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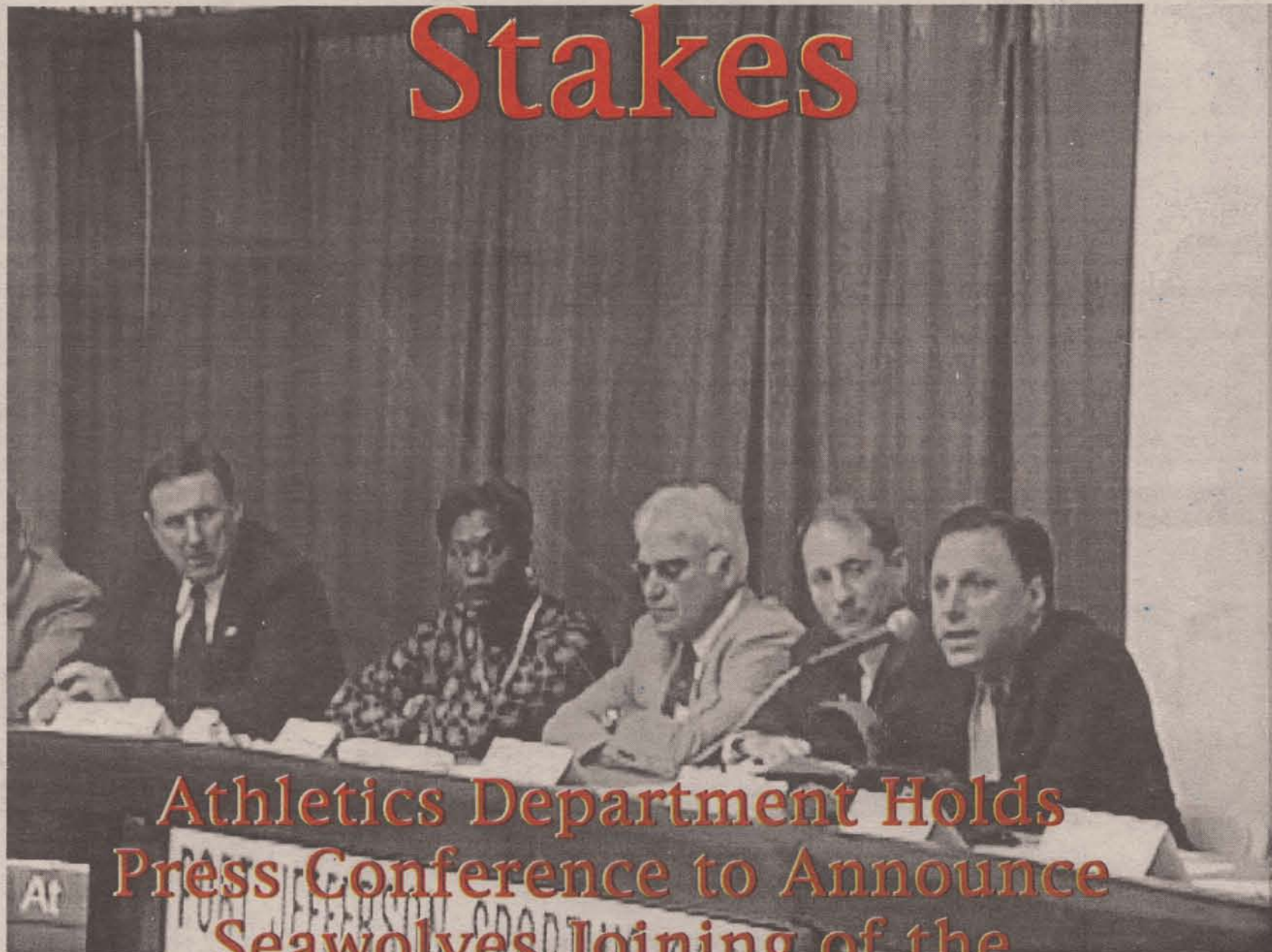
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A Reason to Give

Little Girl with Leukemia Prompts Campus Blood Drive to Help Her and Others Like Her

By ERIN DUENAS
Statesman Editor

Morgan is the blond haired two year old daughter of an employee in the Marine Sciences department. She is also the victim of Acute Lymphoblastic Leukemia, a disease which is causing her hair to recede and which requires constant blood transfusions and a bone marrow transplant in order to survive. For the sake of helping one of its own, Stony Brook is set to launch a blood drive involving a bone marrow registry, starting the week of February 5 to help not just Morgan but others in need of blood and marrow.

According to Carl Hanes, deputy to the president for special projects, and the man Long Island Blood Services contacts when the supply gets low, the entire Stony Brook campus participates in 40 blood drives throughout the year. Although this latest drive is for the benefit of Morgan, Hanes said that it is always crucial to donate blood. "It is important to keep the

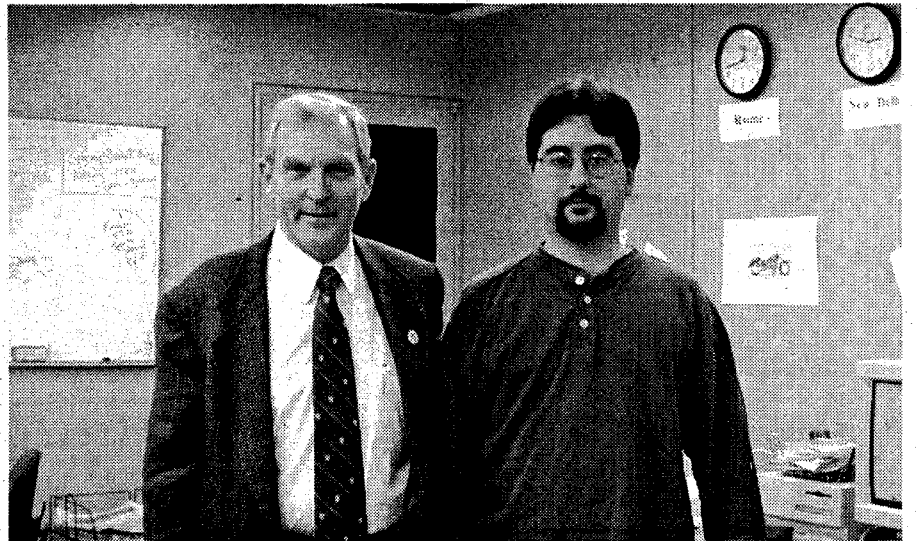
supply up," Hanes said. "It identifies through Morgan the need to also donate marrow for her and kids like her."

Jason DeSantis, a Stony Brook graduate student who works under Hanes pointed out that the blood supply in the New York metropolitan area is critically low. "Blood is like energy," DeSantis said. "There is not an unlimited supply and you don't feel it until you don't have it." DeSantis said that the national average for blood donors is five percent while it is only two percent for the New York area. "We start off with a disadvantage," he said.

However, Hanes pointed out that Stony Brook is always very successful in bolstering depleted supplies. Stony Brook has beat out all other colleges and universities in blood donations in the Metropolitan area in the last two years in an annual contest hosted by EAB

Bank, WBLI radio station, the New York Islanders and Long Island Blood Services. Last year, the campus won for most improvement.

In addition to donating blood, this latest drive is seeking to add potential donors to the bone marrow registry, a process that involves filling out a form



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Hanes (left) and DeSantis are heading up the latest campus blood drive for the benefit of a campus employee's daughter who has leukemia.

and donating a small vial of blood. According to DeSantis, whites are well matched when it comes to bone marrow while there is an under-representation of African Americans, Asians and Latinos on the registry. "Because of the need in these areas, Stony Brook is a great place because of its diversity," said Hanes. "We want to try to bolster the numbers." Hanes pointed out that after getting onto the registry, donors are not obligated to donate marrow should they match up with someone in need.

In order to motivate students to donate, this latest drive will have a number of features that differ from previous drives. The major difference will be location of donation spots. While other drives have been centered on the main part of campus, this drive will

center on the residence halls. "We are taking the drive directly to the students," DeSantis said. "We are hoping to get between 50 and 80 pints of blood from each hall, hopefully as many as 100," he said. While each dorm that participates will receive a plaque, the dorm that donates the most will receive a trophy cup with their name engraved on it. On March 15, all donors are invited to watch the winners receive their award and President Shirley Kenny will speak. Students who participate are also eligible for movie tickets to Staller Center.

Without donations, DeSantis fears that the problem of low blood supplies will only get worse. "The New York area is dependent on European blood," he said. "Here in the United States, everyone is so busy we take for granted that blood will be available."

The blood drive will be in the residence halls February 5 until February 8 and again on February 13 4:30 until 10 pm at the these locations:

- Monday 2/5 Mendelsohn Quad, Irving College
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- Wednesday 2/7 Tabler Quad, Toscanini College
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Moving On Up

Seawolves Join the American East Conference

JEFFREY JAVIDFAR
Statesman Editor

In only its second year of NCAA Division I competition, Stony Brook University has wholeheartedly accepted an invitation to join the America East Conference beginning in the fall of 2001. The Seawolves become immediately eligible for the America East's automatic bid to the NCAA Tournament in all sports.

"The conference membership believes that Stony Brook is a natural fit," said Chris Monasch, the Commissioner of the America East Conference. "It is clear to our membership that Stony Brook has all the components needed to be an outstanding Division I athletics program."

Commencing next fall, seventeen of the nineteen varsity sports at Stony Brook will compete in the America East Conference. Lacrosse will remain in the ECAC Lacrosse League, while football will remain in the non-scholarship Northeast Conference.

Apparently, full throttle is the only speed that the Dean of Physical Education and Athletics, Dr Richard Laskowski, is familiar with because USB's ascent into a mid-major conference has taken place at a blistering pace.

Yet, Dean Laskowski spreads around the recognition. "A great deal of our success is based on the people around us. The president realizes the value of athletics to a university," said Dr. Laskowski. "With her support, the support of a great staff, and the support of other people in the university [who] all came together and said we're gonna help you get this done, we did."

Six years ago, Stony Brook was playing Division III ball, and on Wednesday in a star-studded media event, featuring New York State legislators and regional sports personalities, President Kenny graciously accepted the offer to become the eleventh member of the American East Conference.

"The America East is the right conference for Stony Brook. This is the right time for Stony Brook, and this



Chris Monasch, Commissioner of the America East Conference and President Kenny exchange jerseys.

is where we belong," said President Kenny. "We are moving fast and we have no intention of slowing down. So hang on, it's going to be a great ride!"

The America East, which will soon welcome Stony Brook rival Albany, currently has eleven schools and a host of famous alumni. Some of the conference's more notable members include Boston University, the University of Delaware and Hofstra University. Furthermore, the America East Conference has countless success stories both on and off the athletic field. The long list includes: Mike Bordick, Jeff Bagwell, Wayne Chrebet, and Rich Gannon, not to mention Martin Luther King, Jr., Jason Alexander, Stephen King, and Francis Ford Coppola.

Yet, Stony Brook doesn't go into the fold empty-handed. Stony Brook will be providing academic prowess and a vital link to the New York metropolitan area with its roughly 6.93 million television households and subsequent millions in potential advertising dollars.

Bearing a heavy yoke is certainly nothing new for USB; in its short year and a half as a Division I Independent, the Seawolves have by themselves garnered much success and notoriety. Last season, the baseball team amassed a 30-11 record and ranked a very impressive number one in the nation in batting average and slugging percentage.

This past fall, the men's soccer team achieved the University's first-ever Top 25 national ranking with a 12-4-2 record. The men's soccer program also boasts Independent Soccer Player of the Year 1999, striker Moses Sarr.

Men's Soccer Coach Scott Dean reflected on this past season. "We were nationally ranked; it was a good second year for us at that level. We just need to be more consistent; we have the majority of our players back so we'll be able to sustain it a bit," he said.

Coach Dean then commented on the importance of today's announcement for his soccer program. "It will be more competitive for us, but having the automatic bid will be a big plus," Dean said. "We know we can compete with the teams that have been there before. If we come out and play well, we have an

opportunity to get in that playoff system and hopefully an opportunity to get into the NCAA tournament."

In the day and age of short attention spans, ESPN highlights and March Madness, the collegiate athlete has emerged as a highly sought after commodity. Wooing young talent often requires a big name coach, exceptional athletics facilities, the promise of television exposure, and an opportunity for post-season play. As of Wednesday, Stony Brook University can offer all of the above.

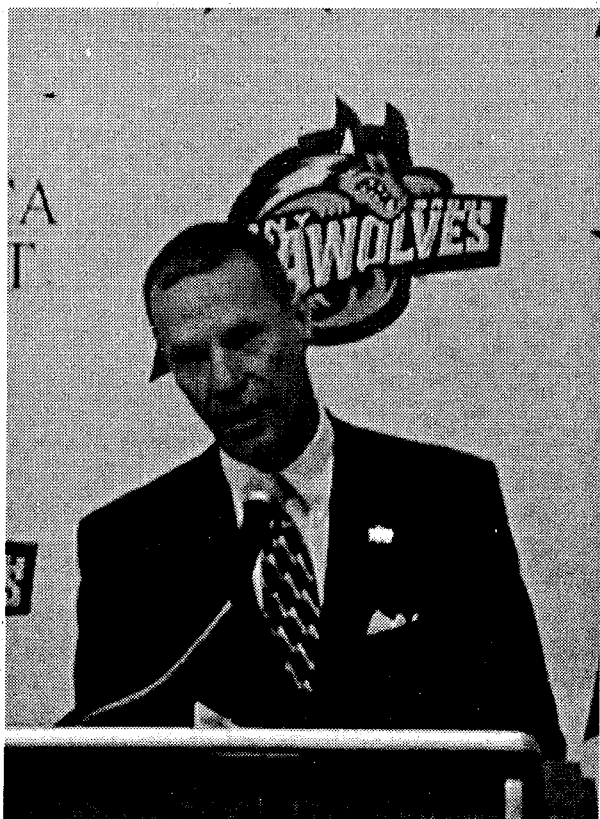
"It is gonna boost the entire athletic program," said Coach Roberts of the Women's Basketball team. "We're gonna be able to attract top athletes because I think anytime you go out and recruit an athlete they're gonna want to know that they have an opportunity to go to the big dance, the NCAA championship. Now with us being in a conference [with an automatic bid] that's gonna allow us to do that."

Not only is successful recruiting essential for the survival of an athletic program, but revenues generated from television contracts and advertisements are now a predominant form of funding intercollegiate sports.

"You can't use state funding for scholarships, so all that money is raised privately. The maintenance of this facility [the sports complex] is all done through hosting events we don't get state or school money for this," said Dean Laskowski. He also confirmed that the Athletic Department has privately raised roughly two million dollars in the recent past.

The Dean's next goal is to increase the student attendance figures at home games. However, he realizes the difficulty of getting the message across to the students on campus. "Attendance at home sporting events has historically been a problem here, but it is getting better; if we have a product that is outstanding, they'll come and support it," he said.

Beginning next fall with men's and women's soccer and then continuing to men's and women's basketball, Stony Brook will play an 11 to 16 game conference schedule as well as maintain several of their non-conference relationships that they have established since going Division I.



Dean of Physical Education and Athletics, Dr. Laskowski has high goals for the Seawolves.

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Desiree W. Roberts

Stony Brook Goes to Albany

BY ANA MARIE RAMIREZ
Statesman Contributor

On February 13, about 500 of the students, faculty and administrators from Stony Brook will be meeting at the South Parking Lot of the university and filling buses bound for the state's capital, Albany.

Stony Brook Day at Albany is an opportunity for members of the Stony Brook community to visit their legislators and see how the lobbying process is carried out. After observing their leaders in action, the volunteers get to put what they learned to work when they are given the chance to speak with the politicians and voice their own personal concerns about how they can improve life at Stony Brook. The event has been heavily endorsed by President Shirley Kenny who said that she hopes to send 10 busses to the capital this year. So far, six busses are filled.

"I guess I started Stony Brook Day about 5 or 6 years ago," said Bill Geoffrey, president of the University Senate, who is one of three administrators in charge of Stony Brook Day. "Private schools have been doing it for a long time now and I thought that Stony Brook should too."

Janice Rohlf, another administrator in charge of Stony Brook Day, said that before going to Albany, students receive training on how to lobby effectively.

Upon arrival, students and faculty divide into groups and go meet legislators.

"We are very careful not to censor anyone," Rohlf said. "We want them to say whatever they have on their mind."

Joseph Allen, one student who went to Albany last year, said participating in Stony Brook day was a good experience. Among the lawmakers he got the opportunity to speak with was Steve Englebright, a local legislator that is known for being friendly towards Stony Brook and its students. One of Englebright's daughters is a Stony Brook student.

Although he had the chance to meet with Englebright, Allen pointed out that several legislators were not even at their offices to meet the visitors.

"Some of the assemblymen weren't there and we had to talk to some of the secretaries, who wrote down our messages," said Allen.

Student Jessica Vito, who is part of Stony Brook's recycling program, said that she believes students should go to make a difference. "I went last year because I wanted to alert the government officials about the environment of our campus," said Vito. "We need a lot of funding for recycling. We are way behind from other universities."

"It's a good way to get the students' voices heard about anything they want to change," said Alycia Stevenson, a sophomore majoring in political science.

Stevenson found out about Stony Brook day after attending a political science informational that discussed the trip. She decided to go this year because she said that she believes the event is a great opportunity for her. "It's a great learning experience, something you don't get to do everyday," she said.



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President Kenny has said that she would like to see 10 busses go up to Albany.

Students interested in going to Albany for Stony Brook Day can pick up an application at the Student Activities Center room 244.

Geoffrey said that students should go in order to make legislators conscious of Stony Brook's needs. "The solution is basically money," he said. "In my opinion we are one of the better SUNY schools and we could be much better if we had more money."

Stevenson agrees. "It shows a unified school spirit, even if it doesn't bring about anything," she said. "It leaves the legislators with an impression."

What Is Chillfest?

Chillfest Loses its Cool as Students are Disillusioned by its Meaning

By CHRIS LATHAM
Statesman Editor

To many students, Chillfest is merely an ambiguous label, attached to vague fliers posted around campus. But for the administration, Chillfest was the title of a series of week-long activities opening the Spring 2001 semester.

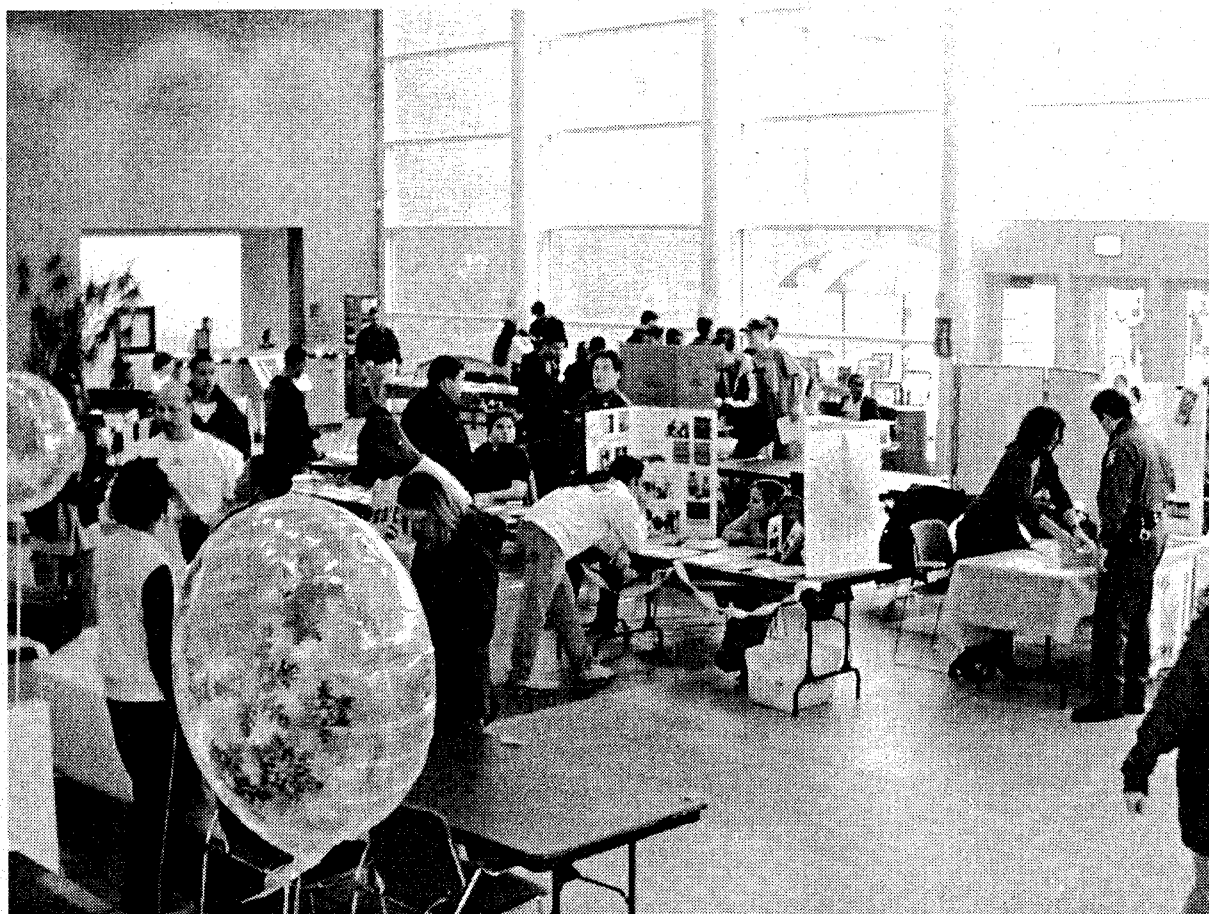
Yesterday, the final day of official Chillfest events, culminated with the Student Club and Organization Fair, in the SAC lobby, from 12:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. While the leaders of those groups clearly understood the point of the fair, few of them knew it to be a part of Chillfest, and even fewer knew what Chillfest truly was.

By far, the dominant question shared by those at the club fair, was "so what events were supposed to be covered by Chillfest, anyway?"

The activities began on Thursday, January 25, with the "New York Glass" art show in the Union gallery. Game Night occurred that evening in the Union Colors Café, and the Club Unity Party was held in the Union the following night. Two Staller Center events, the premier of the Film Series, with "Almost Famous", and the exclusive "Words and Music" concert, took place on Saturday. Sunday was dedicated to the Super Bowl Party. Monday to the "Around the World Festival", which was hosted by various student cultural organizations. And finally, the "College Bowl" Trivia Night was held on Tuesday, at the End of the Bridge.

Amidst the confusion students, club organizers and administrators agree on one thing, Stony Brook has a communication problem.

"I don't know what Chillfest is, but I know



Statesman/Chris Latham

Yesterday, the final day of official Chillfest events, ended with the Student Club and Organization Fair, in the SAC lobby.

focus on reproductive and rights.

Edith Ashamole, of the African Student Union (ASU), shares a similar experience. She arranged for her group to appear at yesterday's fair, but had no idea it was part of Chillfest.

"We checked the academic calendar and filled out a form from the Polity office," Ashamole said.

and Black Entertainment Television comedians.

Robin Maloney, the assistant to Chaplain Brother Clark Berge, who runs the Protestant Campus Ministry at Stony Brook, had a better idea than most about Chillfest. She saw a flier about the upcoming semester activities, and pieced together that it's a showcase of new events on campus.

But Maloney sympathized with those students who were in the dark about campus functions, having dealt with the administration first hand concerning projects for Campus Ministry.

"We're trying to promote our ministry by reaching out to students who want to work with us, and to bring in new students as well," she said. "Yet there have been times we have felt that we are sometimes on our own in promoting events. Although having an event such as this makes us feel more connected to other groups on campus."

One project that Campus Ministry has made inroads with is Habitat for Humanity, an international nonprofit housing organization. The ministry will get help with the project from another group, the Volunteers for the Community Service Center, an organization that has found great success working with the administration.

Amy Coopersmith, the special projects

"There are just so many pockets of communities on campus. The university has to make a decision on how to reach and educate all these groups," said Smith, assistant director of Student Activities.

why we're here," said Amber Fales, of the Feminist Majority. "We're here to raise awareness about women's issues on campus and the surrounding area."

Fales suggested that the obscurity of Chillfest was due to a lack of effective promotion. That is something, she assured, that will not happen when the Feminist Majority puts on its "Rock for Choice" benefit later in the semester, which will spotlight musicians and public speakers who

"No one explained that this is a part of Chillfest, or what Chillfest is."

Yeye Ajakaiye and Olubunmi Kassim, also of the ASU, had heard of Chillfest, but not of any details. They were, however, more than ready to get the word out about their club's upcoming semester. Major events scheduled so far include an African art exhibit, a career day, sickle cell and AIDS awareness programs, and the annual fashion show with upcoming African designers

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Just a Little Prick

Some of us are really big babies. Just going to the doctor is enough to get the blood pressure up to a sky high rate and when it comes to needles, arms curl up in fear of being stuck. And then there are those with the weak stomachs, the ones who feel dizzy and faint at the site of the red stuff. But what if getting stuck with the needle meant that one little girl could survive?

That is the motivating force behind the latest blood drive to hit the Stony Brook campus. Although blood drives are a common site around campus all throughout the semester, this one is a little different. For one thing, the drives will be centered around the dorms. For a week, blood drive sites will be set up in dorms all across campus. According to Jason DeSantis, a graduate student who works under Carl Hanes, deputy to the president for special projects, the idea behind taking the blood straight from the dorms is to bring the drive right to the students.

But that is not the only difference. As if saving the life of an adorable two year old was not enough, the residence hall that donates the most blood will win an award. There is not much excitement in a trophy

cup, but you do get your hall's name engraved on it. All halls will be rewarded with a plaque, and all those that brave the prick of the needle have the chance to get tickets to Staller movies.

Yet, another interesting aspect of this drive is the aspect of bone marrow donations. Bone marrow is something else that this little girl needs to survive and

"...Stony Brook, this great land of diversity, is the perfect place to recruit people to donate. Finally we can put some good use to the diversity that everyone is always bragging about."

DeSantis said that she is not the only one. Although people of white descent are well matched on the bone marrow registry, African Americans, Asians and Latinos in need of a bone marrow transplant may find that they are not able to find a match. Because of this, Stony Brook, this great land of diversity, is the perfect place to recruit people to donate.

Finally we can put some good use to the diversity that everyone is always bragging about.

But if this is not enough to get you to stretch out your arm for the needle, helping out one of our own should be. This little girl happens to be a member of the Stony Brook community. She is two year old Morgan and she is the baby daughter of an employee in the Marine Sciences center. Her golden locks are receding as a result of her disease, acute lymphoblastic leukemia, a name that many of us can't even pronounce, let alone imagine living with. Imagine what this campus can do for her if we all let a little blood go?

DeSantis and Hanes said that while they were thrilled with the opportunity to help Morgan, there is always a good reason to donate blood. DeSantis made the clever analogy comparing the blood supply to energy, it is not unlimited. And while we all might live if we forget to turn of the light in a room we leave, having a blood shortage could possibly mean the difference between life and death.

So stop being a baby to help a real baby. Give some blood! Get yourself onto the bone marrow registry and get a reward that will be the best thing you will receive all semester.

Commentary: A Good Day for Georgia New State Flag is the Right Move

By ADAM ZIMMERMAN
Statesman Editor

Today is February 1, the first day of Black History Month. It is a month filled with reflection and analysis on the often bumpy road blacks have traveled to attain their rightful, respected place in American society. Even with the considerable progress that has been made thus far, there is still much work to be done.

Thanks to Georgia, though, we are now one step closer to true equality.

Yesterday morning, Georgia Governor Roy Barnes, a Democrat, signed

legislation which officially changed the design of Georgia's state flag. For the last 45 years, two-thirds of Georgia's state flag was covered with the "Stars and Bars" design, the battle emblem of the Confederate Army during the Civil War. That flag was brought down yesterday, and today is the first full day the new flag has flown.

The new flag features an entirely different pattern. Against a solid blue background, the gold state seal is featured prominently above a stripe with the words "Georgia's History." Under these words are pictures of five small historic flags, one

of which is the old flag itself.

Unfortunately, this terrific decision by one of the former Confederate states has been hit with a barrage of criticism. Several groups, including the Sons of Confederate Veterans and the Southern Heritage League, have charged Barnes and the Georgia legislature with attempting to rob the South of its past. Dan Coleman, a spokesman for the Sons of Confederate Veterans, said "It's another retreat and step back from southern culture and southern heritage."

Interesting point. But

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Georgia's Governor Signs Legislation for New Flag

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now let's consider what these groups won't say out loud. In 1954, the Supreme Court issued its landmark *Brown v. The Board of Education* decision which declared that "separate, but equal" schools were inherently unconstitutional, and mandated that the federal government begin an immediate desegregation of all public schools. The unanimous ruling has been hailed as one of the Court's crowning triumphs in the realm of civil rights, and deservedly so.

In response to the decision, various white southern lawmakers vowed to defy the desegregation attempts. One symbolic method they chose was to fly the Confederate flag again, a signal that they would fight to keep blacks from achieving civil rights, as had been done during the Civil War. Some states even incorporated the "Stars and Bars" design into their official state flags.

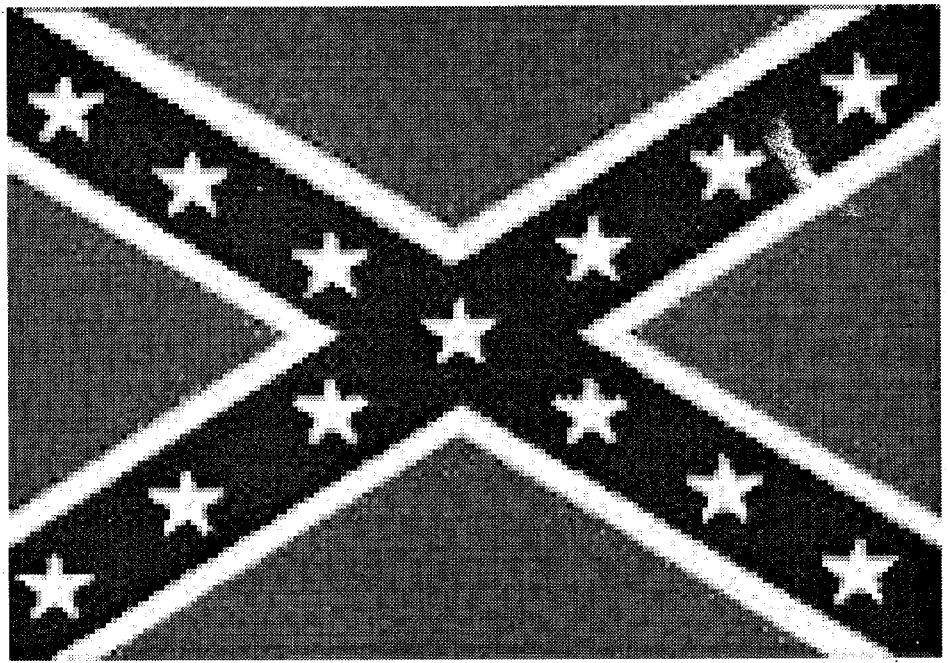
In 1956, that's just what Georgia did. I guess Dan Coleman forgot to mention that.

Unfortunately, the "southern history and culture" to which Coleman and others

supporting the old flag refer is largely one the U.S. would like to forget. From slave codes to black codes, slave master whippings to police beatings, Jim Crow laws to segregation laws, southern blacks have faced centuries of brutality. A past hardly worth any amount of glorification.

The most notable era in this mostly sad history is, of course, the Civil War, when 11 southern states seceded from the Union to form the Confederate States of America. South Carolina was the first to secede, quickly after Abraham Lincoln was elected President in 1860, out of fear that he would abolish slavery. When the South surrendered in April of 1865, over 600,000 lives had been lost.

It should be easy to see why the Confederate emblem is so offensive to millions of blacks, and whites, across America. It was, and still is, a symbol of slavery and all the ideas for which slavery stood. A symbol of Americans who fought for slavery and who seceded for slavery. Yes, the South seceded for a variety of reasons. But make no mistake:



For the last 45 years, two-thirds of Georgia's state flag was covered with the 'Stars and Bars' design, the sign of the Confederate Army.

from state' rights to the preservation of the agricultural economy, slavery was always underlying cause, the foundation upon which the Confederate States of America would have been built had the secession movement been victorious. Thankfully, slavery's symbol has been put in it's proper place on Georgia's state flag.

We are still left with the question of southern history and southern heritage. No

question about it, both the history and heritage of the South should be studied, taught and learned. Students should still be shown what the flag looked like when the Civil War unit is taught in American History classes. The Confederate flag should not to be forgotten. However, like Georgia, we ought to remember it properly; as an historical symbol of slavery, an idea and institution worthy of study, but not of honor.

Lack of Promotion Keeps Students in the Dark About Chillfest

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coordinator for the Office of the Assistant Vice President for Communications, arranged to speak at the club fair through a contact at another project. But like many others, Coopersmith had only heard the expression Chillfest, not fully knowing what it meant.

In addition to developing a new presidential initiative, entitled "The Year of Community Service", designed to better inform people about the many volunteer opportunities on campus, she is working with the administration to bring author Paul Loeb on campus in March and to augment the annual Fountain Festival in May.

Other groups, however, have had less favorable relationships with the school.

"I heard about [the club fair] through Polity, and I didn't know it was a part of Chillfest," said Julie Block, the vice president of Stony Brook at Law. "We were also a part

of the club fair last year, and it was much larger."

Block suggested that the lack of promotion on campus is partly a result of the administration, which she says seems to take the policy that students should be left to their own devices.

"Polity gives us terrible problems," Block said, citing last year's complicated trip to the New York Law Forum. "They wouldn't even pay for transportation, and we ended up taking only four people."

The club is determined to have a full plate this February, regardless of what difficulties may stand in their way. First, on February 14, they will be involved with St. John's and Hofstra universities at the Black Expo. Then, on February 19, guest speaker Steve Fiore Rosenfeld, the counsel to Assemblyman Steve Englebright, will stop by. And finally, on February 26, the New York Supreme Court Justice Denise Molia is scheduled to host a

discussion.

"We do our best to promote things that will inform students interested in pursuing careers in the legal field, despite what limitations polity puts on us," said Stony Brook at Law President Sandra Davermann.

These complaints are not new to administrators, nor are plans to improve the communication gap. Mary Smith, the assistant director in the Office of Student Activities, is a prominent student advocate working on possible solutions.

"The university is definitely aware that this is a concern," Smith said. "There are just so many pockets of communities on campus. The university has to make a decision on how to reach and educate all these groups."

Smith explained that Chillfest actually started three years ago and is still in development. It began as a service for students to have activities as soon as they come back after the

break, and has received increasingly positive responses through the years. Nevertheless, Smith recognized that the information is still not reaching everybody, and that other mediums have to be pursued.

"I don't think fliers are the most viable tool to distribute information," Smith said. "We're trying to use computers, to develop an information webpage, that displays all campus activities from all clubs and organizations. Student Affairs is looking into a similar project, called 'Student Portal'. It's just that figuring all these things out takes time to get right."

The problem was summed up by Samuel Rodriguez, a student and operations assistant in charge of security, organization, and audio-video maintenance, at the SAC.

"Chillfest wasn't properly advertised," Rodriguez said. "I myself, who set up today's event, didn't even know about it."

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Hartman Comes Up Big

Stony Brook Wins at Home Again

By JEFFREY JAVIDFAR AND CHRISTOPHER HUNT
Statesman Editor and Statesman Staff

Senior Rob Hartman (#24) had 17 points, in his best game of the season, to help the Seawolves up their record to 12-1 at home in a dominating win over Cornell.

However, the 91-84 final was not indicative of the strong hold the Seawolves had throughout. Stony Brook was up by as much as 19 with a little more than two minutes to play, but a late three-point barrage by Cornell distorted the final score.

Hartman, who wears his heart on his sleeve, made it a point to be aggressive early. "A lot of these games I come in and I'm hesitant...so [this time] I tried to play with emotion and that leads into my offense," he said.

Not only was the six foot Hartman assertive in the post, but he was efficient. He shot six for eight from the field and two for two from behind the arc, while pulling down three offensive rebounds in only 19 minutes.

"I'm a small guy, but I love to rebound...I don't care how small I am. I am going to push you around to get the rebound," Hartman said.

Hartman pleased the crowd and his coach with his hard-nosed play in the first half. "Rob played great. He changed the whole game around for us. He was the one

person who played with a lot of energy in the first half and got us going," commented Head Coach Nick Macarchuk.

The Seawolves got out to a slow start, falling behind 18-9 thanks to Cornell shooting a torrid seven for seven from the field and USB committing eight early turnovers. In fact, the Big Red didn't miss a field goal for the first 13 plus minutes of the game.

However, Stony Brook didn't go away.

appreciate you coming and this is how I'm gonna show it. I'm gonna embarrass some poor kid from some other school," he said.

McCollum's crowd-pleasing antics came at the misfortune of one Cornell defender who happened to be in the wrong place at the wrong time. "I know that last guy that just played doesn't want to play basketball anymore," said McCollum. "He's gonna quit and play hockey or something so he

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The Seawolves slowly chipped away at Cornell's lead until they tied the game, at 30 a piece, on Mike Konopka's free throw with 5:10 left in the first half.

USB then rallied to end the half on a 14-4 run sparked by scrappy defense and fueled by a combined 9 points by Leon Brisport (#45) and freshman Jairus McCollum (#30).

McCollum has emerged as Stony Brook's own *Human Highlight Film*, scoring 14 points with 2 coming by way of one monstrous dunk. "I'm the entertainment...I want to show them [the fans] that we

can beat up people like me."

Although the Seawolves controlled the majority of the game, Coach Macarchuk still didn't seem completely satisfied with his players' efforts. "The team played very well offensively, but we just didn't play well defensively and we just didn't have any enthusiasm. I just wasn't very pleased, I thought we played awful," he said in his post-game press conference.

Cornell's first-half shooting percentages personified Coach Macarchuk's displeasure with his team's defense. The Cornell Big Red

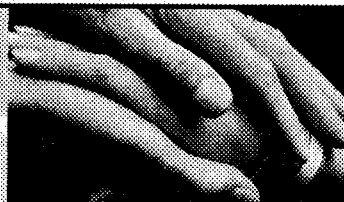
shot a sweltering 61.9% from the field and a mind-boggling 83.3% from the three-point line. Cornell finished still shooting 56.9% for the game, plaguing the Seawolves' perimeter defense with six more three-pointers, most of which came after the game was academic.

Despite Cornell's offensive proficiency, the Seawolves dictated the outcome of the game with their own offensive onslaught. USB shot 58.2% for the game, 10% above their season average of 48.2%. More impressively, they shot 53.8% from behind the arc, and the Seawolves made 20 of 27 free throws.

Chris Balliro (#33) and Rob Hartman combined for five three pointers on five of eight shooting. D.J. Munir (#15) continued his consist play by chipping in nine points, seven assists and two steals. Leon Brisport (#45) overcame relentless double-teams and had another day in the office, scoring 16 points, hauling down eight rebounds and adding five assist from the post.

Cornell's marquee player, Ray Mercedes led his team with 17 points and six rebounds.

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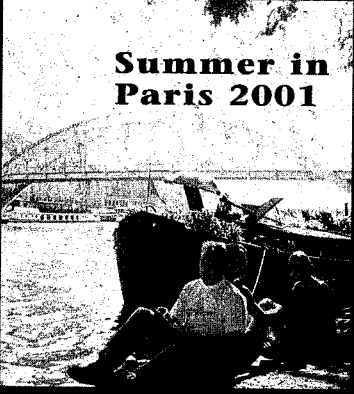
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Sports

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Lady Seawolves Reestablish Home Court Dominance During First Televised Game

By JEFFREY JAVIDFAR
Statesman Editor

Head Coach Trish Roberts has a favorite word: DEFENSE. On Saturday afternoon, she and her team took the time out to teach its definition to the Bears of Morgan State the hard way. The Lady Seawolves showed that they weren't camera shy even though this was the first time the Stony Brook women played in front of a regional audience. USB held the Lady Bears to just 37 percent shooting from the field, including an atrocious 17 percent from behind the arc as they rolled over Morgan State 70-54.

Roberts echoed the importance of this convincing victory to the future of her program. "I think this win was very big for us, number one it's our first time being on TV since we've gone Division I and hopefully we picked up some audience," she said. "Some kids around the state were able to see us play and see what we're doing here at Stony Brook"

Freshman sensation Sherry Jordan (#15) continued to impress as she poured in 22 points and pulled down 11 rebounds, including seven of the offensive variety. Jordan, who didn't take a breather the entire game also dished out four assists.

Stony Brook improved its record to 10-1 at the Indoor Sports Complex, and for the first time, the women were televised on the Metro channel. Afterwards, Jordan provided a clue about the mentality with which the Lady Seawolves went into this game. "You just have to act like you're not on TV, in order to play well," she said. "It's kind of fun."

The surprising performance of the evening belonged to Theresa LoParrino (#12) who scored well above her average. Before Saturday's contest, LoParrino was averaging a little under ten points a game, but against Morgan State, she shot 5-11 from the field, including 50 percent from 3-point land for a total of 20 points.

Sophomore Jessica Burch (#11) chipped in with a near triple double with 8 points, 8 rebounds and 7 steals. She also ran the offense with poise, as she dished out four assists in the process. Burch's defense of late has been an integral part of Stony Brook's accent up the RPI index. The Lady Seawolves are now 179 out of 318 Division I teams and a quintessential part of that has been Jessica's 178 steals in two years at USB.

Nonetheless, Stony Brook's production was a bit lopsided. Only four Seawolves had particularly strong performances, combining to lead Stony Brook in almost every category. Of the four, only Jill George (#35) is an upper classmen. George recorded a double-double with 12 points and a game-high 13 rebounds. George also added to her ever growing tally of blocked shots with USB's lone rejection of the game. Her total now stands at 65 in her collegiate career.

Although the Lady Seawolves controlled the latter part of the game, Stony Brook came out sloppy and committed six early turnovers. To make things worse USB made only four of the 16 shots they hoisted up in the first 10 minutes of the game and trailed Morgan State 10-18.

Shortly thereafter, a disgusted Roberts called a time out to try to settle down her team. "Coach told us that we needed to push the ball and make the tempo, because if we could do that then we can get more fast-breaks and that helps us because their [Morgan State's] post was a little slower than us," said Jordan after the game.

The Lady Seawolves did exactly that as they fed off of a hounding defense that created lots of trips to the charity stripe and layups in transition. In fact, Stony Brook made 16 free throws, as they went on a 28-11 run to finish the half with a 38-29 lead. USB went into halftime having scored 12 more points off of turnovers than the Lady Bears.



Courtesy of www.seawolves.org
LoParrino shot 5-11 from the field against the Bears, including 50 percent from 3 points land. She scored a total of 20 points.

Morgan State got as close as seven points with a Sherie Cornish jumper in the opening minute of the second half. Cornish finished the game with 20 points as the Bears' high scorer.

However, Cornish got very little help from her teammates who shot 11-43 from the field. Roberts' policy of defense first, forced Shakira Smith, the Lady Bears' leading scorer coming into this game, to commit seven turnovers and shoot a meager 33 percent from the field.

Morgan State as a whole committed 26 turnovers and was outscored by the USB bench 24-11. Afterwards, Roberts talked about the contribution of her reserve forward Jennifer Metz (#22). "She's actually one of our better defensive players," Roberts said. "She hit

a key layup for us [in the run to end the first half]."

The Lady Seawolves are now 12-9 for the year and are virtually unbeatable at home with a 10-1 record, in only their second season of Division I play. As a smile crossed her face, Roberts discussed her team's tendency to be a most ungracious host. "It is a good feeling to know that we have won almost all of our games here," she said. "When you come into The Brook you feel confident. I like playing at home, you have the crowd behind you and that's a good ten point advantage."

The Stony Brook women go on the road for the next two games before the return on February 10 to play Colgate at the Indoor Sports Complex.