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01. Administrative (dept moves/closes, employee info, Admin announcements)

1. Request for Nominations for 2007 Honorary Degrees

The honorary doctorate is the highest form of recognition offered by the University. We would like nominations that reflect the diversity that exists on our campus. We also prefer to honor people who are still active and to whom we are among the first to offer this recognition.

We must ask, however, that you do all you can to ensure that confidentiality is maintained and that you do not contact nominees nor in any way communicate to them that they are being considered for an honorary degree.

Nominations are due in the Graduate School, 2401 Computer Science, Z=4433 by April 13, 2006.

A complete list of SUNY honorary degrees and a set of the guidelines adopted by the Board of Trustees may be obtained from your Dean or by contacting the Committees Executive Secretary, Mrs. Ignacia Ruiz-Garcia (631 632-7035).

Submitted by: Ignacia Ruiz/Grad

2. Copy Paper Prices Increase

International Paper Mills has increased its prices due to the rising costs of energy and raw materials for the manufacturing, transportation and distribution of copy paper products, resulting in an increased cost to their distributors. Effective April 10th 2006, copy paper prices under the Staples contract have increased. At the request of the Procurement Office, Staples has agreed to a curtailed price increase. The price of Staples Red Box paper (8.5 x 11) has increased to \$26.90 a carton and will hold firm until 7/1/06, at which time the price will increase to \$27.90 a carton, provided that no additional price increases will be passed along by International Paper Mills. Hammermill and Great White copy paper products have also increased, for detailed sku item numbers and pricing please call Joanne Joy at 2-6046.

Submitted by: Christine Wilson/Admin

03. Workshops/Courses/Training (work related; HR, EAP, DoIT, etc...)

1. The Counseling Process for Supervisors of Research Foundation Employees

This program will provide you, the 1st or 2nd line supervisors and managers, with information regarding the Counseling processes for non-represented Research Foundation employees in the Stony Brook University community. In addition it will provide you with the ability to support the supervisors in your departments who are faced with employee issues requiring counseling. The session includes:

How and when to conduct a counseling session

The difference between a verbal and a written counseling

How to write a counseling memo

How to identify problem situations

Determining when to counsel an employee and when to seek more severe administrative action

The roles of the Supervisor, the Department, and Employee and Labor Relations within the process.

Date: April 18th; Time: 9:00am - 1:00pm Place: Administration Bldg., Room 192

To Register: Click on link below

<http://naples.cc.sunysb.edu/Admin/HRSForms.nsf/aac30a50eebe3a8185256a6f004b0a84/7c48757ce9aedf9a85256a8d004b4293?OpenDocument>

Submitted by: Patricia Lore/Admin

2. Mastering Performance Reviews

Just as faculty members evaluate students on their performance in courses through papers, tests, classroom discussion, etc., managers evaluate employees on the quality and quantity of their work performance. These evaluations are made every day, every week, every month, depending on how closely the manager works with or observes his/her employees. These informal ratings form the basis for what we now call the more formal "performance appraisal" or "performance review".

This program is designed to:

Clarify the manager's role as a communicator, counselor and mentor.

Guide the manager through the process: from preparing for and conducting the appraisal session, to concluding the appraisal session, with follow-up.

Target Audience: Managers and supervisors responsible for managing the performance of others.

Date: April 19th; Time: 9:30am - 12:30pm Place: HSC Level 2, Room 154B

To Register: Click on link below

<http://naples.cc.sunysb.edu/Admin/HRSForms.nsf/aac30a50eebe3a8185256a6f004b0a84/7c48757ce9aedf9a85256a8d004b4293?OpenDocument>

Submitted by: Patricia Lore/Admin

3. EAP Lunchtime Learning Eldercare Series, Part 2 Adult Day Care... the Best Kept Secret in Long-Term Care

Guest Speaker - Jean Brand, Director of Adult Day Care, Long Island State Veterans Home
Adult day care is a community-based long-term care option that can assist you to keep your frail,

aging, or disabled family member at home. Learn the benefits of social and health model programs and which one may be best for your family member. Adult Day Care programs offer a reliable and affordable alternative to nursing home placement. These programs enable your loved one to attend enriching and therapeutic programs during the day, while maintaining their current lifestyle.

April 20, 2006, 12:00 to 1:00 p.m., HSC, L3, Rm. 171

To register call EAP at 632-6085

<http://www.sunysb.edu/eap>

Submitted by: Linda Tatem/Pres

4. EAP Lunchtime Learning Eldercare Series, Part 3 How to Select a Nursing Home

Guest Speaker - Fred Sganga, Executive Director, Long Island State Veterans Home

This workshop will cover the following topics: an overview of long term care today, understanding the continuum of care, helpful ideas in the selection process, how to pay for nursing home care and consumer resources that are available to assist you in the process.

Handouts will be provided.

April 27, 2006 - 12:00 to 1:00 p.m., HSC, L3, Rm. 171

To register call EAP at 632-6085

<http://www.sunysb.edu/eap>

Submitted by: Linda Tatem/Pres

5. FMLA & Medical Related Leaves Training For State & Research Foundation Employees

What is FMLA? The first half of this workshop will provide participants with an understanding of the Family Medical Leave Act (FMLA), in order to assist them with implementing this Federal Law. The second half of the workshop will address: State Time & Attendance guidelines, coordinating FMLA with other leave entitlements such as Sick Leave at Half pay or Presidential Sick Leave, and will briefly review Maternity/Paternity Leave & the Leave Donation Program for State employees. The workshop will conclude with a brief overview of FMLA, disability and workers comp for RF employees.

Target Audience: VP Coordinators, Dept Heads, & Managers who are responsible for administering campus policies.

Date: April 20th; Time: 9:30am - 12:30pm; Place: Administration Bldg., Room 192

To Register: Click on link below

<http://naples.cc.sunysb.edu/Admin/HRSForms.nsf/aac30a50eebe3a8185256a6f004b0a84/7c48757ce9aedf9a85256a8d004b4293?OpenDocument>

Submitted by: Patricia Lore/Admin

04. Conferences/Seminars/Lectures

1. The Laurence Baxter Memorial Lecture, Friday, April 28, 12 Noon, Student Activities Center-Ballroom B

Guest Speakers include Warren Ewens, Ph.D., University of Pennsylvania, "Backwards and Forwards in Population Genetics and Statistics" and Gary Chase, Ph.D., Penn State College of Medicine, "Lifetime Risk Estimation for Disease Susceptibility Genes: Conceptual and Empirical Approaches". For more information and to register, please call 632-8357 or visit www.ams.sunysb.edu.

<http://naples.cc.sunysb.edu/CEAS/amsweb.nsf>

Submitted by: Pamela Wolfskill/CEAS

2. Evolution 2006 meeting at Stony Brook University, June 23 - 27, 2006.

"Evolution 2006," the joint meeting of the Society for the Study of Evolution, the Society of Systematic Biologists, and the American Society of Naturalists will be hosted by the Department of Ecology and Evolution at SBU June 23 to 27, 2006. Most sessions/social events will be held at the Wang Center and SAC. Pre-meeting events are planned for June 22 and 23; social events take place most evenings during the meeting.

Interested faculty, postdocs and students from any department at SBU are encouraged to participate. Graduate students from any program may offer volunteer time in exchange for free registration. Students will be assigned jobs to minimize conflicts with attendance at symposia or sessions of interest to them. Contact the meeting coordinator, Annie Green (sse2006@life.bio.sunysb.edu) or co-organizers, Michael A. Bell (mabell@life.bio.sunysb.edu) and Massimo Pigliucci (Massimo@life.bio.sunysb.edu) for details.

<http://life.bio.sunysb.edu/ee/sse2006>

Submitted by: Donna Digiovanni/CAS

3. Neurobiology & Behavior Seminars

On Thursday, April 13th, at 12 Noon in Room 038 of the Life Sciences Building, the Department of Neurobiology and Behavior will host a Seminar given by Lee Cox, Ph.D. from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, Department of Molecular & Integrative Physiology, Beckman Institute. The title of the seminar is 'Peptide regulation of thalamocortical activity: A tale of two peptides.'

On Tuesday, April 18th at 4:00pm in room 038 of the Life Sciences Bldg, the Department of Neurobiology & Behavior will host a Seminar given by William Snider, M.D., Director, UNC Neuroscience Center, University of North Carolina School of Medicine. The title of the Seminar is: The Path from Nerve Growth Factor to Axon Assembly.

Submitted by: Karen Morse/UHMC

4. President's Lecture Series: April 27, 2006 - Professor Robert J. Aumann

President Kenny invites students, faculty, and staff to attend a special Presidential Lecture entitled "War and Peace," by 2005 Nobel Prize winner, Dr. Robert J. Aumann, Leading Professor of Economics, and founding member of Stony Brook's Center for Game Theory in Economics. In his talk, Dr. Aumann will consider ways of creating peace by addressing the root causes of war. Thursday, April 27, 2006; 4:00 - 5:00 p.m., Charles B. Wang Center Theatre. R.S.V.P. to the Office of Conferences and Special Events at 632-6320. Seating is open but limited to the Wang Center Theatre and Lecture Halls.

Submitted by: Christine Quinn/Pres

5. Doctoral Defenses This Week

Please click on the URL below to see this week's Doctoral Defenses.

<http://www.grad.sunysb.edu/ddd/weekly.shtml>

Submitted by: Fernando Cuenca/GST

6. Transforming Identities: Intersections of Race & Gender

Join the Wo/Men's Center for a look at the intersections between gender identity and racial identity, an exploration of the cultural and social overlaps, and barriers to bridge-building between communities of color and gender activist communities. Our featured speaker is T.J. Jourian, trans-male activist for social justice and cast member of the recently released Sundance/LOGO series "TransGeneration". The event is free and will take place on Tuesday, April 25th from 6:30 to 8:00 PM in Humanities Lecture Hall 1006. Sponsored by the Wo/Men's Center, the Women's Studies Department, the GSO, and the Office of Diversity and Affirmative Action. Please direct all questions to the Wo/Men's Center at 2-9666.

Submitted by: Justine Perkowski/OSA

7. The Seventeenth Annual Jacob Bigeleisen Endowed Lecture

Professor Francois N. Diederich, Professor of Organic Chemistry at ETH Zurich, will present the Seventeenth Annual Jacob Bigeleisen Endowed Lecture on Monday, April 17 at 4:00 pm in the Wang Center Theater. The title of his talk is "Acetylenic Scaffolding in One, Two, and Three Dimensions: Towards New Optoelectronic Materials." Light refreshments will be served at 3:30 pm in the Theater Lobby. For further information, please contact the Chemistry Department at 632-7884.

<http://www.stonybrook.edu/chemistry/>

Submitted by: Norma Reyes/CAS

05. Hosp/HSC Conferences/Seminars/Lectures

1. Seminar at Sea - "The Prevention and Treatment of Heart Disease"

Times Beacon Record Newspapers in partnership with Stony Brook University Hospital presents a Seminar at Sea

The Prevention and Treatment of Heart Disease.

Thursday, April 27, 2006 at 6:00 p.m. aboard the Port Jefferson Ferry. Speakers will be David Brown, M.D., Hal Skopicki M.D. and Todd Rosengart, M.D. Dinner is included. For more information and reservations call Vicki at 631.444.2693.

Submitted by: Victoria Irwin/UHMC

2. Department of Physiology and Biophysics and the School of Medicine Symposium

Tuesday, April 25, 2006 from 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Van der Kloot Symposium entitled "The Promise of Stem Cells"

Location: Health Sciences Center, Level 3, Lecture Hall 5

Please contact the Department of Physiology and Biophysics at 4-2287 for more information.

<http://www.pnb.sunysb.edu/>

Submitted by: Robin Green/UHMC

3. Science And Research Awareness Series

What are the different careers and fields in Biomedical Sciences?

How can I plan for my future in the area of Biomedical Sciences?

If you don't have definitive answers to the above statements, participate in Science and Research Awareness Series (SARAS) being organized by the Department of Anesthesiology at Stony Brook Medical Center in the summer (July) of 2006 and interact with physicians, scientists, allied health professionals, health administrators and other experts, and get introduced to different specialties and careers. This program consists of lectures, expert's views, video workshops and hands-on-workshops. Though this program is designed for high school and undergraduate students, it is open for everyone who is interested in Biomedical Sciences. Please register early, as seats are limited.

Click on the following link for details of the program.

<http://anes.anesthes.sunysb.edu/teaching/sas.html>

<http://anes.anesthes.sunysb.edu/teaching/sas.html>

Submitted by: Srinivas Pentyala/UHMC

06. Charitable (Habitat, Blood drives, Cats, etc...)

1. Alopecia Awareness Week

Looking for a new spring look? Why not donate your hair to someone in need! We are gathering as many people as possible to come together and cut and donate their hair to victims of Alopecia Areata (autoimmune disorder resulting in the loss of hair).

If you are attached to your own hairdresser, and would still like to participate you can have your hair cut in advance and bring it the day of.

DATE: April 25, 2006 LOCATION: Beauty N Brains Salon-hairdressers will be available for FREE (other days can be arranged)

REQUIREMENTS: Hair must be at least 10 inches - it can be colored or permed, but not bleached or chemically damaged.

Financial donations in any amount will be accepted. This event is sponsored by: Career Center, VCS (Volunteers for Community Service), AmeriCorps, Beauty In Brains, and UNITI Cultural Center. Questions: please call 631-632-6812 or email uzalewski@notes.cc.sunysb.edu.

Submitted by: Urszula Zalewski/OSA

07. Entertainment (Sports, Movies, Events, etc...)

1. The 13th Annual Child Care Cash Bonanza Win \$15,000

Stony Brook Child Care will hold its annual Child Care Cash Bonanza on Thursday, April 20th, 2006 at the Student Activity Center. Tickets are \$50.00 each and they may be purchased at the child care center or at the Bursar's office. A ticket admits two adults for an International Coffee, Tea and Dessert Extravaganza. For more information, please call 632-6930 or 632-KIDS.

Submitted by: Nancy Walker/Affl

2. Acclaimed singer-songwriter Tom Russell at The University Cafe Sunday April 23rd at 2 PM after his appearance on Letterman program

A few days after his April 19th appearance on The Late Show with David Letterman, Tom Russell will be performing at The University Cafe at Stony Brook University in the Sunday Acoustic Concert series. Letterman is just one of many admirers of Russell, who has released over twenty albums and has had his songs recorded by Johnny Cash, Nanci Griffith, Dave Alvin, Ian Tyson and many others. Russell's latest CD, Love & Fear, has attracted widespread critical acclaim.

Reservations/information: 632-6027 or e mail gpalaia@notes.cc.sunysb.edu

Submitted by: Charles Backfish/CAS

3. Call for Nominations: 2005-2006 Campus Life Awards

Campus Life Awards were created to recognize outstanding leadership, programming, advising and academic support. To nominate your favorite student leader, student organization, advisor, or faculty/teaching staff, visit the Web site of the Office of the Dean of Students (below) for a nomination form. Deadline is April 18.

Campus Life Awards will be held in the SAC Auditorium on Wednesday, May 3, 2006 at 5:30 pm. All are welcome to attend. For more information, please contact Cheryl Chambers, Dean of Students Office, Suite 222, Student Activities Center, or call 632-9968.

<http://studentaffairs.stonybrook.edu/dos/campuslifeawards>

Submitted by: Cheryl Chambers/OSA

4. Stony Brook Opera to produce Mozart's Le nozze di Figaro on April 21 and 23

On Friday, April 23, 2006 at 8 p.m. and Sunday, April 23 at 2 p.m. Stony Brook Opera will present a fully staged production of Mozart's popular opera *Le nozze di Figaro* (The Marriage of Figaro) at the Staller Center for the Arts. The opera will be sung in the original Italian language, with projected titles in English. Timothy Long will conduct the cast and the Stony Brook Symphony Orchestra, and Andrew Frank will direct the production, which features sets by Maruti Evans, costumes by Sarah Iams, and lighting by Chris Dallos. Tickets are \$20 general and \$10 students/seniors and are available at the Staller Center Box Office (632-ARTS, or on line at www.stallercenter.com). There will be a pre-opera lecture in the Recital Hall one hour before each performance.

Submitted by: David Lawton/CAS

5. Theatre Department's 2006 Conservatory Classic: The Importance of Being Earnest

The Department of Theatre Arts at Stony Brook University goes "Wilde" this spring as they present Oscar Wilde's hilarious romp into the naughty Victorian world of love, manners and accidental truth. "The Importance of Being Earnest" is one of the theatre's perfect comedies epitomizing the wit of one of the greatest English satirists of the nineteenth century. Valeri Lantz-Gefroh, head of the Acting Program at Stony Brook, will direct this brilliant farce in which marriage, morals, and manners are joyfully mocked as we follow the trials and travails of Earnest, who has the misfortune to have two young ladies, Gwendolyn and Cecily, in romantic pursuit of him. But who is Earnest? That's the question on everyone's mind

Staller Center, Theatre 2, April 20-23, 27-30, 2006, Thurs-Sat @ 8pm, Sun @ 2pm

Tickets: \$12 general, \$7 student

Box Office: 632-ARTS

Submitted by: Augusta Kuhn/CAS

6. Lars Tiffany To Host Lacrosse Clinic On April 15 before Stony Brook Men's Lacrosse game against Hartford

Stony Brook University Head Men's Lacrosse Coach, Lars Tiffany, has announced a lacrosse youth clinic that will take place before the men's lacrosse game against Hartford on April 15. Stony Brook players and coaches will run the lacrosse clinic from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. on April 15 before the men take the field against Hartford at 7 p.m.

Cost of the each clinic is just \$5 and includes a ticket to the Seawolves game that day. Siblings and friends are invited to attend the clinic while adult tickets are available for \$7 apiece. While at the game, be sure to cheer the Seawolves to victory!

To pre-register for the clinics, please call (631) 632-9556 or email your contact information to eric.george@stonybrook.edu.

<http://www.goseawolves.org>

Submitted by: Eric George/Pres

7. Persian Dance and Music by Amir Vahab Ensemble Tuesday, April 25, 7:00 p.m., Wang Theater

Lose yourself in the melody, rhythm, and colors of Iranian traditional dance and music performed by the renowned and eclectic ensemble of the celebrated musician and composer Amir Vahab. Amir Vahab is one of New York's most celebrated and distinguished composer/vocalists of Persian sacred and folk music. He sings in the traditional Persian style, which embodies millennia of the theoretical and mystical traditions of the ancient land of Iran. He has spent more than three decades perfecting his skills under the instruction of some of the most renowned and legendary masters of Persian music. Co-produced with the Persian Cultural Association.

Tickets: Free for students; \$10 general admission. Reserve your tickets at wangcenter@stonybrook.edu or call (631) 632-4400.

Submitted by: Ella Metlitsky/Pres

8. Popular Indian Film Series Kannathil Muthamittal (A Peck on the Cheek) Wednesday, April 19, 7:00 p.m., Wang Theater

A little girl's search for the biological mother who had abandoned her is brought out poignantly in this unabashed rhapsody of domestic bliss. Mani Ratnam yet again proves that he is at his best when tackling complex personal relationships within the backdrop of violent political strife. Amudha (P.S. Keerthana), adopted by Thiru (Madhavan) and Indira (Simran) and growing up with the couple's two sons, is blissfully unaware of her parentage, till the couple decide to inform her of it on her ninth birthday. At first shocked into disbelief, Amudha then expresses her

determination to search out for her biological mother. The search takes the family to strife-torn Sri Lanka, where Amudha comes face-to-face with the sordid reality of terror. A riveting story, lush cinematography, well-defined complex characters and the pulsating music of A.R.Rahman are signature elements of Mani Ratnams opus. (Mani Ratnam/2002/123 minutes/Tamil with English subtitles)

Submitted by: Ella Metlitsky/Pres

9. Modern-Day Sangaku Exhibition April 24 to May 5 Monday, April 24, 10:00 a.m., Wang Lobby

Sangaku is a Japanese tradition of celebrating geometrical beauty by members of all social classes, popular during the Edo period (1603-1867). The traditional sangaku, a shaped wooden tablet on which a geometric problem or theorem is written with colorful paint, was displayed in a temple or shrine as an offering, as a puzzle for others to think over and understand, and as a way for the creator to show off the geometric discovery. We will revive this wonderful tradition with a modern-day celebration of geometric beauty in the form of a large colorful sculptural construction. All are welcome to help assemble. The assembly and creation of the sangaku is led by Dr. George Hart, Computer Science Department. Lecture and reception to follow at 3:00 p.m.

Submitted by: Ella Metlitsky/Pres

10. Broadway

Employee Activities Council Presents The Drowsy Chaperone

A completely original new musical comedy that tells the story of a musical theatre addict who drops the needle on his favorite LP the 1928 musical comedy The Drowsy Chaperone.

Saturday, June 10, 2006, 2:00 pm Matinee, Orchestra Seats at the Marquis Theatre, NYC

Costs: Tickets - \$66.00, Transportation - \$28.00

Bus will leave Administration Building at 11:30 am on Saturday, June 10, 2006.

Total of \$94.00

Please contact Lucille Meci at 632-8260 immediately if you are interested in attending.

Tickets are limited and payment must be made in full by April 10, 2006. Checks are payable to FSA 754 and should be sent to Lucille, Mathematics, Z=3651 or Dorothy, Accounting, Z=1151.

Submitted by: Lucille Meci/CAS

08. For-Pay Workshops/Courses (SPD, etc...)

1. The Culinary Experience

Thursday, April 20, 6:30 to 8:00 p.m., \$55

Peter Lessing, Lessings Inc.

Lessing is the executive chef of Lessings, a full-service food service company established in

1890, operating caterers such as Bourne Mansion and Timber Point Country Club as well as the Post Office Cafe of Babylon, Lessings of Manhasset, and The Bulldog Grille of Amityville. Lessing will draw on this multi-faceted experience to illuminate the challenges and joys of being an executive chef as we taste samples of his superlative cuisine, paired with appropriate wines.

<http://www.stonybrook.edu/winecenter>

Submitted by: Ginny Clancy/Pres

2. Defensive Driving Class Begins April 19th

This is a two week course, Thursday 4/19 and 4/26 from 6pm to 9pm at the Student Activities Center. Pre-registration and payment is necessary. The cost is \$31/students and \$35/non-students. Please divide payment between two checks: one check for either \$18/student or \$22/non-student (payable to SBU Crafts Center), and additional \$13 per person fee (payable to K. OBrien) and mail to: The Stony Brook Union Crafts Center, Stony Brook University, Stony Brook, NY 11794-3200. Please include your name, address, telephone number and class dates. In person registration at the Crafts Center, Union lower level room 049, please call for hours. This class is an Empire Safety Council Accident Prevention Workshop. For more information call the Crafts Center at 632-6822.

<http://www.stonybrook.edu/craftcenter>

Submitted by: Janice Costanzo/OSA

3. Beaded Jewelry Workshop, Sat. April 22, 11am-3pm

Create your own unique beaded accessories. Learn about the different stringing materials, tools and findings for glass beading. Learn how professionals crimp and attach clasps for a pleasing aesthetic. Bring lunch for this fun filled day! Materials fee of \$10 due instructor at class. Saturday 4/22, 11:00 am - 3:00 pm. Location: Union, lower level Weaving Studio room 081. Fee: \$30/student, \$45/non-student (check made payable to SBU Crafts Center). Prepayment/registration is necessary. By mail, send check to: The Stony Brook Union Craft Center, Stony Brook University, Stony Brook, NY 11794-3200. Please include your name, address, telephone number and class. In person registration at the Crafts Center, Union, lower level room 049. For information about other non-credit arts and leisure classes contact the Union Craft Center at 632-6822.

<http://www.stonybrook.edu/craftcenter>

Submitted by: Janice Costanzo/OSA

4. Adventures In The Spice Trade

Center for Wine, Food, and Culture - 401 Park Avenue South (28th Street), Stony Brook Manhattan. Why do we crave spices? What made them so desirable that Medieval Europeans

sailed beyond the edge of the known world to find them? How do exotic flavors fit into wine connoisseurship today? Yale Professor Paul Freedman, the worlds expert on the medieval spice trade, will lead a gustatory tour to answer these questions, pairing dynamic wines from both the old and new world with delectable, spicy tastes prepared by Suvir Saran, executive chef of the Indian fusion restaurant Devi and author of Indian Home Cooking. Wines will be provided by Billington Imports, and non-alcoholic beverages will also be available.

<http://www.stonybrook.edu/sb/winecenter>

Submitted by: Ginny Clancy/Pres

5. What is Chardonnay?

Thursday, April 13 (Please note: Date Change) 6:30 - 8:00 p.m. \$55-Bring a Friend and the second person gets a discounted rate of \$45.

Gilles Martin, Martha Clara Vineyards

Chardonnay is known as the world's favorite white wine grape. But how can we discover its true nature? Join winemaker Martin in a guided tasting paired with appropriate foods of Chardonnay in its many guises, from sparkling to still, dry to sweet, fruity to oaky. Martin, a native of France, holds a master's degree in oenology from University I de Montpellier and has made wine on Long Island for more than 15 years. Martin has also made wine in the Rhone Valley and Virginia. His 1997 Chardonnay was served at the White House.

To Register: Call Ginny Clancy at (631) 632-9404.

<http://www.stonybrook.edu/sb/winecenter>

Submitted by: Ginny Clancy/Pres

6. Defensive Driving Program for UUP Members and Their Immediate Family Members

A NYSUT sponsored Defensive Driving program is being offered on Saturday, May 6, 2006 from 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM in the Wang Center Room 301, for all UUP employees and their immediate family members.

Cost is \$25 per person. Checks should be made payable to "NYSUT Benefit Trust" and delivered to the UUP office, 104 Old Chemistry, Z=3475. Office hours are Monday thru Friday, 9 am to 3 pm.

Participants are usually entitled to a 10% discount on their automotive insurance. Check with your provider. The certificate is good for three years of savings!

Contact Corinne Burns at Ext. 26570 or cmburns@notes.cc.sunysb.edu for more information.

Submitted by: Corinne Burns/Affl

09. Research (Studies, Testing, etc...)

1. Are You Depressed?

The Department of Psychology at Stony Brook University is conducting up to a 6 month clinical trial involving medication with all participants and the addition of psychotherapy with some. Must be willing to travel up to two times a week for up to 3 months to the site and be available late afternoons/early evenings. If you have been feeling depressed (sad, down) most of the time for at least two years, you may be eligible to participate. All evaluations and treatments will be provided free of charge. If interested, please e-mail PsychDRC@notes.cc.sunysb.edu with your name, numbers, and the best times to reach you or call 631-632-6381 with the same and we will get back to you as soon as we can. All information will be kept strictly confidential. Enrollment period ending soon.

Submitted by: Laura Klein/CAS

10. Miscellaneous

1. Spring Plant Sale

The University Hospital Auxiliary is holding a Spring Plant Sale to benefit patient care in the vendor area of the Hospital (by the cafeteria on level 5) on Tuesday, April 11.

Submitted by: Patricia O'Brien/UHMC

2. UUP West Campus Semi-Annual General Membership Meeting

The West Campus Chapter of United University Professions will hold its Semi-Annual General Membership Meeting on Tuesday, April 18, 2006 from Noon to 1:30 in the SAC Auditorium. The Agenda includes reports from the President, the Vice President for Professionals, the Vice President for Academics and approval of the Chapter's 2006-2007 Budget. All UUP members are invited to attend. Lunch will be served. Please RSVP to Corinne in the UUP office at 2-6570 or via email at uup@notes.cc.sunysb.edu.

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