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University Gives Warning for Illegally Parked Cars

By LAURA LO
Statesman Editor

Ticketing and towing are the penalties for invading the space of a Ride-Share commuter.

"In order to keep these spaces, we have to tow and we have to ticket if people park in these spots," said Doug Little, assistant director of University Police for community affairs. "Our department would rather see people not park there."

Stony Brook's Ride-Share program reserves a parking spot anywhere on campus for its groups to encourage employees to commute to work together.

"The biggest problem is when someone else is in the spot," said Melody Thomas, senior staff assistant for parking and transportation. "Then the employee is in a bind because someone has violated their space."

Each of the 83 Ride-Share spaces on campus is

designated by a sign that corresponds to a sticker on the group's vehicle. When a Ride-Share group, which must consist of at least two members, finds another car in their spot, they report the car to University Police. "The problem is, by the time a traffic officer goes over to the spot, the person has already moved the vehicle," Thomas said.

Thomas, who inspects Ride-Share parking, resolved the problem by receiving authorization from University Police to write tickets. Thomas said she tickets between 25-30 cars a week, mostly on Lake Drive near South Loop Road and on the east side of campus near the Health Sciences Center. The cost of each ticket is \$25, which can be accompanied by an additional \$40 fee if the vehicle is towed. But University Police and Thomas prefer a friendlier alternative.

"We try to identify who

the car belongs to and call them," Thomas said. "If we find out, we call and ask them to move the car."

When another car is in a group's space, the Ride-Share members are forced to park in a different spot—possibly another group's space.

"One Ride-share participant, a surgeon, finds someone in his spot, so he takes someone else's Ride-Share spot," Thomas said. "He'll call and say he can't come back to move his car because he's involved in life-saving stuff."

As much as finding another car in a Ride-Share space is inconvenient for members, the students who park in the spaces find them to be more convenient than the student lots. "They're so much closer to the buildings," junior Sean Monahan said. "That's the closest place to park. I'm not parking eight miles away from campus to take a bus to be late to class."

Although employees receive various benefits for ride-sharing, there is no comparable program for students. Thomas said a Ride-Share program for students would be too expensive. "Each sign for a Ride-Share space costs \$120," she said. "Signs go up and down and it's difficult to coordinate. Students would need different signs every semester. Moving them costs too much."

Ride-sharing saves money in addition to saving on gas and car maintenance. Ride-Share members are also eligible to receive automobile insurance discounts. C. Lorie Silver, an Allstate insurance agent, said the percentage of the discount for participants depends on the distance to work and how many times per week the person drives. "If a person travels, say, 45 miles to work everyday and there are five people in the carpool, each one driving one day a week, then the insured's miles

to work would be adjusted from 45 to 9 and given a discount," Silver said.

Ride-Share members also get a free bus pass and six free passes to park in any faculty/staff. They can use these passes on days when group members are going in different directions after work, or when they are forced to park in a different space.

The reason behind these incentives is an agreement Stony Brook has with New York State to comply with the Clean Air Act. New York State gave Stony Brook a grant for \$73,000 to start a program to reduce the number of cars on campus. Thomas said that out of 10,000 vehicles, 1,200 need to be eliminated. So far, only about 100 have been. "We're not getting very far fast," Thomas said.

If Stony Brook does not enforce the plan, Suffolk County can fine the University up to \$500 per day. "We must show we are enforcing the plan," Thomas said. "We must work real hard to keep the spaces open." □

Activities Center Set to Open This Fall

By BEN VARGHESE
Statesman Staff

After numerous delays, phase two of the New Student Activities Center is now in full

swing and is winding down to its final plans. Carmen Vazquez, Dean of Students was available to discuss the immediate details.

According to Vazquez, the Activities Center is 85 percent

complete and is set to open in late fall of 1996, between the months of November and December. "The project is a \$22 million dollar investment," said Vazquez. \$14 million of the budget covered phase one including all other site work. The remaining eight million will accommodate the final phase.

The Activities Center will consist of four floors, each dedicated to meet the needs of the students and faculty and staff. Vazquez toured the center two weeks ago and said that the view is 'wonderful.' "When you walk into the lobby, it's a very large space that really makes you feel like you're outdoors, but you're really indoors." Vazquez added that the vista provides a glass view of the Earth and Space Sciences and the library.

Exiting the lobby, you

will enter the theater/auditorium. The theatre, according to Vazquez, "will have theatre style seating with half of the chairs fixed, and the other half moveable." The moveable chairs will transform into a wooden dance floor. The total seating in the theatre "is 555, twice the size of the current auditorium, [in the Union]"

Vazquez further indicated that there will be new accommodations for commuter students at the Center. On the first floor, there will be a commuter college office, a Commuter Commons, similar to the commuter lounge in the Union, and computer docking stations, where commuter students can conveniently plug in their lap-top computers.

However, Vazquez said that this is only the beginning. In the lower level, there will also be a game room, which Vazquez said, "will bring in top of the line cutting edge, types of billiards, and virtual reality."

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BIO 152 Test Canceled

By ANTHONY PERULLO
Special to the Statesman

The Biology Department canceled its BIO 152 exam last night, after mistakenly handing out the exams with marked answers.

Nearly 1,000 students were scheduled to take the exam that began at 8:00 p.m., but were cut short five minutes into the test.

While students were still filling in their social security number, and others beginning to answer the 50 multiple-choice question examination, a deafening roar could be heard throughout the entire Javits Lecture Center. Exams for the BIO 152 class were given out with answers clearly marked off. Disbelief, confusion, and pandemonium erupted as teaching assistants announced, "Test canceled."

One Teaching Assistant, announcing the news, offered a

couple of solutions; the first of which was, a rescheduling. A second would be using this exam as the one test that is to be dropped. Although seemingly unavoidable, either of the two offered little consolation to the students who have immersed themselves in studying for the past week.

Mary Stancu, a student present at the exam, said, "It's not fair, people studied and a lot of people in our class have the chem 131 or 132 exam Monday or Tuesday, and it is possible that they may reschedule it for Wednesday [march 20]."

"After five straight days of studying and being totally prepared for the exam, I am completely upset," said Chris Smalley, another student who took the exam. "Why didn't they check the exams? That's what gets me."

"I was prepared for the test and I

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Small Fire in Heavy Engineering Building

Many items found on campus have been taken to the Lost and Found Office located in the University Police Station. If you believe a personal possession of yours is missing, feel free to call 2-0158.

Wednesday, March 6

1:25 p.m.

Contributions to the Sigma Beta Honor Society were stolen from the third floor of the Frank Melville Memorial Library. Checks totaling \$1060 and \$380 worth in cash were taken from a filing cabinet.

5:41 p.m.

A female student suffered a seizure in the Reference Room of the Frank Melville Memorial Library. She was transported shaking and pale to the University Hospital by way of SBVAC. She did not have a previous history of seizures.

Thursday, March 7

8:30 a.m.

A handicap permit was stolen from a car parked in the Heavy Engineering parking lot. The doors were unlocked to begin with. There was no evidence of a forced entry.

12:55 a.m.

A number of items were stolen from a car parked in the Irving College parking lot: a few books, a wallet with \$55 in cash with various credit cards, a driver's license and a small tape recorder worth \$50. There were no signs of forced entry.

1:20 p.m.

A USB employee fell to break the fall of a fellow co-worker on the fifth floor of the Frank Meville Memorial Library and injured a wrist. The employee was transported to the University Hospital via SBVAC.

11:10 p.m.

A gray two-door 1990 Acura Integra was sideswiped by another vehicle while it traveled on North Loop Road. The left side and mirror were damaged, along with the grill and the fender. No injuries were reported.

11:38 p.m.

A non-student at Hamilton College did not feel well and complained of pain after overdosing on mushrooms bought on campus.

Friday, March 8

12:19 a.m.

A Gershwin College resident suffering from a severe asthma attack was transported to the University Hospital by way of SBVAC.

12:43 p.m.

A Hamilton College resident had an allergic reaction to medication and was transported to the University Hospital by way of SBVAC.

10:45 p.m.

A band member playing at the "The Spot" was provoked into a fight. The fighters had hands on each other's throats, and the musician was transported to the University Hospital bleeding with a severe lip laceration.

11:30 p.m.

A student complained of abdominal pains and headaches possibly stemming from the flu while sitting in the Light Engineering lobby. Transportation to the University Hospital was provided by SBVAC.

Saturday, March 9

12:01 a.m.

A fight broke out in the lobby of O'Neill College between members of the Resident Security Program. One of the participants received an injured nose resulting from a radio striking his

face.

4:00 p.m.

A Sharp phone-fax machine worth \$250 and \$45,000 worth of the chemical melatonin were stolen from a room on the fifth floor of the Graduate Chemistry building. Nine units of one kilogram each were taken. The market price for the stolen items would exceed the value the university paid.

8:00 p.m.

A volleyball player injured a left ankle at the Indoor Sports

Complex and was transported to the University Hospital via SBVAC.

Sunday, March 10

2:50 p.m.

A brown wallet containing \$60 cash, various membership and credit cards, a driver's license and a car registration was stolen from the coat pocket of a Long Island Veteran's Home employee.

6:49 p.m.

A small fire caused some damage to an Irving College dorm room. The fire was due to clothing drying on a lamp and subsequently catching on fire. The ceiling was damaged, as was a desk corner and a computer cord; the total value of the damage amounted to \$160.

Monday, March 11

11:30 a.m.

A black Gap jacket worth \$80 and containing \$60, a meal card and keys were stolen from the basement of the Life Sciences building.

2:53 p.m.

An anonymous call tipped a small fire in a hallway of the Heavy

Engineering building. The cause was attributed to a smoldering cigarette that ignited nearby papers along a temporary wall.

4:50 p.m.

An Erikson cellular phone worth \$400 and some keys were stolen from the table of the common room of Dewey College. There was no sign of forced entry.

10:30 p.m.

A purse containing \$100 cash, credit cards, eyeglasses and keys was stolen from Hand College dorm room.

Tuesday, March 12

11:15 a.m.

Harassing phone calls that were sexual in nature have been reported by a Douglas College female resident.

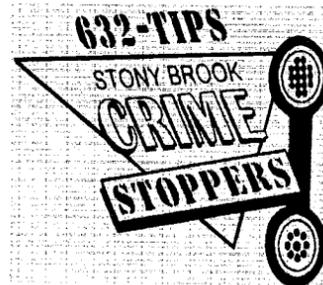
11:45 a.m.

A wallet containing \$75 cash, some credit cards and 2 ATM cards were stolen from a coat pocket. The total value of the loss amounted to \$105.

Wednesday, March 13

4:22 a.m.

The Student Union deli window was found broken. It is not known whether anyone entered or whether anything was taken.



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Activities Center Set to Open This Fall

From Center, Front Page

Commuters will have access to a ping pong table, computer kiosks, where they can access electronic mail and obtain other information, as well as mail room. Vazquez also added that the center's central location will also be beneficial to commuters. She said commuter students are currently dropped off behind the Engineering building, but with the new activities center, buses will lead directly to the front entrance of the building.

Vazquez also mentioned that the building has various areas of "undesignated space", in which its utilization is still uncertain. However, Alumnus, Carol Weidman, gave the university a gift of \$25,000 to build a wellness center in place of some of the vacant space. Vazquez said that some proposals that were made to utilize the other spaces may be the Polity Print Shop or the Colour's Cafe.

The second level of the Activities Center, according to Vazquez will contain the new Student Polity Suite, club rooms, a club mail room, a TV room, and eight to ten computer docking stations for all students. The third level will have multi-purpose meeting rooms, for conferences and special events for both students and the faculty and staff.

Vazquez added that the activities center will be smoke-free and alcohol-free. There will be no drinking bars, but catered events will be permitted. However, the "End of the Bridge" restaurant will continue to operate at the Union. Vazquez said that all clubs and some of the other organizations in the Union will move to the activities center. However, she added that many operations will remain in the Union, namely "several of the food service operations, the Faculty Student Association (FSA), and part of the Union and Activities Administration."

Vazquez also mentioned that many of the current occupied spaces in the Union, will be left undesignated when the new activities center opens. She said that its future designations are uncertain, but one concept is geared toward retailing and business. Another concept is an integration of the various services on campus, such as academic advising and the orientation office, which are scattered around the campus. Vazquez hopes to "bring together all administrative and developmental services for students in one building[Union] so that it's easier to take care of multiple transactions in one place."

Dining will also be a major attraction at the new student activities

center. On the first level, there will be a "food court style servery" including a salad bar and soup bar, and will accommodate 350 students. Vazquez mentioned that there is currently retail space at the center, which will also become dining sites, and hopefully "branded concepts" such as the coffee bar, Starbucks.

The dining facilities at the center could pose a problem for students, however. There is a possibility that the center will not be accepting meal plan, but cash only. Many students were not pleased with the idea.

"I think that will be a bad thing," said Lydia Ocasio, a Senior resident of Tabler Quad. "It would be causing students to pay a lot more money than they're paying now." Ocasio added that she would not eat there if it operated on a "cash only" basis.

"Well, they'll have no customers," said Zoltan Antal, a resident. "No residents will go there. . . that's what everyone lives on, declining balance." Antal also said that he would not dine there. "That idea is so stupid, they can't do that," said Mercy Mathew, a freshman resident at Langmuir College. "It's just another way for this campus to rip off the kids."

Vazquez mentioned that if the center does become "cash only", it would

attract many more commuters, who don't usually eat on campus, as well as faculty and staff. She said she believes that the commuters will be able to eat, without the enormous volume of residents. However, at the same time, Vazquez said she feels that this will be a disadvantage to residents. "We have to sit down and begin to develop an entire commercial and food service plan to address all of the multiple layers of needs," said Vazquez.

Vazquez added that the Activities Center, was "created with the idea that the Stony Brook Union will still house and provide an activities facility for students." She said that if they had designed the center to accompany all of the activity components into one location, it would've added another eight to nine million dollars to the project. She added that the total area of the activities center is nearly 140,000 square feet. The Student Union is 150,000 square feet, but Vazquez pointed out that the flexibility and the usable space is more efficiently utilized at the activities center. "I think students should get very excited about this," Vazquez said. "It's more places, more spaces to have fun, to relax, to meet people, and to do events."

"We've long grown out of this building[Union]; for the size of the campus population that we have, we've gone beyond." □

New Telephones for The Hearing and Visually Impaired

By ENEIL RYAN DE LA PENA
Statesman Editor

New technologically advanced emergency telephones are being installed throughout the campus that will accommodate visually impaired and hearing impaired individuals who need assistance from University Police.

An emergency telephone has been recently installed at the bus stop by the new Student Activities Center. The telephones are designed to accommodate the visually impaired by its Braille writing and bright yellow color. For the hearing impaired, they can utilize the system by depressing the emergency button on the phone. A red light will blink to indicate that their call is being received by a police officer at University Police, who will know where the call is being made.

"[The new telephones] are wonderful," said

Monica Roth, coordinator for Disabled Student Services. "They're a good addition and a big improvement on campus."

James Hart, senior operations administrator of the Telecommunications-Business Office, said that the installments of the new telephones will serve a trial period. The blue emergency telephones currently placed on areas around the campus are still effective and useful, but do not have the capabilities of accommodating visually impaired and hearing impaired individuals.

"The difference [between the new telephone and the blue telephones] is that the new ones don't have to go in a box," Hart pointed out. "It's easier to get into and has a bright yellow color, which should get their attention as opposed to the black ones. It's easy to see for the visually impaired."

The trial period for the new telephones will continue until they are proven effective and gain a "good reputation." The blue telephones will remain in their location until they are damaged and will be replaced by the new ones. "The old ones are going to stay there as long as they work okay, then we're putting the new ones out," Hart said.

Installing the new phones is also in compliance with the American Disability Act. Doug Little, assistant director for Community Affairs of University Police and Co-chairman of the President's American Disability Act Advisory Committee, said, "We're very happy with these phones and feel that it's a

wonderful addition. In times of an emergency, the



New emergency phones like these will soon be installed throughout campus.

phone is a lifeline."

University Police will determine the areas where the emergency telephones will be placed, while the Telecommunications Office Department will install and maintain them.

Hart wants the new telephones to be "a lot more deployed on campus." He also adds that "remote areas can be difficult. It's a good service we'll continue to expand as we can."

Roth suggests where these new telephones should go. "I would say any public place that are heavily traveled. The more the better." □

Our next literary supplement will be on this Monday, 18th. All submissions are due by Friday. Drop them off in room 057 of the student union.

BIO 152 Test Canceled

From BIO, Front Page

think it is a shame that it happened, but screw-ups occur," said Jim Geyda. "It's unfortunate."

"You could hear everybody cheering in the other rooms," said Edyta Laska. "I have never heard of a mistake like this happening in the biology department at Stony Brook. Everybody is relieved that the test is postponed so they have more time to study."

"This was a mistake by us and is one of those things that happen," said Dr. Raghupathy Sarma, BIO 152 course director. "In twenty years nothing like this ever occurred. I take full

responsibility for the mishap as course director." According to Sarma, "The exams went out to be printed and when they returned they were not opened."

Announcements will be made on Friday at both the 8:20 and 11:35 lectures regarding what is intended to be done. Sarma emphasizes that "we are going to be fair to everybody", and also expressed his concern for the dwindling attendance on Fridays. "Generally, attendance is only about 50% on Fridays," said Sarma.

"To make sure everything runs smoother at this point, all biology 152 students are advised to attend one of Fridays lectures." □

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Stony Brook Internship Program for Students

By WENDI BOWIE
Special to the Statesman

The recent graduate sits alone in a dark, cold office on her first "real" job interview. The interviewer finally walks in, a slender woman with a commanding presence. The first question is the one the student has dreaded: Do you have any experience in this field? The student quietly utters the word no, all the while thinking of the internship she passed up her junior year because she didn't want to be bothered.

Internships are a good way to acquire work experience and can be useful to a student who is looking for employment or entrance into a professional school. Internships look good on your resume and there is a possibility you will be offered a job after you graduate, based on your internship performance.

Stony Brook has an internship office headed by Johanna O'Brien. The office is located on the third floor of the Melville Library next to the office for academic advising.

The guidelines of the Stony Brook internship program say that a student can

receive academic credit with the supervision of a faculty sponsor and a supervisor at the place you will be working during the semester or summer. The guidelines are given, in detail, in the handout O'Brien gives during a meeting with her.

The student has to find his or her own place of employment. The coordinator for internships has a book of internships available in many different fields, including political science, sociology, psychology, media and business. You can work in locations such as Long Island, New York City, Washington, D.C., and Albany, N.Y. For internships out of town, there may be additional application fees, transcripts, recommendations or a personal essay.

Interns can earn three to twelve credits for a fall or spring internship and three to six credits during the summer. About 115 hours of work is required for every three credits earned. Students who want to register for more than nine credits can arrange to do independent study.

As for pay, it's unlikely. "In rare cases, you can earn money, which we call a

stipend, but most of those jobs are in business. The media generally doesn't pay anything. It's almost like the more important the agency the less likely they are to pay you," O'Brien said. If you do receive pay, it must be approved by the internship coordinator.

Students must have a 2.5 grade-point average to do an internship through Stony Brook. "But in some cases we waive," O'Brien said. Depending on the department in which students register, they can earn a minimum of three credits for nine hours of work a week and up to a maximum of twelve credits for 36 hours a week. For every credit, a student is expected to work three hours a week.

In the case of faculty sponsors, a student must get his or her own. The advisor must be a faculty member at Stony Brook. "We suggest your sponsor be in the department of your major," O'Brien said. They don't have to be but it's better if they are."

Before a student can begin interning, he or she must take part in an internship agreement. This agreement

spells out the details of your particular internship including credit, work schedule and responsibilities. The agreement is given to all participating parties.

The student is asked to keep a daily journal and to complete a term paper or project. The length of the paper is determined by the number of credits sought. Generally, for three credits the student must write a six to eight-page paper. The subject is arranged between the student and the faculty advisor.

The faculty advisor gives grades of either "S" or "U", satisfactory or unsatisfactory. The grade is determined by the student's journal, term paper, and the final assessment form from the supervisor at work.

The internship office sends two assessment forms, one to the agency and one to the student. The mid-term assessment form helps the internship office determine how well the student is doing and to help him/her with any problem they may be having. Also, problems the job may be having with the student. A copy of the final assessment form from the job goes to the

sponsor to help determine the grade.

Faculty sponsors also monitor how the student is progressing. They meet with the student every other week to discuss the internship, assignments, the journal and the term paper.

All work must be received by the faculty sponsor by the last day of classes for the semester. If you don't meet the deadline you may get an unsatisfactory grade. It is possible to get an extension from the advisor only if circumstances were out of your control.

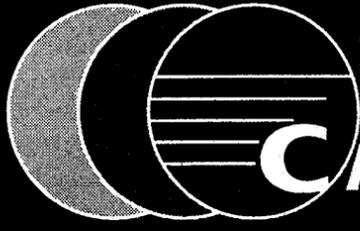
"The job of an intern can vary with each job," said O'Brien. Interning through Stony Brook allows students to do more than answer phones and get coffee. The office asks agencies to give non-menial tasks and to provide a learning experience for students.

An internship can be an invaluable experience for students. It can help you network and get your name known. Internships are useful for learning how to work with people in the workplace. As O'Brien said, "Basically you just have to go in there and sell yourself." □

If there is an event in your department or organization, call *Statesman* at 632-6479.

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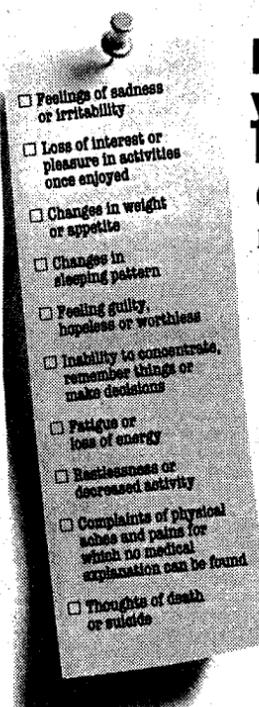



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Desperate Need For Parking

There is a parking lot behind the Sports Complex that only opens up for sporting engagements. In a recent Polity Senate gathering it was brought up in a question period with University President Shirley Strum Kenny by Commuter Student Association Senator Lawrence Green why that lot wasn't made available to Commuter students. It is obvious enough, even though it isn't paved, that the lot is capable of holding cars for events in the complex. Why couldn't, it during non-event days, provide parking for students? Because of its proximity, it would be an enormous burden lifted from the shoulders of commuters who have to contend (along with everyone else) with the terrible layout of this campus. It is clear this campus was designed with nobody in particular in mind. It is equally inconvenient for everyone.

It is unnecessary that this lot should go unused but for sporting events and otherwise be closed. South P is so far away that you might as well just bus in from wherever they live. You walk to the bus stop from your car which is a mile away, wait on line for the bus then your ready to get to your class. Going back home, long line at the stop, crowded standing room only ride and the mile walk to the car. In bad weather the this is not anymore pleasant.

North P commuters walk from far down North Loop road (it is close enough not to warrant waiting for a bus) right by the empty lot. It is usually empty but for daring (really late) drivers. It is a slap in the face to see all that unused space while people have to hoof it around.

This problem is not new to this Universtiy. Since its inception the University has been beset by parking problems. No administration has had a solution and probably no one ever will. The problem could be alleviated a little (and that is all that is asked) by taking steps like opening lot behind the complex.



Bio-Exam Mixup Stirs Students

Due to a clerical error, many students' academic lives were left in chaos and confusion last night, after receiving tests marked with answers.

Following a massive outburst, students in BIO 152 left their five-minute exam with a wide variety of emotions. Some were elated. Some were infuriated.

All were confused.

Many of those who hadn't studied for the exam, doing *anything* other than preparing for the test, were overjoyed that they were given a second chance. A rescheduled exam would mean that they could actually get a *good* grade, instead of the one they would have received had they taken the test. Theirs were the shouts of joy and relief.

Many of those who *had* studied for the exam, devoting every spare minute of their time to acing this test, were left devastated. All of their hours of preparation would go unrewarded — for now. A rescheduled exam would mean even *more* preparation later on. Theirs were the shouts of anger and frustration.

Then there are those that who, regardless of their work ethic, simply can't afford to take the test at a later date. Chemistry exams are scheduled for Monday or Tuesday, and many of these same students are now faced with the possibility of having to take both exams next week.

How could this happen? It was explained

to us by Dr. Raghupathy Sarma, BIO 152 professor, that the mistake was just not discovered until the time of the exam. The tests came back from the printer sealed, and were not opened until they were given to students. It wasn't until entire sections of exams were found marked with answers that anything was done about the situation.

The immediate future is quite uncertain. Tomorrow nearly 1,000 students will be informed as to what they will undergo as a collective punishment — or reward, as some will undoubtedly see it — for the mistakes of another.

What will Dr. Sarma do now to "be fair to everybody?" Would it be fair to force students to take the tests next week, knowing full well many have another major exam? Would it be fair to postpone the test until later in the semester, forcing students to essentially re-study the same material — while simultaneously learning new concepts?

It seems that BIO 152 students are in the proverbial 'catch 22.' In any case, some students will benefit — unfairly, while others will suffer — unfairly.

The exams should have been checked in advance — even if it were to just make sure the questions were correct. The mistake could have been caught and corrected, and hundreds of students would have been saved thousands of hours of grief.

"The best way to win an argument is to begin by being right"

— Jill Ruckelshaus

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Grasso Should Address Issue Directly

To the Editor:

This is in response to the letter written by Vincent M. Grasso appearing in the March 11 issue of *The Statesman*.

I always enjoy reading letters that criticize *The Press*. More often than not, people trip over themselves in their ignorant, zealous attempts to make us look bad. Case in point with ex-*Statesman* Editorial Page Editor, Vincent Grasso. There were a number of things in Grasso's letter that made everyone here at *The Press* say, "Huh?...Wha?"

Let's start with the fact that Grasso sends a criticism of *The Press* to *The Statesman*. If I have a problem with my tax return, do I send a letter of protest to the gas company? No, I send it to those it addresses. A former editor of *The Statesman* should know this. The article he first calls into question, "The Statesman Schism," appearing in the February 26 issue, concerns a wide and deep split between certain members of the Editorial Board of *The Statesman*. We did not discuss the content of the paper itself, but rather, we reported on the fact that the staff was having a huge problem with morale. Grasso somehow interpreted this as an attack against *The Statesman* (it wasn't), and apparently it was a misled sense of loyalty which led him to write.

He states that we spend more time criticizing *The Statesman* than we do criticizing the student government and administration. This further shows how well Grasso reads *The Press*. Where has Grasso been in the last year? We are one of the most vocal critics of administrative and Polity stupidity. Do article titles such as "SPA-Gate" (criticizing SPA Security Chief Alexis Hunter), "DJ Crusty Preston: Screwin' Mad Students" (criticizing Vice-President of Student Affairs, Fred Preston), "Senate Drops Nerf Hammer On *Statesman*" (criticizing the Student Polity Senate), "Orange-Clad Minions of Death" (criticizing SPA Security practices), or "Fred Preston Hates You And Your Music" (criticizing again, Vice President for Student Affairs, Fred Preston), etc., ring a bell? If not, then *how can Grasso criticize something which he does not read?* He also states that because I am a senator, this represents a conflict of interest, and further that it shows that I have a "don't-rock-the-boat" attitude. I've been called a lot of things, but never a "shill" for Polity and Administration. The man is clearly talking straight out of his a--: he has NO idea what he's talking about.

Then Grasso calls us hypocrites for criticizing a *Statesman* Top Ten list referring to Annette Hicks. When did we criticize the list to which he refers? Answer: never. It was Keren Zolotov who criticized that list at a Senate Meeting, and last time I checked, Ms. Zolotov was not a staff member at *The Press*. Mr. Grasso's fact-checking skills are impeccable.

Next, in John Gomez' article, "Good Old Devil" from the February 26 issue of *The Press*, (Grasso doesn't cite what he's taking the quotes from, a sure sign of a strong journalistic background) Grasso criticizes an allusion to a depression ending with the beginning of WW I. Gomez was referring to a general economic depression that ended with the beginning of the first World War, not The Great Depression. The

depression that started in 1929 wasn't the only one this country experienced; but of course a history buff such as Grasso should know this.

Later he cites a suggestion of a caning of an eight-year old from an article written by staff member Steven Tornello as a slippage of what he calls our "supposed social libertarian philosophy." The article was satirical; Tornello was not advocating adopting caning as a viable approach to society's ills. Mr. Grasso's grasp of the concept of satire seems to be a bit underdeveloped.

In conclusion, I would urge prospective critics of *The Press* to better research and argue whatever gripes they may have with our paper. Nothing pleases us more than criticism from the mentally handicapped.

How's that career in journalism going, Vinnie?

John Giuffo

Photo Editor, *The Stony Brook Press*

ESL Article Created Tension and Confusion

To the Editor:

This letter regards the distinction between Literacy Volunteers' and Linguistics' ESL Programs.

The feature article on March 7th, entitled "English as a Second Language Works One on One" has created vast confusion and unnecessary tension about tuition-based vs. free ESL instruction. The Linguistics' three credit ESL courses offered through the TESOL degree program and the Literacy Volunteer's free ESL tutoring on Campus (the latter cosponsored by the Golden Key National Honor Society) are two distinct programs.

The Linguistics Department's ESL instruction, taught by supervised degree program interns, is provided in a classroom setting on Campus. Many of these interns will graduate as **certified ESL Teachers**.

On the other hand, the Literacy Volunteers Program trains **volunteers** to tutor conversational English to individuals or very small groups. Their audience ranges from non-speakers through advanced Learners, on Campus and in the neighboring communities. Many Learners are non-matriculated spouses of SUSB students, who might not otherwise enroll for English instruction. The program is **not** in competition with the Linguistics courses. The Golden Key-Literacy Volunteer collaboration is hoping to reach the non-native speaker who may have neither funds for the Linguistics' ESL course nor transportation to get to a local BOCES course or an off Campus library, where we traditionally offer tutoring.

Although these Literacy Volunteers may take this training with them to work nationally with other Literacy Volunteer affiliates, they are **not certified**. They are fulfilling a need to give back to the community...to help fill the gap of diminishing numbers of volunteers in an increasingly difficult economic climate.

Kathleen McConnell
ESL Program Coordinator

Don't Belittle the Seriousness of Rape

To the Editor:

Rape is not breaking and entering. Using the term "Unlawful Entry" as a substitute for the word rape is cheap sensationalism and insensitive. Next time, call rape rape. As Ms. Libert points out, rape is a crime that should be directly addressed. When vague terms are substituted for the word rape, it becomes easier for people to forget the crime's ugliness.

Andrew Kazin

P.S. I read your paper on a regular basis. The number of grammatical, punctuation and spelling errors are a disgrace. A recent editorial's last three sentences ended with prepositions. I also think you changed the meaning of Ms. Libert's third paragraph. The victim did not refuse to admit who she was. Instead, she refused to admit she was raped.

Ed. note: The choice of the title "Unlawful Entry" was offered by the author of the letter. The meaning of the third paragraph was changed inappropriately. We apologize for causing any confusion.

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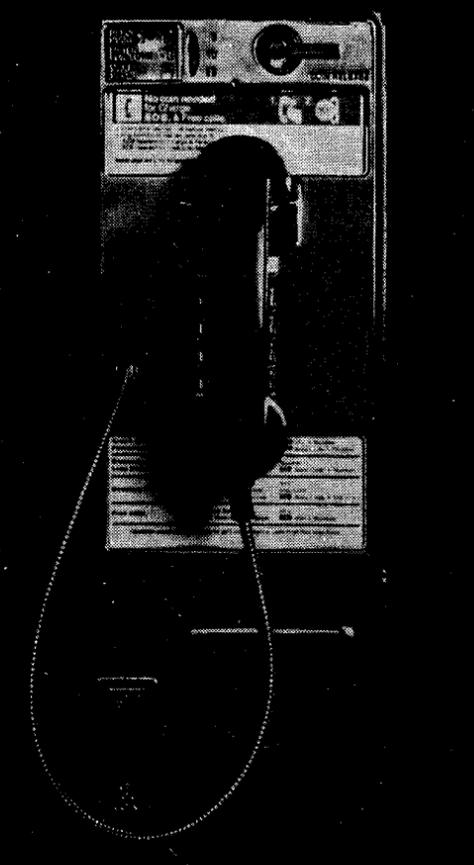
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Victory Scores With Hardcore Releases

By MARC WEISBAUM
Statesman Staff

Invading the market this month is a slew of new releases from Victory Records, ranging from longtime

hardcore vets to a collection of them both.

First up, veterans **Integrity** followup last year's *Systems Overload* with, *Humanity Is The Devil*. Some

people are considering this an EP, but it is a full-length sucker. Tracks with names like "Abraxas Annihilation," give a rough idea of the unholy subject matter on this monster. Prepare yourself for six pummeling tracks, a strange rambling kind of interview and the eerie finale, which is like a dark sermon on just how corrupt and evil the human race is. This spooky lecture — performed by "former practitioner of black magic" and father of the band's ex-drummer Dave, Frank Araca (RIP) — talks about human nature and religion for about twenty minutes. Then there's a break. Following, the band returns to bash out a few more tracks, reminding you that this is an exercise in hardcore, and not just negative philosophy.

Vocalist Dwid yells so furiously, you can imagine the veins bulging out of his face. Drummer Chris Dora and bassist Leon Melnick create a tight, yet sludgy, rhythm section perfect for the band's style. Leon's bro Aaron (also in labelmates **One Life Crew**) and Frank Novinec's dual guitars shred through the material giving Integrity a bite to match their bark. The band fluctuates between a slower more churning pace to a more thrashing one. Integrity is one of the few bands who don't sound generic when they are pounding away at this pace. In

fact, this is where they truly shine. Fans of *All Out War- era Earth Crisis*, should love this. A lot of death and black metal kids are getting into this, so you know it must be crazy.

Finally there is the *Victory Style* compilation. This album is the perfect introduction to hardcore and Victory's roster. Along with tracks from the aforementioned Integrity, you also get a fist full of old-school NYHC by **Warzone** and **Cause For Alarm**, Sweden's all-female **Doughnuts** (yes, the girls play as rough as the guys), Cleveland's **One Life Crew** (featured a few weeks back), New Jersey's **Deadguy** (who recently issued their full-length *Fixation On A Coworker*), New York's own **Snapcase**, and the list goes on. If you are into these bands, you should have all of the material in this collection, but it serves as a great place to test the water for those wary of hardcore

On the horizon: **Bloodlet**, **Warzone**, **By The Grace Of God** (members of **Guilt** and **Endpoint**), and **The Path Of Resistance** (members of *Earth Crisis*, **Halo**, and **Gatekeeper**).

In the meantime...

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Dead Guy

Photo / Victory Records

Helpful Hints For Planning a Vacation

By KERRI CHESHIRE
Special to *The Statesman*

Summer vacation and graduation are right around the corner; start planning your summer getaway before it's time to hit the books or, even worse, join the work force.

Here are a few tips you may find helpful to ensure you get the best deal on your vacation.

*Book your trip as early as possible. Most vacation packages offer a great discount if you book early, especially cruises.

*Go to destinations that aren't in season. Caribbean rates are much lower in the summer than in the winter, but they are still a great vacation.

*Put together a group. For every 15 people who book a cruise together, the 16th person goes free. So gather all your friends together and have a blast!

*When traveling with a group, reserve a condo with several rooms instead of staying in a hotel, it's more economical.

*If your destination includes Europe, rail passes are a very economical way to get around. Also, different cities have different airfares. Fly into a less expensive destination and start your journey there.

*Adventure travel has become very popular, and you can find good deals on exciting, active trips such as a safari, river rafting, hiking/biking, balloon trips and more.

*If you are flying to your destination, a Saturday night stay will reduce your airfare significantly.

*All-inclusive resorts such as Sandals and ClubMed offer the best value with no surprise costs. You can budget your money accurately knowing all your costs in advance. Keeping mind that sports activities tend to be a costly

extra at other resorts.

*Mexico is always a cost effective location due to the exchange rate.

*Planning a vacation doesn't mean you have to go far. Montreal and Quebec are the next best thing to France and the Exchange rate is in our favor.

*When flying long distances, request a frequent flyer card and start saving up those miles.

*Keep in mind that car rental are expensive, most have age restrictions, and many check your driving record for any violations. You may want to choose a vacation package that doesn't require a car.

Currently, cruises have the best deals for people on a tight budget or those who can afford a little more luxury. There are a wide range of cruises available targeting all types of people, and the cruise lines are always promoting enticing new packages. Ask your travel agent what cruise would be best for you.

If a deal sounds too good to be true, usually it is. "When choosing a travel agency, choose one that has been in business a long time, offers 24 hour assistance, and is knowledgeable. Look for an agent that will find the right trip for you and your expectations. The best cost savings package isn't always the best trip," stated Bonnie Peskin, manager of Austin Travel, located on the SUNY Stony Brook campus.

Remember, if you take the time to investigate many different vacation options, you can enjoy a fantastic trip and still afford your books next semester. □

Kerri Cheshire works in marketing for Austin Travel in Melville, NY.

Autopsy of a Vampire

Forensic Science Examines the Undead

Finally, something you can sink your teeth into.

E. J. Wagner, the crime historian/storyteller, explores ancient vampire tales and the shadowy beginnings of forensic science in a program for adults at the Museum of Long Island Natural Sciences, Earth and Space Science Building, this Saturday at 8pm.

Is there a connection between the full moon, vampires and serial killers? Is there truth in the recent reports of a blood-sucking monster roaming the island of Puerto Rico? Who was the Rumanian Revenant? Unearth the Irish vampire in time for St. Patrick's Day.

Drawn from the annals of criminal history, this presentation includes accounts of 17th and 18th century exhumations of reported vampires and an intriguing look at current research on such phenomena. Slides, not for the squeamish, are included.

E. J. Wagner has specialized in tales of true crime and suspense for many years and has presented her work on radio, television and at universities, museums and libraries across the country. She served as a consultant on Renaissance poisoning for A&E's presentation of the Borge and has been featured on the Q&A.

Admission, which includes refreshments, is \$12, with a 10 percent discount for members and 50 percent discount for students with a valid ID. For reservations, call the museum at 632-8230.

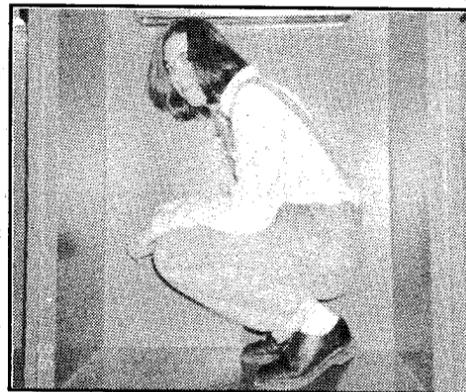




According to Eve

By Brooke Donatone

Anchors Aren't Always Thrown Overboard



She led me down a corridor pointing out control rooms and cubicles. One hand was free to point out the highlights of the tour, the other held a container of cup a soup. Although it was 5:30 p.m., Channel 12 reporter/anchor Trish Bergin explained, "I didn't get a chance to eat lunch today." This fleeting explanation made more sense later when she said that she dedicates herself to her job 150 percent. Through rain, sleet, and snow the postman, and Trish Bergin, is there.

Her inspiration to follow news began when her father watched every news show in creation and read two newspapers when he arrived at work. "That was the center of entertainment at my house-the news," Bergin said.

Her education took her from SUNY Brockport to Suffolk Community College to New York Tech to finish her undergraduate degree and eventually her masters as well. Unlike 3TV, their campus television station aired all over Long Island. Someone from a small cable station recognized her

talent when she was on her college station and was immediately taken with her.

"I was so excited because I thought 'My God, this is to be my first paycheck in television. And I would have framed it except I didn't have any money so I had to cash it," she laughed. Bergin quickly got promoted to a reporting position for an athletic show, coming up with inventive ideas for herself such as jumping out of an airplane.

She quickly grasped the top rung of her reporting ladder when she was given her own show. From there Bergin spread her wings and moved to channel 55 as an anchor. Bergin currently resides at Channel 12 as a reporter and two weeks ago was given the weekend anchor spot.

The media has come a long way since NBC's first female anchor in 1977, Jessica Savitch. At that time, Savitch was met with resistance since she was trespassing on male terrain. Bergin seems to think that mentality has changed tremendously. "If you're a hard worker and you're very

determined and you have direction, I think that shows. I find in this industry, anyway, if you're determined sex doesn't really play a role."

After a long pause she expressed her only brush with discrimination. "It was humorous but almost in a sad way." She was covering a story about a man who was accused of sexually harassing the women in his office. She went to his office to get his side of the story but he was unavailable for questioning. Apparently he noticed her outside since when she returned to the office there was a message for her, or rather 'the reporter with the hot legs'.

Shocked at the reference Bergin replied, "Oh that's lovely. Does the man know that I'm doing a story on the fact that his employees are charging him with sexual harassment? And he's calling looking for the reporter with the hot legs. Go figure."

Gender dynamics don't usually play an intricate role with news assignments. Female journalists aren't necessarily assigned the sexual harassment and

rape stories and male journalists aren't always given the murders. However, Bergin explained how sometimes being a particular gender has its advantages. "When I'm speaking with people who I'm interviewing, say a woman's child is missing, I find that because I'm a woman I can sometimes relate a little bit better with a mother. It could be the same thing for a male journalist who is interviewing another man whose wife passed away, they may be able to relate better to each other whereas I wouldn't really understand how that man would feel in a male situation."

In 1983 news anchor, Christine Craft was demoted because she 'wasn't attractive enough' for television. The station's excuse was that news anchors must be attractive to their audiences, based on the interpretation that the market research regarded Craft as lacking warmth, dressing too casually, and being too opinionated.

"I don't think women get jobs because they're beautiful. They get jobs because they're talented, they

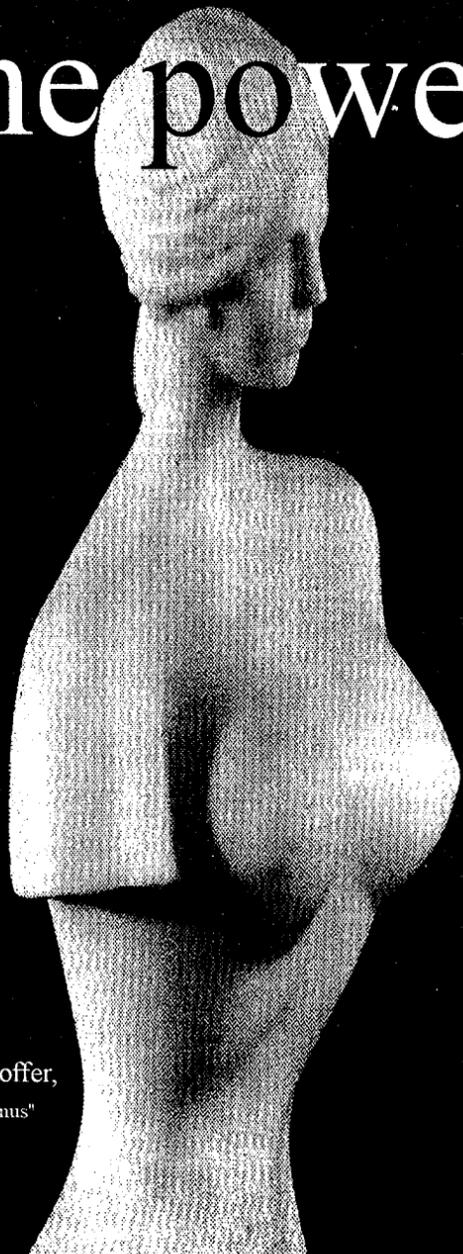
know issues, and they're good at what they do. But television is a visual medium and it's a fact of life." She mentioned various men on major stations that are good-looking. "I think it applies to both men and women."

"You see all the talents that head up ABC, CBS, and NBC - Jennings and Brokaw and Rather. Their names are synonymous with their call letters. And it's interesting that none of them are women. So I think we have to come a little bit further in that aspect," Bergin concluded.

Throughout Bergin's career, she has consistently attained a status that she thought was unimaginable. She's met the dreams of most middle aged people at only 24. At 19 she was hosting her own show, at 22 she was anchoring, and today she continues to pave her way to making a difference.

Jane Pauley and Barbara Walters depict an era of strong, determined women who made an important mark in journalism. Trish Bergin is well on her way to adding her notch. □

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Eve

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-excuse me, I have to take a leak

Shockwave,
15 days and counting...
Fusion
P.S. Don't go out of your way for me. You're saving my life. Literally.

Agnes,
You aren't pissed at me, are ya?
Andy

Indiglo Girl, Good luck on the elec-ooops!
Sorry...
Indiglo Boy

Beer,
Go Keren!
B'52

Dave,
Hang in there.
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Ember,
The punk mutant R shouldn't have messed with you. BURN HIM TO THE GROUND!
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Find your lead yet?
Paul

Indiglo Boy,
Thanks a lot!
Indiglos girl

Liam,
I heard you say Les. Maybe the police are after you for more than one reason in the parking lots.
Nai Tai Tai
Nell

To the skinny little kid with too many names,
Hey! A is a gay!
The angry young man on the flying trapeze.
P.S. You know what they say-it takes one to know one...

Digger,
Does he think he has a chance when we are together? I know you like me better.
Eve

Shaft,
Nice overalls. Sears, right? How's Gene and Roger? Good.
Best,
Darkman

Rob,
Get to work, you lazy bum!
Paul

Express,
What a week! Almond Joy. Your damn story. The damed mid-term. And your damned lead. It's alright, already. Have some gum.
Thames

Joey L,
Love the jacket. Watch out for those chairs-they tend to make you trip and sprout legs. Also, I have your doritos-ha!
Blossom

Giraffe,
Thought I'd forgotton, didn't you? Prepare yourself for the rematch of the century on Sunday. The countdown has begun...
Skirt

Tom,
WHACK THIS!
Paul
P.S. You know you want to...

Boytoy,
This old man He played two. He played knick-knack... What the hell is "knick-knack?"
Sit on it!
Fonzie

B'52
Let's get drunk
Beer

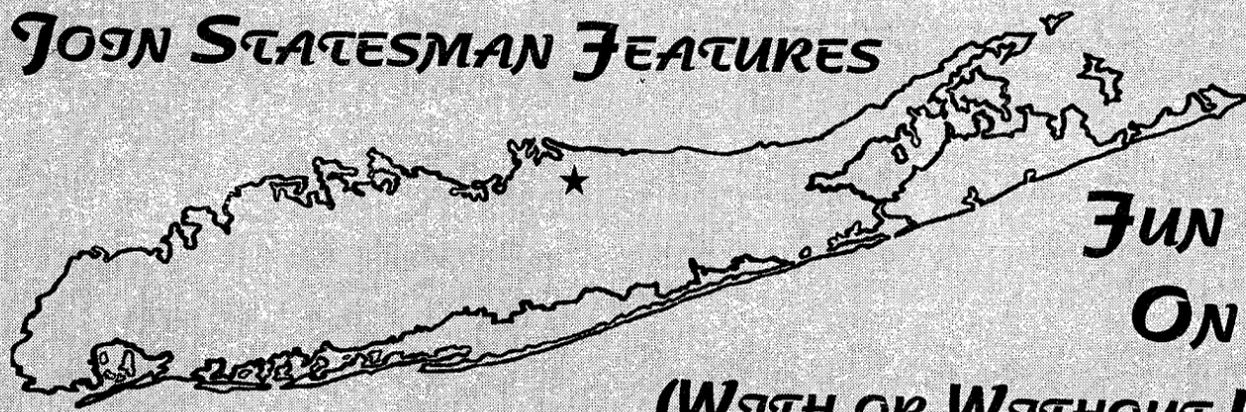
Blossom, Give me back the Doritos, you feminist-wolverine-grasshopper!
Joey

To She who is too good for Personals,
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He who shall never die

Goldilocks,
When are you coming to sleep in my bed?
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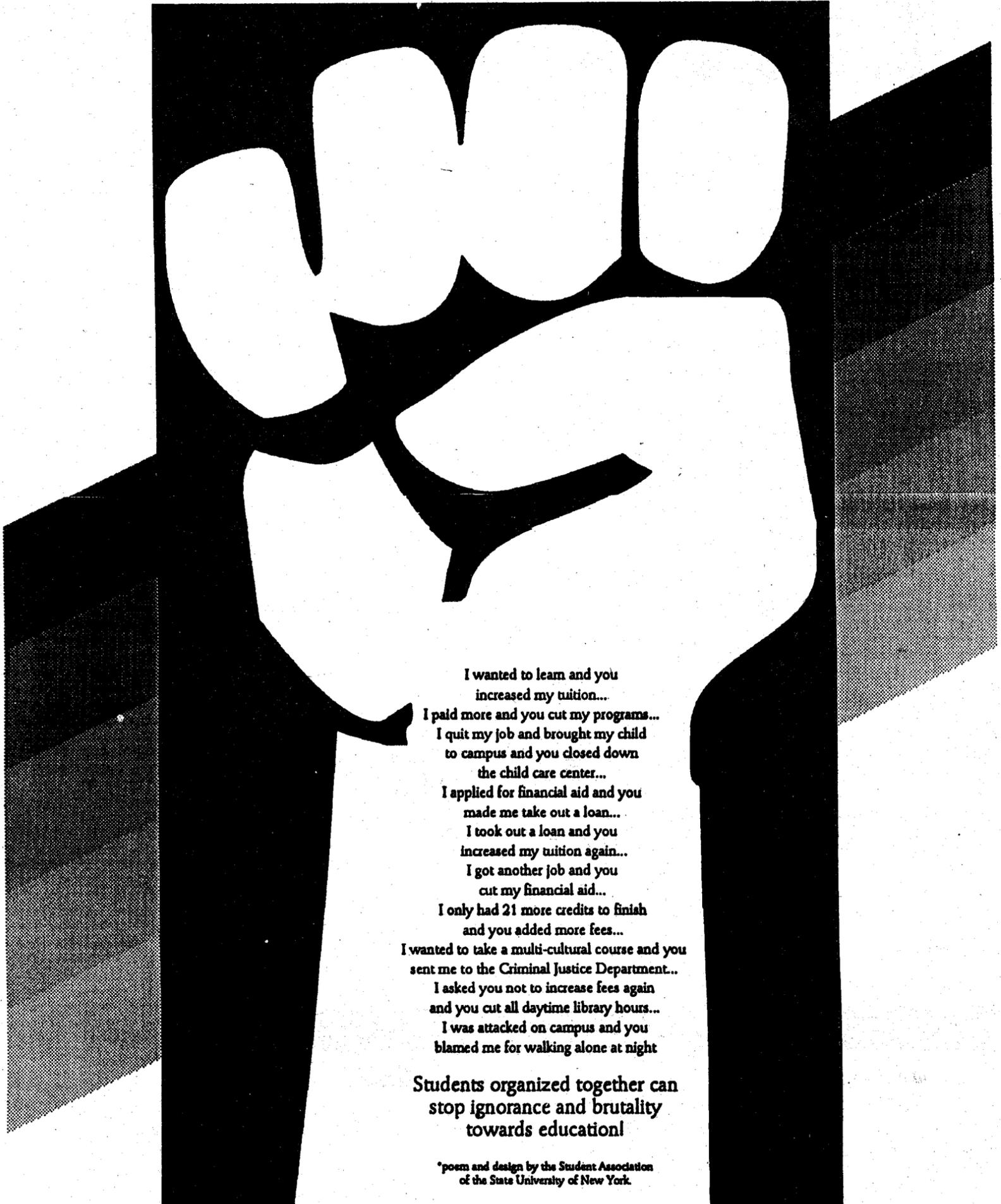
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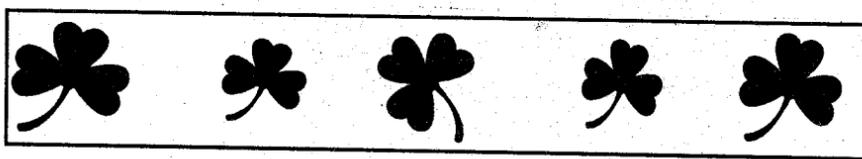
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Women's Indoor Soccer Tournament Invitational

By TISCHELLE GEORGE
Special to *The Statesman*

On March 3rd, in spite of another blast of winter, the Women's Soccer Team hosted their second Stony Brook Invitational of the year. Coming off their victory in the first tournament on February 17th against St. Johns, the Seawolves were looking for similar results this time around.

Despite splitting up their team, the Seawolves fared well. The Stony Brook White Team just missed the semi-finals on goal differential, while the Red Team advanced to the finals.

In the morning session the Seawolves and the Stony Brook Hurricanes, an Alumni Team, progressed to the semi's over C.W. Post and the Stony Brook White. Leading the attack towards the semi-finals were Jodi Klein and Colleen Farrell, with Kristi Deter and Jill Monico holding the defense. Amanda Piccirillo and Jane Cargill provided the transition from the back field to the front third. Guiding the success of the Stony Brook Red to the finals were Ginamarie Pepe and Allison Behrens with a return to the nets from Jamie Owen.

In the afternoon session the Seawolves saw New Haven and the New Jersey

Flames advance past teams which included the Stony Brook Alumni team, Levittown, and St. Johns. This set up the semi-finals between the Stony Brook White and New Haven, and the Flames W.S.C. versus the Stony Brook Hurricane. In the first semi-final the Stony Brook White and New Haven battled their way into a 3-3 tie, which sent the game into overtime. In overtime, despite numerous opportunities, the score remained the same. This forced the game into penalty kicks where Jodi Yerys was able to come up with a big save. All of the Stony Brook shooters found the back of the net to propel the team to the finals.

In the other semi-final the Flames scored an overtime goal with one minute left, to defeat the Stony Brook Hurricane, 3-2. In the final the Flames dropped down a 1-0 lead, which they held for over ten minutes until Colleen Farrell fought off an injury to even the score with less than five minutes to play.

Unfortunately the tie was short lived as the Flames countered with the winning goal with less than two minutes left to play. This goal gave the Flames the championship.

The Seawolves will now travel to Bloomsburg and West Point before hosting the last tournament of the year on April 27th. □

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13. Montana St.		13. Monmouth	
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11. George Washington		11. New Orleans	
3. Arizona	Arizona	3. Texas Tech	Texas Tech
14. Valparaiso		14. Northern Illinois	
7. Maryland	Santa Clara	7. New Mexico	New Mexico
10. Santa Clara		10. Kansas St.	
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13. Canisius		13. Princeton	
6. Louisville	Louisville	6. Indiana	Indiana
11. Tulsa		11. Boston College	
3. Villanova	Villanova	3. Georgia Tech	Georgia Tech
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Stony Brook Power House Club Sport Begins Spring Play

RUGBY, FROM PAGE 16

of over ten new players to the men's team last year, — including seven experienced players from other programs — the men have had a decent response this year as well, being able to consolidate it's members into one of the most competitive A-side teams since entering Div-I.

Another surprising and welcomed occurrence has been the huge increase in enthusiasm for women's rugby at Stony Brook. Brandy Timo, vice president for USBWRFC, said, "The addition of new players... along with the rest of our [experienced] players will hopefully allow us to finish strong in next fall's divisional play." Her statement is something to take seriously, considering that the women have already played and beaten three of the five teams that are on their Div-I schedule for next fall. Veteran Amy Toskas agrees, "I'm really psyched about the way the team is growing in size and spirit. . . I'm looking forward to a very successful year as the team becomes more competitive."

The most apprehension, however, belongs to the men's team who are coming off last years disappointing season, after being predicted by league officials to come in third in their division. They are eager to get last year behind them and start to turn things around.

One-year man, Rich O'Reilly, said: "I think that the team is only one link away from becoming a chain of destruction." And, Dan O'Connor, president of USBRFC, built on the momentum. "I see many bonding experiences that will carry over onto our play on the field. . . The pressures of league play are on the back burner and it's a great time to focus on our tactics and strategies."

O'Connor, is alluding to this Spring's season, which focuses on tournament play and matches the team with opponents that are not in the fall program. The Spring season offers the opportunity for both programs to develop their skills of rugby, go on more road-trips, train new players and fine-tune every aspect of their game before the start of the fall season. During the fall season both teams will play some of the best teams in the Northeast — including the Princeton women's team and the Army Men's team, both of which have accumulated numerous titles over the past few years.

This Spring's season will be interesting. Aside from the exciting tournament schedule, both teams will co-host a Spring tournament on the weekend of April 13. The twenty-eight-team tournament, entitled the "Ruggers Spring Classic," has been in production since Thanksgiving of last year. The overwhelming response is just one more tribute to the growing respect the program has drawn from its fellow constituents within the rugby federation.

Marty Rosenthal, coach of USBRFC and USBWRFC said, "When you consider the fact that the tournament is only in it's second year, it proves that it is definitely an exciting time to be

part of Stony Brook Rugby." While Rosenthal did state, that "from a coaching perspective," the numbers could be a little higher at practice, he did mention he was still quite happy and looking forward to the Spring season.

In the meantime, both teams have been practicing together up to four days a week (in the snow) in preparation for two games against Mary Washington College in Virginia, this St. Patrick's Day weekend.

Rosenthal concluded: "Over all, I'm extremely optimistic for both sides. There is a potential for team growth on both sides. In the two years I have been coaching, [at Stony Brook] I have watched the players continually grow." □

1996 Baseball Schedule

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Wed Mar 27 at Concordia 3:00 p.m.	Thu Apr 18 St. Joseph's, L.I. 3:30 p.m.
Thu Mar 28 at Molloy 3:00 p.m.	Sat Apr 20 at Keene State (2)* 1:00 p.m.
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Tue Apr 2 at Methodist, NC 3:00 p.m.	Mon Apr 29 at Mercy 3:30 p.m.
Wed Apr 3 at Belmont Abbey, NC (2) 1:00 p.m.	Tue Apr 30 Sacred Heart (2)* 1:00 p.m.
Thur Apr 4 at Barton, NC (2) 1:00 p.m.	Wed May 1 Concordia 3:30 p.m.
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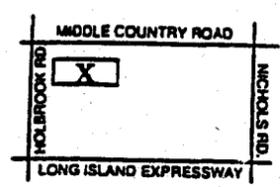
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USB Lacrosse '96: Primed and Ready to Contend Seawolves Looking to Continue Upswing

By MIKE J. CHAMOFF
Special To The Statesman

It's March once again, and that means the start of Seawolves Lacrosse. The returning players are complimented this year by a group of talented newcomers to the team. Without a doubt, they will learn quickly about the 'Wolves Lacrosse tradition of playing hard and winning.

Last season the Seawolves finished with a record of 7 wins and seven losses, a tremendous jump from their 1994 record of 3-10. This season will prove to be nothing short of an upswing to legitimate contention. John Espey will enter his ninth season as Stony Brook's head coach with a 56-54 record. Coach Espey was happy with his team's performance last season. "They have played hard throughout all of the games all season." "They're [the players] a great bunch of guys and they deserve a lot of credit." Espey will be joined by three new assistants this year, Jerry DeMeo, Ed Havel, and Brian McDonald. McDonald graduated from Stony Brook just last spring, played Defense, and was co-captain with Will Imhof last season. McDonald will provide excellent leadership qualities for the 'Wolves this year.

GOAL

Senior starting goal tender Steve Cox is back in net for his fourth season. Last season, Cox started 12 games and won seven of them, stopping 148 shots for a .604 save percentage. Overall, Cox's stats have improved tremendously in each of his first three seasons. This season, Cox will undoubtedly continue his rising success. Returning to compliment Cox

in goal are junior Dan Lozza and sophomore Greg Taylor. Both of them have the potential to start games and win. Last season, Lozza and Taylor started one game apiece compiling .511 and .622 save percentages respectively.

former co-captain Brian McDonald, Brian Facquet, Paal Eide, Loren Herod, and Mark Jakubowski. However, the Seawolves welcomed three new talented defenders to the team. They are freshman Jim Imhof of Walt

and speed. He is joined by fellow sophomore Paul Viggiano who will add size and agility. Together with newcomers Imhof, Luce, and Levings, Stony Brook will have a defensive unit guaranteed to make Division I's most potent offense wet their pants and remain a sturdy, flawless unit in man-down situations.

MIDFIELD/ATTACK

Certainly the most glaring omission from the Seawolves offense this year is middle/attackman Jason Rotzman who died in a tragic accident this past summer. He will be missed by all of his teammates. Also, attackman Chris Theofield, who led the team in scoring with 51 points, will not be returning this season. However, junior Attack/Midfield Chris Kollmer, who finished second behind Theofield in points, and junior Midfield Courtney Wilson, who led the team in goals, will step forward and fill the void that Theofield left. Joining the offense for the 1996 season are junior attackman Robb Aitchison, junior midfield Steve Ceballos who will form a midfield duo with brother Omar, sophomore midfielders Will DeCristoforo and Freddie Garcia, freshman midfield Ken Lorenz, senior attackman T.J. Reid, and sophomore attack Ian Spronck.

As of March 5, 1996, Stony Brook was ranked fifth in the New York/New Jersey Metro Area among Division one schools. This is encouraging and will be a stepping stone to what should appear to be a very successful 1996 lacrosse season. **The Season Opener is this Sunday at Adelphi-BE THERE!** □



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Courtney Wilson, who led the team in goals last season.

DEFENSE

The Seawolves lost much of their defense corps. over the off season. Last season, USB's defense allowed only 531 total points compared to their offensive production of 638. Among those who will not be returning to the field is

Whitman H.S. who will join his brother Will, freshman Michael Luce of Sachem H.S., and sophomore Padraic Levings who can play midfield as well. Returning to the Seawolves "D" are sophomore Jason Braz-Cruciani who plays his position with incredible aggressiveness

The Hall Upsets Stony Brook in Hockey Playoffs

By ROLAND MELANSON
Statesman Staff

In the entire history of Seawolves Ice Hockey, there had never been a team that won ten games in a single season. The 1995-'96 season would prove to be the year that the record books would see new ink. Stony Brook finished off the 1995-'96 season with a 10-5-3 record, the best in team history. The Seawolves defeated division leader C.W. Post 6-3 at Nassau Coliseum in the final game of the season.

The Seawolves surged into the playoffs and found themselves up against fellow Garden Division team Seton Hall University in the first round. Seton Hall was the first opponent the 'Brook faced this season, and ironically, the last.

The first meeting between the two teams came back in November, in the opening game of the regular season. Stony Brook was on a roll after a successful pre-season and walked on Seton Hall 5-2. The second meeting had a somewhat different outcome. The Seawolves, trying to compensate for injuries and personnel problems, struggled and had to come from behind to tie the game with :04 left in regulation.

Seton Hall gained confidence from that game and it carried over into the playoffs. Both teams knew, the third meeting was anyone's game.

The first round of the playoffs was held at South Mountain Arena, in New Jersey on March 9. The Seawolves had just played their final game of the season, defeating division leader C.W. Post 6-3 at Nassau Coliseum. The

Seawolves were pushed into an earlier time slot than they were originally scheduled for due to a scheduling error. This new time made it impossible for starting defenseman Tony Sciortino to play in the game. In addition defensemen Tom Amodio and Mike Padilla had to enter the game late. This left the 'Brook with a lone defenseman, Rodney Haring, to rotate with recently called up defenseman Matt Bursleson and forwards Bobby Gallo, Chris Garofalo, and Brett DiRocco.

Seton Hall jumped on the Seawolves early in the first period to go ahead 2-0. Stony Brook put themselves on the board with a power play goal by Rob Mirabella from Garofalo. This would end the scoring for the first period.

Seton Hall blew open the game in the second period with four goals, while Stony Brook could only answer with one. Garofalo scored with assists from Scott Kendrick. The Seawolves entered the locker room with a 6-2 deficit. This was not the first time this season that the 'Wolves would have to reach down inside and make a comeback.

The third period belonged to Stony Brook. The 'Brooks' starting netminder, Jeff Nau, turned away everything Seton Hall shot at him. Seton Hall would not put any pucks past Nau for the last thirty minutes of the game. Goals by Garofalo, Mirabella, and Rob Brown put the Seawolves within one goal with :45 left in the game. Stony Brook pulled the goalie for the extra skater but Seton Hall would prove strong enough to hold on for the win. Seton

Hall would not allow the 'Brook to tie the game in the waning moments for the second time this season.

With title dreams shattered, the team sadly walked away from a season that could have been. Head Coach Steve Yamall commented on the season, saying "Overall, the season was successful, although dissapointing. Many individuals put in outstanding performances throughout the year. It's very dissapointing that we ended on such a sour note. We did not

deserve to lose."

Post-season honors were announced on March 6. Taking the MVP of the Garden Division for Stony Brook was forward, and league leading scorer, Rob Brown. Elected to the 1995-'96 Metro Collegiate Hockey Conference All Star team along with Brown is forward Chris Garofalo, defenseman Tony Sciortino, and goaltender Jeff Nau. Coverage of the All-Star game will be upcoming in the Statesman. □

Rugby Ready to Gain Serious Ground In D-I

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The last two years have flown by quickly within the Stony Brook Athletic Department, with talks of a new stadium, a new university logo and the ultimate goal to elevate all of the Stony Brook teams to Division-I status.

But, the university already has a crop of dedicated men and women on this campus who are no strangers to the overwhelming competition and conditioning that comes with being part of a Div-I program — they are the men and women of the

Stony Brook rugby program.

This group of dedicated men, who have been Div-I for two years now and women, who will enjoy their first full season this year in Div-I, have been competing with some the toughest teams in the nation over the last two years, overcoming a previous lack of exposure from the university, to produce one of the more respected programs in the Northeast.

The results seem to speak for themselves. Drawing on the addition
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