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This Week at Stony Brook Southampton

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From left to right: Heather Macadam, Jules Feiffer and Joan Holden.

It was announced: "Please excuse me, but it has been brought to my attention that everyone in the building is required to evacuate within the next five minutes." To which, Jules Feiffer deadpanned: "Because of ME?!" No, Jules, it was a gas leak that campus emergency services quickly got under control. But, somehow, it seemed very appropriate for the self-deprecating, Pulitzer-winning humorist. On Wednesday, March 4, the acclaimed writer and artist spoke comedically about his life growing up in the Bronx, his inspiration for creating comics and

his most memorable moments. Fifty people attended this spring kickoff to the “Writers Speak” MFA Lecture Series, which, for one-night-only, moved from Duke Lecture Hall to the Fine Arts Building. –*Jessica Adamowicz*



Monday, 3/9/09

New Dean/VP Mary Pearl Starts Today. [Read More on the SBS Homepage.](#) Hear her on Wednesday. Keep reading.

Sustainable “Arts & Crafts,” 1 p.m., Student Center. Join Prof. Stephanie Wade and Senior Counselor Ginny St. John for some sustainable creativity. This week, make a journal.

RecycleMania 2009 Continues! All day, all week. Find your RA for information about the weekly challenges or call Residence Life at x2-5144. Stony Brook Central Services Recycling Website: <http://ws.cc.stonybrook.edu/centralservices/recycling/recyclemania.shtml>.

Tuesday, 3/10/09

The Nature Conservancy, 7 p.m., CH Room 234. Come and learn from the leading conservation organization, working around the world to protect ecologically important lands and waters for nature and people.

Study Abroad, 7:30 p.m., LL Shelter Island. Learn about where, when, and how you can study in Europe, Italy, France, the Caribbean or more.

Ping Pong Tournament continues, 8 p.m., Tree House Lounge. Challenge your friends to a game of ping pong in the Tree House Lounge. Game number 4 of 7. Previous entry unnecessary to sign up. To see all game dates, visit:

<http://calendar.activedatax.com/stonybrook/eventcustomscheduleview.aspx?viewfrom=database&Eid=4886&linknames=linknames>

Town Hall Meeting, 8 p.m., Duke Lecture Hall. Join the Student Affairs staff as we venture into the sustainable life of Stony Brook Southampton.

Twisted Beliefs, 8:30 p.m., LL Amagansett. Stop by to play a “new” version of Twister. Hosted by R.A. Jessica.

Wednesday, 3/11/09

WELCOME MARY PEARL! Cafe Special Events Room, 1:30-2 p.m. Meet the new Dean/VP. The SBS Community is invited. Refreshments served.

Wildlife Conservation and Environment Club Meeting, 1:30 p.m., Duke Lecture Hall.

Discussing Earth Hour and other future activities, like choosing an organization to make donations to. Please come with ideas! All are welcome.

Any questions or comments? Contact: enviroclub@hotmail.com.

Writers Speak: "Batty" Bestseller Bill Schutt, 7 p.m., Duke Lecture Hall. Refreshments, mingling, and book signings! Schutt earned his Ph.D. in Zoology at Cornell and worked on a postdoctoral research fellowship at the American Museum of Natural History with bat expert Nancy Simmons. He is currently an associate professor of biology at C.W. Post and a research associate in Mammalogy at the American Museum of Natural History.

Staff and Student Badminton Game, Large Gym, 12:50 p.m. Take a break and play some badminton during Campus Lifetime!

Cool Blue Thursday, 3/12/09



Be like Brenton and wear Blue this Thursday to show off your school spirit!

Brenton Gammon, sophomore, Environmental Studies major, featured above.

Last day to remove "I" (incomplete) or resolve "NR" (no report) grades from the Fall 2008 and Winter 2009 Terms.

NY Islanders vs. NY Rangers, 5 p.m. Bus leaves from Lot A.

1st Annual Green Film Series at Stony Brook Southampton presents: "The Monarch, a Butterfly Beyond Borders," 7:30 p.m., Avram Theater.

Today, monarchs face environmental threats at both ends of their migratory route. This documentary looks at what we know now and reveals what we don't about this amazing creature. With Prof. Richard Orr. To learn more about the movie, visit:

<http://www.bullfrogfilms.com/catalog/mon.html>.

Game Night, 8 p.m., Tree House Lounge. Bring back those childhood memories and play some board games. Stop by and see what game is being played this week.

Hall Council Meets, 7 p.m., Tree House. Read more at the end of this newsletter.

Friday, 3/13/09

Finding the Keys, 11 a.m., LL Southold. A weekly Depression Support Group by Senior Counselor Ginny St. John. All information shared during the meeting is confidential; St. John is also available for individual sessions. Contact x2-5069 for more information.

R.A.D. – Rape Aggression Defense, 3 p.m., Center Café Special Events Room. A self-defense class designed for women. This course is free and continues every week for the next three weeks.

Sunday, 3/15/09

Last day for Spring (May) or Summer (August) degree candidates to apply for graduation.

Did You Know??



SBS Deans Michael McHale, John Noonan and Anamaria Cobo de Paci and University Assistant Provost Matthew Whelan all had kind words for departing Interim Dean **Martin Schoonen** at a party held in his honor at Stony Brook Southampton this past Friday. Dr. Schoonen's wife, Josephine, was also celebrated. He was given a photo album with photos and news clippings of his two years at SBS by her. As well, a monument will be hung in his honor on campus. Too, a Trailblazer 5k race on campus will be named for him, as announced by SBS administrators Diane Redo and Amy Borella. See more pics from Friday:

<http://picasaweb.google.com/SBSouthampton/MartinSchoonenFarewell3609#>.



From the Kitchen: “Thanks to guest chef Brett Auletta of the IT Department on 2/26! Staff dressed in Hawaiian shirts/leis and served (to the sounds of reggae music): Banana soup, Jamaican Potato Salad, Jerk Chicken, Curried Shrimp, Jamaican Meat Pies, Rasta Pasta, Vegetable-Curry Rice and Paw-Paw Punch (mango and ginger). The food was fantastic.”

Student Activities held a **Caribbean Carnival** afterwards in the cafe. Photos above, featuring from left to right: Sarah Pitzer, Paul Ligorski, Roxanne Light, Christopher Kolonkowski and Juliann Navarra.



Campus Police Officer **Mike Viggiano** will be guest chef on March 26, making vegan homemade pizzas, garlic bread, antipasto salad and cannolis/zeppoles for dessert. A short film on personal safety will be featured during dinner. Any personal, funky pizza requests can be given directly to Officer Viggiano – seek him out in the police house or email Michael.Viggiano@sunysb.edu.

The suggestion box is now an e-mail address! Write to SBSouthampton.Chef@gmail.com for any of your kitchen needs.

Do you remember playing in your high school band? Woodwinds, brass, strings and **all types of musicians need are needed** for area community and marching bands, including playing Monday nights in Riverhead. If interested, contact Dick McIntyre at x2-5020.

ZHOPE (**Z**etas **H**elping **O**ther **P**eople **E**xcel) is a sorority community service initiative that has started an **old cell phone collection**, centered in Atlantic Hall at the front information desk. The collection of deactivated cell and wireless phones will be given to the National Coalition Against Domestic Violence, where they will be redistributed for emergency use to victims of domestic violence. In addition to phones being distributed for emergency use, proceeds from the sale of phones not utilized for said purposes will help fund agencies that work to end violence in the home, such as NCADV.



Have you been caught Green-handed? Eco-Reps around campus will be on the lookout for students fulfilling their green good deeds. Recycling, picking up litter, or simply any form of promoting the ways of green life will help get you a "Greenbuck," which can win you a prize at the end of RecycleMania. The more you obtain, the better for you -- and the environment!

The Writing Center has reopened! The spring schedule is as follows: Monday 2-5, Tuesday 4-8, Wednesday 4-8 and Thursday 12-8. Writing coaches are available in room 106 of the Technology Center (right across from Chancellors Hall) to help students with academic and extra-curricular projects. Writing coaches are also available to help faculty incorporate writing into their courses. For more information, or to schedule an appointment, visit: <http://www.stonybrook.edu/sb/southampton/writingcenter.shtml>

The Children's School annual benefit, "Cruising into Spring," will be on March 28 from 7 to 11 p.m. From The Children's School: "It will be anchored at the Hampton Hall on Elm Street in Southampton. It promises to be a great night; there will be mouth-watering cuisine from 75 Main, dancing with DJ Chris, a surprise specialty drink and a giant Chinese auction. The children have also been working happily on their auction items – beautiful reproductions of Fairfield Porter's work and imaginative painted wooden step stools. Their work is always a big hit! The proceeds will contribute to the overall operating budget and our scholarship fund. For over 30 years, the Children's School has offered an exceptional early childhood program to the children of the East End. For more information, please call Kathy Bishop at x2-5017. We hope to see you there!"

MFA Program in Writing and Literature Presents: Writers Speak • Spring 2009, Wednesdays at 7 p.m., in Duke Lecture Hall. Authors include: **Bill Schutt (3/11)**, Steve Hamilton, Emma Walton Hamilton and Guests (3/18), Julie Sheehan (3/25), Kaylie Jones (4/15), Fiona Maazel and John Wray (4/22), Lynne Sharon Schwartz (4/29), and the MFA Students (5/6).

WOMEN'S INITIATIVES for a SUSTAINABLE EARTH (WISE) Presents: the 1st NY Women's Conference for Sustainability, with a focus on Climate Stabilization. The Conference Mission: "Through conversation and community, our mission is to move beyond an awareness of the risks of global warming toward action, advocacy, and a cultural tipping point for climate stability." This event takes place from Friday, March 27 to Sunday, March 29. Visit http://sowise.org/conference_home.html for more information.

Green Film Series, Thursdays, 7:30 p.m., Avram Theater. Upcoming films include: "The Monarch, A Butterfly Beyond Borders" (3/12), "Black Diamonds" (3/19), "Water First and Turtle World" (3/26), "Swim for the River" (4/2), and "Build Green" (4/16). All movies are produced by renowned environmental film company Bullfrog Films. Each event will also have a designated speaker to discuss the topic at hand. For further info, contact x2-5023.

From the Hall Council: "Hall Council has a new batch of events lined up for this semester:

BATTLE OF THE BUILDINGS -- the final showdown;

"GREEN" FORMAL -- a sustainable spring party; and

SPRING CARNIVAL.

If you are interested in planning or participating in these events, join us Thursday, March 12, in the Tree House conference room at 7 p.m.

We have candy! Tell us what kind of games you would like to see at the Battle of the Buildings, what kind of music you would like to hear at the formal and if you have suggestions for carnival booths.”

SBS In The News

Southampton Press

Sustainable Earth Summit to Be Held at Stony Brook Southampton

http://www.27east.com/story_detail.cfm?id=197771

Southampton Press

Mill Pond problems may have been caused by effort to prevent algae

http://www.27east.com/story_detail.cfm?id=198452

Sag Harbor Express

Films With Green Themes Underscore College's Mission

<http://sagharborexpress.sagharborpublishing.com/shexpress/arts/films-with-green-theme-underscore-colleges-mission-2381>

Southampton Press/East Hampton Press

Social Commentator's Career a Question of Timing

http://www.27east.com/story_detail.cfm?id=196788

To catch up on some previous SBS stories, please visit:

<http://www.stonybrook.edu/sb/southampton/news.shtml>

Contact Darren.Johnson@stonybrook.edu to include your news and events in next week's edition of "This Week at Stony Brook Southampton." (Work-study student Jessica Adamowicz also helps tremendously with this newsletter.) Have a great week!

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