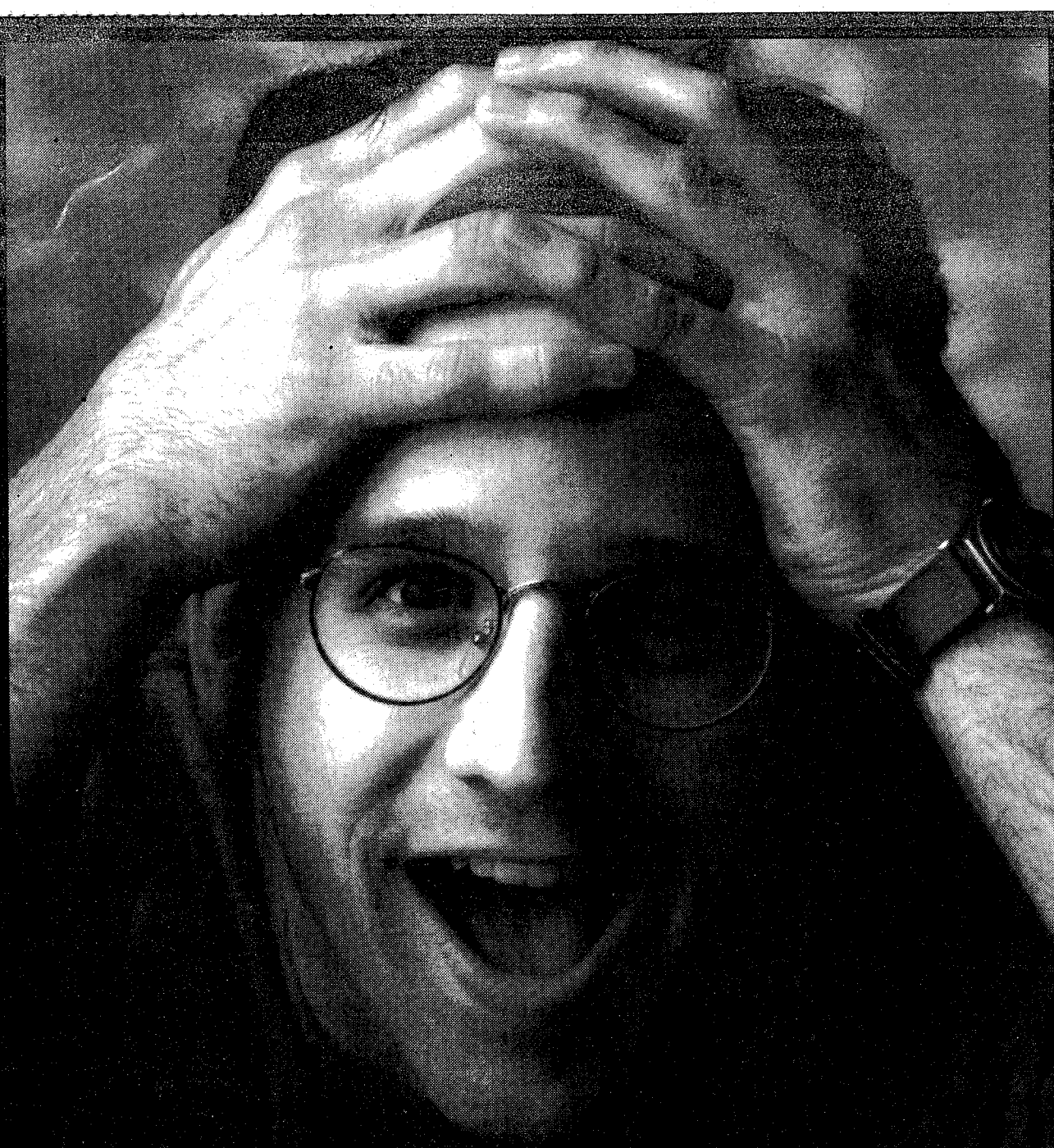
"It was very positive for us to win our first two games," said Ryan. "Now we must keep ourselves up. It's going to be tough. We have to play a full 90 minutes every game, with no lapses." □

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Women's Tennis Picks Up First W of '95

By JASON YELLIN
Special to The Statesman

Stony Brook's women's tennis team notched their first victory of the 1995 campaign with a 4-2 win at Adelphi University this past Monday afternoon.

The Seawolves had dropped their first two matches before gaining the win over their local Long Island rival. "We are very excited to get our first win," said Grace Corbis, the Seawolves number five singles player. "We fought very hard and were pumped up throughout the match and we came up with the victory."

Stony Brook's number one singles player Alicja Kupczynska easily topped Jen Jannotte in straight sets, 6-3, 6-1.

Maura Clyne won her number two

singles with a 6-4, 6-2 win over Joan Lewis. Corbis playing out of number five defeated Nancy Beak 7-6, 6-1 and Melanie Rebosa easily dispatched of Sachiko Kazumaki, 6-1, 6-1.

"We had a lot of enthusiasm," said Corbis. "It is very positive for us to beat Adelphi."

Two matches were not complete, as Alex Belniak retired in the second set after taking the first 6-3. Tracey Troy's match with Krysta Reuter was called due to darkness.

The Seawolves will play at Concordia College in Bronxville, NY Saturday. They will return home to host local rival C.W. Post Thursday, Sept. 28 at 3:30 p.m. at University Courts. □

King-Tyson OutFOX Boxing

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determined football player he had ever seen. "He would catch the ball and just run over guys twice his size," Driver said. "I knew he was good, but I didn't realize he was this good." It looks to me like Chrebet is a keeper. Besides his strength, he catches everything thrown his way. You see everybody, dreams can come true. Just look at me - just joking.

From the I Don't Make This Stuff Up Dept. This weekend in a San Diego bar, less than an hour after the Chargers had beaten the Eagles, a Charger fan became embroiled in an argument with an Oakland Raider fan. The exchange started with words, but soon led to fisticuffs. During the scuffle, the Raider fan, no doubt hungry after starving for a football team for so long, bit off the ear of the Charger fan. And I thought being a Jet fan was rough.

The Yankees are in the lead for the wild-card and who really cares? Did anybody read Rob Parker's column in the Newsday on Wednesday? It was all about how Darryl Strawberry should'nt be sitting during the playoff stretch. Hey Mr. Parker, get a life. I'd say get a job, but he already has one.

I want to dedicate this column to the memory of Fabia Golia. Fabia would have been celebrating her 22nd birthday this coming weekend, but on Friday night she was killed in a car accident, less than ten minutes from her home. A young, beautiful girl, she was a friend and my high school prom date. My condolences go out to her family and her boyfriend, D.J., who is a good friend of mine. Experiences like this always seem to put life in perspective. You only live once - make it a good one. May she rest in peace. 'Til next time, The Cube. □

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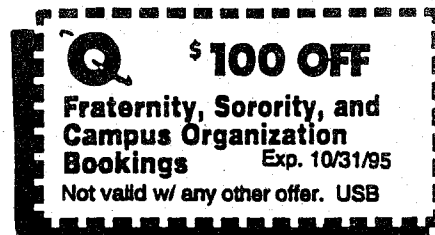
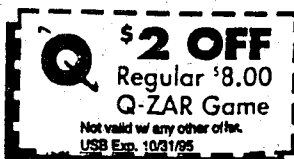
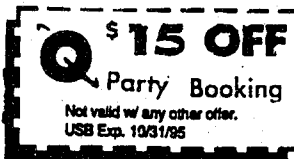
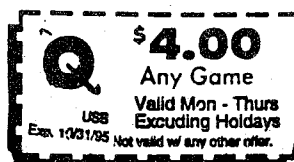


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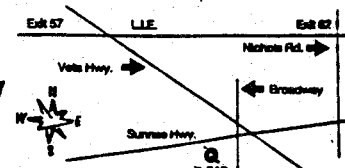
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ATHLETE OF THE WEEK BY NICOLE J. SEQUINO

"Let's put it this way: If I had to show a Freshman how to do something," said Stony Brook Seawolves' head football coach, Sam Kornhauser, "I'd point to Luke Posniewski and say, 'watch him.'"

Pace University — The senior defensive back compelled both Kornhauser, coaches and teammates to sit up and take notice Sept. 9 in the Seawolves' first game and win of their 1995-96 season. Posniewski attained nine tackles and made a game-winning interception with an 18-yard return that the Seawolves converted into their third and vital touchdown.

The 'Wolves left victorious in a 21-19 win. Such efforts have won Posniewski this week's **The Stony Brook Statesman Athlete of the Week**.

Posniewski, however, regards the recognition as a team accomplishment, and takes no pride in his successes. "I'm happy I got the Athlete of the Week," said Posniewski, "but I feel that it was our defensive team that won it, not just me."

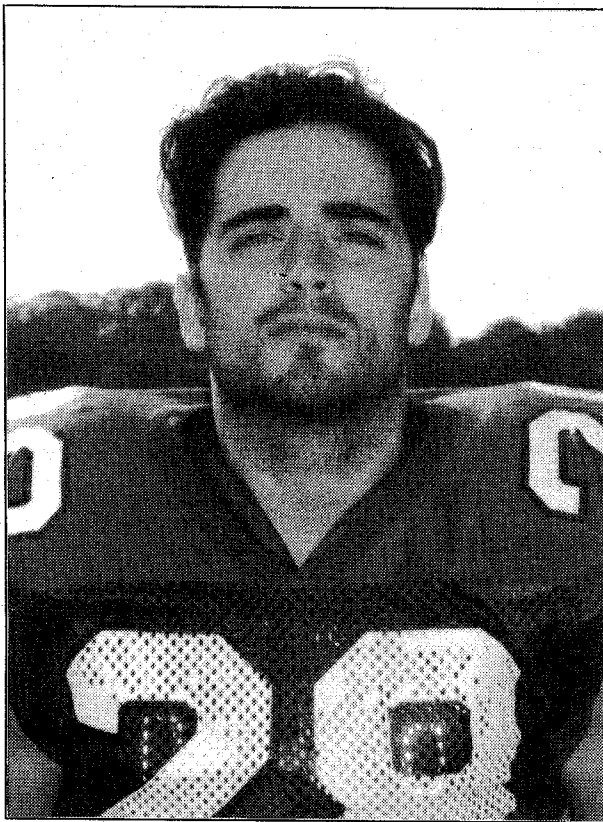
Posniewski began as a defensive back only last year. At Lansingburgh High School in his hometown of Troy, New York Posniewski earned recognition as a running back, achieving 900 yards and ten touchdowns for the Lansingburgh Knights in his senior year.

Entering the State University of Stony Brook in 1991, he continued in his offensive position until 1993, wherein he was fated for another role in the Seawolves line-up.

"I broke my leg in a skiing accident," Posniewski explained. "It was really a bad break, so I was worried about it. That's why I was a red shirt for 1993."

Posniewski, as a "red shirt," or a team member who practices but does not play official games, remained positive about his situation. In order to prevent further injury, however, Posniewski was shifted, for the first time, to a defensive position.

"Though I always loved to run the ball," said Posniewski, "being a defensive back is more fun - fits



LUKE "THE POZ" POSNIEWSKI
THE STONY BROOK STATESMAN ATHLETE OF THE WEEK
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more with my style of play, which is aggressive - and is better for the team."

At defensive back in 1994, Posniewski made a total of 73 tackles, (31 unassisted, 42 assisted), second among the Seawolves' defensive backs. He also tied for second in blocked passes, had two interceptions, was placed on

the Eastern College Athletic Conference (ECAC) honor roll, and earned the ECAC Metropolitan NY/NJ Defensive Player of the Week after making nine tackles against the Norwich Cadets.

"Luke is a tremendous competitor, one of the hardest workers, and the best well-conditioned athlete that we have on the team," said Kornhauser. "He loves to play, and his work ethic is such that he has won our winter 'Workhorse Competition' for two years in a row."

"He was one of our better defensive backs last year," Kornhauser continued. "When he comes to practice, Luke gives you every ounce of energy and drive in his body. He does everything in his power to help you win. If we had more players like Luke Posniewski, the Stony Brook Seawolves would never lose. This couldn't have happened to a nicer, more deserving kid."

"I love the game of football," Posniewski said. "I bring everything I have to the game — no matter what, I give 100 percent. To me, there's no easy way out, so I give my all."

Both Posniewski and Kornhauser are optimistic for the 1995-96 season in the sense of playoff mentality. Last year, the Seawolves lost 28-21 in overtime to Wilkes University in their first play-off game as the number one seed in the ECAC Division III Southeast Championship. Posniewski had eight tackles and two blocked passes, however, and looks forward to another opportunity this year.

"This time we're going for a Division II Championship," Posniewski said. "It's a big step for us to go to Division II, but we're hoping to make the playoffs again. We feel it's not out of reach, and that it would be good for Stony Brook. It would give us a good name."

"We had a tremendous opportunity to showcase our team at the ECAC playoffs and in the Freedom Football Conference last year," said Kornhauser. "I'm hoping we can do the same this year. If we can, that would be fantastic." □

King-Tyson OutFOX the Boxing World ... Again

So Don King went ahead and put Mike Tyson on Channel 5, the Fox Network. Now everyone can watch as he knocks out Buster Mathis Jr. in the first round on Nov. 4.

This move sent such shockwaves through the boxing underworld that the third encounter between Riddick Bowe and Evander Holyfield, originally scheduled for the fourth, is apparently going to be moved back on the calendar.

Everyone I have spoken to is looking forward to the fight and for good reason - it's not everyday that the best heavyweight fighter in the world can be seen by everyone. The Tyson spectacle will likely garner tremendous ratings for Fox and a huge amount of publicity for Iron Mike.

But you see, there was a time long ago and not too far away when boxing's best were always showcased on national television. Free Television.

In fact, if you ever watch Boxing's Greatest Fights on ESPN, you'll probably hear the legendary Howard Cosell's voice. And on the screen you

would see the little boxing gloves on each side of the number round that is about to begin with ABC's Wide World of Sports logo on the bottom. Muhammad Ali, Joe Frazier, Sugar Ray Leonard, Marvin Hagler, Alexis Arguello, etc., you name them and you were able to see them. Ah, what I would give to have been old enough to enjoy those good old days.

But then came cable. Having lived my childhood in various areas of Queens, which acquired cable about five years after the rest of New York State did, I had to hope that one of my mom's friends had HBO or Showtime so she could drive me there to see the next big fight. I remember being "lucky enough" to watch the so-called "Great White Hope" Gerry Cooney get pummelled for 13 blood-filled rounds by Larry Holmes before the fight was finally stopped via technical knockout.

But then came Pay-Per-

View. In order to watch a fight in the comfort of your own home, you now had to shell out upwards of \$20 per event. You could watch Ray "Boom Boom" Mancini literally beat an outmatched Duk Koo-Kim to death or some other high-profile mismatch on network television.

But if you wanted to watch Leonard Thomas Hearn or Holmes-Michael Spinks you either had to fork over the moolah or watch M*A*S*H on public television.

And then came Tyson. With fists of fury and a body of steel, the demand to see the most

devastating fighter in recent (if not all of) history reached proportions unseen since Cassius Clay changed his name. And with King by Tyson's side, the price for Pay-Per-View fights went up along with his popularity. People were now paying \$35 to \$40 for the opportunity to watch Tyson step through the ring ropes, sockless

as always, and pound his foes in a way that has not been equaled in my lifetime.

But then Tyson went off the deep end. His marriage to actress Robin Givens was the first step on the plank. If anyone saw the now-famous Barbara Walters interview with Tyson and Givens, you know what I'm talking about. Givens belittled Tyson to the world and said that living with him was like "living in hell." They separated a month later, but the damage had been done. Soon after, Tyson lost for the first time, a knockout victim to the original one-fight-wonder Buster Douglas. And then Tyson met Desiree Washington and stepped off the plank and into jail.

For three years, King struggled to put together fights that would intrigue the buying public, but the results were less than spectacular. I don't know what it is, but something about watching Bruce Seldon against Joe Hipp leaves the boxing fan's palate a little dry.

Now Tyson has returned and the Pay-Per-View prices have returned as well. The Tyson-Peter McNeeley fight last month

was a joke and so was the \$49.95 price tag. But you know what? People bought the fiasco. They complained about it, but they bought it. King, in a move that smells like a publicity stunt, now has Tyson set to appear on public television, free television. But unfortunately, he's not fighting Foreman, Holyfield or even Tommy Morrison. Just some guy who fought Bowe last year and was knocked down three times in the first round.

Ah, what I would give to have been old enough to enjoy the good old days.

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The unbelievable saga of Wayne Chrebet continues. The 5'8" starting wide receiver for the Jets, one year removed from playing for Hofstra, now has 12 receptions and two touchdown catches, tying him for the team lead in both categories. My old Long Beach High School teammate Joey Driver, who played linebacker for Hofstra and led the team in tackles last year, told me that Chrebet was the most



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