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Revised Policy Reduces Towing By 50 Percent

By Arthur Rothschild

Stony Brook's policy concerning the towing of illegally parked vehicles on campus — a major ingredient in recent University debate — has changed to include significantly reducing the number of cars towed.

Aimed at alleviating a "high campus frustration level," the mitigation of campus security's enforcement of towing will reflect, according to University Business Manager Paul Madonna, a reduction of about 50 percent in the number of vehicles towed

from last year's total.

Citing the lack of necessity in a strict towing policy a motive, Madonna has directed campus security to order only "first priority violators" towed. Considered first priority violators are cars parked at fire hydrants, in parking spaces allotted to handicapped people, blocking garbage dumpsters and loading zones, as well as cars parked that obstruct campus traffic. Before the start of this semester, cars parked illegally on the side of roadways and those parked in parking areas without



IDLE TOW TRUCKS: With the implementation of a less stringent towing policy, these trucks may no longer be needed.

authorization were also towed. Unaffected is the University's policy dealing with the ticketing of vehicles illegally parked, including those parked on roadway sides and those in parking lots without authorization. Tickets carry a \$5 fine and a \$17 charge is added to

cover towing fees when applicable. "As long as there is no pressure by administrators, students, or faculty to reinstate a more stringent policy [regarding towing], and as long as daily campus traffic is not affected," explained Madonna, "there is no reason to add to an

already present polarity existing between administrators and the student body." Madonna's authorization follows an evaluation of campus parking this summer by President John Marburger and Carl Hanes, vice-president for finance and business.

Charges Against Zuckerman Arise

By Howard Saltz

The Polity Senate is expected to decide tomorrow night whether to require Polity President Rich Zuckerman to formally answer a series of charges against him, the responses to which may result in impeachment proceedings.

Commuter Senator Paul Coppa is citing nine charges against Zuckerman, and asking the Summer Senate, which is the decision-making body until the regular Senate is elected in October, to require him to respond. Based on his responses, the Senate would decide at its

September 25 meeting whether to impeach Zuckerman.

"They [the Polity Council] failed to abide by federal civil rights regulations and failed to involve the Summer Senate in budget hearings," Coppa said, citing his major charges.

His case against Zuckerman,

which may be amended to include two more charges, includes allegations that:

- Zuckerman and the Council had refused to follow federal civil rights requirements, thus causing the 1980-81 Polity budget to be frozen.

- Zuckerman tried to "cover up" this non-compliance by saying that he did not know about the civil rights requirements until recently.

- Zuckerman and the Council ignored a Polity Judiciary injunction that mandated that Senior Representative Ruth Supovitz not be declared the



RICHARD ZUCKERMAN

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Corps Service May Begin

By Ellen Lander

The Stony Brook Ambulance Corps, entering into its third week of inoperation, may soon resume service.

A meeting, between the corps' officers and administration, scheduled for today at 9 AM, will supposedly determine the source of immediate funding, according to Brian Annex, the corps' executive vice-president.

Among the administrators who will be present at the meeting are Paul Chase, assistant to the president, and James Black, vice-president for university affairs.

"We are very concerned about not having an ambulance corps," said Black, adding that Administration is working "as quick as possible" to set the corps up again.

Black intends to send a letter out to the

employees and faculty of the University in an attempt to raise money for the corps. He added that Polity is still considering initially funding the corps for at least the first few months. "They [the ambulance corps] don't even have enough money for gas," said Black.

Black had met with the Fire Chiefs of the Setauket and Stony Brook Fire Departments last Tuesday to inform them of his intentions to alleviate the responsibility using their departments to cover for the campus.

According to Roger Allen, Chief of the Stony Brook Fire Department, the amount of work involved was minimized because "everyone pitched in and helped. Security helped by administering first-aid, and the ambulance corps members helped by responding to calls whenever possible."



THE STONY BROOK VOLUNTEER Ambulance Corps may soon resume operation.

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NYPIRG Claims Funds Withheld

By Alan Golnick

The Stony Brook Chapter of the New York Public Interest Research Group (NYPIRG) has alleged that money has been unjustly withheld from them by Polity.

Last fall, the student body passed a referendum that raised the student activity fee \$5 per student per semester. NYPIRG was supposed to have received \$1.50, the remaining \$3.50 per student going to athletics.

"Polity voted to trim over \$3,000 annually from NYPIRG," said Blair Horner, a representative of the group. "The students voted for the allotment, so I think the student government is not representing what the students want. It's an infringement of students' rights and seems to be a cut and dry issue."

"By state law the referendum was not binding," said Polity treasurer Larry Siegel. "Before the referendum was passed (1979-80), NYPIRG got \$5,000. Now they're getting about \$25,000."

The Polity budget for 1980-81 allocates \$24,480 for NYPIRG.

In Polity's constitution, it states that "a referendum shall be adopted if a majority of those casting ballots vote affirmatively." But according to Siegel, "the referendum may have been illegal because the Constitution delegates budget authority to the Senate. The referendum took that authority away."

"They [NYPIRG] may not have gotten \$1.50 per person," said Senior Class Representative Ruth Supovitz, "but they did receive a phenomenal increase over last year."