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This Week at Stony Brook Southampton

4/28/08-5/4/08

Monday, 4/28/08

- The GreenSpeaks program, "Making Your Home and Buildings Non-Toxic with Green Materials, Cleaning and Landscaping," 7 p.m. in Duke Lecture Hall, promises to be useful and informative. For more information about GreenSpeaks go to www.ligreen.com/greenspeaks or call 721-1908.

Wednesday, 4/30/08

- "Writers Speak," 7 p.m., Duke Lecture Hall. Film producer and Director of the inaugural Southampton Screenwriting Conference Annette Handley Chandler demonstrates the vagaries of adaptation, from novel to screenplay to film.
- Red-Hot Revelry, 4-6 p.m., Academic Mall at Main Campus. Food, music, more. Celebrate Stony Brook's 50th. Wear red!

Thursday, 5/1/08

- Horror Movie Night, 10 p.m., Southold LL. Every Thursday night.
- Strawberry Festival, 11 a.m. – 2:30 p.m., Student Center. Strawberry smoothies/shortcake/fruit bars/waffles and more! Free for Stony Brook meal plan students; \$6 others.

Friday, 5/2/08

- "The Stony Brook Southampton Estuarine Research Program's Annual Environmental Symposium," with Profs. Chris Gobler,

Bradley Peterson and Steve Munch and SoMAS graduate students, 7:30 p.m., Duke Lecture Hall.

SBS in the News!

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Paying Future Dividends

Standing on the shore of Old Fort Pond in Shinnecock Hills one Saturday afternoon in September 2005, State University of New York at Stony Brook officials boasted that, with the official takeover of the Southampton College Marine Sciences Center, Stony Brook would be the only university in the state to offer a marine science major as part of an undergraduate degree. Not addressed on that joyous day, held only a few weeks before Stony Brook University officially purchased the entire 82-acre campus from Long Island University, was that the maritime facility, like the main campus itself, was in dire need of a major overhaul.

And while it has taken just over two and a half years for them to follow through on their pledge, state officials once again showed this week that they are committed to continuing to invest money in a facility that, once all of the work is completed, is poised to become the crown jewel of all the maritime research facilities on the entire East Coast. Thanks once again to the efforts of State Senator Kenneth LaValle and State Assemblyman Fred Thiele Jr., Stony Brook Southampton will now receive a \$6.9 million slice of a freshly made \$14.4 million pie to update the Marine Sciences Center. The remaining \$7.5 million will go toward the expansion of the college's Student Center.

Plans call for replacing the existing Marine Sciences Center—parts of which are more than 80 years old—with a 15,000-square-foot state-of-the-art facility over the next three to four years. University officials plan to incorporate a new "wet lab" at the research center to allow professors and students to pump seawater into indoor tanks for myriad experiments. The facility will allow researchers to keep specimens alive and experiment with raising shellfish, among other kinds of aquaculture—work that will ultimately benefit everyone from local baymen to those who simply enjoy fresh seafood. The new facilities, combined with the maritime center's "floating" classrooms—the R/V Peconic and R/V Paumanok, research boats that are stationed at the center—will allow instructors and their students to continue studying the cause(s) of the lobster die-off in Long Island Sound, find cures for diseases that can decimate shellfish populations, and more closely monitor the health of the ecosystems in Shinnecock and Peconic bays and beyond.

"It's not what we'd call a state-of-the-art, modern, advanced waterfront laboratory," offered David Conover, dean of Stony Brook's School of Marine and Atmospheric Sciences, when asked last week to describe the existing, dilapidated facility.

It's nice to know that's all about to change.

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Also, see some pics from Earth Day here: <http://www.breadthemagazine.com/portraits/shearth.html>

Did You Know?

- Interim Dean Martin Schoonen and Professor Nay Htun have arrived back from **China** this week after working with officials at Shanghai University to set up an international conference here on Long Island in the near future.
- **Time for Your Close-up!** Want to help Stony Brook Southampton make student web videos? Contact anamaria.cobodepaci@stonybrook.edu or Darren.Johnson@stonybrook.edu. Perfect opportunity for budding filmmakers, journalists, video editors and on-screen talent!
- The Office of Student Life is now accepting nominations for the **Trailblazer Leadership Awards**. Pick up a nomination form from Kate Derryberry in 204 Chancellors Hall or the Tree House Lounge (after May 1) or contact Kathleen.Derryberry@stonybrook.edu. All nominations must be submitted to Kate by May 6 at 5 p.m. Awards will be presented at the Awards Dinner on May 8, 7 p.m. in the Student Center Cafe. RSVP for the Dinner with diane.redo@stonybrook.edu.
- **Stony Brook Southampton's First Annual Spring Carnival**, sponsored by the Residence Life Council, is set to happen on campus on Saturday, May 10 from 2:30 to 6:30 p.m. It will take place rain (gymnasium) or shine (athletic fields) and entry costs \$5 for adults, \$2 for children 3-12 and free for children 2-under and for Stony Brook students with ID. To be a vendor at the event (\$25 per 10x10 tent) or donate goods, raffle prizes and/or services, contact Sherrille Shabazz at x2-5115. The Spring Carnival will include a Bungee Run, Gladiator Joust, Dunk Tank, caricaturist, food, games, raffles and more. The public is invited. A portion of the proceeds benefit Southampton Youth Services.
- Art instructor Marc Fasanella is co-curator for a show of his late father's work. Ralph Fasanella is considered one of America's greatest folk artists. "Ralph Fasanella: Passionate Visionary of New York" will open on Saturday, May 3, at the Art League of Long Island at 107 E. Deer Park Rd., Dix Hills. For ticket information, call 462-5400. The show runs through June 15.
- Condolences to **Prof. Lou Ann Walker** on the loss of her husband, **Speed Vogel**, on April 14. Among other newspapers, the acclaimed author's obituary appeared in both the Los Angeles Times and The New York Times: <http://www.nytimes.com/2008/04/18/books/18vogel.html>.

Contact Darren.Johnson@stonybrook.edu by Friday at 3 p.m. to include your news and events in next week's edition of "This Week at Stony Brook Southampton."
Have a great week!

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