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Students Cut From RSP

By George Bidermann

Less than two weeks after Stony Brook administrators expressed their concern over a lack of funding for the kesidential Security Program (RSP), 22 student employees were sent letters Thursday informing them that they were being laid off due to the shortage of

Edith Dickenson, the student director of the RSP, said last night that she had to decide which students to let go and which students to keep in the program. According to Matt Chichetti, a supervisor with the program, the decision concerning which students to fire was reached on the basis of merit and past performance. "People who had put in the most hours were the ones who were chosen to stay," he said.

The program, which was envisioned this spring as being a key ingredient in improving security and the quality of life in the dormitories, is currently operating with about five students randomly patrolling the dormitory areas at night. As originally conceived, the RSP would have put students at desks in every dorm building on campus, checking visitors doors and patrolling the grounds.

But now, Dickenson said,"The program is not working at all the way it was supposed to be run. And we have never gotten any indication from the university that they would want to fund the program" to continue or expand the RSP as a monitoring and surveillance program in the dormitories.

Dickenson said Gary Barnes, the director of the Department of Public Safety, "came in one day last week and said 'We can't have any more than 65 students on the payroll,' " between the RSP and the Community Service Unit (CSU), another student security group which operates the walk service and

said letters went out to the 22 students on Wednesday. Dickenson personally took a pay cut, from \$6.00 per hour to \$3.35 per hour, in order to keep one extra student on the payroll.

Barnes said the department was "hopeful, and we had anticipated that [funding for] the program would go through. In order to get the number of people we would need come September, we hired quite a few, and then it turned out that the funding wasn't going to come as quickly. So it's not a lay-off; it's perhaps just a little advanced hiring in anticipation of the funds that we hoped would come quicker, and they did not."

Chichetti questioned the inability of the university to find the necessary funds to at least keep the current employees on the books. "If any of the administratiors were really, truly behind this program, I'm sure that at least the current operating budget funds could have been found. This is just further proof that non of the administrators are behind the program, or are fighting for it.

Vice President for Campus Operafor identification as well as securing tions Robert Francis said last night that the decision to lay off the students did not come from his office, and added that he wasn't aware of any new developments in the university's attempts to find funding for the two programs. CSU and RSP do not have separate, permanent budget allocations, and the university has been placing money into Public Safety's account, according to Barnes, to be used for paying the students of the RSP and the CSU

> Francis said the university so far has had "no success in its attempts to locate funding. I don't have any source of current funds" to keep the program funded and all the students on the payroll.



Robert Francis (left) and Gary Barnes shown here patrolling the grounds a few years ago. With cuts in student security, will they be taking to the streets again?

were affecting its student employees. "Personally, as director of the program. I put my heart and soul into that program," she said. "Right now, everybody feels that the university has cheated us. They [the student employees] don't really have the choice to think otherwise."

Barnes said he was meeting with Francis and representatives from the Dickenson was upset last night with university's budget and finance division helps to patrol the academic mall. She the way the program's fiscal problems tomorrow. "We're realizing that we

need a permanent allocation for both programs," he said. "But I do think the program will continue.

Chichetti's views last night were much less optimistic. "It just seems a real shame that 22 students who needed their jobs lost them," he said. "It's also a shame that the security of 10,000 students was put that much more in jeopardy because of the firing of these

Search for Intelligent Life at Stony Brook

By Tim Lapham

The number of other intelligent life forms in the galaxy capable of communicating with us ranges somewhere between zero and 50,000 to millions, was the conclusion to the Astronomy Club's Friday evening lecture, entitled "The Search For Life in the Universe.'

lation of facts and theories that give a probability of being able to communicate with other intelligent species. This probability, Owen said, is based on an equation presented by Frank Drake. The equation states that the number of other intelligent species in our galaxy who are capable of communicating with us is a function of the rate of star formation times the fractions of stars that have planets times the number of planets that are earth-like times the number of earthlike planets with life times intelligent species taht are willing and able to communicate times the number of civililizations that survive long enough to communicate with us.

Unfortunately, Owen said, the only one of these factors that we actually know is the rate of star formation. We know that there are approximately 50 billion sun-

implied from what we know about the earth and our solar system.

he referred to as the principle of mediocrity, which a civilization at 50 to 200 years. This would give the states that evolution of intelligent life on earth is an result that there is only one intelligent species in our average phenomenon; other intelligent species are galaxy at the present time capable of communication; a solvent.

To estimate the number of earth-like planets that would exist once you had a solar system. Owen used our knowledge of the other planets in our solar system. "The photographs taken of the Martian surface clearly show that there is no evidence of life; there is no brush, trees, or LILCO trucks," he said.

If the present theories of the development of Mars are correct, then primitive life (amoebas) may have formed on the planet and died as the atmosphere proved unhospitable. For this reason, Owen said, there is much interest in sending a craft to land on Mars and excavate the surface. If life had begun and failed, there will be fossil records of it.

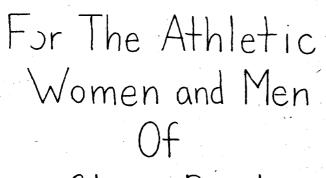
Owen's conclusion was that the probability of intelligent life having developed and advanced is quite good.

like stars in our galaxy. The rest of the factors must be The subjet of real debate, which makes even an approximation to Drake's equation difficult, is how long an intelligent species might survive once it had deve-To estimate the remaining factors Owen used what loped. Pessimists estimate the average lifespan of such likely to be based on carbon chemicals and use water as us. Optimists say that once such a technology has developed the civilization is likely to survive for hundreds of thousands of years. This puts the number at 50.000 to millions.

> Owen then spoke on why it is unlikely that we have been or ever will be visited by other species. With present technology, utilizing radio telescopes, scientists can send messages at the speed of light to the other side of the galaxy. The technological jump that is required to send a space craft that distance is just too large, he said. He also spoke briefly on unidentified flying object (UFO) sightings.

> None of them have ever been verified and many have been shown to either be a hoax or a mistaken sighting. He cited books such as 'Chariots of the Gods?' as compilations of ridiculous coincidences. The author of 'Cha-

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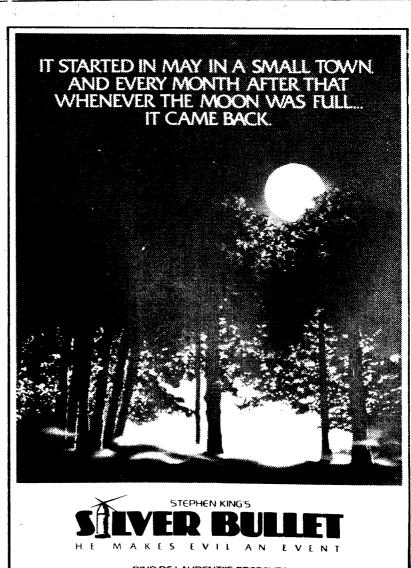
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Life Out in the Universe

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riots of the Gods?" claims that the pyramids of Egypt were built by aliens and left as markers. His evidence is that the height of the pyramids, multiplied by a thousand million is 98 million miles, approximately the distance from the earth to the sun. "If they had the technology to come all this way, why did they botch the job?" Owen asked. "If I take [the length of] this pen and multiply it by a million, I get the exact distance from here to the sun.'

Assuming other intelligent species lived long enough to attempt communication, we should attempt

of radio transmissions. The project will also include sending such radio messages. Presently, the only transmissions that would likely reach another civilization are those used for television and the military. "After seeing an 'I Love Lucy' rerun, I doubt any intelligent species would bother to send a message back," he said. If communication were established, it might prove useful for exchange of information. He added that if other intelligent species are hostile, we may be like a sheep screaming to the wolf.

Technological advances, such as the space telescope soon to be put in orbit, will enable us to better estimate the probabilities of each factor in Drake's equation. to receive any messages sent out, Owen said. This was Owen concluded that there is a reasonable chance that, the impetus for a ten year project, presently being during our life span, we will receive evidence of the designed at Harvard, that will entail an all-sky survey existence (present or past) of life on other planets.

Students: Remember to Vote For Treasurer and Freshman Rep tomorrow in The Polity Elections — And don't forget the referendums!

Colleges Closing In on Campus Fraternities

commission appointed by trustees of Colby College to review problems with the school's fraternities and sororities adopted a recommendation no one had anticipated: withrdraw recognition for all greek organizations. And this fall, the college has opened for the first time without greeks on campus.

'We had tried creating new standards for them two years earlier," said administrator Earl Smith. "They had an impact in some cases, but they didn't have much of an impact overall.

Amherst College in Massachusetts soon followed Colby's lead. But even schools that didn't go as far are spending his fall giving greek organizations unprecedented nationwide scrutiny.

There is nothing new about disciplinary sanctions against individual greek chapters, but even national greek leaders acknowledge the heat is on as never before. Already this fall, officials at Florida, Duke, Lehigh and Dartmouth have investigated and filed charges against some of their fraternities. In addition, Loyola-New Orleans administrators say they will soon bring criminal charges against two former frat members

"We're under attack," said Mark Mullinix of Alpha Tau Omega's national organization. "There is an increasing public outcry fueled by dramatic stories of misconduct, much of it relating to the way women are treated by fraternities."

Apart from the ongoing disciplinary measures on many different campuses, some unusual punishments are being imposed.

•Amherst and Colby's booting of their greek organizations marks the first time since the 1960's that any institution has taken such action.

•ATO officials last year disbanded three of its approximately 150 chapters, a level Mullinix calls "dramatic."

•Pi Kappa Phi's national director last year urged chapter leaders to adopt a strong stand against sexual abuse, sity of New Hampshire Journalism Prowarning that abusive behavior at fra-fessor Andrew Merton in the September ternities had become an epidemic.

•Dozens of schools have adopted tougher disciplinary regulations. there have been 50 gang rapes at college Florida, for one, recently decided to require all fraternities to hire security guards for parties.

Dartmouth, Hamilton, Colgate. Brown and Stanford - among other schools - are under pressure either to abolish all fraternities or implement reforms. National fraternity leaders complain they want to solve the problems, but don't want to lend credence to inviting greek organizations to their

problems not unique to the greek schools withdrawing recognition. Waterville, ME. — Last year, the system. "The national leadership of many organizations is sickened by some of what's happening in local chapters," said Robert Marchesani Jr. of the National Interfraternity Conference. "But they have had their consciousness raised, and they are leading a rededication to the standards and ideals we

Mullinix said, "There is an increasing realization in the greek community that we cannot sustain the level of legitimate critcism we're getting. But there are some people more interested in villifying us by harping on one problem or another. They're not focusing on the broader picture that includes the fact that fraternities and sororities accomplish many worthwhile things.

Both critics and supporters attribute the increased scrutiny to several factors:

•Greek students tend to be more conservative than other students, and consequently slower to adapt to new social attititudes, particularly toward women.

 Stiffer drinking laws and court rulings making colleges more responsible for their students' safety are forcing schools to tighten disciplinarly rules for all students.

 National greek leaders, themselves worried about the misbehaviors and bad publicity, are increasing their own scrutiny of chapters, and in some cases closing chapters down on their own. In May, for example, Signa Phi Epsilon alumni closed their Worcester Polytechnic Institute chapters after several instances of misconduct.

But the increased scrutiny, greek leaders say, causes some school offficials to react to distorted perceptions, or punish houses that are well-behaved while they discipline problem chapters.

Others charge discipline problems are endemic to greek organizations. Breek organization are "refuges" that reinforce male stereotypes of women as "objects of conquest - worthy, but decidedly inferior," contends Univerissue of Ms. magazine.

Merton cites statistics indicating fraternities during the past three years, and 29 deaths from hazing incidents during the past six.

The crimes and carnage, however, haven't dampened student interest. Greek membership this fall is at an alltime high of about 250,000 students, up from 100,000 in 1972. Perhaps more significantly, there are as many schools what they say is an unfair emphasis on campus for the first time as there are

Maryville College in St. Louis, for one, has opened its campus to greeks for the first time this fall. Marchesani says membership at some Amherst fraternities is increasing even though the university doesn't recognize them, thus denying them privileges other student groups have, such as access to campus facilities

Even some banned chapters resurface. At Loyola-New Orleans, for example, officials have had difficulty permanently banning Pi Kappa Theta.

PKY leaders apparently reorganized themselves as Pi Beta Kappa, held a rush party in August, and promptly drew the same kind of misconduct complaints that prompted university officials to disband Pi Kappa Theta in the first place.

In response, student affairs director Vincent Knipfing threatened to suspend any student who in any way lends support to the new Pi Beta Kappa venture. The fraternity leaders "think by changing their name they're going to beat the system," he said.



Rep. Hopeful Bounced Off Ballot

because he was one day late in submitting the 100 signatures of support from students.

The student, Dan Rubin, said that name will not officially appear on the ballot for tomorrow's election. "It seems very unfair," he said. "I have worked very hard on this campaign, I've been to every dormitory on campus. People have offered me support - now my name won't even be on the ballot."

Rubin said that he was notified expenses and campaigning for about that he was ineligible to run Thursone month, a student who was run- day, when Polity officials refused to ning for Freshman Representative accept his signatures. "They told me has been removed from the ballot that there had been a week extension because of the hurricane," he said. "But I was never told when the original deadline was."

Rubin expressed concern that if his he will run as a write-in, but that his situation is given media attention. students wil view the publicity as "an unfair political trick. I just want to make one point," he said, "which is that I have the right to run. I have put in the effort just like the other candidates. I just want people to remember that I am still a candidate."



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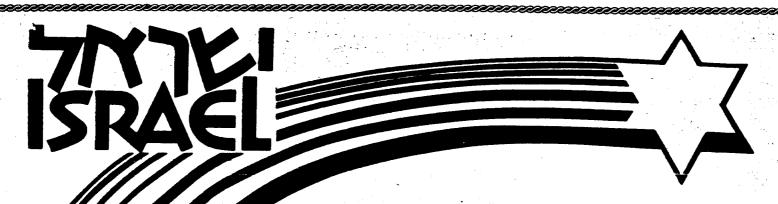
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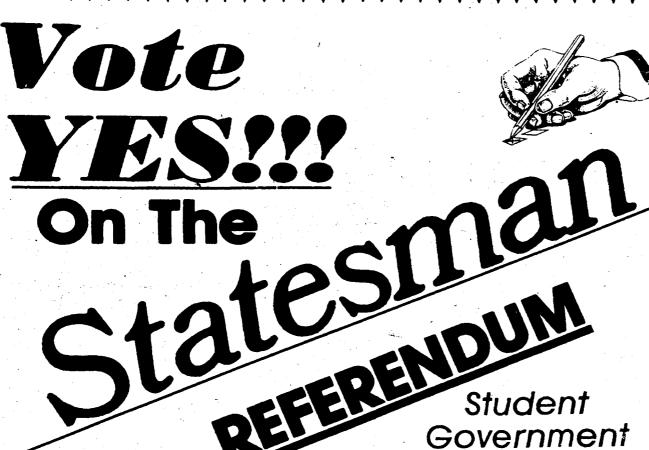
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All Students: Please Read This Editorial

One of the more enjoyable experiences around the Statesman offices has got to be watching our editors crashed out on one of our couches after a production night. Some lie covered with clothing and blankets, placed where they fell during desperate attempts to block out the noise of the production shop. Others lie cuddled in tight little balls, and some even look like they're smiling.

As every editor on Statesman has eventually learned, each production night is actually a twoday affair. Each department, from news to sports to photo and arts, has at least one editor and several staff members working on any given issue - Sundays, Tuesdays and Thursdays until at least 4:00 AM and usually later.

There is not one organization at Stony Brook that asks its members to work such a rigorous schedule. There is not one other student organization at Stony Brook that works under the pressure of three deadlines per week. There is not one other student newspaper in the SUNY system, other than Statesman, that can pride itself in saying that help cover its operating costs during September it publishes three times a week.

And there is not one student organization at Stony Brook, other than Statesman, that receives no direct funding from its students, student government or administration.

The history of Statesman's relationship with Polity and the university cannot be covered in so small a space. But Statesman, the university newspaper since before the university moved from Oyster Bay to Stony Brook in 1962, has always been recognized as the primary source of media on the campus.

This recognition did. until the early 1980s, walk hand in hand with a commitment from the university - through Polity's purchase of 8,000 subscriptions per year - to provide funding which helped Statesman cover its operating costs, remain solvent as a not-for-profit corporation, and provide a high-quality student newspaper free to its community.

After a dispute in the fall of 1982, Statesman declared its financial independance from Polity, a move its student editors had been working towards since 1975. Polity, in turn, dropped its com-

newspaper, and began paying Statesman only for \$5,000 of operating costs per week, yet receives its advertisements. Now, Statesman and its readers are suffering from the lack of funding in the past three years.

Our cash flow is such that revenue from advertisements placed in Statesman, our main source of income, comes in 30 to 60 days after publication. We have been covering operating costs for the first five weeks of school on a daily basis, scraping to pay our printer, our employees, and for our supplies.

But this week the money runs out. We know we won't be able to print three issues this week. We hope to be able to print two.

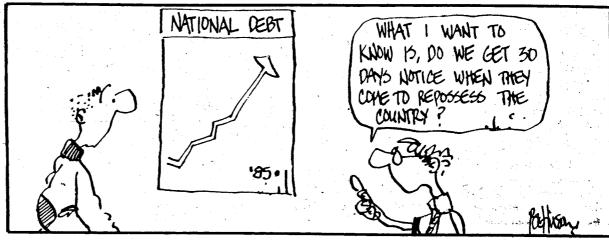
Students, read this carefully: tomorrow, on the Polity election ballot, you will also vote on a referendum which would give Statesman \$1 a semester from each undergraduate student as a show us that you appreciate the effort that goes. with the necessary money, each September, to students won't rest easy until you do.

mitment to provide a "subscription fee" to the and October, when the paper incurs more than virtually no revenue.

> The need for this money cannot be understated. With the exception of the graciousness of Dr. Patricia Teed, vice president for University Affairs, our pleas to the administration have fallen on deaf ears. Our equipment is literally falling apart! Must Statesman go utterly bankrupt and cease publication before the university gets itself involved?

> We have always taken pride in our ability to provide a reliable, readable product to our readers. This week, Statesman will shut down, at least for one issue. But our student readers must remember this: your vote for Statesman on Tuesday is the first step to helping insure financial stability for the paper.

A vote for the Statesman referendum would "subscription fee" that would provide Statesman into putting out three issues a week. More than 40



-Letters

Nicaragua Opinion Inaccurate

To The Editor:

In the October 2 Statesman. Juan-Carlos Sanchez states that "The elections in Nicaragua were a one party affair...where they had 90% voter turnout and 90% voter agreement." I believe this is incorrect. I recall the Sandinista party received about 65 to 70% of the vote; the remainder was split among several other parties on the left and right of the F.S.L.N. Since about 75% of the eligible voters turned out in Nicaragua, the Sandinistas garnered a little more than half the possible votes

Contrast this with the latest presidential election in the United States, the bastion of democracy. Less than half the eligible voters To The Editor: going to the single other party. That about 25 to 30% voters elected Reagan.

Mr. Sanchez also asserts "...if Paraguay were in Nicaragua [geographically]...we would probably be supporting contras in Paraguay." I doubt it. The Somoza government of Nicaragua, overthrown by the Sandanistas, was quite simalar to Stroessner's dictatorship in Paraguay in terms of repression and exploitation of the people of the country. And the Somoza regime had been installed by the United

States following a U.S. Marine invasion about 50 years ago.

As Mr. Sanchez says near the end of his "Viewpoint," ... "Americans should know what they stand for." Americans stand for the replacement of the Allende government in Chile with General Pinochet's dicatorship. Americans stand for the Marcos regime in the Phillippines. Americans stand for the invasion and occupation of Grenada in 1983. Americans stand for the bombing of Tunis by Israel (N.Y. Times, Oct.2, cover story). Americans stand for the tacit occupation of Honduras by U.S. troops. Americans stand for the escalation of the arms race.

David Jaffe

Vote Yes For NYPIRG

Tuesday, October 8th, 1985 is a very important date for Stony Brook students. In addition to the student government elections, a referendum on continuing the funding of the New York Public Interest Research Group (NYPIRG) will also be voted on. This matter may seem trite, but a look at NYPIRG's goals and functions reveals otherwise.

NYPIRG is a non-profit, nonpartisan research and advocacy organization established directed and supported by New York State colege students. A NYPIRG chapter has been at Stony Brook since 1979. NYPIRG develops and utilizes the talents of students and other citizens to improve the living conditions of every New York State resident. NYPIRG fights for consumer protection, environmental preservation, higher education and student rights, divestment, and toxic waste disposal and toxic victims, as well as many other crucial issues

NYPIRG serves an essential function in our democratic society and on the Stony Brook campus. Its existence and funding must be continued. Student-it's up to you. On October 8th, vote yes for NYPIRG. Rich Luftig

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To The Editor:

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Dube- 'Marburger Controversy'

Stony Brook University Would Lose A Tremendous Asset

By Thomas A. Padilla

. This letter is addressed to three groups of people concerning the "Dube" controversy, which I propose that from this point on it be more appropriately entitled: "The Marburger Controversy." The three groups I will be addressing are 1) The Stony Brook administrators who denied tenure to Dr. Dube, 2) the people responsible for illegally tearing down banners in the Student Union that support tenure for Dr. Dube, 3) the students and faculty at Stony Brook University.

The issue at question is tenure for Dr. Dube. In August, Dr. Dube was denied tenure by the Dean of Humanities and Fine Arts Robert Neville, by Provost Homer Neal, and ultimately by University President John Marburger. This denial of tenure is in complete contradiction to the recommendations given them by two faculty committees, who after an intensive investigation into the background, academic performance, merits and abilities of Dr. Dube, ruled in favor of tenure To my knowledge, in the 25 year history of Stony Brook University, never has there been a denial of tenureship to a professor who has been approved by the two faculty committees.

1 ask you, President Marburger, why then have you denied tenure to Dr. Dube after he was approved by the two faculty committees? Why have you denied tenure to Dr. Dube when he is unquestionably an expert on the situation in South Africa as well as Africa in general? Why would you deny the Stony Brook community of this valuable resource expecially considering the political situation in South Africa today? Why have you denied tenure to Dr. Dube when he has consistently been a popular professor among students? Speaking as a student currently enrolled in one of Dr. Dube's classes, Dr. Dube challenges me to think, and enlightens me with information concerning the African continent. I personally feel robbed and quite upset with your decision to deny him tenure. I ask you again, President Marburger, in light of all this information, why have you denied Dr. Dube his tenure?

Was your decision based on legitimate evidence that the university community is unaware of? (In which case could you please enlighten us). Was your decision a racist decision? (Stony Brook University has an unjustifiably low percentage of black professors which is an issue you need to address as well). Or were you illegally



Ernest Dube

pressured by powerful Zionist groups from off-campus who were upset about Dr. Dube's linking of Zionism with racism in his Politics of Race course? (Dr. Dube was found innocent of violating academic ethics for his comments). It is my contention that Dr. Dube deserves tenure, his record speaks for itself, and that is you President Marburger, who is the controversial figure in this issue. Why have you denied tenure to Dr. Dube? You owe the Stony Brook community an explanation.

In addition to the Marburger controversy, unjustifiable and abhorrent events have occurred in the Student Union which the campus community needs to be aware of. Over the past two weeks, on four separate occasions,

banners hanging in the Union in support of tenure for Dr. Dube have been torn down. In the first instance, a banner placed by the Red Balloon Collective which said 'Tenure for Dube'' was torn down and replaced by two Israeli flags. In addition, banners placed by the LS.O. (International Students Organization). H.O.L.A. (Hands Off Latin America), and another one by the Red Balloon Collective have been torn down. All the groups had received the necessary clearance from the Union permitting them to hang their banners. When questioned, Union management had no knowledge as to who tore down the banners and they are currently investigating to see who is responsible.

To those of you who are responsible, there is no justification for your illegal, racist and childish acts. You have denied the right for freedom of speech to the above-mentioned groups. You have every right to disagree with the sentiments of tenure for Dr. Dube, but none of whatsoever to tear down banners that express these sentiments. Your actions do not reflect the maturity and intelligence expected one at the college level. In conclusion, I address this letter to the campus community. I encourage each of you to keep alert while you

are in the Union to make sure that more banners are not torn down. We all must protect our right to freedom of

In addition, I ask all of you to educate yourselves concerning the Marburger controversy. President Marburger has denied tenure to a man who clearly appears to be deserving of it. If Marburger's decision stands. Stony Brook would be losing a tremendous asset in its community. It is essential that everyone who is upset or confused about President Marburger's decision (professors, students, faculty, etc.), SPEAK OUT and do what you can to help Dr. Dube in the appeal of his case. You can attend rallies, you can organize or support fundraisers for Dr. Dube's legal costs, you can write or sign petitions, you can make banners and attend the rally in support of Dr. Dune (On Thursday, October 10th in the Union), etc. At the very least you can call President Marburger (246-5940) and ask him why tenure for Dr. Dube has been denied. We are all due an explanation. (The writer is an undergraduate and a member of the United Front Against Apartheid, Hands Off Latin America (H.O.L.A.), and the International Students Organiza-

NYPIRG Needs Referendum Approval

By Kirsten J. Kunz

matter, the entire current student generation, is commonly accused of apathy. Low voting rates among young people and the spread of materialistic 'yuppie'' values are cited by the media as 'proof" that today's students don't care about anything but earning enough money to buy their first Volvo.

It is easy to toss around such stereotypes, but a look at what students are doing on our nation's campusesand right here at Stony Brook- shows that the "apathy" label is just not issues that affect us found only in those students who are seen attending rallies and demonstrations. These kinds of activity are the most visible, but students are also active behind the scenesorganizing petition and letter writing drives; lobbying local, state, and national lawmakers; and educating the public on such issues as financial aid cuts, toxic waste, divestment, and consumer rights.

Here at Stony Brook, students have coordinated these types of efforts since

Stony Brook students, and for that 1979 through a chapter of the New York. This hardly sounds like apathy. Public Interest Research Group (NYPIRG), a statewide student group formed to organize students to fight for their rights- both as students and as citizens. Students working with NYPIRG have been extremely successful in making their voices heard in high places. Last year, NYPIRG chapters around the state succeeded in convincing Governor Cuomo not to raise SUNY tuition. In recent years NYPIRG students have fought for and won a New York Bottle Return Law that has cut can and bottle protect new and used car buyers, a damages. Thousands of people have Brook students will decide whether Community Right to Know Law on toxic waste sites, and a Truth-in-Testing Law which gives New York students taking SATs, LSATs, and other standardized tests more rights than any other students in the country. Over twelve years, students working with NYPIRG have helped to pass more than seventy pieces of legislation. They've also educated a lot of people on important issues in the process, all while educating themselves.

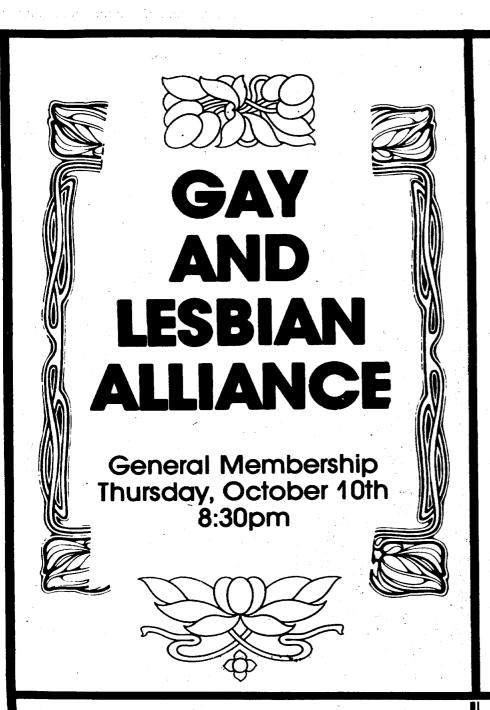
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NYPIRG is one organization that has Another NYPIRG priority this year is a helped students to make a difference, to bill to give the victims of toxic substances move beyond apathy to action. Tomorrow, Tuesday, October 8th, Stony contracted cancer and other life- NYPIRG will continue this work on campus and in the community. The Polity Elections ballot will include a referendum on the continuation of NYPIRG's funding through the Student Activity Fee. If you want NYPIRG to continue the fight for financial aid, safe water and air, divestment and consumer rights, please vote Yes for NYPIRG on Tuesday.

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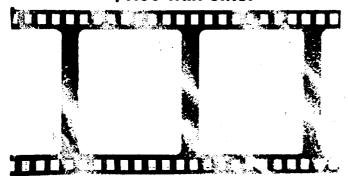
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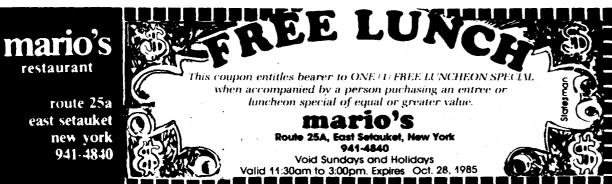
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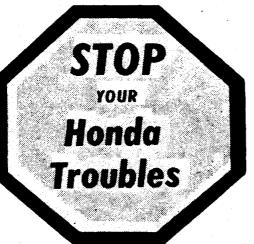
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Statesman SPORTS

Monday, October 7, 1985

Tennis Team Evens Record Over Weekend

By Nancy Chin

The Women's Varsity Tennis team returned from their road trip upstate Saturday night, with one win and one loss, which brings their season's record up to a respectable 3-3. Some rainy weather left the courts in puddles for Friday's match against New Paltz, so it was rescheduled for Saturday afternoon. This forced the Patrtiot netters to play both of their matches in one

As planned, Stony Brook played Skidmore College Saturday morning indoors, while heavy rain pounded on the roof, making it difficult to hear the bounce of the ball. For some players, the bounce serves as an important timing cue. Skidmore College swept the Patriots 9-0. "We went at Skidmore with just as much enthusiasm, but basically, we were outskilled. We really have to work more on our shot selection, instead of hitting down the middle," said Clark Pratt, Patriot head coach. Winning at every level, in both singles and doubles, Pratt felt that Skidmore's consistency was just a reflection of their skill level.

It was obvious by the first hour of the match that the Patriots were faced with some tough competition. Just last year, Skidmore was ranked 13th in the nation, and their first singles player, Pam Thompson took first place at the NYSAIAW Championships in Rochester.

Naive to her rival's past record, the Patriot's first singles player, Sharon Marcus swatted a rough match against Skidmore's number one, Thompson. Marcus was defeated 6-1,6-0. FacingSkidmore's second singles challenger Val Alliger on a bad ankle, Patriot's number two Erika Iten, was defeated 6-3,6-2. Stony Brook's third singles Jackie Fiore, also lost in straight sets 6-1,6-0 against Skidmore's Krista McShane. "She was very accurate and hit with a lot of pace," said Fiore of her opponent.

At fourth singles for the Patriots was Amy DiPace, who lost to Carolyn Spellman of Skidmore 6-1,6-0. DiPace said she felt as though they [Skidmore] didn't realize how good they actually are. She added that this

Skidmore with Tuesday's Division I opponent, zanne Broncuto in straight sets 6-4,6-3. New Paltz's Fordham Unviersity. Said DiPace of Skidmroe, "In sixth seed Norma Freidman, was defeated easily by my opinion, they were better than Fordham."

Debbie Gruskin the Patriots fifth singles player, was taken by Skidmore's Newlinges 6-3,6-0. Gruskin remained positive about her match results, saying. "We learned a lot and felt even tougher afterwards." Finally, Stony Brook's sixth seed Lisa Treyz, was defeated in one of the closest matches of the day by Holly Mandel of Skidmroe 6-4,6-2.

were equally talented in doubles and took all three doubles points. Stony Brook's first doubles team Marcus and Iten, lost to Skidmore's Alliger and McShane 6-3.6-3. In second doubles, Skidmore's Schwartz and Barnet defeated Patriots Fiore and Di-Pace 6-1,6-1. The third doubles tema Jill Oshan and Debbie Gruskin, pressed for time played a 10 game pro set, and lost 10-1 to Livingston and Capuldi of Skidquality players from first singles right through third doubles," said Patriot Jill Oshan.

Stony Brook's third singles Jackie Fiore had an optomistic approach to the tennis loss, "When you're blown away by this much of a margin, it makes you want to work that much harder."

Saturday morning's shut-out brought Stony Brook players down, but never out. The Patriots played the team at SUNY New Paltz at 5:00 the same afternoon. At first singles once more, Marcus easily dominated New Paltz's Susan D'Annibate in straight sets 6-1,6-2. Patriot Erika Iten, limping on her sore ankle, still crushed New Paltz's second singles Gina Lustman in a close battle of 7-6 (with tie-breaker of 7-5), 6-3.

Third singles Jakcie Fiore, faced a rigid based liner, overpowered Chantel Jean- Baptiste of New Paltz, after three long sets 6-1,4-6,6-2. Amy DiPace, at the fourth singles spot for Stony Brook, for the quick straight defeating opponent Jode Grossblatt 6-0,6-2. PM on Tues. Oct. 8.

was significant at the Division III level, comparing At fifth singles, Patriot Debbie Gruskin defeated Su-Stony Brook's Lisa Treyz 6-1,6-1. Finally, seventh seed Jill Oshan for Stony Brook barely lost to New Paltz in a close match of 6-3,4-6,7-5. With their confidence restored and racquets gleaming the Pat's doubles teams swatted New Paltz straight through for an easy victory. The Pat's won all three matches in quick 8-game pro sets, while the sun set on a rural horizon.

At first doubles, Marcus and Fiore defeated Unfortunately for the Patriots, Skimore's netters Lustman and Jean-Baptiste of New Paltz 8-4. Seocnd doubles Gruskin and DiPace beat D'Annibate and Broncuto 8-5, even though the Patriot doubles players remained unconvinced of the validity of some of their opponent's line calls. And, in a grand finale', Oshan and Treyz easily destroyed New Paltz's Grossblatt and Ferte, 8-1.

"Having to paly two mathces in one day as tough, but we pulled through with a win we really needed," said more. "This team had a lot of depth — they were Iten. Evaluating the women's tennis season so far, Coach Pratt describes this fall's team as "wellbalanced". He added, "They're a group because they're all behind eachother." He feels strongly that if Stony Brook continues to push the tennis program, the team could be more consistent.

> Coaching his first season for the Patriots, Pratt said it's been hard to develop a good squad with courts being re-surfaced for the first two weeks and the strugle of just getting enough people to play. Looking ahead to the second half of the season, the coach is confident that they'll, "win a good proportion of these matches," pointing out that if the team were to play Wagner or St. John's next week, they would most likely win. (Stony Brook barely lost to both teams last week).

> All in all, Pratt's philosophy for tennis is not to look solely for the win, but to "play the best match you've ever played with every new opponent."

> Stony Brook will play Molloy College home at 3:30

Football Team Drops Third Straight



The Stony Brook Patriot foot all team lost their third consecutive game of the season Saturday, as they were turned away by the Lancers of Worcester St.(Ma.) by the score of 35-10.

The Lancers (3-0) took little time to

put points on the board, as they scored 21 first half points mostly on the arm of quarterback Sean Mahoney. Al Balkan scored the only Patriot touchdown, on a fourth-quarter pass from Joe Greco. The defeat marks the first time since 1983



that the Patriots have lost a home game. Cougars in the annual homecoming The loss brings the Patriot's record to

Stony Brook will look to snap the losing streak next Saturday, when the Patriots play host to the Kean College

game. Kean has beaten the Pats twice in two previous meetings. The game will be preceded by the crowning of the Homecoming King and Queen, and a farewell salute to club football at