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From the Desk of the Polity President

Jonnel Doris Evaluates the Fall Semester

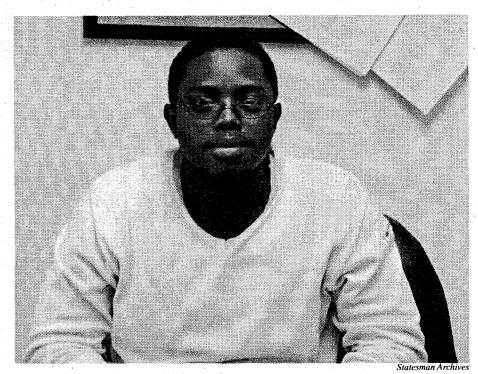
I would like to formally thank the entire student body for choosing me as your president. I have been greeted with warm remarks, a dedicated staff and a concerned student body. I am writing to inform you of some happenings in Student Polity and the various plans we have for you as a student body.

On November 1, 2000 the Student Polity Council met with President Shirley Strum Kenny to address some issues and concerns of our student body. President Kenny said that the eight-semester rule may not be necessary after construction of the new resident buildings are complete. We also addressed the need for more academic facilities to facilitate the increased enrollment, such as the Heavy Engineering, Humanities and Computer Science buildings.

On November 10, 2000 the Student Polity Council met with Michael Klein, director of transportation to address some questions and concerns in reference to parking on campus and the student bus services. Council and myself also brought to his attention problems with lighting in South P-Lot and the SAC loop. Mr. Klein notified that the lighting problem is being worked on presently. Also, Mr. Klein addressed the fact the Department of Transportation is working on a 2 year "build out" plan for parking spaces.

I have also met with Ken Johnson, business manager of FSA, and Dennis LeStrange, resident district manager, addressing the issues of pricing, meal plan and the exclusive contract with Coca-Cola. FYI: the University has signed an exclusive contract with Coca-Cola, saying that 90 percent of the shelf space would be used for this product. This is my view presents a problem of competition and keeping beverage pricing consistent and reasonable on campus

Our executive branch has put together some outstanding programs and lectures so far this year. Some include "Life After Stony Brook" where a panel of successful Stony Brook alumni spoke about their experiences here at Stony Brook and their transition into the "real world." One of our guests currently serves as the assistant attorney general for New York State. Other programs included the Civilian Rights Forum with University Police, the upcoming junior dinner with faculty and administrator on December 7 at 8 pm in the Ballroom, Minority Planning Board (MPB) Thanksgiving Dinner, MPB "Social Hour in Celebration of our Diversity" and the MPB Internship fair. Our Student Polity Activities Board (SPAB) also had numerous successful events this semester. Some include the Wild Video Dance Party, DJ Envy (Welcome Back Party), mentalist Robert Channing, Funkmaster Flex, Think Fast, Tattoos-Wax Hand Caricatures, two comedy shows and Reptile World. Our Committee on Cinematic Arts (COCA) has provided movies for the entire semester and is working on improving their sound system to better serve us. As



Doris was elected Polity president in October.

we begin to plan for the Spring semester, we welcome your input. Please feel free to stop by the Polity suite at any time.

Our newest addition to the Council are freshman representative Ricardo Martinez along with our sophomore representative Natalie Hodgson are looking for your feedback. They will be around campus taking polls and passing out questionnaires. Please feel free to give us your feedback. We are very much interested in what you have to say.

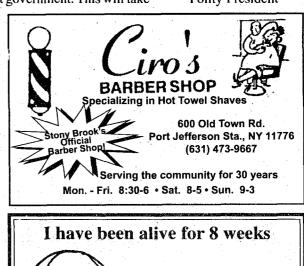
In conclusion, I am planning along with Andrew Murray, Commuter Student Association president, a retreat for our entire student government. This will take

place in the beginning of the next semester. This meeting will then be followed up by a presidents/student leaders meeting. All students are welcome to attend either of these retreats. We will discuss pertinent issues and concerns that are facing our student body. Not only will we address these concerns but develop effective strategies and methods of rectifying them.

I encourage all of you to get involved in Student Polity because Polity is you.

Sincerely, Jonnel C. Doris Polity President







College Bowl Makes a Comeback

Cardozo College Wins Trivia Tournament

By ADAM ZIMMERMAN Statesman Staff

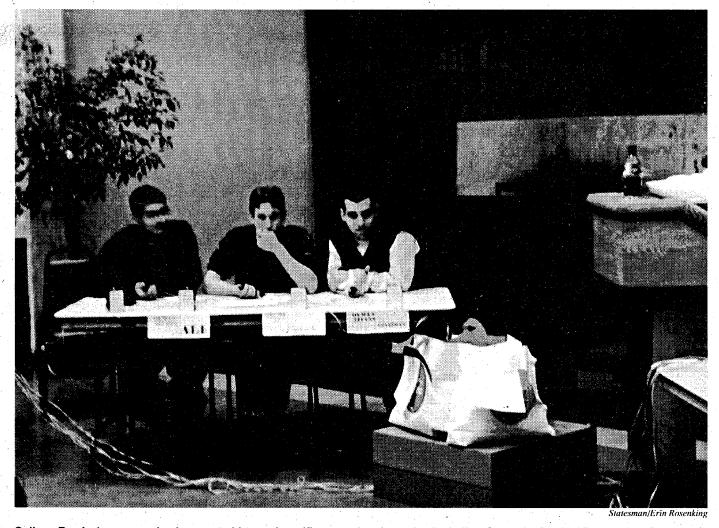
Showing off an impressive array of knowledge and facts, Stony Brook students this week put on an impressive display of competition as College Bowl made a successful comeback to the Stony Brook campus.

In a thrilling final round match, Cardozo's Mets edged out Dreiser's God Squad to take home the first place prize. The anthropology club's Primitive Mentality team took third place honors.

The Mets and the God Squad had met in an earlier round of the 8-team, double-elimination tournament, with the Mets winning by a score of 95-70. The God Squad fought back relentlessly in the final round, defeating the Mets 130-25 to even the teams at one loss apiece. However, The Mets, comprised of freshmen Adam Litroff, E.A. Quinn, Vanessa Maybeck, Zimmerman, along with alternates Cathy Brenner and Stewart Celano, pulled themselves together in the rubber match and emerged with a tense 125-80 win which clinched the championship.

"It was great to engage in the mental sparring, of sorts", said team member Adam Litroff. "And the competition was great."

Prizes were awarded to the top three teams. The Office of Commuter Student Services and the Faculty Student Association were among the on-campus organizations supplying prizes, including mugs and t-shirts. Off-campus prize donors included Loew's Stony Brook Theater which offered free



College Bowl winners received mugs, t-shirts and certificates to local eateries including Cosmo's, Dunkin' Donuts and Strawberry

movie tickets, Cosmo's Pizza with a free pizza coupon, and Dunkin' Donuts and Strawberry Fields, which supplied gift certificates to their stores.

Absent from campus events during the past few years, College Bowl's return was primarily brought about by Amy Luchans, advisor for Student Activities. She sensed the need for a more relaxed form of academics, and figured College Bowl, called "the Varsity sport of the

accomplish the goal.

"We've been meaning to bring it back for some time," she said. "It's been on campus in the past, and we wanted to renew the tradition."

College Bowl is run through the Association of College Unions International (ACUI). ACUI supplied scoring guidelines, question sheets, and scoring forms. Luchans stated that she believed the two-day event was a big success for all concerned.

"This was no doubt a roaring success", she said. "It is great when students, faculty, and staff can come together in a fun, relaxed, stress-free atmosphere. It is a terrific way to meet people and have friendly competition at the same time," she

Though this tournament is over, Luchans insisted that College Bowl is far from disappearing again. In fact, she went on to say that this was only the beginning, as it is hoped that this was merely the first step.

"We will definitely be engaged in setting up more tournaments for the Spring semester," she said. "We expect to have another tournament in the EOB restaurant during Chill-Fest, right after winter break has

Luchans is working directly with Robbie Fung, the new Director

mind," would be the perfect way to of Student Activities. Fung ran College Bowl tournaments at each of the previous two campuses at which he has worked, and even hosted a regional tournament for several schools. He is equally enthusiastic about this task.

"We plan on making it exciting for people to become trivia buffs," he said. "Not only will we have more intra-school tournaments in the spring, but next fall we hope to get together an All-Star team to participate in regional competitions during the winter," Fung said. "We feel we can form a very competitive

An advertising blitz is being 5 prepared to attract more students for next semester. Teams can include one graduate student, and can be formed by building, organization, club, or even a group of friends.

"There were at least six other teams who wanted to play this semester, but we couldn't fit them in due to the small nature of this tournament," Luchans said. "We are 3 planning to fit several more teams in next semester, and we will be offering more prizes, from on-campus and offcampus organizations, as incentive for kids to come out and form teams."

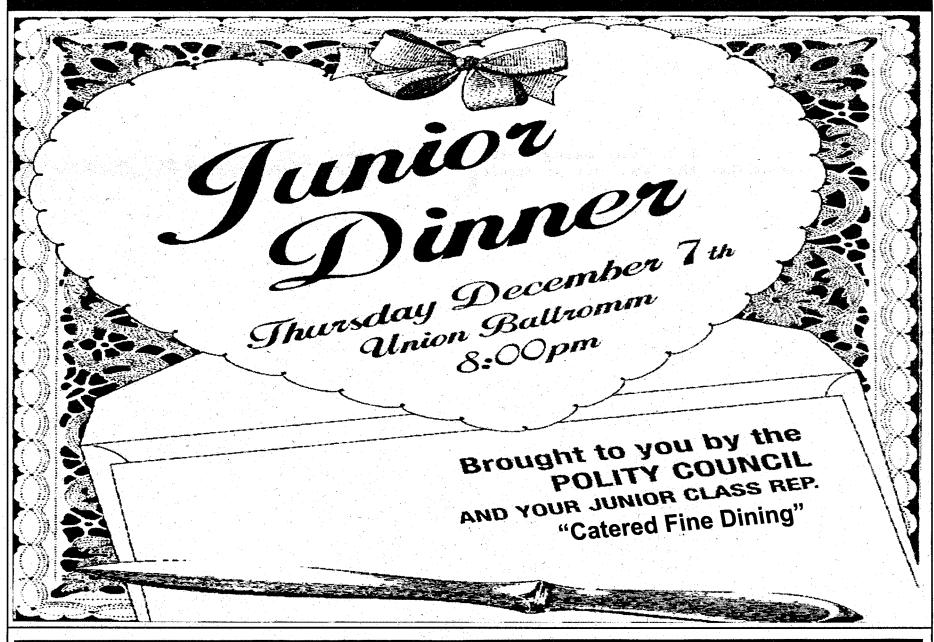
"We want everyone to be on the 🕽 look-out for upcoming announcements," Luchans said. "It & will only get better."



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College Bowl used to be on campus but interest died away.

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Holiday Love For Those In Need

Gray College Helps Underprivileged Kids from Port Jeff

By TINA CHADHA Statesman Editor

On Monday December 4, Gray college transformed its main lounge into the North Pole for their annual program called "Holiday Love for those in Need." Raising \$1400, the Gray College staff along with Leg, Campus Residences, Christmas Magic and the D.I.V.A.S. of Lambda Fe Uson Sorority worked hard to bring holiday spirit to the children of the Love'm Homeless Shelter in Port Jefferson. Like their program last year, the staff contacted the shelter and asked the children to write letters to Santa Claus, including what gifts they want for Christmas. After reading the letters, the staff went about making their Christmas wishes come true. According to Al Matuza, an RA in Gray, the staff performed several fund raisers such as going door to door to all the building in Mendelsohn Quad and asking people for donations and contacting outside donators in order to raise the money to buy the gifts. Donators like Charlie Russo, who runs a program called Christmas Love, contributed \$1000. "We opened their letters," said Matuza, "and bought reasonably

what they wanted." All the RA's in Gray went shopping for the kids and tried to spend approximately \$30 on each child. The children ranged from 5 months old to 19 years old. "We bought various gifts like anything from Barbie to Discmen," said Matuza. The staff then decorated Grav's main lounge and had Brian Steinberg, the RHD from Amman, dress up as Santa Claus and give out the gifts. Two residents dressed up as elves and assisted Steingburd while entertaining the kids. The staff also had an array of food set up for their guests, including pizza, hotdogs and cookies for their holiday feast. The children were picked up by bus courtesy of the Department of Residential Programs and brought to Gray where

The Gray College staff along with other volunteers played games with the kids and took pictures of them with Santa. "We set them up with glitter and materials and they designed their own picture frames," said Matuza. "Then we put their picture in the frames and gave it to them." At the end of the night before driving the children back, the RA's gave each child

the festivities began.



The kids excitedly gathered around to open their gifts.

their own stocking which was hanging on the Gray lounge fire place. "The smiles on the children's faces and their enthusiasm really showed they were excited to be there," said Lisa Spitaleri, RHD of Gray college. "The program has definitely become a Gray College tradition," she said. "The kids were very happy," said Matuza. "One told me I was his new best friend." The children were the not the only ones who were happy at the end of the night, the volunteers were satisfied too. "It makes me feel really happy," said

Jennifer Milia, who dressed up as an elf, "because I'm able to help out with kids who don't have as much as we have and I get to see a smile on their faces."

Overall, Matuza and the rest of the staff felt their hard work and preparation was well worth it. "It made me feel great," said Matuza, "we put a lot of work into it and it only lasted two hours but the little time we did spend with them paid off," he said. "They were excited to be with us and we felt like we made a difference."

Getting Technical

Jef Raskin, Creator of Macintosh, Speaks at SB

By Tina Chadha Statesman Staff

Yesterday, Stony Brook alumni and one of the world's first experts on computer technology, Jef Raskin addressed students, faculty and staff at the Student Activities Center. Raskin, who graduated Stony Brook in 1964, spoke as a part of the Provost Lecture Series. He has founded many companies focusing on computer software and design, has been a contributing editor of many technology magazines and is a musician and inventor of toys. He is best known as the man who led the team that created Macintosh computers. Currently, Raskin works with companies that are designing new products, such as Hewlett-Packard, IBM, Motorola, Xerox, Bayer and AT&T.

Raskin, standing next to a USB. "When I got to join Apple, I projector screen connected to a saw how it was going and I thought computer, started off his lecture it was going the wrong way," said

"Making Machines Fit for Human Consumption," by reflecting on his days at Stony Brook. After graduating, he moved to San Francisco where he taught music before noticing that computers were becoming big. Raskin started writing about computers, something he says he did poorly at Stony Brook. "I started writing about computers for magazines," he said, "and all of a sudden I became a writer."

Raskin attributed his newly acquired skill to two things. "One, I had something I wanted to write about, and two I had a word processor," said Raskin. In 1978, Raskin was the 31st employee hired by Apple. He says Apple was very anti-academic at the time and he did not tell them he graduated from USB. "When I got to join Apple, I saw how it was going and I thought it was going the wrong way." said

Raskin. He then went to the CEO and said he had an idea. "I wanted to design something that was going to be easy to use," said Raskin, "something kids could use with different fonts and features." At that time no one had heard of such a thing and the CEO gave him the okay and told him to write a proposal.

Raskin eventually headed the "small, but scrappy, assortment" of "computer rebels" that developed a new computer for Apple in a garage alongside a gas station. "I named it after my favorite kind of apple," said Raskin," the Macintosh."

Next Raskin asked the audience, "How many people have never had anything happen to their computer that frustrated or annoyed them?" To this no one in the audience raised their hands but laughed instead. This question introduced the second part of the lecture, which is what Raskin's book "The Humane

Interface" is about, demonstrating that many current interface models are dead ends, and that making computers easier to use requires new approaches. Raskin discussed that we need new approaches in order to get more efficient at using computers. His book offers an abundance of interface ideas for software designers and developers.

A point Raskin stressed on was that these new ideas must be based on scientific basics, using cognitive psychology to show and prove why that interface will work.

Raskin feels that there is a lot more to come. "Our honeymoon with the digital technology is over," hey said, "and people are tired of having problems with their computers such as constantly upgrading." Raskin said that users should be kept in mind. "Our first priority is to make computers well and usable for people," he said.

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Make A Difference

At one point or another, you at private schools like Boston must have been frustrated at Stony Brook. Maybe it was the rising cost of tuition. Maybe it was the exorbitant prices of textbooks. Perhaps it was the rip, the budget constraints of the off prices charged in various state. For those of us in New campus eateries. How many times have you wished you could tell someone your Stony Brook woes? Someone other than your friends and roommates who share the same sob stories as you do? Someone that just might do something to help you out?

Come February 13, your chance to get it all off your chest is as easy as boarding a bus to Albany to tell the legislators all about it. All you have to do is show up. Stony Brook is even throwing in a free breakfast. The event is Stony Brook Day and it is sponsored by USB administration.

For many, it is hard to imagine that our individual stories of hardship will make a difference. Individually, they probably won't. But if a lot of those individuals band together, there is no telling what you might get.

Although college is tough for everyone these days, those of us in public, state systems have it even tougher. Unlike our peers

University and New York University, what we are going to get out of our education can vary year to year according to York, we have even more need for worry with Governor George Pataki running the show. With a flick of the wrist, Pataki can change the price you pay to attend school. He can decide that your financial aid money would be better spent in a different sector. He can say that you have to graduate in four years to get the most out of financial aid. Do these sound like scary prospects, things that there is no way you can handle? Surprise, without speaking up, Pataki is this close form okaying all of these nonstudent friendly policies.

SO what to do? Chances are you won't get to meet Pataki at all, much less explain the damage he is doing to your higher education. But you can tell someone else who can pass the word around and hopefully keep you and your stories and needs in mind when it comes down to passing laws and making other policies.

In addition to speaking up for what you deserve, taking the trip to Albany can be a great experience to get a little peek at what goes on in our government. You will get to meet law makers which will help you to better decide come election day if they are the right man for the job. You can also see the true colors of these people, like former Polity president Andrez Carberry did when he took the trip last time.

Carberry had the honor, or dishonor as it turned out to meet Senator Ken LaValle. The students tried talking to the senator, explaining what they needed and what they wanted. The pesky students annoyed LaValle and when he saw that they would just not go away, the kind senator told them flat out, "I don't care about the student vote."

If that doesn't make you want to make the trip then nothing will. Carberry may not have been able to tell his story that day or convince a legislator to act with him in mind. But he saw the true colors of LaValle and you can imagine that he remembered that on Election Day.

Go to Albany to change things, go to Albany to get what you want, go to Albany to learn.



USB Goes to Albany in February

Students Offered the Chance to Tell Legislators What They Want

By PAT CANAVAN Statesman Staff

Members of Stony Brook's administration is currently looking for students to join Stony Brook Day in Albany, a one day trip slated to take place February 13, in which students go to Albany. Trip participants are given the opportunity to speak with state legislators about what they want specifically for this university.

Stony Brook, the only SUNY school that attends the event, depends heavily on the legislature for a substantial portion of its funding. The administrators and faculty involved with the event feel that a large turnout could have a significant impact as to how much legislative consideration Stony Brook receives.

Aaron Godfrey, the regional legislative

coordinator at United University Professions, which is co-sponsoring the event along with University President Shirley Strum Kenny, believes that fiscal help from the state legislature would serve to remedy a number of problems the University faces. "When you think about the things that bother you about Stony Brook, these are things that could be solved relatively easily with the infusion of better funding," Godfrey said, noting that increased funding could likely result in more full-time faculty with PhD's, improved facilities and smaller classes.

Godfrey also stressed the importance of a large turnout to Stony brook Day, explaining that if legislators don't here from you, they assume everything is okay. "Students in general have a tendency to be passive and simply accept what they get, but they should realize that they can have an impact, and when the legislators hear from them, they are impressed," he said. This is because, Godfrey noted, that the legislators are more likely to perceive faculty as lobbying for job security, whereas students are perceived to better and more accurately indicate problems within the school.

"We must never forget how much we depend

on legislators for funding and how they have always been helpful. This is our chance to thank them and to remind them to keep up the good work," Godfrey said.

Janice Rohlf, director at the office of governmental relations, has also attended the trip in past years. She pointed out that anyone can attend and that student's comments are not scripted. "Everyone should feel free to say what they want to say," said Rohlf. She also mentioned that although the impact students make cannot be precisely quantified, there is no doubt that the students make their presence felt and end up having a significant influence on the legislators.

Busses to Albany will leave at 6:00 a.m. on February 13 and breakfast will be provided. Students will be able to meet with legislators in the morning, have lunch with their assigned team, and then meet with the legislators once again in the afternoon. Students will also get to attend an end of day party in the central atrium of the Legislative Office Building in Albany. Those interested in participating should contact Pat Cruso, chair of the recruiting committee at pcruso@notes.cc.sunysb.edu or 632-4309.

Stony Brook Leads Colleges in Patent Licensing

By Erin Rosenking Statesman Editor

Stony Brook University is close to \$13 million richer thanks to the royalties accrued from patents licensed in 1999 from inventions generated from the campus, according to a survey conducted by the Association of University Technology Managers. The money earned ranks USB 12th out of 139 colleges and universities nationwide for the second year in a row.

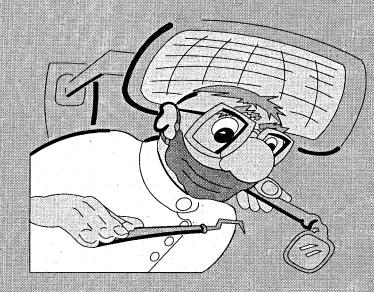
The Association of University Technology Managers is a non-profit association with a membership of 2300 technology managers and other executives who manage intellectual property. According to the association's web site, intellectual property is one of the fastest growing sectors of the economy. AUTM represents close to 300 universities, research institutions and teaching hospitals as well as nearly the same number of companies and government organizations.

The \$12.9 million earned by Stony Brook places the University higher than other schools and institutions on the list such as New York University which totaled \$10.7 million, Johns Hopkins with \$10.3 million and Harvard which earned \$9.8 million. Combined, the colleges and universities in the survey earned more than \$641

million in royalties and were awarded 3079 patents.

Stony Brook's total also contributed to the overwhelming majority of the \$13.5 million generated by the entire SUNY system.

Some of the patents generated out of Stony Brook for the year 1999 include the drug ReoPro, used in the treatment of heart disease, which was the first drug developed within SUNY later approved for sale by the Food and Drug Administration. The Yeast 2-Hybrid System also contributed. This drug detects protein-to-protein interactions



alone. Gum disease is caused by plaque build up which is then fought off by bacteria produced by enzymes

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which is critical in drug discoveries.

The drug Periostat also added to the list, created by doctors at Stony Brook's dental school, which is fast becoming a critical weapon in the fight against gum disease. Ranked as the second largest health care problem after the common cold, periodontal disease affects some 67 million adults in the United States from the body's immune system. But these enzymes do not just fight the plaque. They also break down the gums and the bone supporting the teeth. This break down leads to periodontal disease which can eventually lead to tooth loss.

Doctors Lorne Golub, Thomas McNamara and Nungavarm Ramamurthy from the dental school observed that low, non-antibiotic doses of a drug called doxycycline counteract with the enzymes without creating antibiotic resistant bacteria. Periostat was born from this observation. Since its discovery and FDA approval in 1998, Periostat has been prescribed to 750,000 patients and 27 patents have been registered.

USB president Shirley Strum Kenny said that she was proud of Stony Brook's position in the survey. "We are proud to play a leadership role in the application of science and engineering technologies for important advancements in medicine and other uses," said Kenny. "Royalty funds are re-invested in the research engine that produced these discoveries, a critical supplement to the state resources to keep New York at the forefront."

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Academic Judiciary Report

The Academic Judiciary of the College of Arts & Sciences reports on selected cases in which students have been charged with academic dishonesty. The report is prepared by the Executive Officer of the Arts & Sciences Academic Judiciary in the Office of Undergraduate Academic Affairs.

In accordance with federal and state laws governing the protection of student privacy, these reports exclude identifying information such as name, gender, course, and department. In some cases, details that could be used to identify people have been altered to protect their privacy.

A student was referred to the Academic Judiciary Office for plagiarism when the course instructor recognized the text of the paper as matching that of a published position paper. The student failed to appeal the accusation and was found guilty of academic dishonesty. The penalty was a Q* in the course and a notation of academic dishonesty on the student's official transcript.

An instructor referred another student for plagiarism when a keyword search on the internet identified several web sites from which the student's paper was apparently cut and pasted. The student failed to appeal the accusation and was found guilty of plagiarism. The student received a Q for the course and a notation of academic dishonesty.

A student was reported for providing falsified data in a course. The course required personal collection of

data, and the instructor discovered that the student could not have personally observed the data that were reported. The student failed to appeal the accusation and was found guilty of academic dishonesty, for which the penalty was a Q and a notation on the transcript.

A student was accused of academic dishonesty by a professor who found a word-for-word match between the student's paper and an on-line book review. The student failed to appeal the accusation and was found guilty, receiving a Q for the course and a notation of dishonesty.

An instructor reported a student for plagiarism. The student admitted to having copied the paper from another student in the course and was found guilty of academic dishonesty. The penalty was a Q and a notation of dishonesty.

*The Q grade denotes a failure in a course by reason of academic dishonesty and is accompanied by a notation on the transcript indicating academic dishonesty. The Q denotes a failure in the course by reason of academic dishonesty and is calculated into a student's grade point average as an F.

If you are a matriculated student who has never been found guilty of academic dishonesty and if you are interested in being asked to serve on a hearing board, please call the Academic Judiciary Office at 632-7080. You will be occasionally contacted and invited to serve. Hearings are scheduled at different times of the week and generally last 1-2 hours.

The Academic Judiciary is located in the Office of Undergraduate Academic Affairs in E3310 Main Library. Policy information and forms can be found at http://naples.cc.sunysb.edu/CAS/ajc.nsf.

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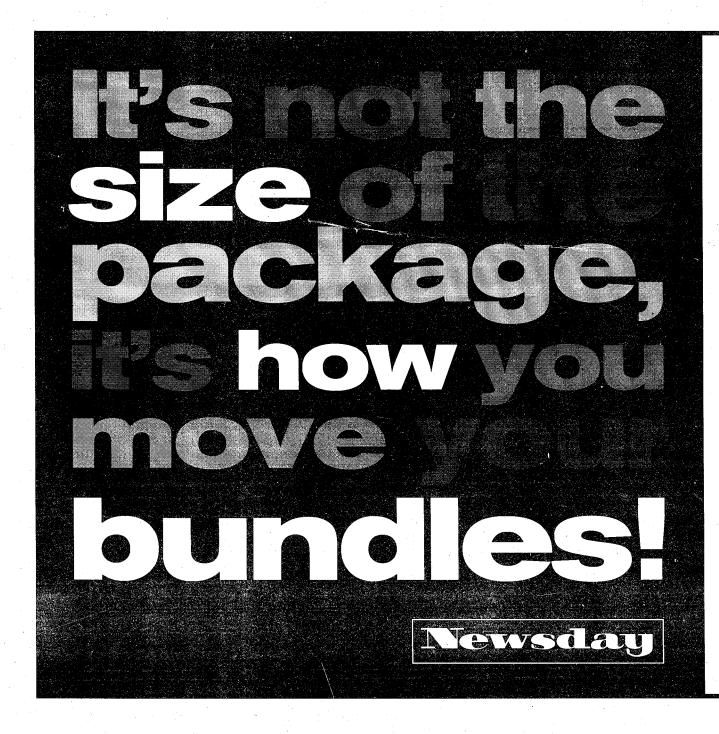
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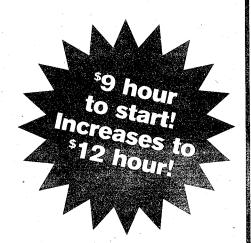
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In recognizing Falun Dafa's benefit to the general public, the County of Nassau, the Town of Oyster Bay, the Town of North Hempstead, the Town of Smithtown and the Town of Brookhaven have proclaimed Dec. 4th to Dec. 10th of the year 2000 as Falun Dafa Week. During the week, Long Island practitioners will hold

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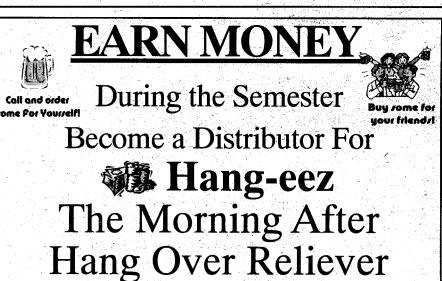
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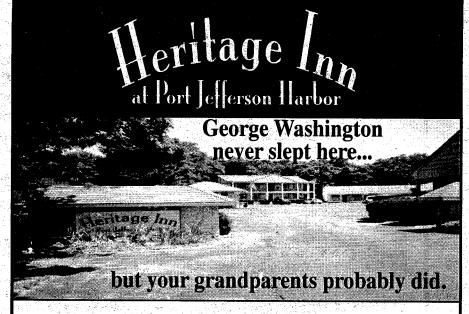




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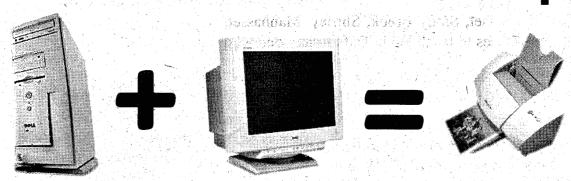
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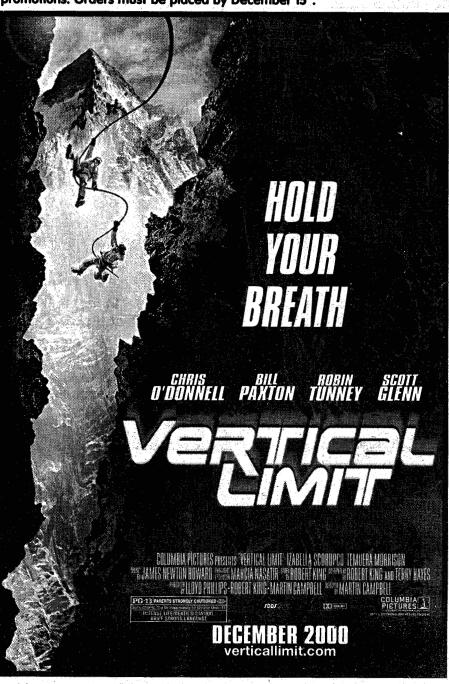
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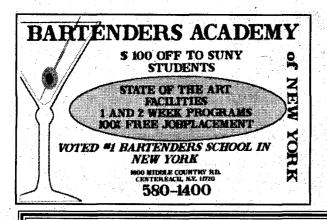
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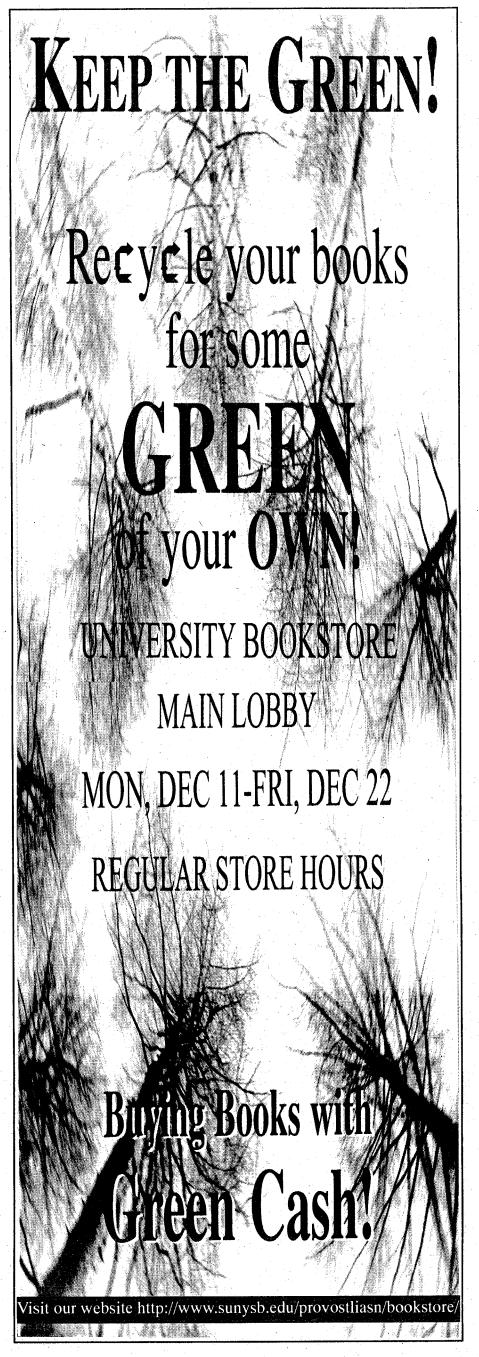
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Tell Me About It

Advice for the College Aged Crowd

By CAROLYN HAX

Dear Carolyn:

Back in grade 10, my best friend was a girl named Lisa. We slept overat each other's houses, stayed for family meals, the whole nine yards. Then we got into a big fight. She started threatening me and getting her friends to threaten me as well; the harassment got so bad, my parents considered pulling me out of that school.

Six years later, she calls me up and apologizes for being a bitch. I figured I'd let her say her piece and give it a shot; I knew that, if I were in her place, I wouldn't have the courage to call my former friend.

When we met for lunch, it was great. We fell back into our old groove and everything was fine.

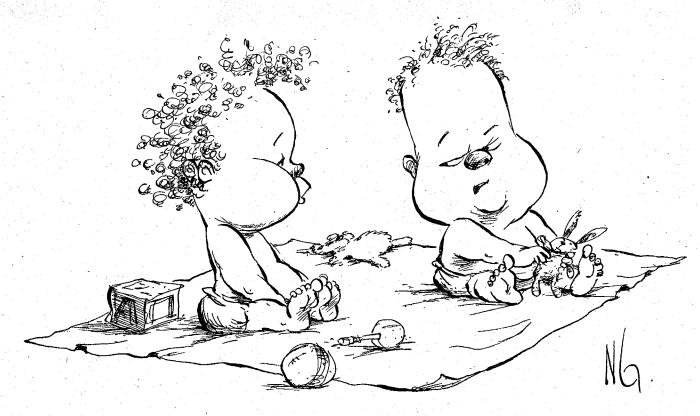
BUT ... I still remember everything she did to hurt me. She wants everything to be the way it was again, but I'm not ready for that yet. When I don't return her calls within a day, she leaves whiny messages on my machine asking if I'm mad at her. She's already making plans for parties for us to go to and what she's getting me for Christmas and so on. What should I do?

---P

Try Lisa-repellent? Hungry Dobermans? A moat? Plenty of submodel behavior occurs in the gradeschool years, but that usually means copying an outfit, telling a fib or two and the occasional round of backstabbing. Threats and harassment, not to mention thug recruitment to further same, clearly earn themselves a special spot in the spantheon of youthful indiscretion.

That, in turn, means Lisa earns herself a special spot among the youthfully indiscreet. The sociopath spot. To torment someone that maliciously and to that extent, she had to have started from a more troubled—and troubling—emotional state than your average struggling

While six years can do a lot to tame an adolescent beast, years alone aren't enough to wrangle a head case into a model citizenfriend. In fact, you should assume they weren't enough—unless she



WATCH THIS-I'M GOING TO SAY "MAMA" AND START A KODAK STAMPEDE, RUBES.

demonstrated to you a clear understanding of how egregious her behavior was by making her apology fit the crime. And I'm sorry, "bitch" alone doesn't cut it.

Unfortunately, all signs say Lisa is just a head case mellowed (somewhat) by age. Her full-bore friendship renewal bears a striking, if deceptively more jolly, resemblance to her full-bore rejection of you back in 10th grade. Think about it: Is it all or nothing with her? Yup. Is she calling the shots? Yup. Are you letting her call them, even when they conflict with your own interests? Ayup.

I'm not saying you should repel her completely. You had that great lunch and all, and old friends, even the screaming nut jobs, should be prized for endurance alone. But don't settle for "older" without the "wiser" clause attached. Know ahead of time that she has rather innovative ways of enforcing her will on you, and that you cave at your peril. Hang in.

Carolyn:
I think you were wrong in your

answer (Nov. 19) to "Anonymous," who felt she had been raped. True, flirting is not consent and dating is notconsent, but going to a motel is consent in any language.

—Don

Uh, except hers, right? And define "stop" for me, please, in English. Bonus points if you can nail "no" on the first try.

The problem here is, the language you're speaking isn't English, it's Mindless Presumptuous Thug.

Unfortunately, my in-box tells me you're just one of way, way too many people who speak it. All of you, please, get your heads out of your pants and read: Even if there had been consent at some point—implied, stated, societal, faxed—it was clearly withdrawn, and once it was, I don't care if they were naked, oiled, playing "Bolero" and lying on a heart-shaped bed in an hourly rate motel: Intercourse from that point on was rape.

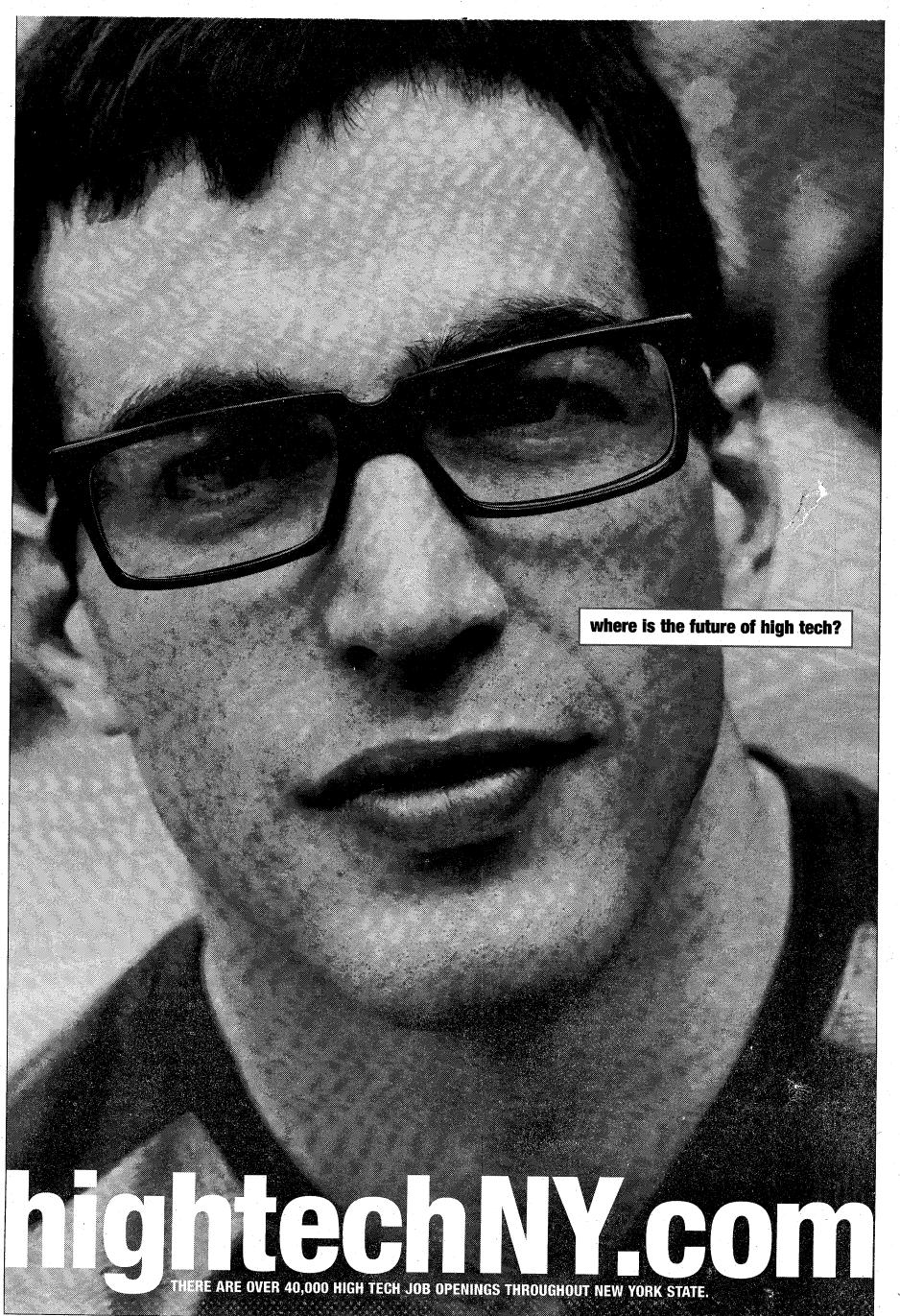
Besides, if you honestly believe the proper result of leading a guy on—or naivete or poor judgment or eagerness to be loved or whatever it was that put her in that motel room—
is painful, unwanted sex, I don't
want to live on your planet, much
less speak its native tongue.

I'm going to let a particularly insightful reader finish this answer to you: "(W)e have all made bad decisions in our lives, and I am guessing some people walk away feeling pretty smug that nothing happened to them.

But the harsh reality is that some people get nastier 'learning experiences' than others. And people who feel the need to place blame need to examine their own issues surrounding loss of control. They can act like it would never happen to them all they want to, until (God forbid) it happens to them." Damn tough to argue with that.

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Poetry and Images

Gallery Show Combines Words, Photos, Drawings and More

By Erin Rosenking Statesman Editor

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Showing that a picture may not always speak a thousand words on its own, the Poetry and Images art show in the Union Art Gallery combined the various art forms of poetry writing, drawing, installation and photography to create pieces that were filled with emotion and meaning.

Each piece of the show was accompanied by a poem written in most cases by someone other than the author. For some works the relationship between the art on the wall and the art on paper was easy to tell. For others, the meaning was harder to find.

One of the easier ones was the piece appropriately titled "Tattoo." The black and white photo, by photographer Dave Green, shows a big burly man in a dark colored t-shirt, sleeves rolled up 1950's greaser style, with thick tattoo-covered arms crossed over a barrel-shaped chest, From the neck down, this creature looks like he will eat you alive but as the spectator moves up the big torso, past the tattooed arms, a sweet looking smile graces the goateed face of a bald man whose tattoos extend to his head and face. The gentle smile is the finishing touch on a head that is slightly bent in a loving sort of way. A first impression says run away from this man. A closer look says to hug him.

Accompanied by "Tattoo" is a poem called "Shopping for a Tattoo," written by John Damian DiBella. DiBella expresses the viewer's first glance at the man. "It does look mean and nasty," he writes of

the tattoo on the arm. But he the man's smile calms him down when he exclaims like a child would, "Wow! You sure gotta neat tattoo on your arm."

One interesting technique used by Green in the photo is how it is mounted on the page. The man is actually comprised of two separate pictures that are put together without any alignment and with the bottom part overlapping the top.

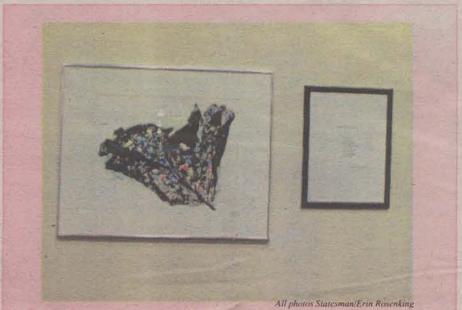
This haphazard mounting is used in other Green photos including the black and white piece "Unevenly they Grow." This photo of orchids is more unevenly placed on the mount than "Tattoo" is with a triangular slice of the black paper it is mounted on peeping through the left side of the work. While the bottom shot of the flowers is out of focus, the top portion is clear.

On the wall beside the work is a poem if the same name, written by Frances Mancuso Durler. "Unevenly they grow



Taste by Dave Green is a portrait of a woman developed in a style reminisent of Andy Warhol.





Finger Painting: This work showed a black leaf form splattered with primary colors. The poem by Paul McCormick said, "Leaf Stain in old rain, just touched by the fingertips of the world..."

like lovers separated," Durler writes, "I am drawn."

Color comes into the show in a few of the pieces but none so seductively as in "Taste," a photo that looks as though it was created in a similar style to late pop artist Andy Warhol's colorful portraits.

"Taste" shows a woman who looks straight out of Warhol's era of the 1960's with a red bouffant and fake eyelashes lowered into a sexy gaze. But as the title would imply, the focus of the picture is on the woman's yellow colored mouth which is shown with just a hint of a yellow tongue peeking out.

The poem by the same seems to be a direct question to the woman. "On lips and teeth and tongue, savage ornaments of the red mouth-hole, what will you not be tasting, sucking, swallowing without pause and without shame?" Her head cocked coyly to the side seems to answer the question with a husky, "Nothing."

Sex comes up again in the show but it is nowhere near as sexy as in "Taste." The installation piece done by Dee Dee Brower "Sleeping Beauty Sleep," attracts you from across the room with a netting canopy draped over a pink and white bed. The room is set up typical to the room of a little girl with a pink rug, two pink and white chairs around a little wooden table, even tiny fuzzy bunny slippers. A bright red

shiny apple sits at the edge of the table and the only thing that seems more out of place in this piece is the little rag doll girl in the bed with her hands over her eyes.

The poem shares the name of the piece and it explains why, even in spite of her teddy bear, the little girl is sleeping in fear. The poem describes what the child did before she went to bed that night. She crept to the kitchen to get some apples "3green, 2 yellow and 1 shiny red one," and just like the fairy tale promises, she whispers a pray that eating the fruit will make her fall asleep.

But the little girl does not hope to wake from the kiss of a prince charming. In fact, she hopes to not wake at all. "Now I lay me down to sleep, I pray the lord my soul to keep," the poem says. "If Daddy rapes me before I wake, I pray the lord my soul to take." The poem ends with the little girl trying "with all her might" to fake death so she can "keep from feeling things in my sleep."

Running the gamut of all sort of emotion, the show conveys the art works' story with the help of the poems. This unique twist on art makes for an exciting show.

The Student Union Art Gallery is located on the second floor of the Union. It is open 12-4 pm Monday-Friday. Poetry and Images runs through December 13.