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

1. Spring Semester 2006 Tuition Waiver Program

The application for the B140w Tuition Waiver Program is now available to all full-time Research Foundation employees and all full-time west campus/HSC State employees. Please check the West Campus Benefits website under State or Research Foundation for complete information about the program. An application may be requested by calling the West Campus Benefits office at 2-6167 or 2-6136; please include your departmental zip code with your request.

STATE HOSPITAL/VETERANS HOME/TECH PARK employees must contact Shirley Menzies at 4-4759 for a waiver form.

Submitted by: Alessandra White/Admin

2. It's time to renew your library material.

Faculty, Management Confidential and Professional staff who currently have borrowed library material from the Main, Music and/or the Science/Engineering Library, with a due date of December 22, 2005 are urged to renew at this time. The new due date, after properly renewing, will be May 16, 2006.

For information on how to renew via STARS/OPAC, please go to the URL.

To renew in person, please present your ID card to service desk staff. It is not necessary to bring the material into the library in order to have them renewed. There are no phone renewals. There is a three time renewal limit per book. Thank you.

http://sunysb.edu/~library/services/circulation/borrowing.html

Submitted by: David Weiner/Lib

04. Conferences/Seminars/Lectures

1. Topics in Atmospheric and Oceanic Sciences Seminar, December 7, 2005

Professor Christian Franzke from the Courant Institute of Mathematical Sciences, New York University, will present a seminar entitled, "Systematic Stochastic Mode Reduction for Climate,"

on Wednesday, December 7. The one-hour seminar begins at 12:00 p.m. at the Marine Sciences Research Center, South Campus, Endeavour Hall 120. Light refreshments will be served. For additional information, please contact the Institute for Terrestrial and Planetary Atmospheres at 632-8009.

http://atmos.msrc.sunysb.edu

Submitted by: Gina Gartin/MSRC

2. Oceans and Atmosphere Colloquium, December 9, 2005

Dr. Bassem Allam from Marine Sciences Research Center at Stony Brook University, will present a seminar entitled, "QPX disease in the hard clam: a mysterious pathogen in a well known host" at 12 noon on December 9, 2005. The seminar will take place at the Marine Sciences Research Center, in the Endeavour Hall 120. Light refreshments will be served. For more information, please call 631-632-8781.

http://www.msrc.sunysb.edu/news.oac.html

Submitted by: Katerina Panagiotakopoulou/MSRC

3. Neurobiology and Behavior Seminar, Thursday, December 8th, Michael Salter, M.D., Ph.D Speaker

On Thursday, December 8th,at 12 Noon in Room 038 of the Life Sciences Building, the Department of Neurobiology and Behavior will host a seminar given by Michael Salter, M.D., Ph.D, of the University of Toronto. The title of Dr. Salter's talk is: "Microglia-neuron signaling: plasticity of inhibition in neuropathic pain."

Submitted by: Kathleen Delaney/CAS

4. Biochemistry & Cell Biology Seminar: Thursday, December 8th

You are cordially invited to attend a seminar given by Dr. Suneel S. Apte of the Cleveland Clinic, entitled, "ADAMTS PROTEASES: Evolution, Regulation and New Biological Roles." It will be held on Thursday, December 8th, in room 038, Life Sciences Building at 4:00 p.m. Host: Dr. Robert Haltiwanger. If you have any questions, please call 2/8550.

Submitted by: Faiqa Mirzai/CAS

5. Distinguished Lecture in Computer Science: Hector Garcia-Molina

The Computer Science Department welcomes everyone to its Distinguished Lecture Series, sponsored by Citigroup and the Center of Excellence in Wireless and Information Technology. Professor Hector Garcia-Molina (Stanford University) will speak about "Generic Entity Resolution" at 2:15pm on Thursday, December 8, in Computer Science 2311.

Professor Garcia-Molina's research interests include distributed computing systems, digital libraries, and database systems. He was the chairman of the Stanford Computer Science Department and a member of the President's Information Technology Advisory Committee (PITAC) from 2001 to 2004. From 1979 to 1991, he was a faculty in the Computer Science Department at Princeton University. He received a BS in Electrical Engineering from the Instituto Tecnologico de Monterrey, Mexico, and a PhD in Computer Science from Stanford University. Garcia-Molina is a Fellow of the Association for Computing Machinery, is a member of the National Academy of Engineering, and has received the 1999 ACM SIGMOD Innovations Award.

http://www.cs.sunysb.edu/events/DLseries/

Submitted by: Scott Stoller/CEAS

6. AAAS Faculty Colloquium, December 7th

Dr. Agnes He from the Department of Asian and Asian American Studies will present a faculty talk entitled, "Toward an identity theory of development of Chinese as a heritage language" at 12:45 on December 7, 2005. The talk will take place at AAAS Study Lab, #1043 Humanities. For more information, please call 631-632-7690.

Submitted by: Hongkyung Kim/CAS

7. Ecology and Evolution Seminar

3:30 p.m., Wednesday, December 7, 2005, Life Sciences Building, Room 038
"THE SPACE BETWEEN: NUTRIENTS AND EVOLUTION IN ECOSYSTEMS"
Dr. Lars Hedin, Department of Ecology and Evolutionary Biology, Princeton University
Host: Dr. Manuel Lerdau
If you need a disability-related accommodation, please call: The Department of Ecology and
Evolution at (631) 632-8600

Submitted by: Donna Digiovanni/CAS

8. Sarah Ferguson, artist and mathematician will lecture at the Staller Center on December 7 in room 3218 at 1pm.

Sarah Ferguson is a 2005 New York Foundation for the Arts recipient of an award for excellence for drawing and printmaking. This presentation is cosponsored by Artists and Audience Exchange, a NYFA public program. This lecture is also sponsored by the Department of Art. She will give a slide lecture about her work which uses numbers. The lecture will take place in the Staller Center, room 3218 at 1 pm on Wedensday, December 7, 2005

Submitted by: Howardena Pindell/CAS

9. Medicare Part D - Prescription Drug Benefit Lecture - Presented By New York

StateWide Senior Action Council

Are you confused by all the Medicare Part D drug benefit information being sent to your home? Not sure if you should enroll, or which plan to choose? If so, then you need to attend the New York StateWide Senior Action Council Medicare Part D Lecture at the Long Island State Veterans Home on Tuesday, December 13, 2005 at 3:00 PM in the Multi-Purpose Room. The lecture will be useful for all Medicare beneficiaries, family members, caregivers, and other interested in the new drug law. A great opportunity to learn from experts in the field and get your questions answered, join us on December 13, 2005 at 3:00 PM at the Long Island State Veterans Home. For more information, contact Jonathan Spier, Director of Community Relations, at the Long Island State Veterans Home (444-8615)

Submitted by: Jonathan Spier/LISVH

10. 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

05. Hosp/HSC Conferences/Seminars/Lectures

1. Perinatal and Pediatric Bereavement conference

Friday Jan. 20, 2006, 11th Annual Perinatal and Pediatric Bereavement Conference, Keynote speaker: Dr. Ken Doka Topic: Disenfranchised Grief: Recognizing and acknowledging hidden sorrow

For more information: please call Kathy Southerton 444-3783

Submitted by: Kathleen Southerton/UHMC

2. Graduate Program In Public Health: Public Health Grand Round Lecture Series

Dr. Arthur Grollman, Distinguished Professor Pharacology, Stony Brook University, will lecture on the "History of Medical Treatments, Herbal Supplements and the Placebo Effect. DATE: December 6, 2005, TIME: 5:30 - 6:30 PM, LOCATION: Health Sciences Center, Level 3, RM 067 - Prev. Med.

Submitted by: Patricia Villa/UHMC

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

1. Pride scholarship holiday concert this Saturday

Featuring the New York City Gay Mens Chorus

The Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender Faculty, Staff Network at Stony Brook University is hosting the Holiday Pride Concert on Saturday, December 10, at 8:00 p.m. in the Student Activities Center Auditorium to benefit the Pride Scholarship Endowment.

The concert features the New York City Gay Mens Chorus performing their Carnegie Hall Holiday Spectacular, with a special guest performance by Long Islands New Century Singers. Tickets are \$35; reserved seating is \$50. For tickets, call 632-4887 or visit www.geocities.com/LGBTFSN/pride/html.

Established in 2004, the Pride Scholarship provides educational support to one or more full-time undergraduate or graduate students who demonstrate a commitment to and acceptance of diversity in the Stony Brook community, as well as in their future professional endeavors.

http://www.geocities.com/lgbtfsn/pride.html

Submitted by: Marylou Stewart/UHMC

2. The First Annual Marilyn Colletta Benefit Gala

The First Annual Marilyn Colletta Gala to benefit Acute Myelogenous Leukemia(AML)research at the Long Island Cancer Center at SBUH will take place on 1/21/06 at 7:00 p.m. at the Huntington Town House, Huntington. Tickets are \$85. For more information, call 444-2693.

Submitted by: Victoria Irwin/UHMC

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

1. Faculty Exhibition at University Art Gallery at Staller Center

Recent paintings, sculptures, mixed media electronic installations, and works on paper by 16 faculty members in Stony Brook's Department of Art will be exhibited at the University Art Gallery in the Staller Center through Wednesday, December 14. Gallery hours are Tuesday through Friday, noon to 4pm, and Saturday, 7 to 9pm. Admission is free. For further information, please call 2-7240.

Submitted by: Rhonda Cooper/CAS

2. SB Ballroom Dance Club Group Lessons

For the month of December, we are offering the following dance lessons: Mondays: 7pm -

International Samba (beginner), 8pm - International Quickstep (intermediate), 9pm - International Rumba (Int/Advanced)

Wednesdays: 7pm - Beginner Tango, 8pm - Intermediate Swing, 9pm - Int/Advanced Hustle Classes are \$25/pp/dance for all the entire month. If you have any questions, please go to our website: http://www.LIBallroom.com or e-mail me at vipoon@ams.sunysb.edu

http://www.LIBallroom.com

Submitted by: Victor Poon/CEAS

3. Bus Trip to Atlantic City on President's Day, February 20th

The Employee Activities Council is running a bus trip to the Tropicana Hotel in Atlantic City on Presidents' Day, Feb. 20, 2006. The cost is \$25 per person, with \$5 cash back at the casino. The bus leaves from Stony Brook at 7:00 a.m. and will have a 7 hr. stay upon arrival. Contact Dorothy Kutzin at 632-6040. If paying by check, make check payable to FSA 754. Seats are limited.

Submitted by: Augusta Kuhn/CAS

4. Movie Night at the Wo/Men's Center

Come join us on Wednesday, December 7th at 6:00 PM for a screening of the hit movie "Crash", with a discussion on some of the issues addressed in the movie following afterwards. FREE pizza, popcorn, and other refreshments. Showing at the Wo/Men's Center Library, Union Room 221. Call 632-9666 if you would like more information.

Submitted by: Justine Perkowski/UHMC

5. Folk/Pop Troubadour Ellis Paul to appear at The University Cafe Sunday, December 11th at 2 P.M.

Ellis Paul stands at the top of today's acoustic music scene, with a brilliant new CD, American Jukebox Fables, adding to an impressive collection of nine other releases. An Ellis Paul performance is memorable for his delivery of old favorites like "The World Ain't Slowin Down" (featured on a movie soundtrack) and new songs with incredible passion and feeling. Opening for Ellis is singer-songwriter Antje Duvekot, whose voice and songs are reminiscent of Dar Williams and Ani DiFranco. Admission is \$20.00 with a \$15.00 ticket for students with ID. Reservations: 632-6027 or by e mail to gpalaia@notes.cc.sunysb.edu

Submitted by: Charles Backfish/CAS

6. "Articles of Faith" - Wednesday, December 7, 2005, Student Activities Center Lobby - Campus Lifetime - 12:40-2:10 pm.

Sponsored by the Interfaith Center - Displays of religious and ritual objects from different faiths.

"Everything you wanted to know about another faith but were afraid to ask." Please join us.

Submitted by: Colleen Wallahora/CAS

7. 5th Annual Festival of Lights, Wednesday, December 7, 2005, 6:30pm - 8:30pm, Student Activities Center Lobby and Auditorium

The holiday season is a wonderful time of year, filled with celebrations that reflect the rich traditions of people of different cultural backgrounds, faiths, and religious beliefs. To celebrate this season, several University departments and student organizations have come together to bring you the Festival of Lights, an intercultural program where our diverse campus community can further appreciate the cultural significance of our most widely observed holidays: Ramadan and Eid ul-Fitr (Muslim), Hanukah (Jewish), Winter Solstice (Native American), Christmas (Christian), Kwanzaa (African American), Diwali (Hindu), and the Enlightenment of Buddha (Buddhism). Each celebration is characterized here with interpretation, song, dance, displays, and traditional holiday foods.

Please join us for a delightful evening!

Submitted by: Colleen Wallahora/CAS

8. SBU Jazz Concerts Monday And Thursday!

Stony Brook University's jazz ensembles will be performing on December 5th and December 8th, 2005, at The Staller Center for the Arts Recital Hall. Both concerts are at 8 p.m. On Monday, Dec. 5th, three different jazz combos will perform a wide variety of works from around the world. Composers include W.C. Handy, Caetano Veloso, Duke Ellington, Jobim and Benny Moten as well as professor Ray Anderson. This event is free and open to the public. On Thursday, Dec. 8th a 4th jazz combo will open for Stony Brook's famed big band, the SBU Blowage. The evening will include works of Basie, Ellington, Goodman, Anderson and others. Tickets: \$8. General admission, \$4 Students.

Call 631 632-ARTS for tickets.

Don't miss these two evenings of intensely creative music from young, up-and-coming jazz masters.

http://www.stonybrook.edu/music

Submitted by: Ray Anderson/CAS

9. Stretching Clinic

Stretching Clinic December 13, 2005, 12:00pm - 1:00pm, SAC, Lower Level Studio Trainer/Instructor Allison Milano \$5.00 Fee/ Faculty & Staff To register call 632-6850

Stretching is fun and easy. This session will teach you effective stretching techniques that will

help keep joints and muscles supple and balanced. This session will tell you the hows and whys of each stretch.

Submitted by: Allison Milano/OSA

10. Free Recovery Spin Ride

Recovery Ride (No Regular Fitness Classes on this day)

Monday, December 12, 2005, 12:00pm - 1:00pm, SAC Lower Level Spinning Studio

Instructor Allison Milano

Free for Everyone!

To register call 632-6850

While recovery is a key factor in optimizing performance, it is often the most neglected and least understood. This ride will answer your questions about the use of active and passive recovery in training: the phases of recovery along with fueling and rehydration: recovery periods and heart rate as it relates to interval work and more.

Submitted by: Allison Milano/OSA

11. Holiday Pottery Sale in the Union

On Monday 12/5, from 9am - 9pm and Tuesday 12/6, from 8am - 4pm, Union Fireside Lounge, The Craft Center will hold its annual Holiday Pottery Sale. Purchase hand made ceramic ware by students, staff, community members and local artists. Items include raku, vases, teapots, mugs, bowls, plates and more. Registration for spring 2006 classes has begun. Call the Craft Center 632-6822 for a brochure. The Craft Center is located in the Union lower level room 049.

Submitted by: Janice Costanzo/OSA

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

1. Fast Track MBA for Juniors

Earn a Bachelor's/MBA in Just Five Years

Combines a four-year undergraduate degree and a two-year MBA into a five-year program.

Information Session: Student Activities Center Auditorium

Tuesday, December 6th 4:00 p.m. or 5:00 p.m.

Wednesday, December 7th 12:00 p.m. or 1:00 p.m.

http://www.stonybrook.edu/sbbusiness

Submitted by: Ronee Baldwin/CEAS

2. Defensive Driving Program Offered for UUP employees and their immediate family

members.

A NYSUT sponsored Defensive Driving program is being offered on Saturday, January 7, 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

3. NEW Weight Watchers At Work Program

NEW 10 week Weight Watchers @ Work will begin Tuesday, January 10,2006. Meetings are 12:30 - 1:30 PM in room 2-408 HSC. Payment for the 10 week program is \$99.00 if paid by Tuesday December 20, 2005. There must be 15 paid attendees to schedule this program. The WW fee to join after December 20 will be \$109.00. Questions, call Debbie Hooper x42678 or email.

Submitted by: Deborah Hooper/UHMC

4. Elevated Lipids and Cholestol -- An Integrative Approach to Optimize Levels

The Division of Wellness and Chronic Illness in the Department of Family Medicine will be conducting four two-hour group visits for patients with elevated lipids and cholesterol. Participants are examined and evaluated individually to assess cardiovascular risk, nutrition, exercise and stress levels as well as to determine if their lipid management is optimal. The group visits review factors that contribute to cardiovascular risk and increasing levels of lipids and insulin and addresses how they can be decreased with whole foods, exercise and stress reduction. Also reviewed are genetic influences, indications for medications, their side effects profile as well as the most current evidence-based information on supplements and vitamins. The series is scheduled for January 4, 11, 18, 25 2006 from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. at 33 Research Way, Stony Brook Technology Park. Please call 444-9815 to register.

Most insurance plans accepted with an appropriate co-pay for each visit.

Submitted by: Marion Hollinger/UHMC

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

1. Advertise your clinical trial on the Clinical Trial Web page

Greetings Investigators and Coordinators, If you have an IRB approved study and are actively recruiting subjects you can now advertise on the Clinical Trials Web Page. Please e-mail me @; teresa.hunt-goncalves@stonybrook.edu for forms and information.

Submitted by: Teresa Hunt-Goncalves/UHMC

10. Miscellaneous

1. Free On-Campus Tutoring!

Our trained volunteer tutors can help adults learn to read and write (Basic Literacy) or to speak English and learn the American Culture(ESOL - English for Speakers of Other Languages.) The Stony Brook Adult Literacy Center services are available to all Stony Brook employees, staff members and their families free of charge.

Call today to find out more about our program. Contact 444-5272 to speak with Cindy Brodsky, Literacy Coordinator.

Submitted by: Cindy Brodsky/UHMC

2. Volunteer To Work With Young Children At Stony Brook Child Care Services

Enjoy working and playing with young children? Know someone else who does? Join the team at Stony Brook Child Care Services as a volunteer. Work alongside our professional teaching staff in a facility designed and equipped for very young children. You can volunteer for as few as 3 hours a week and can choose to work with Infants and Toddlers or Preschoolers. The center is open Monday through Friday 7 am - 6 pm year round. Volunteers must be at least 18 years of age. For information on our program visit www.stonybrook.edu/sb/childcare For more information please call 632-6930

http://www.stonybrook.edu/sb/childcare

Submitted by: Denise Masone/Affl

3. Choose Your Ipod At The Seawolves Marketplace!

iPods can be purchased at educationally discounted prices at the Seawolves MarketPlace, located in the Student Activities Center.

Give what the best gift givers will be giving this year! Shop for iPods with video, iPod Nano, iPod Shuffle or accessories!

Open Monday-Thursday, 8:30am-9pm, Friday 8:30am-5pm and Sat/Sun 10am-4pm.

Submitted by: Angela Agnello/FSA

4. For the Person who has Everything! Purchase a \$10, \$25 or \$50 Gift Card

Gift Cards can be used at the Seawolves MarketPlace, Galleria Cafe, Jasmine, University Bookstore, HSC Bookstore, MarketPlace Cafe, and all Campus Dining Service Locations. Get your Department Name Printed on Gift Cards (in quantities of 10 or more). Departmental Purchases contact Maryann Campisi at 2-6511. Buy a Gift Card at the Seawolves MarketPlace,located in the Student Activities Center or at the Meal Plan Office, Suite 250 of the Stony Brook Union.

Submitted by: Angela Agnello/FSA

5. Special Holiday Plant Sale For You

The Hospital Auxiliary is again holding its Annual Holiday Plant Sale. This year the plants are exceptionally lush.

We will be accepting pre-orders until Monday, December 12 in the Auxiliary Office (4-2699), the Gift Shop (4-3133), and via email to Pat O'Brien (pobrien@notes.cc.sunysb.edu). Plants can be picked up in the Galleria, Level 3, on December 19 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Color Choice: red or white

6 inch poinsettia (4 to 5 flowers)......\$8 each 7 inch poinsettias (8 to 9 flowers)......\$15 each 10 inch pot (16 + flowers)......\$35 each 6 inch cyclamen......\$10 each

Submitted by: Patricia O'Brien/UHMC

6. Holiday Greeting Cards

We are pleased to say that the University Hospital Auxiliary's HOLIDAY GREETING CARDS are now available for sale in the Gift Shop. The cards were taken from a winning photo in last year's photography contest.

Submitted by: Patricia O'Brien/UHMC