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Judiciary Chair Steps Down From Election Hearings

Stacy Harris' decision brings end to sidebar dispute

By DAVE CHOW
Statesman Editor

Polity Judiciary Chair Stacy Harris has decided to step down from the election grievance hearings she has been overseeing for the last two weeks. Harris announced her decision last Thursday. The ongoing dispute between the "Student's First" ticket and virtually the rest of the election candidates, however, will continue today, Monday at 3:30 p.m. in SAC room 311. Board member Cibil Mathulla will take over her duties. Harris could not be reached for comment.

The decision marked an end to an unusual sidebar dispute, in which the plaintiffs questioned Harris' ability to function impartially, in regards to the fact that she was indirectly involved

with some of the parties implicated in the grievances.

The phone mail message from Black Caucus Chairman Andre English, at the center of grievance number three, most directly involved Harris because her phone number was left in the message for further information. Other complaints involve Harris' membership with *Blackworld*, which openly endorsed defendant and presidential candidate, Polity Vice-President Monique Maylor.

Harris said during the second hearing on April 4 that according to Judiciary by-laws, there were no provisions for physical removals from the board. Harris conceded conflict of interest in several of the 14 separate grievances and ruled that she would

either chair or step down on a grievance by grievance basis. Plaintiffs serving as council for that meeting, vice-presidential candidate Josh Alpert and presidential candidate Paul Perrone opened the last hearing with a direct call for Harris to step down as chair. Harris rebuked their request. However, that would not prove to be the most direct challenge to her position that evening.

Grievance 12, by far the longest argued case of the second hearing, implicated Harris directly. She was forced to step down as chair to defend herself. The complaint of the grievance was the way in which Harris moderated the candidate debates last month during Campus Lifetime. Alpert and Perrone argued that certain candidates were unfairly treated and

were not allowed the chance to express themselves completely.

A main point argued was the delayed start of the debates. Candidates for the separate offices were given the floor at separate times. The debates began with presidential candidates. Different categories were given time in descending order. The candidates for the other offices were pushed back to times beyond that of Campus Lifetime. Some of these candidates had to leave for class. Harris said that the debates began late because the technicians spent too much time preparing the microphones. She said she had no control over this.

Today's hearing is the third attempt to come to a conclusion. The third hearing was scheduled last week, first on Thursday and then on Friday. Both hearings were canceled because judiciary board members were not available.

Commuter Student Association Vice President and plaintiff Brad Hausman will return as counsel for the plaintiffs in today's trial. He was counsel in the first hearing. Hausman believes his arguments for today are airtight. "We plan to reopen complaint one about the poll watchers," he said. Hausman said he has proof that certain polling stations were being run by individuals with a conflict of interest. He claimed another member of an organization which endorsed a particular candidate and, itself, was on the referendum, was in conflict of interest as a poll person. In culmination, Hausman believes enough votes were tainted to warrant an overturned election. He and the rest of the plaintiffs are hoping for a second election and a fresh start.

Polity President Keren Zolotov, who has expressed embarrassment over the proceedings, has notified the Judiciary Board that a written decision must be in her hands by 9:00 a.m., tomorrow. She said, "In the interest of this organization and public relations, I felt it was important [to bring the hearings to a close]. I've been in consultation with some people and I feel this is the best thing to do." □

Sextuplets Get Full Scholarships

University President Shirley Strum Kenny announced last week that the sextuplets who were born at University Hospital, earlier this month, will be given full scholarships to attend Stony Brook. The sextuplets born to Beverly and Rocco Boniello of Floral Park, Queens, will receive the scholarships, "assuming that they meet the requirements for entrance into the University..." Kenny said.

The money used to pay for the scholarships come from private funding, Kenny said. "This is part of our scholarship programs which we offer right now about \$650,000 worth of scholarships a year to hundreds of students."

"It is certainly unusual to have sextuplets, but it is not unusual to offer scholarships," Kenny said. "I think it takes a village to raise a child and it's difficult to send six children to college at once. Our foundation and I as well felt that it would be really nice for these parents to know that their children would have a choice."

Kenny said, "We are hoping and working really hard to build the amount of money we give to scholarships to students on the basis of either need or merit." □

-NADIA PERSAUD

Celebrating Unity Among Commuters and Residents

By SHERRY JONES
Special to the Statesman

The flowers are blooming. The birds are chirping. Spring has officially arrived. As annual as the buds on the trees, Spring Festival at Stony Brook is too a cycle. Spring Festival is a fun-filled day full of free music, prizes, and food. It's not only a chance to unite resident and commuter students to interact and have fun with each other, but also a day in which commuter students are honored by the Office of Commuter Student Affairs (OCSA). Instead of Spring Festival being just one day this year, it will be a three-day long event collectively known as Spring Festival.

The festival will begin on Tuesday with "Make the Commuter Connection." Commuters who wear a 'Commuters are Connected' button and register by writing their name, telephone number, and class standing will be eligible for the drawing, the grand prize being a special free parking space for Fall '97 semester. One can register at the bus shelter in front of the Student Activities Center between 8-10 a.m.; the Commuter Commons, Upper Lounge, SAC, between 9 a.m.-5 p.m.; the Office of Commuter Student Affairs, Suite 131, SAC; the HSC Office of Student

Services, L2-271, HSC, between 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m.; and the Undergraduate Evening Studies Office, Library E1340, on Tuesday until 7 p.m.

The drawing itself will be held at 9:30 a.m. on Thursday at "Munch and Mingle" Reception in the Commuter Commons, Room 144, Sac. Also on Tuesday is a free car workshop along with pizza and soda. Registration is limited to the first 15 students who sign up in the OCSA, Suite 131, Sac or call 632-7353. The workshop will be held in the Coffee House Lounge, (2nd floor Dining Hall, Sac) at 5-6 PM.

On Wednesday, the main event, 'Spring Festival-Commuter Student Day' begins. "This is CSA's annual event. It integrates the campus and makes people aware of commuter students," said Marilyn Goodman, Commuter Student Advisor. This culminating event is brought to you by CSA with the help of many campus, as well as community sponsors.

Commuters who invite a professor to the barbecue will make both their professors and themselves eligible for prizes which have been arranged by OCSA. "It's a way to encourage the false barriers between students and

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TUESDAY, APRIL 15th

"Art as Philos," SB Union Art Gallery, Noon.

"Make the Commuter Connection": Commuters wear a 'Commuters are Connected' button and register for great prizes. Grand Prize is a special Free Parking Space for fall '97 semester.

(For more information contact the Office of Commuter Student Affairs at 632-7320)

Commuter Students "Feed the Bodies: Yours and Your Auto's", Free Workshop and Food, 5 p.m., Student Activities Center Rm. 221. (For more information contact the Office of Commuter Student Affairs at 632-7320)

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 16th

Spring Fest - Commuter Student Day, featuring free music, prizes and barbecue, Fine Arts Plaza, 11:30 a.m.

Family Feud, Residence Hall Association, SB Union Bi-Level, 12:40 p.m.

Black Womyn's Weekend Program, SB Union Fireside Lounge, 12:40 p.m.

Commuter Student Pool and Table Tennis Tournament, Student Activities Center, Commuter Commons, 4 p.m.

THURSDAY, APRIL 17th

Korean American Students Association, Korea Night, SB Union Auditorium, 8 p.m.

SAB Tokyo Joe's Wild Video Dance Party, Fine Arts Plaza, 10 p.m.

THURSDAY, APRIL 24th

Black Womyn's Weekend Fashion Show, Student Activities Center Auditorium, 7 p.m.

Black Womyn's Weekend Party, SB Union Ballroom, 10 p.m.

FRIDAY, APRIL 25th

SAINTS Awards Dinner, SB Union Ballroom, 7 p.m.

Punchline Game Show, Student Activities Food Court, 8 p.m.

SATURDAY, APRIL 25th

Haitian Student Organization Cultural Show, SB Union Auditorium, 7 p.m.

Comedy Night, Student Activities Center Food Court, 8 p.m.

Black Womyn's Weekend Party, SB Union Bi-

Level, 9 p.m.

Haitian Student Organization Semi-Formal, SB Union Ballroom, 10 p.m.

SUNDAY, APRIL 27th

Black Womyn's Weekend Picnic, Athletic Field, Noon.

MONDAY, APRIL 28th through**SATURDAY MAY 3rd**

Fraternity and Sorority Week featuring cultural night, comedy show, performance of Swallow This, talent night, and picnic. (For more info contact Student Union and Activities at 632-9392)

Ultimate Spring Blast featuring volleyball competition, college bowl competition, and talent contest. (For more info contact Campus Residences at 632-6750)

Student Art Festival featuring arts shows and theatre productions. (For more info contact Campus Residences at 632-6109)

TUESDAY, APRIL 29th

Lambda Upsilon Lambda Fraternity Movie Night, SB Union Auditorium, 7 p.m.

Inter Fraternity/Sorority Council Water Volleyball, Pritchard Gym, 7 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 30th

Lambda Upsilon Lambda Fraternity Forum, SB Union Fireside Lounge, 11:30 a.m.

"Swallow This" Presentation, SB Union Auditorium, 12:40 p.m.

Strawberry Festival, In front of Student Activities Center, 11 a.m.

Minorities in Medicine Dinner, SB Union Ballroom, 6 p.m.

THURSDAY, MAY 1st

Campus Life Awards, Student Activities Center Auditorium, 4 p.m.

FRIDAY, MAY 2nd

Roth Regatta, Roth Pond, 3 p.m.

SATURDAY, MAY 3rd

Latin American Students Organization Conference & Semi Formal, SB Union, 9 a.m. & 6:30 p.m.

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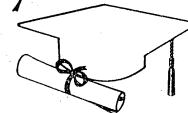
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Spring Fest Is Making Its Way

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their professors," said Goodman. Among the prizes are two free round-trip airline tickets courtesy of Austin Travel, and no you don't have to go with your professor!; \$50.00 gift certificates from Borders, and much more.

Coupon books will be available and in them there will be coupons for such things as free USB sport bottles, \$25.00 off a \$500.00 travel package from Austin Travel, \$20.00 off 4 Day Rental, and one free hat with the purchase of any regular priced

sweatshirt or t-shirt. These are just some of the items to be given away throughout Spring Festival. All you have to do is show up as a faculty/commuter pair and sign your names at the sign-up table at the barbecue. The drawing will be held at 2:00 p.m. and the winners will be notified by phone. This event is from 11:30 a.m. - 3 p.m. on Wednesday at the Fine Arts Plaza, also known as the Pit, between the Staller Center and the Main Library.

Jawad Hasan, CSA programming chair asks students to show their support for commuter students. "Spring Festival is a way for CSA to

promote CSA. Forty-eight percent of the students are commuters. We're trying to show that large population." What kind of stuff will they be giving out? "We'll be giving out t-shirts, keychains, teddy bears, cappuccino mugs... We've gotten donations from Sports Plus, Sports Authority, and Basix..." Other donations have come from Enterprise Rent-A-Car, Wallace's Bookstore, the Staller Center, AAA, Anthony's Restaurant, and Pentimento Restaurant, both in Stony Brook. After the barbecue, at 4 p.m. in the Commuter Commons, lower lounge of the SAC, the finals for

the campus wide free pool and table tennis tournament will be held. Participate by cheering on the finalists and semi-finalists.

On Thursday, the last day of the Spring Festival, the OCSA invites the campus to be their guest at a continental breakfast in honor of commuter students. This will be held in the Commuter Commons, upper lounge, SAC, from 8-10 a.m. The drawing will be at 9:30 a.m. during the "Munch and Mingle" reception.

So commuters and all, have fun and participate during Spring Festival. It's going to be a spectacular event. □

News Briefs

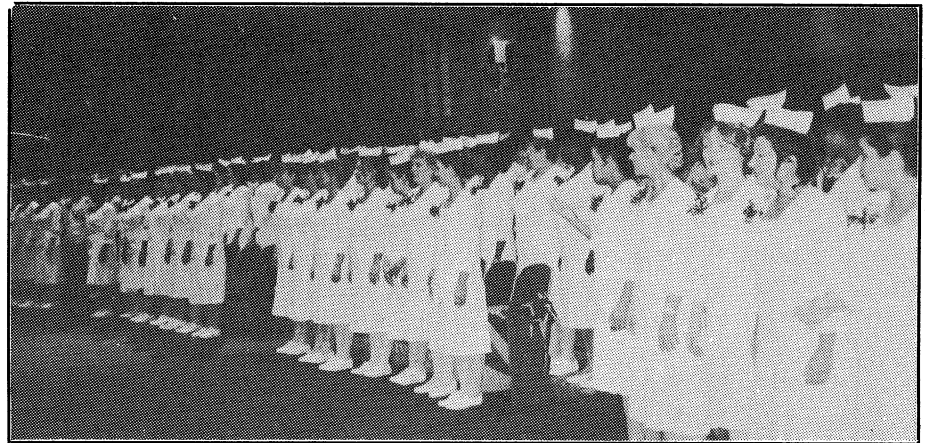
GSEU Taken Over By Parent Union

Communication Workers of America (CWA), the parent union of the Graduate Student Employee's Union has assumed direct administration GSEU due to financial difficulties. The standard operating procedure in this receivership is to set up financial policies and to appoint an administrator to oversee the affairs of the local. The current administrator is Steve Miller who is the CWA representative.

In order to meet the union's financial obligations, the GSEU officers asked for an audit in order to get assistance in the beginning of the

Fall 1996 term. Pressure from the IRS forced the union to seek emergency financial assistance from CWA before the audit could be completed earlier this month. Miller assured the membership that there was no wrongdoing on the part of the officers.

On gaining output into the needed structural changes for putting the local back on its feet financially, Miller has pledged to work with the Executive Committee and Steering Committees. Miller can be contacted at 1-518-438-7773 which is the number of the District #1 CWA office in Albany.



SB Staff Honored

Dr. Edward J. Milliken, Executive Officer, Eastern Suffolk BOCES, welcomed 96 students and adults in the graduating class of Practical Nursing before a packed audience in the Hauppauge High School auditorium on March 21.

Congratulating graduates on their success and achievements, Milliken said, "Practical Nursing is probably a profession that is the noblest that could ever be considered because you have made a decision to help other people. Your satisfaction comes from making sure others are confident in health."

Milliken recognized the parents, grandparents, uncles, aunts, brothers, sisters, sons, daughters and friends who proudly watched their loved ones recite the pledge and creed during an inspirational candle-lit ceremony. "The graduating ceremony is what would signify a completion," he said, "But for these students who are becoming Practical Nurses, it's really a new beginning."

Three health care professionals, Grace Buckley, Brookhaven Health Facility, Rita Kowolsinski, St. Charles Hospital, and Mona Strimas, State University Hospital at Stony Brook, were honored with recognition awards for sharing their knowledge and expertise in the education of nursing students.

1260 hours of training, including lab and academic instruction and clinical on-the-job training, is required to make students eligible to take the NYS Board of Examinations for a license.

Kelly Casey of Sachem High School, has aspirations to continue her studies in the health field, get a RN degree and go on to become a mid-wife. "Stony Brook has just opened a new program for mid-wife education," she said, "and hopefully I could get into that program." Casey was inspired by her aunt, a nurse, "I loved everything she did, taking care of people."

MarketPro Computer Show

The MarketPro Computer Show & Sale will be returning to Suffolk County with its next show to be held on Saturday & Sunday, April 19 & 20 at SUNY Stony Brook. The show will be open to the public from 9:30 a.m. until 4:00 p.m.

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Kaplan Open House

Kaplan Open House — hosted by Hendrix College on Tuesday, April 15 from 9 p.m. to 11 p.m. Hendrix Main Lounge. Learn about medical, law, business, and graduate school.

Last Open Poetry Reading


SNARK presents its final on-campus open mic reading on Tuesday, April 15 at 8:00 p.m. in the Poetry Center, Humanities Rm. 240. All welcome to celebrate Poetry Month with us.

Petition Senators Over the Internet

In an effort to change the way students participate in the political process, student groups are reaching out to Senators via the internet. On Thursday, April 17, the U.S. Public Interest Research Group, USPIRG, Rock the Vote, and the U.S. Students Association, USSA, will present an on-line petition concerning higher education to a group of U.S. Senators led by Minority Leader Tom Daschle (D-SD), Barbara Boxer (D-CA), and Jack Reed (D-RI). Students across the nation can access the petition via e-mail or the World Wide Web.

The petition is an effort to show support for Democratic initiatives that open access to higher education. Such initiatives include the largest Pell Grant increase in decades, a \$10,000 tax deduction for low and middle income families, and low fees and interest rates for millions of student borrowers. A new state-by state analysis show every region in the country would benefit from these measures. The on-line petition is a first step toward empowering students in the budgetary process.

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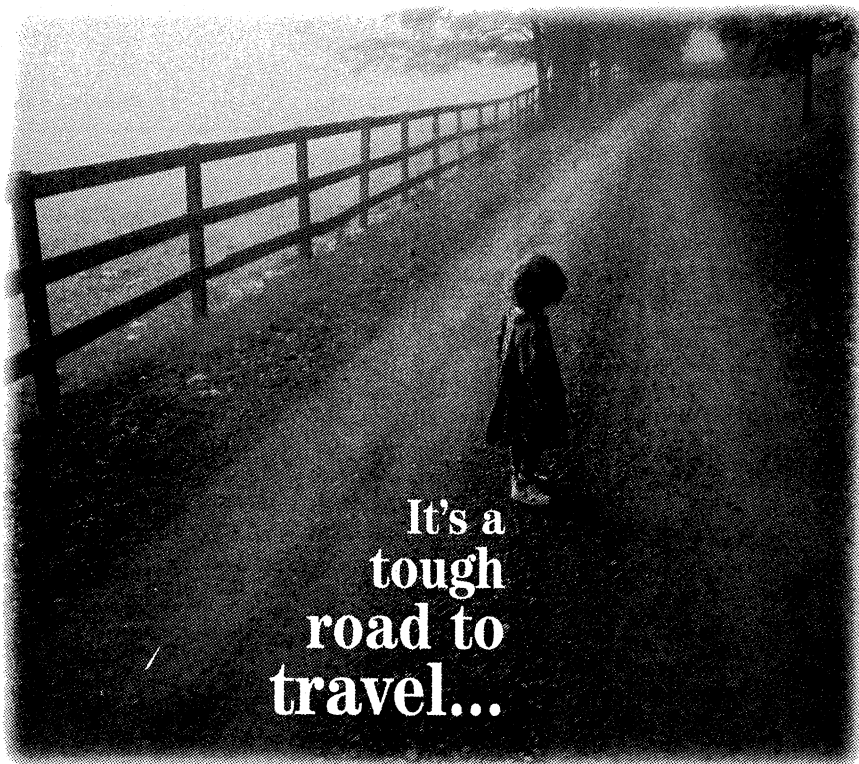
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The ARAMARK Meal Plan: One Year Later

As the end of the semester nears, many students living on campus are faced once again with the prospect of running out of their meal points. We have long been suspicious of ARAMARK's so-called "advantage" plan, and figure that this point in the year is a good time to review the discrepancies and contradictions seen this past year.

Students living in most dorms on campus are required to purchase one of the meal plans offered to them each year. The "advantage" plan, first used this year, divides the student's purchase price between operational costs and actual "advantage" points that students can use in dining halls around campus. Each student purchasing a meal plan first pays nearly \$700 for the operational costs, which is the same for each student no matter what meal plan they choose. This money is specifically allocated to pay for the costs that ARAMARK incurs in maintaining their on-campus services, including those associated with employees and supplies.

The remainder of the money that students pay into their meal plan, which

varies according to the meal plan chosen, is earmarked as "advantage" points, where students are supposed to only pay the wholesale costs of the goods they are purchasing.

That we have chosen to review these aspects of the current meal plan, which will remain in effect till at least to the end of ARAMARK's contract next year, bespeaks not the ignorance of students readers about their own meal plan; Rather, it would seem as if ARAMARK has forgotten key aspects of the plan that they introduced to students last spring.

Anyone who has perused the shelves at the Union Deli or Humanities Cafe realizes that the prices that they are charged in "advantage" points is more than the wholesale price that ARAMARK claims that it is being charged. Cans and bottles of soda cost more than local supermarkets charge as retail prices. Watermelons, and most fruits, cost less than fifty cents a pound in most stores, however students continue to be charged over a dollar and fifty cents per pound from the salad bar in Humanities.

ARAMARK could only argue that the additional price comes from the costs for the labor to cut up the pieces of watermelon. However, this cost has already been paid for as part of the amount paid at the beginning of the semester for "operational" costs. In addition, any students who has grabbed more than one bowl in the Humanities cafe, and had to pay for it, realizes that ARAMARK is charging students for the supplies that they supposedly already paid for. These

price discrepancies are having real effects for students all over campus who are running out of meal points. Many will choose to simply add more money to their meal cards, pouring more money into ARAMARK's pockets. This, of course, is not the cheerful forecast that Polity envisioned when it approved ARAMARK's proposal last year. With one year left before the end of their agreement, ARAMARK should quickly learn to live up to the terms of its contract.

Students First?

On Friday, judicial hearings regarding the fate of the charges brought against the so-called "Student's First" Polity election team were postponed because two of the members of the Polity Judiciary left early for the weekend. Yet again, this should be a strong tip-off to students on this campus that the leaders that we have chosen to represent us are failing miserably in their task. In the words of one Polity council member, the fracas over the recent elections is "a disgrace" which endangers the notion of student-led government. Almost all of those running in the recent elections declared that one of their goals was to end student apathy on campus. Yet, the continuing election saga threatens to augment the student. If our leaders, some of

whom receive stipends, cannot show up for Judiciary hearings, which are part of important steps in determining who will lead the Polity Council next year, then how can students be expected to believe that they will have an interest in keeping up with campus affairs?

The Polity Council should take the next possible opportunity to make sure that the two members of the Judiciary who feel that an extra day on their weekend was more important than the interests of students on this campus do not hold positions of responsibility to the campus at-large. By doing so, the Polity Council can show that they have learned from this fracas, and that their responsibility to students matters.



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Athletes Face Too Much Criticism From *Statesman*

To the Editor:

Our Constitution guarantees the right to freedom of speech, as an American I am very proud of that right. I'm not contesting the right of the *Statesman* to publish an edition such as their April Fool's issue, or the earlier issue which rated the Stony Brook men's basketball team. What I do consider outrageous "journalism" is: 1) singling out college student athletes for abuse; and 2) demeaning the University with the vulgarity and tastelessness of many of the articles in the April Fools edition.

If your intention was to increase your reader base, you may have succeeded. Sensationalism sells newspapers today. If your intention was to provide humor, you failed badly. If your intention was to validate the *Statesman* as a legitimate journalistic publication, you also failed badly.

I am not sensitive to criticism. I receive it daily. It comes with the title of Dean. I am sensitive to criticism of my staff, whether they be faculty, coaches, or NTP's. However, as professionals, I, and they, have to deal with it because we are professionals, and people are free to express their opinions regarding our performance. However, student athletes are amateurs, and that places them in a different category. Yes, you have a "right" to criticize, grade, or demean them as you have, but you have overstepped the boundaries of decency with your articles. Not even the local tabloids, such as the *New York Post*, or the *New York Daily News*, criticize or grade the efforts of individual college athletes on the

court or playing field.

I'm very proud of our student athletes who go out there every day and give their best in practice, and in competition, often against superior opponents. Whether they play the entire game or don't play a minute, they still work every day to maximize their athletic potential. We frequently win games against stronger opponents as a result of our efforts, not with our talent. If anyone should be criticized, it should be me for not providing more scholarship aid for all our teams.

I am also deeply concerned for the reputation of Stony Brook as a result of these articles. We have made great strides in the last few years with our research in breast cancer, Lyme disease and AIDS. Academically, we now rank third in the country among

public research universities, and we have received a \$25,000,000 gift from Charles Wang, the largest gift in SUNY history. These publications can quickly erase the positive publicity that Stony Brook has generated. I have received calls from the outraged parents of the student athletes targeted in these articles, and I am sure that any parent whose son or daughter is considering Stony Brook will have second thoughts about this University after reading these edition of the *Statesman*. I do know that our coaches believe it will have an adverse effect on the recruitment of the of student athletes now and in the future.

As a result of your publications, I have asked our coaches and staff not to extend themselves to any representative of the *Statesman* for the

remainder of the year. You can attend all of our contests and report our scores; we will not prevent you from covering an event. We will remain cordial on all occasions. However, do not expect us to greet you with open arms.

Since I am not an expert in journalism, I would consider it inappropriate to grade the *Statesman*. However, since the writers of the *Statesman* are not experts in athletics, I will take the liberty and rate them on their writing skills. I would give them a grade of "F" for creative journalism, content, insightfulness, and humor.

Dr. Richard Laskowski
Dean of Physical Education
and Athletics

New Course Offering in WNS

To the Editor:

As preregistration is upon us, we'd like to call students' attention to a new minor in gender and sexual diversity (GSD), available this coming fall and spring through a Federated Learning Community. An FLC is a group of about 30-35 students who take a cluster of related courses together for a year; a faculty member, called a master learner, serves as a co-student (they even take the tests!) and leads a FLC seminar, which pulls the courses together. The master learner sponsors a number of academic and social events related to the minor which also involve interaction with faculty members teaching the courses which count for the FLC.

In short, the students involved in the FLC program have a small group learning experience and get to know several members of the faculty quite well. The FLC topics vary widely; recent topics have included human reproduction, travel to Spain, sexual diversity and law, homosexuality and the Bible, as well as historical perspectives on gender orientation.

This particular FLC is most likely to be of interest to those planning to go into "helping" professions, such as law, medicine, social work, teaching, or counseling, but could be of interest to anyone. Students should note that the courses which count for the FLC are open

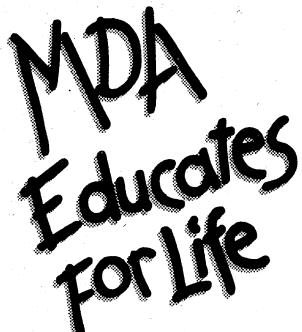
to all (except for the FLC seminar). In addition many FLC courses count toward more than one major (e.g., WNS 391, the law course mentioned above, counts for the POL major, most of the courses also count for the WNS minor).

If you are interested in finding out more about this new minor, please contact Helen Lemay, a faculty member in the History department (SBS S-317, 2-7485), or pick up a flier in the Women's Studies office, 105 Old Chem, and talk to me. We hope to see you next semester.

Sincerely,
Sally Sternglanz
Associate Director, WNS

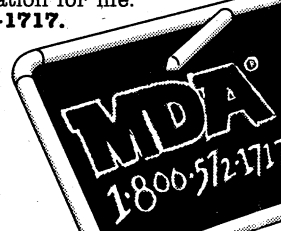
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ARTS, ENTERTAINMENT & STUDENT LIFE

Monday, April 14, 1997

Think Twice Before Cheating During Exams

By KATHY MAGRINI
Special to the Statesman

Would you cheat yourself of a good education? You may be doing just that if you consider committing academic dishonesty. Dr. William Wiesner, assistant provost of Undergraduate Academic Affairs wants students to be aware that academic dishonesty is a serious matter. He said that "students are caught, reported, and it ruins careers."

What is considered academic dishonesty ranges from cheating on an exam to plagiarism but also includes theft and destruction of Stony Brook's educational materials. Judith Gluck, secretary for the Academic Judiciary Committee cautions students, it is not only the person cheating that is reported but the person whom they cheated from becomes suspect as well,

so protect your work.

Unfortunately not every student knows what consequences they face if they are caught committing academic dishonesty. "I am not sure but I think you get kicked out of school," said senior Natalie Henriquez. Wei Sun, a junior said "you get a zero in the course and a record."

In order to inform all students of the consequences involved in academic dishonesty, students receive a booklet entitled "Policies and Procedures Governing Undergraduate Academic Dishonesty" upon admission. Wiesner said "it is given out along with many other papers at orientation" and it may be overlooked in the confusion. It is the student's responsibility to be aware of the rules on Academic Dishonesty. A copy can

be obtained from room W3520 in Melville Library.

When a student is reported for dishonesty a grade of Q is placed on their record and an F is computed in their GPA. The student has the right to a hearing and an appeal. If found guilty, the penalty can range from a Q on their permanent file and an F in the course, to suspension or expulsion. Graduate schools as well as Pre-professional committees will see this 'Q'. A one time reprieve may be offered with the completion of the 'Q course' dealing with ethics, morality, time management and study habits. Wiesner said "Stony Brook's policy is everyone makes a mistake and can be reeducated by the Q course." However, if a student is caught again the first Q goes back on record as well as the second and stiffer penalties are

used.

Resources are available, so do not wait till the pressure builds to the point where cheating is considered. Teachers, tutoring, and study groups are options. The Academic Advising Center is there to help with course load and choices. If stress is making you think about dishonesty Wiesner warns students "that kind of a stress reliever tends to cause greater stress, it is just not worth it."

The University Counseling Center located at the Student Health Center helps students deal with stress, overload, inability to concentrate or study as well as many other areas. Along with counseling they offer courses and can help students connect with a host of other University services. They can be reached at 632-6720 and are glad to help. □

There's More Than The Ordinary Dance Music Out There

By MARC WEISBAUM
Statesman Staff

With '97 shaping up to be the year of "electronica," there's bound to be a hurricane of new groups surfacing to ride the wave, backed by clueless major labels flooding them with money and promotion. Of course this means that half of America will overlook bands on smaller labels, many of which have been around for years and producing far superior music than all the pseudo-industrial bands will. Indie Re-Constriction/Cargo Records has been putting out quality electronic albums since '91 and show no signs of slowing down. This year they have already released new albums from **Waiting For God**, **Tinfed** and **Diatribes** who are already breaking through the "underground."

One of the label's newest releases is **Iron Lung Corp's Big Shiny Spears**. Formed in '96, ILC is the combined efforts between **Acumen** and **Clay People**. **Nitzer Ebb** fans will be curious about this release because of the band's cover of "Join In The Chant," here called "Join In The Murderous Chant." This rendition is quite faithful to the original, but ILC has injected a little more aggression to suit their styles better. Following the "Don't Touch Me" intro, the first traditional song is "Pretty (Like A Porn Star)" and it serves as a good taste (read: warning) of what is to come. The breaks leading up to the chorus are abrupt and effective enough to make you not laugh at the title and work just as well when used for the songs galloping end.

The following cut "Crobar America" features a sample straight off of any *Dance Mix* comp that is plaguing the market these days, but they reshape it from a cheesy

dance "melody" to the seed of an aggressive industrial track.

There is good dance music out there, people just don't take the time to look for it. The album's remaining nine tracks are just as good as these first two.

Highly recommended, but be warned: ILC's music also has quite a metal influence and we all know metal is dead, right? Many a band have been successful with mixing metal and industrial, **Ministry** and **NIN**, to name just two and ILC can fare just as well. The dual vocals between CP's Dan Neet and Acumen's Jason Novak in most of the songs are quite devastating and we'll hopefully hear more from this project in the future.

Speaking of Clay People, the duo has an album of their own, as well. *Stone-Ten Stitches* is—well, weird. Leadoff track, "Stone" shows the band mishmashing a death metal guitar riff sample with their trademark indancetrial beats. Clay People's music burrows into a darker realm than their ILC project and this whole disc has a feeling of doom hiding in between the song's grooves. What is the dance floor going to disintegrate into a bottomless inferno? Hopefully



Iron Lung Corp

Courtesy of Re-Constriction/Cargo Music

not, but CP's music is so energetic, you don't worry about it. Go with a smile.

Aside from the murkiness captured on this album, the band also creates some quirky passages in their songs that don't sound like they should work, but somehow do. "Bloodsuckers" is a prime example of this. One listens to the vocal pattern and it doesn't seem to fit together with the music, but Neet and co-conspirator Brian McGarvey pull it off. The dark depressing atmosphere is carried

onward in "Pariah" with Neet wailing "I don't want to die here." Not exactly what the Smurfs would listen to, but we're not Smurfs and most of us aren't even half that happy, anyway. This 11 track exorcism ends with a remix of "Stone," and will probably be far superior to what Trent is brewing in his cauldron. The Lord of Darkness has spoken.

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RUGBY CLASSIC

MEN'S B TEAM MAKES STRONG SHOWING

By SAMI AHMED
STATESMAN SPORTS EDITOR

Both men's squads put together valiant efforts through the ever changing weather of the weekend for an overall respectable showing by USB in the Ruggers Spring Classic.

The "B" squad, which played in the Open Division, finished in third place. In their first game they tied a more experienced Temple team by the score of 3-3. In their next game against Drew, an eventual finalist, they won 16-12.

Because the "B" squad performed so well and are still learning, there is hope that the Seawolves' rugby program is on the rise behind the work of Coach Marty Rosenthal.

"That team, for the most part, consisted of first year players,"



Veteran USB rugger Rich O'Rielly (second from right) said, "Stony Brook Rugby has gotten shafted one more time," in response to a referee's decision to end a game which USB trailed.

said Rosenthal who seemed very pleased by his team's performance. "To be able to stay together. . . I was very happy by

the way that they did it."

The "A" team, which played in the Premiere Division, defeated a pesky Sacred Heart

they lost 36-3. UConn would eventually go on to place second

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University team 14-5 in their first game of the tournament. The cold weather did not seem to effect the Seawolves as they used precision passing and quickness to set up both of their tries.

Next, they would play a very tough and physical University of Connecticut team. The Huskies were seeded second in the tournament, while Stony Brook was seeded eighth. The Seawolves were never in the game as

THE BIRTH OF A TRADITION

By SAMI AHMED
STATESMAN EDITOR

In its first year, only four teams came to the Ruggers Spring Classic. This weekend 36 teams showed up to play a loaded schedule on five fields over two days.

The Classic is by far the biggest sports event held on campus in terms of number of colleges showing up at one time. Coach Marty Rosenthal, the founder of the tournament believes this helps the university by giving it exposure on a fairly large scale. "We're selling the name of the school. Every time our team takes the field - the pride that they show, the class that they show is selling the university."

But the primary reason the tournament was started three years ago was to popularize the sport of rugby on long island. "In the states, most kids don't care for rugby until they reached



Marty Rosenthal (sunglasses) talking to the troops.

Sami Ahmed/Statesman

college," said Rosenthal. "Well, if a kid comes out here and watches a game with his folks and at five, six years old [and] starts

hearing and talking about rugby, that will just benefit rugby, across on us [USB], nationally and hopefully help our national teams

but everyone are friends

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do better in the years to come."

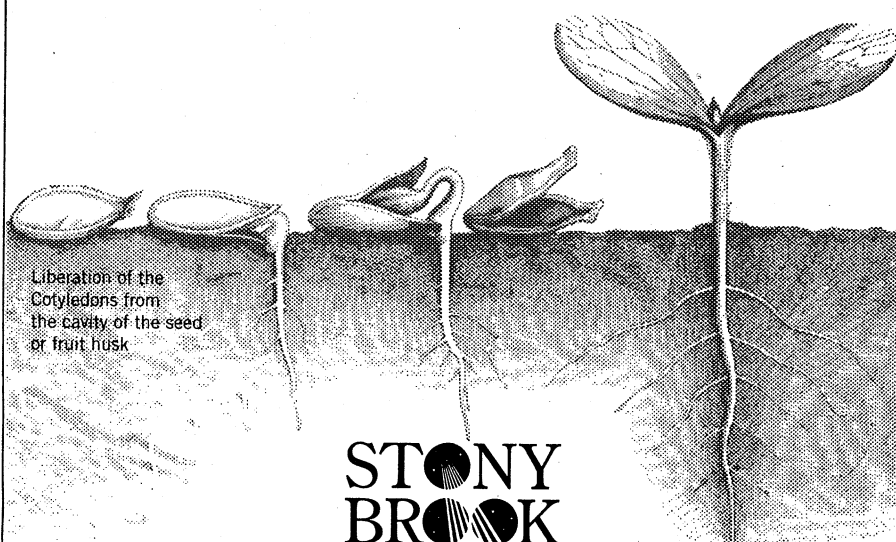
Many people at the tournament believe that the sport can sell itself once people get a chance to observe it. "Rugby is a great sport," says Raquel Forsythe, a member of the USB women's rugby team. "The camaraderie is great. There's a whole rugby community that people don't know about. It's a tough game on the field,

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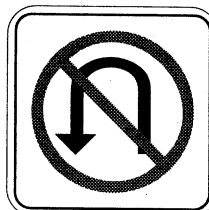
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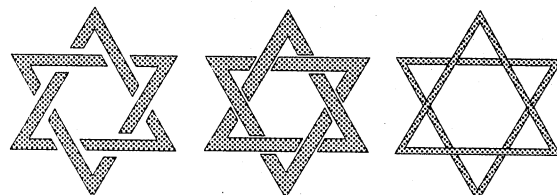
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LAX WINS AGAIN 6-5

Pete Gillen scored in front of the net with one second remaining in regulation to give Stony Brook the win a 6-5 victory over New Hampshire.

With the clock winding down, Chris Kollmer took the possession and attracted two defenders in front of the cage. After drawing the defenders, he flipped the ball to Gillen who picked it up and put a shot past goalie Gary Foster as time expired.

Gillen was quoted in Newsday, "It was like mass confusion in the crease. [The ball] was trickling on the ground and the goalie was going for it. I wrist-shotted it in like in hockey."

New Hampshire (1-7) led 3-2 late in the second before back-to-back goals by Kollmer and Robb Aitchison gave

of the Radcliff Rugby Club. "We would have liked to face Princeton, because it's nice to see another team before nationals. They send their "B" side and then we see them videotaping our games, so it's a little on the weird side."

"The "A" squad had another game up in Dartmouth," explained Joe Notl, the head coach of the "B" squad whose team lost 10-0 to The University of Connecticut. He went on to say that some of the "A" players came with him, but none of them were the starting players of the championship teams.

With the top Princeton squad not at the tournament, Radcliff was easily the best

women's team. They dominated every opponent they faced including the final game in which they beat an overmatched Southern Connecticut team 54-0. Their smooth but rough style was too much for their opponents whom they outscored by a commanding 131-3 margin over four games.

In other contests Plymouth State defeated Ithaca 5-0 to place third, behind Temple and Stony Brook in the Women's Open Division. In the Women's Premier Division, Boston College defeated The University at Connecticut 5-0 as they finished behind Radcliff and Southern Connecticut to capture third place. □

USB Takes Third In Open

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in the tournament.

There was some controversy after the game regarding whether the referee had ended the game early thinking USB could not make a come back in the remaining time. "Stony Brook Rugby has gotten shafted one more time," said an angry Rich O'Reilly, one of the veterans of the team. "We're men enough to f—in' take it. It's just that it seems to happen all the time."

When asked about the controversy Rosenthal said, "The referee, due to the conditions of the day...took it upon himself to call the game early instead of letting them go full-time, because he felt that there was no way that Stony Brook was going to amount a comeback and win in the time that was left."

"The referee told me there was five minutes left. Some of my players said it was more like 10 minutes." Rosenthal did not fully agree with the referee's decision, saying, "Whether his team was losing 100-0, they deserved to play from whistle to whistle. Crazy comeback stories have happened."

In other important games, Marist clobbered Drew 37-0 to win the Men's Open Championship. USB, as stated earlier, finished third.

In what was easily the most exciting game of the tournament, Kutztown defeated UConn 20-19 on a last second kick to win the Premiere Division Championship. If the kick had missed, UConn would've won by one. Temple defeated New Paltz by a score of 5-0 to capture third place. □

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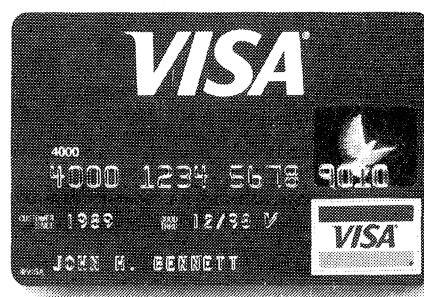
afterwards. You can go anywhere and meet a rugby player and they're going to be good to you."

Improving every year is one of the outputs that Rosenthal wants to see in the tournament as time progresses. "We want teams that are well structured and teams you don't have to worry about not showing up."

Many people believe that the Ruggers Spring Classic definitely has the potential for developing with each passing year. "It's a good day to see young rugby at its best," says Christopher White, a referee in the tournament. "Marty, the coach of Stony Brook, did a great job organizing it. It should get better." □

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Debbie Whittemore Memorial 5K Run

By DAVE CHOW
Statesman Editor

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"I like running all the Stony Brook races. I won the Turkey Trot Race here also," said Soricelli, an eighteen year old from Seldon who has already become a familiar face on campus. However, the high school track athlete has his eye on a couple of upstate colleges, Cobleskill and Delhigh. He thought he ran a pretty good race but should have done a little better. His best 5K he did at 15:40. It's always a push for higher goals for this kid who idolizes and tries to emulate the ideals of track legend Prefontaine.

Soricelli thought that a half a mile into the race a hill, on Center Drive and behind the Life Science, wiped out most of his competition. "It just killed everybody. After that I just coasted."

Two hundred and eight runners from all over Long Island showed up for this year's 3rd Annual Debbie Whittemore Memorial Run. Whittemore, a student athletic trainer and intramural staff member during her college years at Stony Brook from 1987 to 1994, was killed by a drunk driver in the summer of '94, only a few days after beginning her career as a nurse at University Hospital. This run was established to heighten awareness of driving while intoxicated crashes and fatalities and also to raise money for the Debbie Whittemore Endowed Scholarship Fund. Mrs. Whittemore, Debbie's mother, was on hand to give out plaques for winners of the various racing categories. Although this year's turnout was almost half as much as it was last year,



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Top mens and womens finishers, Jason Soricelli, Mrs. Whittemore (Debbie's mother) and Ellen Giambalvo

Whittmore was thankful for all the participants and sponsors."

Craig Banger of East Northport (17:54.9) and Carrie Doyle of Stony Brook (23:45.9) won the best USB student awards. Banger is a senior majoring in physical therapy. He thought his time was a bit slow but noted the humidity had adverse affects. "My head felt like a fried egg." Doyle is a member of the women's volleyball team and attributes her good run to the strict training head coach Teri Tiso keeps her on. "All

I have to say is coach forced me," she joked with tongue planted firmly in cheek.

Other awards went to Ellen Giambalvo of Shirley (19:41.0) for best overall women's time, Craig Roy of Port Jefferson (20:25.4) for best male USB staff (microbiology), and Judianne Davis of East Setauket (22:41) for best female USB staff (research support specialist).

Numerous donated prizes from local stores and businesses were raffled away to cap off the day. Chadwick Grant, a senior biochemistry

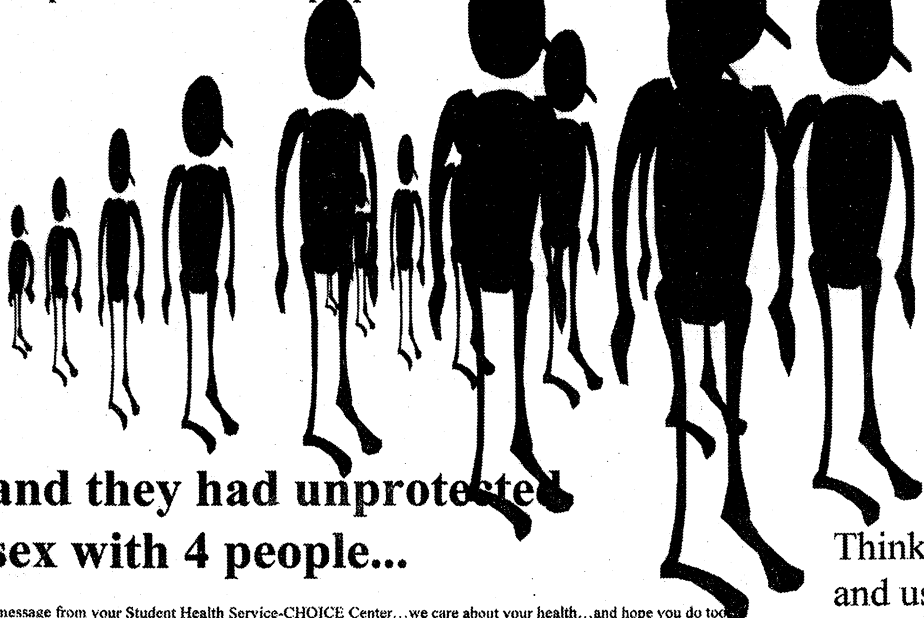
major who has come to every one of the annual races, was rewarded with the top prize- two Midway tickets to anywhere the airline flies.

Win or lose, it was a good day for a good cause. Claire Englert of East Northport (55:18.3), Marie O'Donnell of Medford (55:18.6) finished second to last and last respectively. They did it on purpose, "The last shall be first and the first shall be last,"

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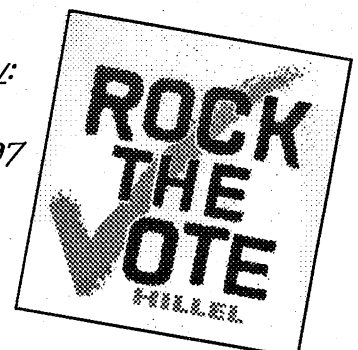
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DOWLING TENNIS NEEDS TO GROW UP AND SHUT-UP!

The sun must have made everyone delirious today because what happened on the varsity tennis courts was inexcusable. Dowling college and their constant heckling section from the side lines caused another yet scene. This time it got out of hand.

As a sports tennis writer and a former athlete, I have to say this was one of the poorest displays of sportsmanship I have ever witnessed. I have known the Dowling players to be sore losers, but the "sh_t really hit the fan" today.

It all started with doubles. On the second doubles court the Dowling pair were making fools of themselves performing silly antics every time one of the Seawolves tennis players missed a shot. At one point the Dowling players began trotting like they were riding horses. Childish antics like these that have tagged the Dowling players with horrendous unsportsman-like conduct. When the Seawolves stirred for a come back, the Dowling players purposely began calling out "Bad call". At the same time, the Dowling team co-captain, Ryan Cavanaugh, was calling out from the side lines to his players. This persistent calling out definitely affected the games of some players on the USB team.

The situation took a turn for the worse during the butt end of the match. Dowling was down 4-3, out of a nine point system, and all the Seawolves needed was one more match to win the meet. There were two matches in progress, the first and second singles. Daniel Antonius had captured the first set 6-3 and was up 4-3 in the second. Tae Byon had won the first set and was up 6-5 (15-love) in the second. I could only infer that the frustration of not beating the Seawolves for yet another year had gotten to them.

During Antonius' match, one of the spectators, actually the mother of a Dowling player (Martin the Co-Captain), threw a fit when Antonius called for a time-out so that he could prepare for his opponents serve. Otto Krcal, a former Co-captain of the seawolves tennis team, told the "mother" to "calm down." At this point the lady went ballistic, and began screaming about how "[she] is a parent, and how dare he (Otto) reprimand her." Of course, due to this loud verbal altercation both matches were at a stand still. Coach Tabibnia took it upon himself, since the Dowling coach was not doing anything, to get the situation under control. He told all the spectators to vacate the premises or refrain from heckling, until the matches were over. The fans went over to the benches in front of the second singles showdown. This was only a momentary solution.

As the spectators and players began to move and disperse another skirmish erupted on the next court. This time it was between a Dowling college player (played third doubles) and Tabibnia. This player had been harassing the coach since the beginning of the match, calling him an "ass—," among other vulgar adjectives. Tabibnia responded to the insults and the situation escalated to a point where the parent threatened Tabibnia with a law suit and to get him fired. A heated argument brewed between the Seawolves coach, the "mother" and the Dowling players. Tabibnia finally said that "[He] will call the game if everyone does not calm down." The verbal fight ensued until the co-captains of

Dowling called the game, packed up and left.

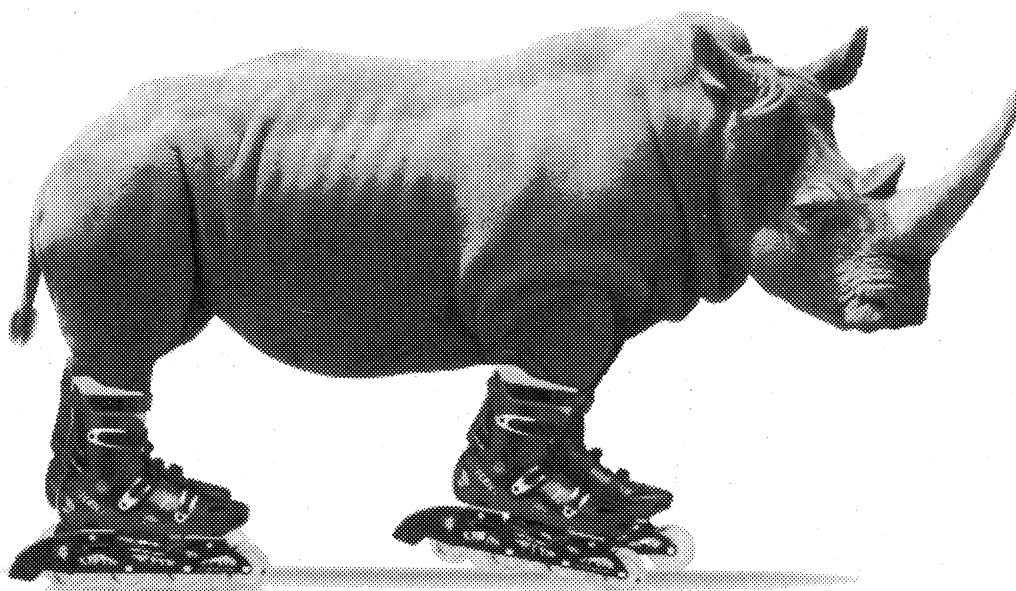
The funny part is that this whole situation could have been avoided if the Dowling coach had any type of a hold on her players. Usually when a coach complains about the other the teams side line manners, the other team's coach makes sure that his/her players behave themselves. During the argument one of the players for Dowling said "coach say something or I will!" Even an assistant

coach would do more than just stand there.

When I was covering the Dowling game last year, that same parent verbally abused a Seawolves player during his match with her son and even afterwards. Some people may say that Tabibnia should not have gotten involved at all. The right thing would have been to take penalty points away from the other team, but who does that anymore. □

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THIRD ANNUAL RUGGERS SPRING CLASSIC

Over 30 teams converged onto the Stony Brook campus last weekend, surviving downpours, for an all-out tournament of competition.

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RADCLIFF AND PRINCETON "B TEAM" HEAD HIGHLIGHTS AND LOWLIGHTS FOR WOMENS COMPETITION

By SAMI AHMED
 STATESMAN EDITOR

The University at Stony Brook Women's Rugby Club took another step in establishing itself as a force to be dealt with in the future, for their strong showing at the third annual Ruggers Spring Classic. The Stony Brook Black Widows finished second overall in the Open Division.

The women's team were unbeaten entering their final game and had not allowed a point in the tournament, beating their opponents by a margin of 74-0. They were, however, overpowered by a bigger, more physical Temple team in the finals as they lost 27-0, on Sunday.

The USB Black Widows surprised many people by reaching the finals since many players had dropped out or were injured.

"No one expected us to do very well", said rugger Raquel Forsythe who was icing down her right knee

after the game. "We came out and won three games [on Saturday]. Just to be in the finals was really good for us."

The Black Widows entered the Temple game having won each of their three games the day before. In the first game they completely annihilated Marist 41-0 by using their quickness and speed. Less than three hours later, they beat Plymouth State 12-0. In their final game of the day, they beat the Boston University "B" squad 21-0 in a game played in the freezing rain.

The win against Plymouth State was especially enjoyable for the 'Widows. Plymouth State beat them last year to finish second overall last year in the tournament. This year the women returned the favor en route to finishing second. "For me, personally, that was sweet to be able to do that, knowing that they knocked us out last year", said a

pleased Marty Rosenthal.

As with last year, one of the biggest disappointments of the tournament was that the Princeton "A" squad, winner of the last two national championships, did not show up. Princeton came with its "B" team, but was still keeping its "eyes" on Radcliff, which placed first in the Premier Division in the Rugby Classic and which they will probably face in the national semi-finals.

"They never send their "A" side to any place where we're going to be," said Emily Yee, president

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