

# Polity Re-establishes SUNY Lobbying Group

By Bruce Wayne Goldfeder

The first Polity Senate meeting for the semester, held last Monday night had a full agenda of past and present accomplishments, and future endeavors.

As a result of the SUNY-wide proposed dorm and tuition increase the Senate has re-established the "Future of Stony Brook" committee to lobby in Albany for student rights. The committee, according to Senior Class Representative Ruth Supovitz was originally set up last year under the administration of former Polity President David Herzog. This year the five member committee, consisting of Supovitz, Junior Class Representative Martha Ripp, Sophomore Class Representative, Ron Serpico, Polity Vice President Jim Fuccio and Kelly A Senator David Berenbaum, will lobby against the proposed increases with the Student Association of the State University of New York (SASU) and NYPIRG. The lobbying procedures should begin within a month.

A run-down of the other items that were discussed include the following:

- The near-completion of the \$30,000 renovation project for the new location of the Commuter College, room 080 in the basement of the Stony Brook Union.
- The ratification of a committee to investigate the

feasibility of an emergency loan program.

- The Coram Bus service will run for a one month trial period this semester. Since no statistics or evaluations were officially kept last semester, the council will be looking at the cost-analysis of running the Bus Service at a cost of \$7,000 per semester.

- Polity announced it is ready to ratify Affirmative Action for equal opportunity for its guidelines which will put in writing past Polity practices in an effort to continue to provide action of equal opportunity to all students.

- Polity has guaranteed that every suite and hall will have a fire extinguisher. If broken or stolen, call Paul Madonna at 246-3592.

- The Third Town Hall Meeting is officially scheduled for Feb. 17 at 8 PM in Lecture Hall 109. Unlike the last two Town Hall Meetings, "they will not be as general but will focus in on, and concentrate on, specific problems. These will include proposed curfews, mandatory checking cars upon admittance to the University, a Rape Prevention Unit, and better traffic lighting," said Ripp. All are invited to attend.

- The Polity Sports Athletic budget may be reduced if companies like Budweiser and Coca-Cola are willing to

sponsor clubs and buy equipment.

- All students who play school club sports are now rendered a physical free of charge from University Services.

- People interested in joining a Polity Walk-in Referral Service should contact Fred Coulter at Polity. This service will allow students to come to Polity with problems concerning lack of heat or hot water, financial aid or legal problems.

- Polity is now trying to set up a Polity Outstanding Student Award List. This will be a temporary honor-society-like program which will be in effect until an official Dean's list is implemented. People interested in forming a committee should contact Ron Serpico at Polity.

- People interested in setting up a "Teacher Evaluation Committee," should contact Babak Movahedi at Polity. This committee was dropped five years ago and is trying to be reinstated. The comprehensive list is intended to help the student in his academic stay.

- Polity is establishing a Tutorial Clearinghouse program which would provide students with a directory of all tutorial services on campus. Anyone with knowledge of such programs should contact Polity.

## SB Health Week Boasts Big Turn-out

By Scott E. Weissman

Stony Brook's first University Health week ended yesterday as a success with a large turn-out of interested students, faculty and staff.

The health services, held in the Stony Brook Union for three days, were sponsored by the Pre-Med Society. The services included blood pressure tests, lung tests, sports medicine displays, information on birth control, venereal disease, mental health, and demonstrations of cardiopulmonary resuscitation, and first aid. Health Week, which was funded by Polity and the Stony Brook Foundation, was made available through the efforts of the Infirmary, the University Hospital, the Dental School, Health Sciences Center, the Long Island Sickle Cell Anemia Project, the Physical Education Department, EROS, Stony Brook Safety Services and the Stony Brook Volunteer Ambulance Corps.

Mary Pearl, a health educator from the American Lung Association of Nassau and

Suffolk Counties, said that she was not surprised by the tremendous turn-out. "Many people are concerned about their health, and it showed, with all their different questions," she said. "At my table, we not only had literature on smoking available, but we also gave a lung test, which measures the carbon monoxide level in a person's blood. Of course, Pearl said, the results showed that most smokers did have higher levels of carbon monoxide in their blood. "But, there was equal concern for their health from both smokers and non-smokers."

Many students were interested in what exactly Health Week was about. Freshman Natalie Jasen, a smoker for four years said that, "Health Week was a very good idea and should be done every year." She continued, "I am interested in checking out my lungs, to see how badly smoking effected them." When asked if there should be any changes in the way it was set up, she

replied, "everything is set up nicely, but there is one thing that maybe should be set up differently. The birth control and V.D. Information table is too exposed. If it were set up in a more remote area, then maybe people wouldn't be embarrassed to go to it. Some people like to receive information in private."



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THE FIRST UNIVERSITY HEALTH WEEK drew a large turn-out.

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