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Police Blotter

Compiled by Jeffrey Javidfar, Statesman Staff

October 26, 2000

11:19 AM Police officers were asked to assist in locating a student in Javits rm. 109. Once they found him they gave him a message to call home.

October 27, 2000

12:57 AM A noise compliant was filed after fireworks were allegedly being set off in the inner Quad of Mendelson and H Quad.

8:24 AM A burglar alarm in Javits Lecture Center, rm. 201 was accidentally tripped by an employee.

3:54 PM A window was broken in the Humanities Building; the cause is under investigation.

5:46 PM A smell of foul gas was noticed diffusing through James College.

October 28, 2000

3:21 AM A noise compliant in the South Parking lot was called; however all was well by the time University Police arrived.

12:03 PM A suspicious person was reported in the Administration Garage, but was gone by the time the police arrived.

12:42 PM A University Hospital worker reported smoke coming from a dryer. An investigation revealed the cause to be an over dried pair of sneakers.

October 29, 2000

1:00 AM A hit and run was reported in the Langmuir parking lot.

9:04 AM Report of indecent exposure in the Student Union Lobby.

1:43 PM The fire alarm was accidentally set off in Chapin K when someone left a batch of cookies unattended in the oven.

11:00 PM There was a report of an attempted suicide in Douglas College.

October 30, 2000

Blotter of the Week

A University Hospital worker reported smoke coming from a dryer. An investigation revealed the cause to be an over dried pair of sneakers.

1:20 AM A Raccoon was reported in the lobby of the Computer Science building.

2:29 AM There was a report of an attempted intrusion in a basement suite of Cardozo College.

8:00 AM The locks on a door to the Psychology A building were stripped.

9:57 AM A University Hospital housekeeping staffer's ID badge was stolen.

12:36 PM Police were called to intervene in a heated dispute between a male and female in Greeley College.

1:01 PM Property was reportedly stolen from a University Hospital vendor.

7:37 PM Ceiling tiles in the basement of Life Science Building were moved.

October 31, 2000

12:26 AM Officers confiscated an invalid ID in Old Chem.

8:11 AM A fire hydrant was knocked over in Roth Quad.

11:00 AM A student reported that her books were stolen from the Humanities Café.

2:41 PM A suspicious person was reported in the School of Dental Medicine. A police investigation revealed that all was well.

2:57 PM University Police were called to the scene after an elderly women fell in the University Hospital.

5:03 PM. The fire alarm in Benedict College was falsely triggered.

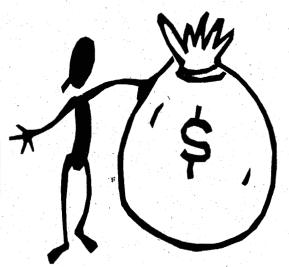
November 1, 2000

12:41 AM 2-3 suspicious males were reported pushing equipment down the road at the corner of South Loop and Lake Drive.

12:45 AM A small garbage fire was reported in Keller College. Police responded, the fire was extinguished without any damage being reported.

1:35 AM There was a report of individuals throwing eggs off the Union Bridge at students and passing cars.

Students...could you use an extra \$135 per month?



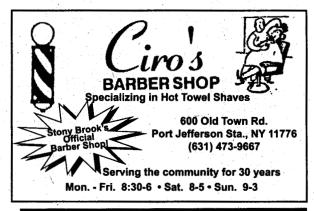
If a one pack a day smoker quits, he or she will save \$135 a month \$1620 a year.

The Student Health Service is sponsoring a smoking cessation educational support group starting one week before Smoke-Free Day. Call 632-6450 for more information or to register.

Visit the CHOICE Center Resource Room (217) between the hours of 8a.m. and 5:30 p.m. for information on smoking and other student health and wellness topics.

USB Smoke-Free Day is coming Thursday November 16th.

Will you be ready?



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Rock the Vote

NYPIRG Project Coordinator Gives Reasons to Vote

By MEGAN REEVE, NYPIRG PROJECT COORDINATOR Statesman Contributor

We're now counting down the days to Election Day 2000 which experts are calling the single most important election of out lifetime. Tow questions follow naturally: whose lifetime and why?

We are among the 55 million 18-30 year olds of this country, and until now have held the distinguished title of being the most inactive group of Americans on Election Day. We are the youngest bloc of voters and therefore have the most to gain or lose from this election since laws that are enacted now are ones we are going to be stuck with for a long time, if not a lifetime.

So what makes this year's election particularly important? There are several factors.

First of all, control of all three branches of the government is up for grabs. The race for president is unique this year beacause neither candidate is an incumbent, in addition to the fact that this race is turning out to be an untraditionally close one. As the president

is responsible for appointing Supreme Court justices, whoever is elected will determine the political alignment of four soon-to-be newly appointed justices and therefore the outcome of future Supreme Court decisions. The third branch, Congress, has hundreds of seats to fill this year. Every seat in the House of Representatives and 34 out of 100 Senate seats will be decided on November 7.

Each of these three branches, presidential, judicial and congressional, will be deciding on legislation that will affect us all in the not so distant future. Reproductive and women's rights, environmental issues, civil rights, gun control, student loans and Internet commerce touch on just a few of them.

On a more local level, our elected state legislators will have control over things that will be affecting us within the next year. The price of our education seems to be negotiable ever time New York state has to pass a budget. Can you afford a tuition hike? What if students

take a double hit and have their TAP and other aid slashed as well? It has happened before and unless we are careful about who we elect, it can happen again.

It is time to pay attention and make some choices. In the "Age of Information," ignorance about the candidates is an unacceptable excuse for not voting. Read the paper, surf the web, check out some of the voter guides floating around campus. Find the national and local candidates that most closely represent your ideals and make it happen.

364 days out of the year no one asks you what you think about the way things should be run in our country. What do you plan to do with the day we've got?

As Martin Luther King Jr. said, "This is no time for apathy or complacency. This is time for vigorous positive action."

GET OUT AND VOTE!

Meet The Candidates

Who they are, What they Stand For and What they Promise To Do

COMPILED BY TINA CHADHA Statesman Editor



Republican Joan B. Johnsom

Joan Johnson, Republican, Congress

-Will vote for lower taxes, and to immediately repeal the IRS's Marriage Penalty and the anti-family Death tax.

-Will work to eliminate wasteful and unnecessary spending programs, and to restore common sense to the budget process.

-Will strongly support aggressive crime control measures, including putting more police officers on the streets, mandatory hard jail time for violent, repeat and gun related offenders and new efforts to target distribution of child pornography via the Internet.

-Will lead the fight to make our schools better. I will safeguard local control of our schools, work to link schools and libraries to the Internet and encourage our teachers to give their very best.

-Will stand up for senior citizens by opposing any tampering with the Social Security surplus, work to strengthen Medicare, including prescription drug coverage, and support a Patient Bill of Rights to provide legal protections from nightmarish HMO abuses.

- -President, Suffolk County Republican Women
- -Director, SUNY Stony Brook Alumni Board
- -Past Vice President, Central Islip Board of Education
- -Past Vice President, Suffolk County HIV Comission

Felix Grucci, Republican, Congress

-Grucci has been endorsed by the US Chamber of Commerce for his Congressional campaign.

- -anti-choice
- -against sensible gun control
- -opposes prescription drug ben
- -wants to privatize Medicare

-Grucci cut taxes by almost 10% during his four year term in office, cutting taxes three out of four years.

-During his term as a Town Councilman and Town Supervisor, Grucci helped develop and enact 11 consecutive operating budgets that cut or froze the Town General tax rate. This resulted in a 20 percent cut in Town General taxes from 1989-2000.

-Grucci cut Brookhaven government spending by 12.1million dollars.

-Grucci enacted the "Taxpayer Relief Act of 1993" and the "Taxpayer Relief Act: Phase II" in1999, that saved Town taxpayers almost \$85 million.

-Grucci created 18,000 private sector jobs in less than four years.

-Grucci successfully lobbied New York State lawmakers to create an "Economic Development Zone" in the North Bellport section of the Town of Brookhaven to assist businesses.

Grucci has been endorsed by the US Chamber

Senator John McCain endorses Grucci for Congress.

of Commerce for his Congressional campaign.

-Supports education, wants to ensure students have access to computers and the Internet, supports tution tax cuts for those who attend college.

Reggie Seltzer, Democrat, Congress

-Does not support the voucher system (vouchers siphon money off that should be going into public education systems and redirects it to private schools and religious institutions).



Regina Seltzer

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Stony Brook Statesman Thursday, November 2, 2000

POLITY - YOUR STUDENT GOVERNMENT

The Student Polity Association, Inc.
reminds you that
Election Day
Is
Tuesday, November 7th.

Your vote counts in deciding the president, so let your voice be heard around the country.

Voting will take place in the Union Bi-Level from 6 am - 9 pm

Brought to you on behalf of The Council of The Student Polity Association, Inc.

Results for Polity Fall 2000 Elections

The **Bold** type indicates the winner in each catagory.

There were 1,506 votes cast for the election with 1,196 votes that were valid Student Activity Fee paying undergraduate students.

<u>Candidates</u>	<u>Votes Cast</u>	<u>Penalties</u>	After Penalties
<u>President</u>			
Jonnel Doris	663	0%	663
Claudine Stuart	367	0%	367
Freshman Representative			
Sophia Moore*	82	7%	76
Ricardo Martinez*	87.	1%	86
Eric Garcia	71	1%	70
Mark Anthony Rodriquez	67	0%	67
Write-Ins	4		

^{*}There will be a Run-Off Election between the top two candidates, Ricardo Martinez and Sophia Moore for the Freshman Representative later this semester. The Constitution of the Student Polity Association, Inc. states the following concerning the Polity Elections:

Article IV, Section 2, E of the Polity Constitution states, "Members of the Polity Council are elected by a simple majority of votes cast for that position. If no one candidate has a simple majority a runoff election will be held within ten days of when the results of the election are announced. The runoff election will be between the top two candidates provided that they have received at least ten percent of the votes cast. If no one candidate has received more than ten percent of the votes cast there will be a second election within ten days of when the results of the election are announced. In the event of a second election the candidate who receives the most votes of ballots cast for that position will be elected."

University Referendum on the Campus Recreation Center:

Yes 723

No <u>443</u>

The Results Are In

President Voted In, Freshmen Come Close and Rec Center Passes in Polity Elections

By Erin Rosenking Statesman Editor

The Polity presidency was filled Tuesday when results came back from the elections. Beating out opponent Claudine Stewart 663 votes to 367, Jonnel Doris became the latest Polity president.

The Campus Recreation Center passed 723 votes to 443. A run off election will be held to determine who will fill the freshman representative slot. Sophia Moore got 82 votes with Ricardo Martinez earning 87. According to Polity's constitution, members are elected by a simple majority and if this majority is not met, a run off election must be held within ten days.

Set to include a sauna and steam room, an indoor climbing wall and an elevated jogging track, the Center was voted down by thirty six votes last semester, only to win by a landslide in the last election. Vice President for Student Affairs Fred Preston said he is thrilled the Center passed. "But I am not thrilled for me. I am thrilled for the students," Preston said. "I'm glad I am not the only one that recognizes that it will make a difference in student life."

Preston said that one possible reason the Center referendum passed this year was the change in how it will be funded. Last semester, students would have to begin paying for it before construction began, an extra fee that angered some students who said they would be paying for something they would never get to use. Under the new plan, students

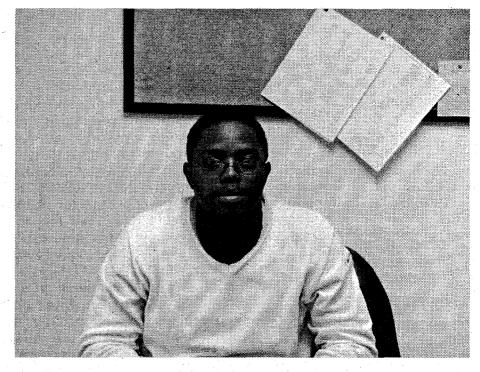
will not pay until construction begins. The total price of the Center will be a mandatory \$150 per academic year per student in addition to the student activity fee.

Preston said that time may have allowed it to pass. "The students had a chance to think about it longer," he said. "The more they talked about it the more they realized it would be nice to have." Preston also said that fears may have been alleviated that the Center would be taken over by athletics. "We clarified that it would be dedicated to intramurals and student needs," he said.

According to Preston, the next move is financial. "The first major step was of course getting the student vote, now the next major step is the bureaucracy in getting the bond." The Recreation Center is slated to break ground Fall of 2003.

But students will not have to wait for the president. Doris takes the position after vice president Kaedrea Jackson acted as president for one month ever since the resignation of Calvin Coleman earlier this semester. Coleman left due to personal problems that prohibited him from fulfilling his duties. As per the Polity constitution, a new president was to be elected within one month of the resignation.

Although he missed close to half a semester, there is much Doris wants to accomplish. He said that one of the biggest issues he wants



Jonnel Dorris has been an RA for three years and he was chair of the Career Expo, which won him an award.

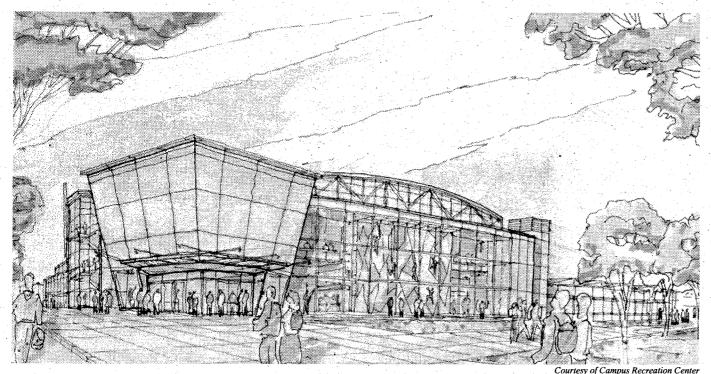
his name was on the ballot, Doris met with Gary Matthews, assistant vice president for facilities, in an attempt to work out a plan to expand parking in the next two to three years. "I would also like to expedite services to South P lot at night," Doris said, adding that he has heard that students have a long wait to get a bus to the lot. "I also would like to get back the spots they took away from students for faculty and staff behind the infirmary." Doris said that he believes improving parking is not just for the good of commuter students. "I want to work for the to tackle is campus parking. Before better of all students, it is a concern

of the student body," he said. Doris, who does not have a car, noted that although he does not drive, he still sees the effect of a lack of parking. "I come out of my building and I see cars parked on the sidewalk because there is no where else to park."

Doris also wants to eliminate the eight semester rule, which denies housing to students who have been on campus for eight semesters, something he calls nothing more than a business venture. "The average student takes 5.6 years to graduate," he said, "and the majority of the students that live here live too far away to commute." The political science sociology double major would also like to put plans in motion to improve facilities. "We had the highest enrollment ever this semester," Doris said. "Where is the extra revenue going?" The three year resident assistant said that he would like to see more academic buildings and other resources for students go up. "I know these buildings are not \$\frac{2}{5}\$ going to come up tomorrow or even the end of the semester," Doris said, "but we can start the change now."

Doris said that he wants to make sure everyone in the Polity suite maintains a level of professionalism. "We are elected officials and we need to have ethical standards," he said. "There are certain guidelines to follow."

Above all, the winner of numerous 2 awards and the former director of the gospel choir wants students to know what Polity is doing. "Unity is necessary, we are one," he said. "Students will be heard if I am here."



The Recreation Center will go up on the land in between Pritchard Gym and the Student Union. It will include a cafe, a steam and sauna room and a rock climbing wall.

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Editorials

Nader for President

As election day draws near, presidential candidates all parties are scampering around the country trying to get last minute votes to win the campaign. As for who is in the lead, polls vary according to state but one thing has remained constant: all over the country, democraticminded voters are warning everyone that might be thinking of voting for Ralph Nader that a vote for the Green party candidate could mean a win for George W.

These arguments place Bush at one end of the spectrum while putting Al Gore and Nader at the other end, rarely making any distinction between the two. In the toss up between Gore and Nader, the current vice president is being called the lesser of two evils. They warn that there is no way that Nader will win so voting for him is throwing the vote away, throwing it away from a more liberal, democratic country and into the

direction of a Bush victory and republican country.

Having the Texas governor elected is indeed a scary prospect. Besides being a bit dim his presidency would set the country back a few decades to a time when a woman's right to choose did not mean a thing. Imagine having abortion rights for all these years only to have it become the difficult, dangerous, expensive and stigmatized thing it was when our parents were our age. Do we really want to go back in

While progress is key, is it fair to threaten that voting for Nader could help to get Bush and his policies into office? In the midst of the threats, no one has stopped to point out that maybe Nader could win. In fact, denying that a vote for Nader is anything else is undemocratic as taking away abortion rights. A vote for Nader is just that. Threatening against it does not allow for a free and clear race. It just clouds people

who know who they would like to see win so that they change their minds.

The true sentiments behind the anti-Nader threats revolve around fear, this we already know. Some people are scared at the idea of Bush winning the presidency. But maybe the fear goes beyond that. Maybe they fear that the country could actually change, that it might break out of the rut that has remained unbroken for years no matter what democrat or republican took office. They fear that we will start thinking and acting as a whole country more humane environmentally conscious. What will that mean for the life we have lived up until now?

Even if you do not support Nader for president, it is refreshing to have someone make Gore and Bush work a little. It was the same when Ross Perot ran four years ago. Make the good old democrats and republicans sweat a little. Let people see that there is possibly more than two ways to run a country.

Letter to the Editor:

Bush May Threaten Reproductive Rights

Many Americans take reproductive freedom for granted, assuming that Roe versus Wade secured constitutional protection of abortion rights 27 years ago. But if George Bush is elected, abortion rights would be lost. Abortion would become a crime.

The anti-choice minority would gain control of all three branches government. The executive branch, now pro-choice under President Clinton. would become anti-choice under Bush. Congress is already predominantly anti-choice, and with one or two Bush appointments to

the Supreme Court, abortion rights would lose constitutional protection. Women's reproductive freedom took a century to secure but could be lost in one day, November 7,2000.

According to their platform, Republicans oppose government into our most sex education, family planning intimate and personal availability and contraception in public export these regressive schools, which will increase pregnancies. unwanted Women would be less equipped to protect themselves from pregnancy and disease. Led by Jesse Senator congressional Republicans have blocked funds for family planning in poor countries,

thereby aggravating some of world's greatest problems-exploding birth rates and poverty.

Bush says he trusts more people than government yet he would force his intrusive of decisions, and he would policies worldwide.

> Charles F. Wurster, Ph.D.

Professor Emeritus of Environmental Sciences at Stony Brook

Candidates for the 2000 Election

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Supports sensible gun control laws

-Feels national health care needs reform, medicare must have prescription drug benefit, HMOs cant be allowed to pick and choose their counties of operate in all counties in New York State

-Strongly supports a womans right to chioce

-Supports tax cuts targeted to benefit the middle class and working

-life-long envionmentalist

Steve Englebright, Democrat, Assemblyman

-Supports reducing the cost of public college tution in next year's budget

-Supports eliminating the cap on Tution Assistance Program in next year's state budget

-Will support an increase in the maximum TAP award and will push to see further upward adjustment especially for SUNY & Community College students.

-Will support legislation that would establish an independent Office of Public Insurance Counsel in New York to fight for insurance consumers when insures seek rate hikes or cut



backs on coverage

-Will support legislation to refinance and expand the State Superfund, providing sufficient funding to clean up these current sites within ten years, without weakening clean up or liability standards.

-Did not answer question about pledging to refusing gifts from lobbyist an dto use campaig contributions only for election efforts

-Increased school aid 28% to help reduce class sizes, update computer technology and expand pre-k programs

-Fought against financial aid cuts

and tution hikes at SUNY while years budget providing for 127 new SUNY faculty

-Eliminated the sales tax on college textbooks

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-Will fight to increase state aid for our schools, hold the line on taxes, protect our environment

Rick Lazio, Republican, Senate

-would allow parents to deposit \$500 per child per year into a tax free education savings account to pay for primary and secondary school. For college bound students, parents can deduct up to \$1500 per year for four years to cover the cost of college

-will repeal the marriage penalty tax. The average married couple pays an extra \$1400 in taxes just for being married.

-has requested and secured tens of millions of dollars for three coastal projects: Long Island Coastline Reformulation Study, Atlantic Coast of New York Shore Monitoring, Study for the Great South Bay.

Consistently joined a number of colleagues from the Northeast Region to secure sufficient funding to preserve New York's Sterling Forest. As a result of this effort, \$8.5 million in federal funding was secured to complete the acquisition of 17,500 acres of Sterling Forest

Cosponsored legislation reauthorize the National Sea Grant College Program, a program that supports crucial marine conservation research throughout New York State (H.R. 437).

Hillary Clinton, Democrat, Senate

-favors protection for unions and laws that protect economic security of working families

-federal government surplus should be used to improve education, strengthen social security and Medicare and to pay for the National Debt

-supports providing prescription drug coverage to all seniors under drug coverage to all seniors under Medicare, including a Patients Bill of Rights

-supports improving schools through smaller class sizes, funding for school repairs, hiring new teachers and 9 greater accountability for students and

-supports the College Opportunity tax cut to give families a tax deduction of \$10,000 a year to help tuition costs.

Commentary:

Maybe Now, Maybe Nader

By Steve Preston Statesman Contributor

You can't save Al Gore this election. You can't hurt Al Gore, either. In fact, whether you vote for Al Gore or George Bush in New York State is completely irrelevant to the results of the election. That's why you lucky New Yorkers have been spared the onslaught of political commercials that our poor neighbors in Pennsylvania have suffered through. New York is so firmly in the hands of Al Gore this year that, even if you per related to consumer rights, the environment, or political reform, and you can find Nader, or one of the many groups he founded, fighting for the progthose ressive side.

The two responsibeven know the President are to enforce laws, and to propose legislation to Congress. Though he has not held electedoffice, Nader has done both of these far more successfully than Bush or Gore, who have both spent their politictheirrs posturingzing people from both parties. Nader has worked with Democrats on ion was decided four months ago. Because of the electoral college, it makes no difference whether Gore beats Bush with 20% of the New York vote or 0.1% of the vote. Thus, both candidates have essentially decided they don't care which way you vote.

I began this endorsement of the Green

Party's candidate with this seemingly pessimistic analysis, because I want to relieve you of the guilt you might have been feeling for thinking about Ralph Nader. Because "lesser evil" analysis simply doesn't apply in this state, you should feel free to vote for the candidate you think is best, without any regrets.

Although your vote won't decide the election, your vote will not be wasted. No vote is wasted, even if it's for a candidate who probably won't win. This isn't betting on a roulette table. You don't support the guy you think will win, you support the one you agree with the most. Every vote given to a candidate like Ralph Nader helps build alternatives to the Republicans and Democrats. If Nader gets enough votes, for example, the Green Party will be eligible for federal funds in the next election. If you are frustrated by the corruption of the two-party system, this is a goal worth trying to reach.

Who is Ralph Nader?

Ralph Nader has been a progressive activist for over forty years. He has gotten more legislation through Congress than any other Presidential candidate, including the Freedom of Information Act and the Clean Air and Clean Water Acts, as well as the creation of OSHA and the EPA. Name an issue related to consumer rights, the environment, or political reform, and you can find Nader, or one of the many groups he founded, fighting for the progressive side.

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What is Nader's platform?

Although the Green Party is partly the outgrowth of environmental movements, it's not primarily an environmental party (as many seem to believe). Rather, it has broadened its scope and now has a variety of progressive issues, many of which remain unaddressed by the two parties.

For example, one very serious issue is international trade. The question is not whether we should trade with other countries, but rather what the rules will be. Institutions like the WTO have set the rules so as to favor corporations above other concerns, including the environment and consumer protections. If environmental and safety and health regulations can be gutted for the sake of corporate profits, then all the work of Nader and others can be rolled back. And if these decisions can be made not by elected officials. but by bureaucrats, then citizens have little

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-You do not need to bring any ID. Your "passport" to vote is your signature.

-Go in through the curtains in the front of the machine. There will be a big lever in front of you. Pull it to the right, and the curtians will close behind you.

-Move the small levers down next to your choice's name. Your vote may be changed at any time by simply returning the small lever to its original position (the "X" should disappear).

-Be sure to check the ballot for any referenda or ballot questions to vote on. This year there are two which will be located at the top left hand corner of the balllot.

-Take as much time as you need! When you've made all of your choices you "cast" your vote by pulling the big lever back to the left.

-The curtains will open behind you, and you've just voted!

Here are a few suggestions for thing you should do before you enter the voting booth.

-Find out where you vote! If you live on campus, you'll be voting in the Bi-Level Room in the Student Union. If you live off campus you'll be voting at your home polling site. If you have any questions about where you cote or if you're registered, call the Suffolk County Board of Elections at (631) 852-4500. (For Nassau County call (516) 571-2411). Polls are open from 6am-9pm.

-Do your homework! Read up on the candidates so you'll know what names to look for on the ballot.

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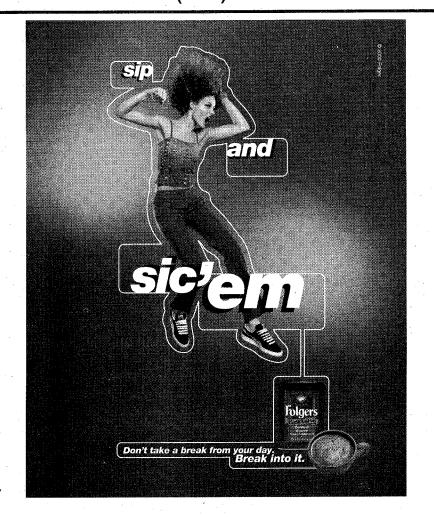
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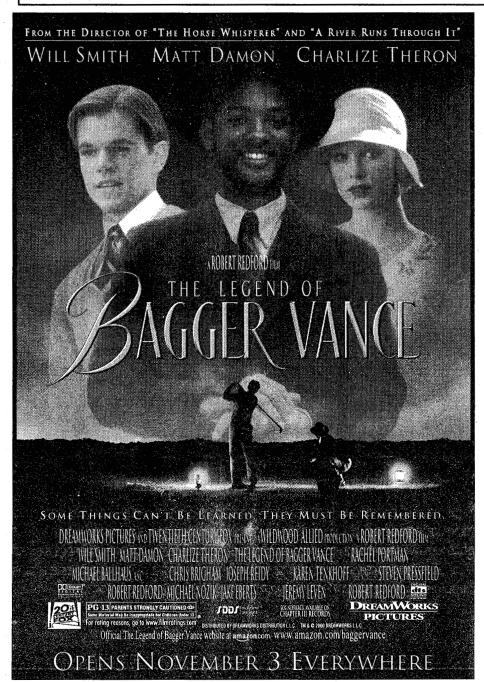
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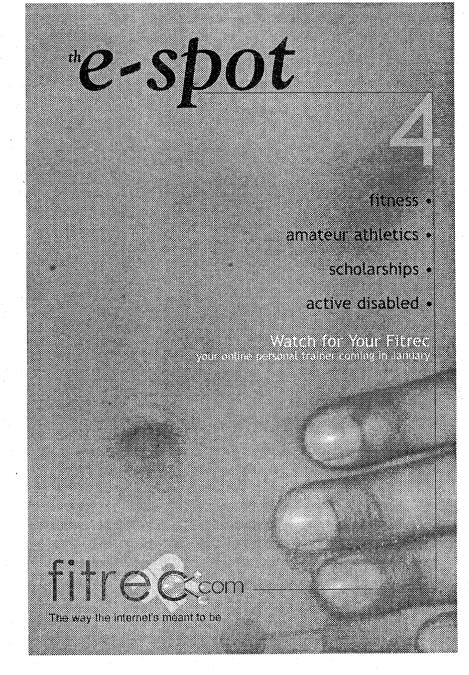
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Nader For President

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hope of getting new regulations enacted. In short, the citizen's voice in government is reduced to a squeak.

There are many other issues on which Nader has taken a stand very different from both major parties. For example, there's the War on Drugs, which has failed miserably in reducing drug use but has imprisoned a million nonviolent people. Then there's the military budget, which Gore and Bush would increase mainly to please defense contractors. There's single-payer universal health care, which neither candidate will come near. There's also universal civil rights, as opposed to the incremental rights Gore and Bush would grant to particular groups.

And perhaps the most important issue: what is to be done about the bribery of public officials? We have corporate lobbyists actually writing legislation in exchange for campaign contributions. Neither Gore nor Bush would change that, although they might make weak efforts to close certain loopholes.

What are the practical effects of a Nader

As I wrote above, there's no possibility of your vote helping or hurting Gore or Bush. And given the political situation, there's no real possibility of Nader getting elected, either.

So why vote for a candidate who can't win? Because it makes a statement about the issues that you care about. There's no lever on the ballot that says, "I'm only voting for Al Gore to protect abortion rights." Your vote is considered an endorsement of every position on the candidate's platform.

The only thing that makes either party listen to your concerns is the fear of losing votes because of them. Third party movements have historically been very successful in this country. In this century,

the Populists, the Progressives, and the Socialists all got their platform issues enacted either by Republicans or Democrats, though none of them ever came close to winning. The threat of not voting for a party that thinks it owns you is the strongest weapon you have, as an issue advocate.

Al Gore and George W. Bush are not the same, but on too many issues, they're not different either. You have a chance to reject them both, with no guilt. Take it. Vote for your hopes, your dreams, your conscience, and most importantly, your issues. Vote for Ralph Nader.

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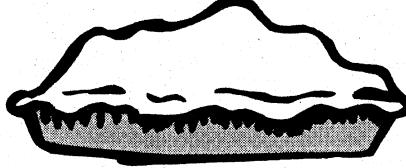
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A November to Remember A Preview of this Month's Staller Events

By Erin Rosenking Statesman Editor

As the temperature goes down outside, it is going up in the Staller Center as Stony welcomes a number of top acts to the stage this month.

The fun starts Sunday, November 5 as the Flying Karamazov Brothers take their zany act of science, juggling, music and comedy to the Staller stage. The Brothers will be performing their latest comedic masterpiece L'Universe where they will explore cosmology, consulting experts such as Aristotle, Galileo, Newton and Einstein. The Karamazovs combine their physical, musical and theatrical skills with the technology created by the Massachusetts Institute of Technology's media lab to create an outstanding show filled with their special brand of humor.

The Staller Center requests that audience members do not bring objects with them to the show for one of the Brothers to juggle. This version will not include "The Gamble" portion of the show where a performer juggles objects supplied



Chamber Music of Lincoln Center will be at Staller November 10.

by the audience.

If you are looking for something more low key than juggling and comedic science, on Friday, November 10 Staller will feature Chamber Music of Lincoln Center, which includes a pioneering composition of accomplished artists along with invited guests. This format has allowed artistic director David Shifrin to present concerts of almost every style, time period and instrumentation. The Staller

concert is set to include Mozart's Piano Quartet in G Minor, Copland's Sextet and Brahms' Clarinet Quintet. The Chamber Society's mission seeks to bring the finest performers together to play the greatest repertory. Following the performance, guests are invited to a coffee and dessert reception in the Staller lobby.

If noise is what you crave, check out Les Tambours du Bronx who will pound their way to Staller Sunday, November 12. Described as twenty performers resembling Mad Max, this group performs with pickaxe handles banged on huge metal oil drums set up in a semi circle. The group of percussionists are on a mission to transform what is described as infernal cadences into pulsating tribal rhythms. The musicians are the pioneers of a lost beat by putting primal impulses on the stage and using the movement and sounds of industry to create a playful performance.

The Sydney Dance Company will grace the Staller Center stage on Friday, November 17 as they perform the biblical story of Salome. The company is Australia's leading dance troupe and choreographer Graeme Murphy teams up with composer Michael Askill to recreate a story about revenge, lust and death with an exotic fusion of light, color, texture and movement. The tale features a woman who entices a king and demands the head of Saint John the Baptist.

On the lighter side, Staller will feature the Landis and Company Theater of Magic which will present Cinderella Sunday, November 19. Part of Staller Center's Not Just for Kids series, Landis and Company will present an all new and innovative version of this favorite tale. They use magic, elegance and ingenuity to create a both touching and funny romantic story through the use of striking theatrical images, imaginative sets and lighting, life sized puppets, masks, shadow play, elaborate costumes and special effects.

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