

March 22, 2004

To: All Faculty and Staff

Colleagues,

I want to draw your attention to the next three events in the Provost's Lecture Series.

On Wednesday, March 24, Scott McLennan will bring us up to date on the exploration of Mars when he presents: "Spirit and Opportunity on the Surface of Mars." McLennan is Professor of Geosciences at Stony Brook and Team Member of NASA's Mars Exploration Rover Project. This event, co-sponsored by the College of Science and Society, will begin at 4:00 p.m. in the Charles B. Wang Center, Lecture Hall 2

On Thursday, March 25, Said Arjomand will present: "Social Theory and the Changing World: Mass Democracy, Development, Modernization, and globalization." Arjomand, Professor of Sociology at Stony Brook University, is Founder and first President of the Association for the Study of Persianate Societies and former editor of International Sociology. The event will begin at 4:00 p.m. in the Charles B. Wang Center, Lecture Hall 2

On Wednesday, March 31, Cumrun Vafa will talk on "Strings, Crystals, and the Fabric of Space and Time." Vafa is Donner Professor of Science, Harvard University, and Scientific Advisor, Simons Workshops in Mathematics and Physics, Stony Brook University. The event will begin at 4:30 p.m. in the Charles B. Wang Center Theatre.

Please pass along this information to any students you feel might be interested in attending.

Thank you,
Robert McGrath
Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs