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Fighting The Machine

Students Plan to Attack Right
Semester and Out Policy

IU Bans Internet Music Software

Indiana University has banned students from using an Internet search tool for the popular MP3 music program due to persistent cyberspace traffic jams.

University computing officials have set up a filter that on Saturday began blocking the use of Napster, an Internet tool for searching out and playing music in the MP3 format.

The Napster application for MP3, which allows users to instantly hear music over the Internet, had become so popular that at times its users accounted for 55 percent of the traffic on IU's computer network, said Mark Bruhn of IU's Information and Technology Services.

The heavy use slowed down other users and was beginning to interfere with research and work-related use on the network.

"This is 55 percent that can't be used for something else," Bruhn said.

Napster is a popular Internet tool for searching out and playing music in the MP3 format, which makes music files smaller and easier to distribute over the Internet, while still delivering CD-quality sound.

It allows Internet users to download music and play it on their computers or special MP3 players.

IU joins a growing number of universities that are confronting bandwidth traffic problems by banning the use of Napster.

Northwestern, North Carolina State and the University of Texas have all set up filters preventing students from using Napster over their networks.

Napster users function as an online community, making MP3 files

in their own computers available to each other using Napster applications.

When a user searches online for an MP3, Napster seeks out the request among other users. The search continues until the user commands Napster to quit looking.

Bruhn said that it is this aspect of

Napster that is taking up so much bandwidth.

"Even if you click on the 'x' in the upper right corner of the screen, the search will continue," he said. "Some people don't know this."

A news release issued by IU cited security concerns surrounding Napster.

The release said Napster "turns desktop computers into Internet servers" and "can be easily modified, compromising the security of personal files."

The Napster filter will block anyone using Napster from accessing the Internet through IU's connection, including those dialing in from off campus. AP

Arrest Made in C.W. Post Sexual Attack

An infrared picture of a sneaker print in a dormitory shower led to the arrest of a flower delivery man for raping a C.W. Post College student, Nassau County police said Friday.

Fabian Williams, 25, of Queens, was also tracked down with the help of an eyewitness description, said police Detective Lieutenant Steven Skrynecki. Williams worked for 1-800-FLOWERS in Bethpage.

According to the detective, Williams made a delivery to the dormitory before hiding in a second-floor shower stall. He surprised the victim there, sexually assaulting her before fleeing, police said.

Detectives interviewed about 150 people on campus, locating one woman who saw a man matching the attacker's description entering a flower delivery truck, the detective said.

Police surprised Williams after his route yesterday, then questioned and arrested him.

Skrynecki said detectives using an infrared camera found a footprint in the shower stall that matched Williams' sneaker print.

The victim was treated at North Shore University Hospital and released. Williams is married and the father of two children, Skrynecki said. AP

Hillary: Let's Cut Tuition Tax

Hillary Rodham Clinton told college students and parents she wants to cut taxes for families putting children through school and caring for elderly loved ones.

"Higher education is not a luxury," Clinton told about 200 students, parents, and university employees at the C.W. Post campus of Long Island University in Brookville on Friday. Families "are staying up late at night and trying to figure

out how to get that money that's needed and how to pay it back, and it's a huge burden on so many families."

Clinton supports a tuition tax deduction of up to \$10,000 a year for families, which she said would amount to a \$2,800 yearly savings for some. And to help with the care of older family members, she also proposed a \$3,000 tax credit to help pay for long-term care of ailing relatives. She said the latter proposal would help 158,000 New York

families.

Noting that 80 percent of New York students go on to some form of higher education, Clinton said it's more crucial than ever to make sure each child with the talent and drive to attend college can do so.

And the rising cost "is one issue that comes up from one end of the state to the next," she said. Because the cost of college

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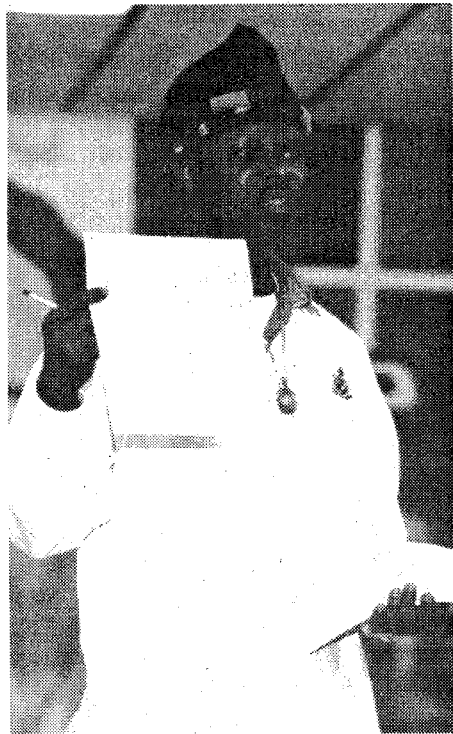
Town Meeting Held to Address Eight Semester Policy

BY JULIE MINGIONE
Statesman Editor

In response to Stony Brook's eight semesters and out policy, students organized a town hall meeting in the Uniti Cultural Center on Thursday night to voice their concerns over a policy that continues to leave more resident students without campus housing.

Jamel Jones Addoh and Polity President Andrez Carberry led the meeting. It was an informal, not widely publicized effort to organize student leaders. Various campus organizations were represented, including Malik Sigma Psi, Alpha Phi Alpha, and Latin American Students Organization.

"This is a University that stresses diversity and yet they're instituting a policy that contradicts those statements," Carberry said. Carberry and others charge that forcing students to find off-campus housing after eight semesters at the University is discriminatory towards minorities, whom have a harder time



Statesman/Harvey Yau

Jamel Jones Addoh



Statesman/Harvey Yau

The town meeting was held in the Uniti Cultural Center.

finding off-campus housing in the surrounding areas. "Students of color are particularly at risk...the communities surrounding Stony Brook do not welcome students of color with open arms," former Polity President Monique Maylor wrote in a letter to Aaron Godfrey, president of the University Senate.

"I looked for off-campus housing and it was tough. They (landlords) judge you right away. When they opened the door they thought I was going to rob them," said an African-American student who requested anonymity. However, Addoh contends that, "This should not be a race issue. It is affecting all of us."

When asked how far he would go to fight the eight-semester policy, he replied, "As far as it needs to go to be taken to ascertain some kind of change."

In April 1998, a committee was formed called the Housing Planning Advisory Committee (HPAC). This group consisted of administrators and one student, then Polity President Monique Maylor. In her letter Maylor contends that, "Aside from myself, no other students were involved in the deliberations of the HPAC and the new housing policy was not discussed...at any meeting I attended."

The town meeting that occurred on Thursday, however, encouraged discussion among all present about effective ways to bring about change. "Either we take a stand now or face the consequences. If we don't, nobody else will," Addoh said. The meeting produced short-term goals to be executed within two weeks. Mailings, postcards with student signatures, flyer distribution in the dorms, student phone-ins, and televised messages in the Student Activities Center were all suggested as viable options.

Maylor, in her letter, goes on to call the eight-semester policy "anti-student."

She contends that, "If I had known about it at the time that I served on the HPAC committee, I would have vigorously opposed this wrong headed policy."

Although students are permitted to appeal for an exemption from the policy, few are granted. Students in the EOP program, which operates on a five-year track, are granted exception, as well as certain five-year engineering programs and students with medical disabilities.

The average student, as described by Godfrey, "has a lot to do. A Stony Brook student is under enormous stress; they have classes and jobs." However, according to Dan Melucci's summary of the May 1998 HPAC meeting, "Upperclassmen are better prepared for the complexities of off-campus living that underclassmen."

This statement, however, is not necessarily true for everyone. "I am affected by this policy, but I haven't been given any options. Off-campus housing is expensive, and since I don't have a car, I'd have to take the bus," said a junior who wished to remain anonymous.

As the number of beds available to students is rapidly decreasing, Stony Brook's enrollment is increasing. "It is in the interest of the campus to get enrollment as high as possible. SUNY funding is directly tied to enrollment. The fall 1999 enrollment increased by 500-600 students," Godfrey said.

There is talk, though not officially confirmed, that the University has plans to increase enrollment by 3,000 students within the next three years, in conjunction with the Resource Allocation Module (RAM).

While enrollment keeps increasing, more and more of Stony Brook's superseniors are finding themselves without housing for the fall 2000 semester. These students will be placed on a waiting list, and in the fall a lottery is held to

determine their individual residential fates. This will occur after all new students have been accommodated.

As statistics show, there is a trend among college students that shows the decreased likelihood that they will complete the bachelor's degree requirements in four years. Between 1977 and 1998, students receiving bachelors degrees within four years of high school declined from 45 percent to 31 percent, while those completing their degrees more than six years after high school increased from 25 percent to 32 percent.

Godfrey cites SUNY cuts in faculty funding which leads to closed classes and eventually a longer time for students to take the classes needed to graduate.

Linda Ayala, an administrator in the department of pharmacology, said that although she not directly connected to residential life, she encounters students every day who have to contend with the prospect of having to search for off-campus housing.

"The policy is a disturbance to the students and a reflection of the campus community. Administration has to be responsible for those students who are on a five year plan," Ayala said.

But no matter what race a student belongs to, the difficulties they face after their eighth semester on campus are steep. "Off-campus housing on Long Island is expensive, especially for students, who are hard pressed to make ends meet, not to mention the issue of transportation," said Maylor.

Another town meeting is scheduled for March 1 at 10p.m. in the SAC and all interested students are welcome to attend.

"It is unfair to ask students who have paid their tuition and contributed to the University to leave," Maylor wrote. "The message it sends to prospective students is, if you can't graduate in four years, don't come here."

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'Open for Business'

USB Creates First Survey Center

By TINA CHADHA
Statesman Editor

Leonie Huddy and Stanley Feldman, both professors in the political science department, have created the Stony Brook Center for Survey Research, the University's first survey center.

"It's something the university has been missing," Huddy said.

The Center, which is housed in the department of political science on the seventh floor of the Social and Behavioral Sciences building, will conduct surveys on a wide array of topics such as politics, health and the environment. "How else do scientists know about things like the risk of heart disease," questioned Huddy. "They surveyed people over a period of time."

The Center will also provide other services including advice regarding all aspects of surveying, questionnaire preparation and data collection and analysis. These services are offered to both on and off campus researchers for a reasonable cost. The results of the research will be publicly available.

The initial start-up money for the Center was provided by the National Science Foundation. This allowed for the purchase of 14 state-of-the-art telephone stations in order to conduct interviews with people selected through a random process. "We hope to do the surveys on Long Island and New York State," Huddy said, "and some might be national."

Huddy has conducted a number of polls on Long Island over the last 10 years as part of her own research program.

Conducting the interviews will



Statesman/Richard Joe

Leonie Huddy is the principal investigator of the SBCRS

be undergraduate students, currently being recruited from the social science departments such as psychology, sociology and political science. "We are trying to get the word out as much as possible on campus for students to work in the Center," said Huddy, who has published numerous articles on public opinions on topics ranging from public support for the women's movement to attitudes on race.

The undergraduate students will be trained by graduate students in the use of computer telephone techniques. "This is good training for undergraduate students to get research experience and gain contact with graduate supervisors," Huddy said. "The data analysis will be done by graduate students who have very good statistical training. It requires a lot of people to do it right." She also said that she likes polling people and that it is a nice project. "It cuts across several different departments" said Huddy.

Huddy explained that to access phone interviews, students just have to press a button and the computer automatically dials numbers. The phone interviews can range from 15-20 minutes on average. "The only difficulty is getting people to initially take the phone call," Huddy said, "since they are flooded with phone calls. However, we are

considered much more legitimate than regular telemarketers."

The Center is currently preparing for its first survey, funded by the Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, Paul Armstrong, and Vice President of research Gail Habicht.

Huddy said that she hopes this study, set to begin in March, draws in publicity to let researchers and administrators know the Center is open for business. "We would like to have the center to work and survive," she said.

Hillary Supports Tuition Tax Breaks

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tuition has doubled in the last 20 years, parents start worrying about paying for it at the beginning of a child's life.

"As I said on Sunday, when I announced my campaign, I may be new to the neighborhood, but I'm not new to your concerns. And as a parent of a child who is currently in college, I am certainly not new to the concerns of paying for college," she said.

Jamilia Dalla, who was on a panel with Clinton, said she returned to college later in life along with her children thanks in part to federal aid.

"I used to tell my husband I wished that the tuition could be tax deductible," she said. "I never

thought something would come out of what I'm saying."

But Clinton was careful to note that the entire burden of the cost of paying for college should not be on the government, and that scholarships, loans and work-study programs should continue to play an important part.

"This has to be a whole package," she said.

Later Friday, Clinton attended a rally in her honor of about 600 people at Adelphi University, in Garden City. She took questions from students in the audience there and again touched on her proposal for making college tuition tax deductible. She also promised her support for afternoon and weekend programs to keep teenagers off the street.

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Editorials

Happy Valentine's Day

You either love it or hate it but there is no way you can escape it. It's Valentine's Day and for better or worse, lines will be out the door at flower shops, heart shaped candy will be eaten and sexy lingerie will be sold out in stores everywhere. Like every other holiday, Valentine's Day is fast approaching the commercial breaking point. Immediately after dilapidated Santas and sorry looking holiday decorations are forever banned to the back rooms of stores, shelves are stocked with some of the corniest items you will see throughout the year.

They have tacky red and white foil garland. They have his and hers rose scented underwear. Anything edible is shaped into a heart. They even have pigs, not to mention every other stuffed animal, that will oink a song to tell your love how much they mean to you.

Sure everyone gets a kick out of this stuff, either as the giver or the receiver, but if you need a banana holding gorilla to tell your better half that you are wild for them, well, you have a problem.

No one can say that there is anything either right or wrong about love but to be sure, Valentine's Day is geared towards the lovebirds of the world. But what if you do not have a Snookums or a Pookie? Should you be left trading everything red and pink for black and watching television candy-less tonight?

Absolutely not! V-day doesn't have to be D-day. Just because you aren't expecting a dozen roses today from the man or woman of your dreams is no reason to be the anti-Christ of Valentine's Day. Surely you have something to love.

Love the fact that it is almost springtime. Love that a good portion of the semester is over and

pretty soon you won't be forced to eat Stony Brook food. Love that the weather is actually getting warmer and the campus is emerging out from the tundra.

Love your mom, send her a card. Love the sibling you constantly argue with, call a temporary truce to your bickering. Love your favorite professor, tell them how inspiring they are to you (Hey, it may be brown-nosing but it might help your grade). Love your school and fellow students and say excuse me if you bump into someone today.

After all, flowers smell nice but they look ugly when they start to wilt. And candy is tasty but you know what they say, "A moment on the lips, a lifetime on the hips."

Even if you are dateless, there is no reason to be bitter, celebrate anyway. Love yourself, and buy yourself some candy!

Free For All-Campus Ice Skating

By PAM MOENCH
Statesman Contributor



Love is in the Air

Statesman Plays Cupid

Dear Shlug,

I know that I tell you all the time, but I would just like to say how much I love you to the entire world. You mean everything to me. After all, who else could put up with my bubbameises? I just want you to know that as long as you're here, I will always have a reason to smile. I love you so much.

Love, Poofer

Gooses,

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Precious

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lving and thinking of you J
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Love always,
Nick

Happy Valentine's Day to all the attractive, lovely Stony Brook women. If you see me in the halls, don't be afraid to say hello and how you're feeling. To that special girl in my class, yeah it's you I've been looking at. You make this class worth attending.

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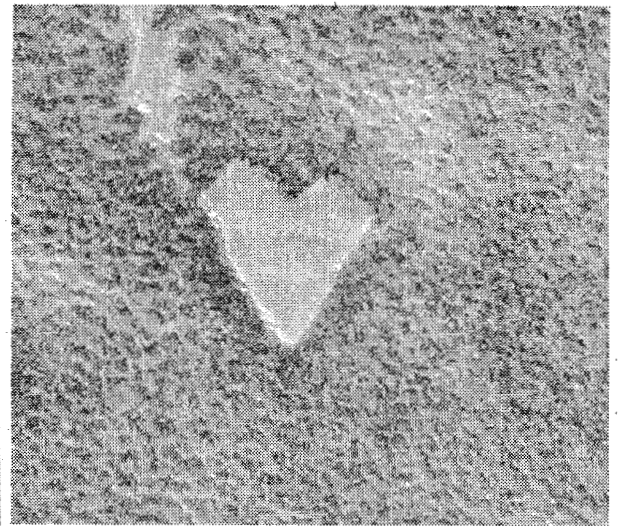
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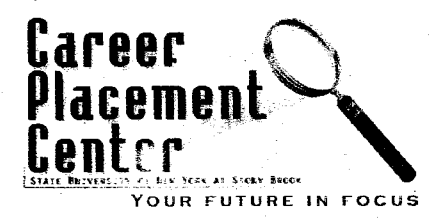


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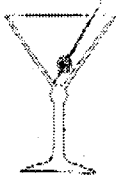
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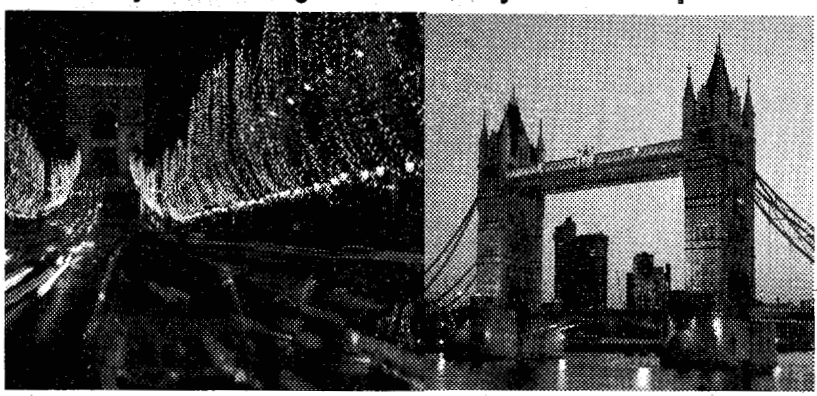
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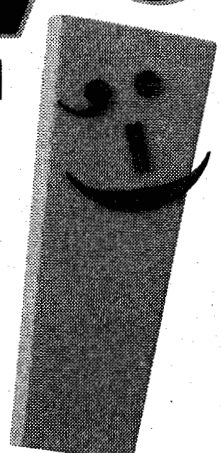
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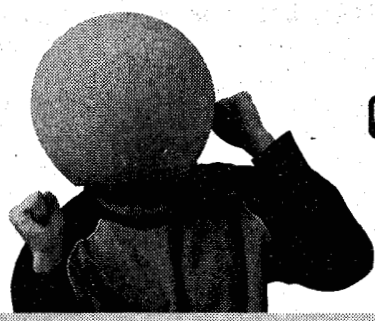
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Going Global Dance Program Creates a Project for "Our Mothers"

By ERIN ROSENKING
Statesman Editor

An artistic archaeological dig is currently going on at Stony Brook, but the anthropology department has nothing to do with it.

In coordination with the theater arts department, Stony Brook's dance program is gearing up to produce "Our Mothers," a plan they are calling a global community project. The project, headed up by Amy Sullivan, associate professor in the department, is setting out to examine mothers and motherhood. The results of this examination will then be put to music and dance.

"We are going to be digging into the voice of the community," Sullivan said. One part of the project requires that students interview people of all ages, from children to the elderly, about their thoughts on mothers.

The results of these interviews will then act as an archive on which to base the music, the movement and the gestures in the dance that will follow. The final performance of "Our Mothers" is planned for May 7 at sunset outside of the math building.

Sullivan said that the project is interested in discovering the changing structures and values associated with mothering. "We want to crack into life experiences and uncover the process of mothering," Sullivan said. "It is going to be a very vibrant uncovering because of all the variation and elements that are going to come together," she said.

In order to begin this digging and uncovering, Sullivan and her students have begun a series of workshops. One theme of the project is the making of bread. "Breadmaking is a metaphor for feeding and nourishing," Sullivan said, two motifs that are integral in an examination of motherhood.

In order to understand this process, a bread workshop was held with women in their seventies and Sullivan's students. In addition to grinding grain and kneading dough, the project allowed students to participate in what Sullivan called cross-generational learning. "There are incredible things to come from this," she said.

Throughout the course of the interviews, Sullivan is developing a movement vocabulary. She said that many people are using the same



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The performance of the project is set for May 7.

words and themes in their thoughts on mothers. This is allowing her to translate these words into movements for the dance.

Last year, Sullivan was voted one of the top 250 artists in communities in the nation in a grant selection from the National Endowment for the Arts and the Mid-Atlantic Arts Foundation. She is calling her latest project a lot of fun and she said that the students were doing great work. "They are learning creativity from the inside out," she said. "They are also learning how to collaborate with people on their own level but in the community and professional worlds as well."

Sullivan hopes that the project will be continued

in semesters to come but she has even bigger hopes. "We want to continue linking the arts with the community but we want to broaden the boundaries of the University," she said. To do this, Sullivan wants to bring the project into other communities in the United States and eventually bring it to the United Nations. "We want it to be global," she said.

For the next phase of the project, another workshop is scheduled for this Wednesday at 7:30 in the Nassau Hall dance studio on South Campus. She expects 50-75 attendees, however she noted that a selection process will be implemented in the event of an excessive amount of people. "Everyone is welcome to come and no experience is necessary."