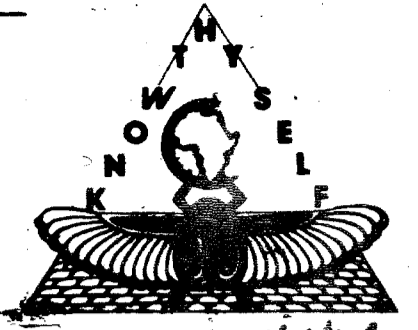


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LOBBYING IN ALBANY... WAS IT WORTH IT?

By Pamela Adams

Monday the 26th of March approximately 100 students gathered in front of the Stony Brook Union to await the two coach buses that would take them to Albany. The reason we went to Albany was to lobby against proposals such as the utility fee charged to SUNY, the increase in the drinking age, tuition hikes and rent increases.

The 4 1/2 hour bus ride was very pleasurable. We joked, listened to music and ate the various munchies that were served. Pencils and pens raced across tablets writing letters in protest of the four issues previously mentioned. Although the bus ride was fun, we were reminded by Troy Oechsner, Long Island Regional coordinator for the Student Association for the State University (SASU), that the business ahead would be serious.

When we arrived at the State Uni-

versity in Albany a meeting was held concerning the following business: where we would be sleeping...the gym and a time of departure from the university center going to the Legislature Office Building.

Many students, including myself hadn't had the experience of lobbying so a workshop was held in the Legislature Office Building around 11:00 AM Tuesday morning. There we ate breakfast which consisted of bagels and juice. We were divided up into groups and scheduled appointments with various assemblymen and senators. My group spoke to Assemblyman Warren, a graduate of Stony Brook and Assemblyman Bianchi. Warren didn't believe the drinking age should rise since there are a lot of young adults who don't consume alcohol and who would be excluded from enjoying

themselves at discos and clubs. But at that instant we were told that head Assemblyman Anderson did not put the proposal through and that the drinking age hike would not come into effect this year. It was also mentioned that the state legislature came up with a plan to demolish any tuition increase. Assemblyman Bianchi believed in the drinking age hike because of statistical purposes. He stated that the track record for 19-21 year olds has increased during the years and to avoid automobile accidents concerning DWI the age should be raised. Warren knew of the utility increase charged to SUNY and said that the state legislature was trying to find a new source of revenue to cut back the hike. Bianchi, unaware, promised to put it down in his notes. Both assemblymen were patient answering our questions and responding to our

ideas.

Our discussions didn't just concern politics. For both assemblymen mentioned that in our spare time we should ride to the 42nd floor of the tower located in the Legislature Office Building and view the wide spread of the four states. They also suggested it would be nice to roam through the New York Museum; also in the same building.

All in all the trip was worth the while. We got a great deal accomplished and it was an enlightening experience. I met a lot of nice people and enjoyed myself considerably. The cost was inexpensive, thanks to the 1,950 dollar donation from FSA for the buses The NYPIRG OUT-REACH PROGRAM sponsored the function; I hope you will participate in their next affair.

Jesse Jackson for President

by Michael Grimes

The color of a man's skin makes a lot of difference in this free society that we live in. The 1700's and 1800's are past us now, Nat Turner and the many others that sacrificed their lives for our survival are a worthy reminder that we were not given freedom; instead we took it. The days of Malcolm X and Martin Luther King are over but in their wake they left other brothers and sisters to carry on the struggle; one such brother is the Rev. Jesse Jackson.

Jesse Jackson, a product of the civil rights movement of the 1960's, has made U.S. history by running for the Democratic nomination for presidency. At first many people took his campaign for presidency as a joke but this has changed as Jesse Jackson showed his strength and the strength of the Black vote by beating out five democratic hopefuls to remain one of the three democrats contending for the nomination.

It is a shame but also an undisputable fact that the reason why Jesse Jackson is running third in the race for nomination is because he is Black. His representation of the poor and oppressed people has helped his campaign; but there is a white cloud hanging over Jackson's head. It all started when he called New York a Hymie town. This has caused Jackson to lose most of the Jewish vote which he had already started to lose when he stated his views on the Palentine and Israel conflict. When an ABC pressman asked Jackson if he would forgive Mondale or Hart for making a derogatory comment about Blacks he said, yes, he would. He said his relationship with Governor Wallace, who was against civil rights, has changed after Wallace reformed himself.

Jesse Jackson's campaign has caused a lot of new issues to be discussed, issues like the conditions in Africa and the many programs for the poor that have been cut by the President. Jackson has showed that Blacks have a voice in what goes on in America. He was able to bring out many of the Black votes and create a certain pride in the Black community itself. The Black children can now have limitless dreams because Jackson has showed them that one day they might be able to become President.

I will conclude with, a synopsis on, Jesse Jackson's stand on important issues (extracted from the New York Times)

CENTRAL AMERICA

Would "end covert war waged on Nicaragua." Says aid to El Salvador should be linked to improvements in human rights record. Says U.S. must stop giving aid to "the barbarous elite in Central America." Says U.S. should stand with poor people in El Salvador rather than the "landed gentry." Says U.S. should halt military maneuvers in Honduras and work to normalize relations with Cuba.

Policies Abroad

Says U.S. has treated the Third World with "arrogance and contempt." Stresses need for greater sensitivity to African, Arab, Asian and Latin American countries. Says U.S. should not be policeman or "bully of the world." Notes similarity of struggles by Blacks in America and Africa for human rights and self-respect. Favors strong economic sanctions against South Africa, accuses the Reagan Administration of "complicity in the apartheid system."

Middle East

Supports creation of "an independant Palestinian state on the West Bank and Gaza." Says should withdraw from occupied territories and establish no more settlements. Says Palenstian Liberation Organization should recognize Israel's right to exist. Urges "normalization of relations between U.S. and Arab world." Says U.S. could be a more effective mediator in the region if it would talk with the P.L.O.

Civil Rights

Says he has spent all his adult life as a civil rights leader. Seeks to bring minority groups together into a "rainbow coalition." Promises strong enforcement of Voting Rights Act. He feels that numerical goals and quotas may sometimes be necessary to eradicate effects of discrimination. Supports an equal rights amendment and abortion rights. But says he would not advise any woman to have an abortion "except under medically extenuating circumstances."

Budget Deficit

Proposes deep cuts in the military budget, and big increases in domestic spending, to produce a "high growth" economy. Says his proposals would reduce Reagan deficits by about one third. He would reduce the military budget by \$80 billion in fiscal year 1985.

Taxes

Would impose temporary graduated surtax on incomes over \$25,000. Rate would range from one percent to 10 percent. Says his tax proposals would raise \$50 billion in additional revenue.

Gun Control

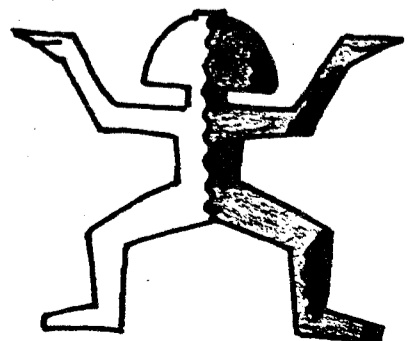
Supports gun control, licensing of pistol owners, and a ban on the manufacture, sale or possession of snub nose pistols.

Military

Says there should be "zero real growth" in military budget in the next five years, meaning no increase except to make up for effects of inflation. Opposes MX missile B-1 bomber, new nuclear powered aircraft carriers and poisonous nerve gas.

Arms Control

Supports nuclear freeze. Opposes further deployment of U.S. Says the Reagan Administration has shown no real commitment to arms talks.



Attention Minority Scholarships, Grants and Programs

By Kim Parks

MONEY!!! MONEY!!! AND MORE MONEY!!! Money is falling from the sky for minority students who achieve academic excellence and for students who excel in community services. However, they are disguised in scholarships and grants and the only key to acquiring them is through that horror trip down red tape lane. Nevertheless, counselors (remember them) are available to assist students whose only free time is dinner or sleep.

The scholarships, grants and programs are available for many students right here at Stony Brook. Allow me to give you some insight on how to obtain them. The S.A.I.N.T.S. organization (for many years) have converted their budget, derived from Polity and entertaining fundraisers, into scholarships. These scholarships are presented at the S.A.I.N.T.S.' annual awards dinner. The staff members responsible for this successful event are Lucia Rusty, Lloyd Sargent and Theresa Clark. The students who are involved are Angela Joseph (acting president), Lawrence Johnson (vice-president) and fellow students within the membership. Additional Undergraduate studies assistance information is available in the Library; E 3320 (246-3420). There were also minority students Academic Newsletters circulating. Catch it!!! If you missed it, catch it next semester.

The State University of New York at Stony Brook announces a new program to encourage students, especially minorities and women, to ex-

plore studies in science, technology or mathematics through a research internship.

The research internship is designed to encourage students, especially students who have been historically underrepresented, to consider careers in the sciences, technology and mathematics. Preference will therefore be given to those students who best show strong potential for careers or graduate study in science, technology or mathematics.

To be eligible, students should have a minimum 2.5 overall GPA and demonstrated ability in science or mathematics. Students may do their internship for academic credit, for a stipend, or for an appropriate combination of the two. For more information, also, call the Office of Undergraduate Studies E 3320.

The American Economic Association, and the department of Economics at the University of Wisconsin-Madison will host the AEA Summer minority Program for 1984. This program is intended to increase the number of Black, Latin, and Native American graduate students in economics. They are therefore seeking applications from undergraduates who have the ability and interest to pursue a Ph.D. in economics. The program is designed primarily for students between the junior and senior year who have completed at least one year of college level economic principles.

All fees, including room, board, books and instructional materials will be paid by the Amer-

ican Economic Association. One round trip air fare to and from Madison will also be paid. In addition, students will receive a \$440 stipend for incidental expenses. They will arrange for comprehensive health insurance and \$1000 accident insurance for each student for the eight week period. For more information call (608)263-2441.

There are a few Engineering opportunities programs to ensure the success of minority students pursuing engineering degrees. One program is located at the Alfred University New York State College of Ceramics, Alfred, N.Y. 14802. Contact: Dr. David Rossington, Head of the Engineering and Science Division.

Others: Clarkson College of Technology, Potsdam, N.Y. 13676, Contact: Clark Bailey, Director of Scopes Clarkson College (315)268-7709; Columbia University, New York, N.Y., 10027, Contact: Edna Rivera, Assistant Dean of Students and Tom Phillips, Director of Admissions, (212)280-2981,2931; The Cooper Union, New York, N.Y. 10003, Contact: Dean of Admissions (212)254-6300.

A book consisting of scholarships, grants and program information can be procured in the A.I.M. office. Please students, take advantage of these opportunities here at Stony Brook. Do not be deterred by the red tape channels you must take in initiating these processes. You are worth it! The amount of hard work you invest in your career should be rewarded.

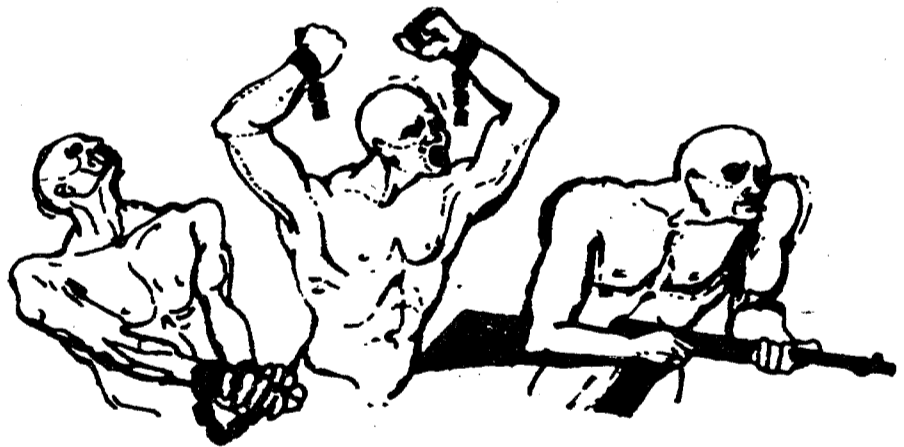
EDITORIAL

Whose Brand of Humor

By Marvin Duncan

On Monday, April 2nd 1984, the Statesman Newspaper Service for Stony Brook and its surrounding communities, put out a paper with a front page article implying that segregation is acceptable. We would like to know who is responsible for printing that issue. The article entitled "Marburger: Dorms to be Segregated by Fall," called for separate but equal facilities. The entrance to this University was to be divided according to different nationalities. Even the academic buildings and facilities were to be divided by different races and nationalities. An example of the plans the Statesman article proposed: "the Computing Center would be changed to the Chinese Data Building because, Marburger said, "When you walk through the Computing Center English is certainly NOT the language you commonly hear...I was thinking of calling the building Egg Roll Command," but..." It also had other building names for Jews, Latin Americans, the Handicapped, and Black students. The article said, "Bathrooms would be separated by sink and stall, i.e. the "Whites' Toilet," the "Koreans' Only Sink," ect."

Even if April Fools was the general idea of the paper, it does not justify blatant racism. April Fools is not practiced by all members of the community. It is not a national or institutionalized holiday. This article was written with the intent of disrupting and stirring up racial tension in the community. In previous articles, Statesman has had similar intentions. Although the concept of race is a myth, Racism is a dangerous reality. A holiday that is based on Nonsense does not justify Racism; nothing can justify Racism. This is not the first time this has happened and we shall not stand for this type of publishing. Who was responsible for that paper? Whose sense of humor is this? Who screens it? Is it the same racists that put it out? If Statesman has the promotion of racism in mind, we surely don't need it in our community.



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"One Night Only"

By Lancelot Walker

Another Broadway came to Stony Brook for one night only. On March 23rd nineteen hundred and eighty four a talent show was hosted by the Stony Brook gospel choir. The show took place in the union auditorium. The show was packed with three hours of delightful entertainment.

The show was intended as a fun-raising event for the Stony Brook gospel choir. It was open to all students at the University. After weeks of recruitment, semi-final and final auditions and subsequent rehearsals, the event was a major success.

The songs, dances, monologues and fashion show were done in exquisite taste. It was really a gratifying event; something that anyone might want to escape to from pencils, pens, thick text books and the libraries.

The entire show was superb, all acts beautifully executed. However there were some acts that were natural highlights. To begin with, Anthony Sykes, a very talented young man from Springfield High School, did an extra-ordinary and unique piece to a modern dance. It was by all means well carried. Although some of the male audience was afraid to show appreciation for his super talent, the overwhelming majority of the

audience gave him a standing ovation. It was well deserving of him.

Another highlight of the show, that especially sent out a spontaneous electromagnetic wave of appreciation through the audience, was a 'super' rendition of "One Night Only" from the Broadway hit musical "Dreamgirls." I was indeed carried away on that wave. Robin Hodge, who is a 'magic singspiration,' led, and was accompanied by two sensational ladies, Kim Parks, and Stephanie Religh. You just had to be there to experience the feeling. I was seriously anticipating "Another Night Only."

Well the highlights kept rolling one after the other. "God Bless The Child" was breath-taking. It was choreographed by Melonie Witherspoon. The dance was a combination of unique talents.

There was an African dance that was choreographed by Valerie Hodge who is sister to Robin. It was indeed splendid. Kelvin Pizzaro never once failed to totally captivate the hearts and minds of his audience and this time was no exception. He sang very well.

The fashion show was very well done. The fashion models were all creative and enlightening in their appearances. However some were simply

sensational and deserve special credits. I especially enjoyed the punk and loungewear scenes; but then again I liked all the scenes. It was well coordinated and beautifully M.C.'d by Robin Hodge.

The M.C.s of the show, in entire, were two very talented young men, and should I not fail to mention, brothers. They were Lance and Craig Waterman. The Watermans did a wonderful job and were themselves fashionably attired for the event.

For such a splendid show one might want to inquire as to who were the master minds, coordinators, and organizers. Well, the delightful Robin Hodge and Desiree Herbert were major forces behind the production and deserve special thanks for their divine efforts. Everyone in the show mentioned or not mentioned deserves special thanks. Because of their efforts, the show was a sensational event.

Black Women's Weekend in Jeopardy

To Third World Community:

Black Women's Weekend, which is annually held in the first weekend in May, is a cultural event that enriches not only Third World women but the campus as a whole. The weekend consists of panel discussions, speakers, an evening of expression and the Black Family Day picnic on the athletic field.

This year we will have the added attraction of Angela Davis on May

4, sponsored by the African American students, followed by the S.A.I.N.T.S. Dinner. There will also be a basketball tournament with WBLS. There will be an admissions charge for Angela Davis (\$2.50 for students, \$3.50 for non-students) and the tournament (\$1.00). All proceeds from the tournament will be donated to the sickle cell fund. However, in order to put these events on, we will need ALL the help we can

get. I am speaking in terms of physical participation and financial support. We are working on a very low budget, at the present time, which is made up of the membership dues of the women participating in the weekend's events. WE NEED YOUR SUPPORT. Donations from all organizations will cheerfully be accepted. The women of Black Women's Weekend will also be selling raffles to raise money for the

event. For more information, please contact: Renee 6-3927, Alicia 6-7441, Robin 6-7227. Any help which you can offer will be deeply appreciated. Let's make Black Women's Weekend 1984 a tremendous success. Thank you.

Guardian Angels Fight Against Rape

by Lorna Francis

"The only way to prevent rape is to fight back and say we are not going to take it anymore," Guardian Angels, Curtis and Lisa Sliwa said on Thursday, April 12 in front of the Earth Space and Science (ESS) building. The Silwa's spoke before approximately 50 angry women who yelled and cheered them on. The rally was to help fight for increased rape prevention measures and was sponsored by the Womyns Center.

"What we should be teaching women is how to survive in this society. Since women are the number one victim of crime, we have to be taught to look out for ourselves. Self defense should be taught in high school gym class," said Lisa Sliwa. She also said that "We have to believe that there is a way to defend ourselves and it starts in our heart and head. First we have to say to ourselves that we are not going to

take it anymore, and that we are going to do it right and for ourselves."

"It is always a male who is considered that expert on the rape problem. They will tell women if they think they are going to be a victim of rape to eat grass or use psychology but nothing will phase this guy; if anything he will get turned on," said Curtis Sliwa. "My wife suffered attacks even with her karate expertise. It's up to folks like ourselves to undo the damage that has already been done."

Curtis Sliwa is the director and founder of the Guardian Angels. The group is known for its work of protecting people from crime in the New York City subways.

"One thing you can depend on the Guardian Angels for," said Curtis Sliwa. "We will be fighting to uphold the female dignity."



Viewpoints . . .

Support Yourself.....Support the United Front

by Theresa M. Day

A very dangerous syndrome exists among Stony Brook students and society in general which is penetrating our community. This syndrome or way of thinking is one which emphasizes the individual. The Third World community, desperately, needs to work collectively to combat the economic, social and political inequalities which plague our community. If a strong cohesive body is not formed and maintained, all the tears, heartache, anger and talk will be a pitiful waste. The unproportional rates of unemployment, teenage pregnancy, illiteracy and infant mortality, for Third World peoples will persist.

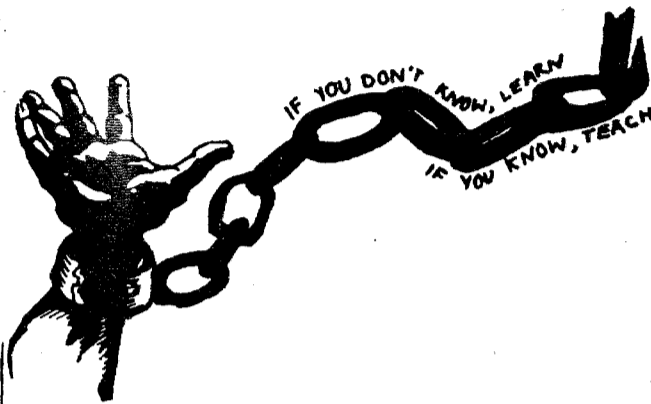
The insufficient and inconsistent support of the United Front is a reflection of the Third World community's larger uncohesiveness. The individual who has "no time" or "better things to do" is the individual who is endangering his/her community. The individual who seeks his own comfort while remaining oblivious to the struggle which is taking place, to combat the existing inequalities, is contributing to the comfort and well being of white conservative policy makers. A silent and separated Third World community is precisely what they want. Our silence and separation facilitate their economic, political and so-

cial interests.

Reverend Jesse Jackson is urging us to support a rainbow coalition. This is not a new idea. But, Reverend Jackson is the first to gain sustained access to such a wide medium of communication while advocating such a progressive strategy. But without support and subsequent action, it will remain an idea.

For approximately two years an effort to build an organization which will "provide a collective voice for the purpose of addressing concerns of the Third World community" has been in progress. However, the United Front is not receiving enough support. This lack of support is unacceptable; and neither can this community afford ignorance, apathy, or neglect. Very simply stated, this type of behavior is costing us our well being.

A successful collective unity need not threaten or impose upon a person's individuality/unique-ness. However, a person's pursuit of individual concerns without any contribution to our collective struggle is a threat to our collective existence. As educated young people, we should understand that apathy is a step backward.



WAKE UP AND WORK



POETRY

Concrete Jungle

By Marvin Duncan

Step in it in the Concrete Jungle.
 Make sure you have shoes on,
 So your feet won't wrinkle.
 Before I came here
 I thought it will be SIMPLE.
 Life is at a fast pace
 to survive, brothers have to HUSTLE.
 Poor people go to bed
 without having food on the TABLE.
 It shows on the children's face
 As their belly's GRUMBLE.
 The use of paper money
 Makes Life a GAMBLE
 People are stied to a job
 Like they are trapped in a BOTTLE.
 Everyday we have to fight for a cause,
 We can not MUMBLE.
 In slavery day, we were treated
 worse than a horse in a STABLE.
 Some ran away,
 those who were ABLE.
 With our Sisters
 the Masters did MINGLE.
 They put to work
 our Youths, Elder, and CRIPPLE.
 They stole the babies away
 from their mothers NIPPLE.
 We got Emacipation thru
 our brother's STRUGGLE.
 Remember Still, everyday
 goes on the BATTLE.
 They have the blade, with their
 Guns, Army, Police Force and Nuclear Weapons
 but we have the HANDLE.
 This system can't go on forever
 it must have to CRUMBLE
 I will be happy
 when there is no more CONCRETE JUNGLE.

"Rosine Ferdinand"

*There is no other way to state
 What I am about to reveal:
 The secrets of life lie in college
 As many of us do feel.
 Your life has taken a turn
 And ideas you once held in your heart
 May have changed slightly or drastically,
 But hopefully did not tear your mind
 apart.*

*The road in the beginning has been a
 rough one.
 And you have tried to avoid the bumps
 And when you had to confront one,
 You were careful in accepting
 your lumps.*

*I believe you have done just fine.
 I believe you've got guts.
 I also believe you'll arrive at a
 constructive way
 To climb out from the Stony Brook ruts.
 The best advice I can offer
 Is always be yourself.*

*Don't try pleasing too many others
 and put your personal vales on the
 shelf.*

*You know that the people who try to
 influence you
 Will eventually disappear
 And when reality takes its place
 It'll feel like a smack in the face.*

*Thank goodness you have your intuition
 to help put matters
 into perspective*

*I know that you're very selective
 But now it's time to reach out for
 a new life*

*Cause, Kiddo, it's all yours for
 the taking!*

By Ms. Maggy Exavier

Only Your Mother Cried When You Died

*She cried
 The only person that cried,
 was your mother;
 on that day of your death.*

*Not much was your life,
 born blind and soon to obesity;
 limited your travel to yards,
 upon the same road.*

*A woman's body, never,
 never touch or felt you,
 except the hands of your mother,
 in cleaning your unreachable parts.*

*No hate nor love,
 did life let you know;
 a chance you never had,
 'o say what you feel.*

*Much words that were spoken,
 was in sadness, of your health,
 the sickness of life, plague your heart.*

*Many were saddened, yet relieved,
 they said, the cost of your coffin,
 was not worth your life,
 'ough many mourn your death,
 n their minds, death,
 'ey said was good in your case,
 nd you know what,
 nly your mother cried when you died.*



S-P-R-I-N-G

*It's Spring! It's Spring!
 Life begins anew.
 Love blossoms, hope becomes reality
 Dreams come true and
 you meet the happiness you once knew.
 Spring, ol Spring I'm happy to see you,
 and the winter Melody and it's Rhapsody
 In Blue is gone forever.
 Spring what will you bring?
 Please bring Love and Understanding
 and thaw out the cold hearts everywhere
 clean out the clouded minds so fresh
 thoughts can develop.
 Weed out the negativism so affirmation
 can shine Brightly
 Spring is Lovers paradise, so Spring
 send me one Love.
 It's such a natural thing this thing called Spring
 It produces a high the best ganja can't reproduce
 Makes you so mellow yellow that you have
 to be a nice fellow.
 Welcome Spring 84; you and I have a whole world
 to explore.*

by Gerald Seegars

"For You, Martine Ferdinand"

*I have learned how evil
 people can be.
 You know,
 they smile in front
 of me
 and all the while
 they criticize
 me
 in my absence
 because they are
 such
 hypocrites!
 Huh! I know a lot of people
 who are so
 superficial
 But, you Martine, are someone
 special
 Your loving
 and
 caring ways
 have added new meanings
 to my days.*

With Love Maggy Exavier

No More Questions

Unexposed, concealed, intricate, and complex
 That's what I am, a puzzle whose pieces are left to
 the creative imagination of the challenger.
 Please put me together but don't take me apart.
 Looking into my thoughts and actions, I compare
 only the things not present in me with others.
 What if I was simple, predictable and common?
 What if I had a transparent mind?
 Would anyone care to complain?
 How boring I thought to be simple,
 How predictable and boring to be the last piece of
 a giant puzzle.
 How controversial it may be to be private, low
 profiled
 Keep the questions coming but no answers.
 I will eventually plaster my life upon the pages of
 a book when it's almost over
 Everything that should be known will be
 included,
 But who will want the answers then to the
 questions now,
 No more questions please,
 I do not wish to disclose my life,
 I have nothing to hide.
 Why so many questions? So that you may be
 satisfied.
 Drain me, turn me inside out and leave me empty
 you parasite.
 Give me back the answer and eat your questions.
 No more questions please.
 The same questions over and over again,
 Tired of answering over and over again,
 Tired of answering the same thing a million
 times.
 Write them on a piece of paper and paste it on all
 the walls.
 The choices are on display,
 The answers to your questions are....
 Yes! No! Yes! Maybe So, Could be, Why not, what
 do you think,
 Something like that, possible, No way! What
 made you think that,
 Can't you tell? I do believe so.
 No more questions please.

by Lancelot Walker

Chilling

by Gerald Seegars

Chilling

**Chilling is a state of mind
 and a state of reality.
 Chilling is when you are with someone special
 and everything is smooth and easy.
 Chilling is being on top of your responsibilities
 and a step ahead of the pack.
 chilling is being into yourself
 so no one can fool with lies and half truths,
 And being into yourself so that you can face
 the truth, admit yqr errors and faults and
 taking
 the appropriate actions to correct them.
 To chill you must be aware of your reality,
 the realities of your country and the way
 of the world.
 You don't have to be cool to chill;
 besides cool people sometimes make the
 world a colder place.
 Chilling is working hard for material gains
 and working just as hard for spiritual
 and intellectual gains.
 Chilling is sharing, loving, and caring.
 Time is short and so precious
 When you are procrastinating you are
 not chilling!
 You can always chill by yourself but group
 chilling is not uncommon.
 You know when people come together to
 foster the development of love, justice and
 peace
 or just getting together and interacting,
 partying
 and having a good time.
 To chill you must think but don't think
 too hard, so that you stop trusting your
 natural instincts.
 Your mental capacities, your common sense
 and your
 heart all work together and when you
 get the proper coordination of these vital
 functions
 then you are chilling....HARD.
 The next time you tell someone "I'm just
 chilling"
 Ask yourself "Am I really chilling?" or am I
 just saying this to "get people off my back."
 Chilling is a learning experience and believe
 me
 we can learn from anyone, even those we
 totally disregard.
 Well I've got to boogie so I'll
 leave this closing thought with you.
 If you ain't been chilling, start soon!
 Peace**

"Don't You Know That I Am"

**I am sick and tired of people
 like you,
 always telling me to
 lower my voice, to stop talking so loud be-
 cause
 it's unladylike.
 well, let me clarify
 that I have not led a quiet life
 and
 that the loudness and strength of
 my voice
 lets you know
 that "I am wired for sound."
 Can you dig it?**

ME

Zip Code: Brooklyn, Stony Brook

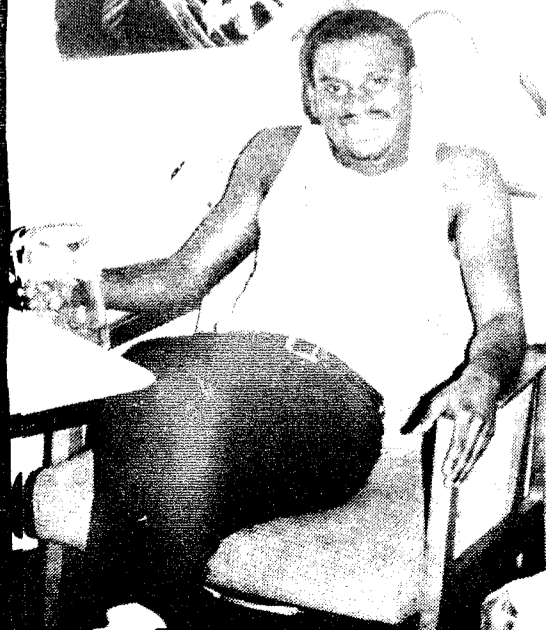
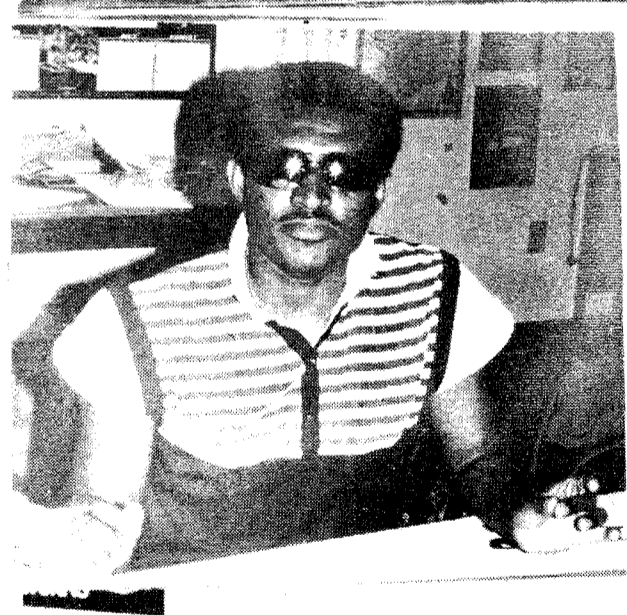
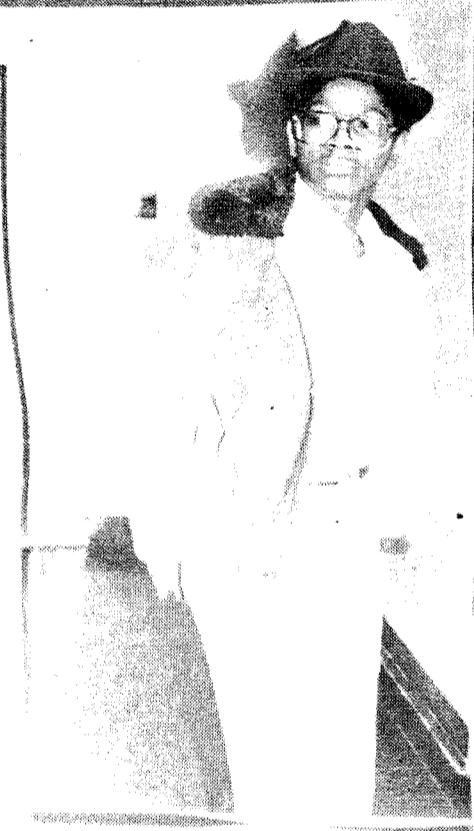
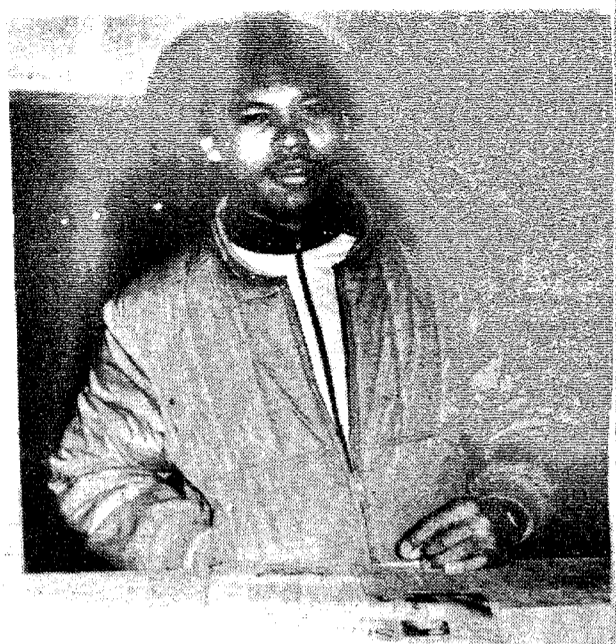
Wow, isn't this place beautiful?
 I'm never going back home.
 Wow, isn't this place beautiful?
 But why did that man follow me as I shopped
 in seven eleven.
 Wow, isn't this place beautiful?
 But why can't I get a job around here?
 Wow, isn't this place beautiful?
 But why did my roommate move out; was it
 because I'm...no.
 Wow, isn't this place beautiful?
 But the only concerts that take place in this
 school are Rock; not what I like.
 Wow, isn't this place beautiful?
 Why does my club receive less money from
 Polity even though I pay the same activity
 fee's?
 Wow, isn't this place beautiful?
 Why do they want to fire that black professor
 anyway?
 Wow, isn't this place beautiful?
 Hey, this is Stony Brook, Stony Brook not
 Brooklyn; but Stony Brook.
 Wow, isn't this place beautiful?
**THIS IS THE WRONG ZIP CODE, PLEASE
 FORWARD TO THE CORRECT ADDRESS.**

By: Jean Moise Millien

AWARENESS IS A RIGHT

Photo essay
George Freeman

FACES OF A PEOPLE



Say Something

To Joy E.
To a serious sister who's all about being for real. Being your friend in such a short period of time was a total experience for me. I know that you will be successful in life if you made it through Stony Brook. Good luck.
Love Patickia Jackson

Hey Chena and Dana
My girls, what's up??
Tracey

Rene,
Keep up the good work.
Love always,
Your sister Roselie

Policeman, Policeman
Do your duty cause here comes Martine Ferdinand.
"Haitian Beauty"
"Wuv Ya"
Guess who?

Dearest Cameron,
Here's to eloquent silence— and living out SHIBUMI's law—
Forever yours,
Roselie

To the one I love
(Darryn Nickels)
Love is...
What one feels, but cannot define
What one knows, but cannot express
Thinking of you
Stage 12 admirer

Miss Renee Lipscomb,
I miss you, let's take a break and find out what's going on with each other.
Tracey

To Sandra Williams,
To a sister who has been with me when I could not see the forest and clouds constantly lingered in my life. You have been an instrumental part of my life at the Brook. May God shine the light of happiness on you forever, because you are truly one of his angels.
Love,
Patricia Jackson

Hey Juice!
We got our own thing, we got the juice.
Tracey

Marvin Gaye,
You will be sorely missed but not forgotten.

Charlene,
be strong, if you need a friend. I'm here.
God Love
Tracey

GWR,
Thanx for the emotional support.
MYRSD

Sabine, Michelle, Mimi,
Here's to our last Caribbean Weekend— let us enjoy it to the fullest
Love Always
Roselie

To Tami and Karen,
We hope the two of you are doing great in school because we know you both are nice outstanding ladies.
Teddy and Dewayne

To Sandy,
Happy B-Day hope you enjoyed it.
Teddy

To Valerie T.
You are a wonderful friend, keep being yourself, and let me see that beautiful smile of yours.
Michael

To Jannette and Donnette,
I hope you two know I am a very sensitive guy so don't hurt my feelings.
Teddy

To christina,
We sure would like to see you enjoy yourself some more so come by sometime.
Teddy and Wayne

To Dewayne,
You will be leaving us this year but don't forget the ones whose shoulders you have cried and leaned on during your four years here.
Teddy and Wayne

To Trina,
Thanks for letting me use your typewriter,
Michael

Kim,
Sorry for making you break the rules, but it was very important.
The Writer

To Colleen,
It's nice to know that you care so much about us, so we just want to say we love you mom.
Teddy, Wayne and Dewayne

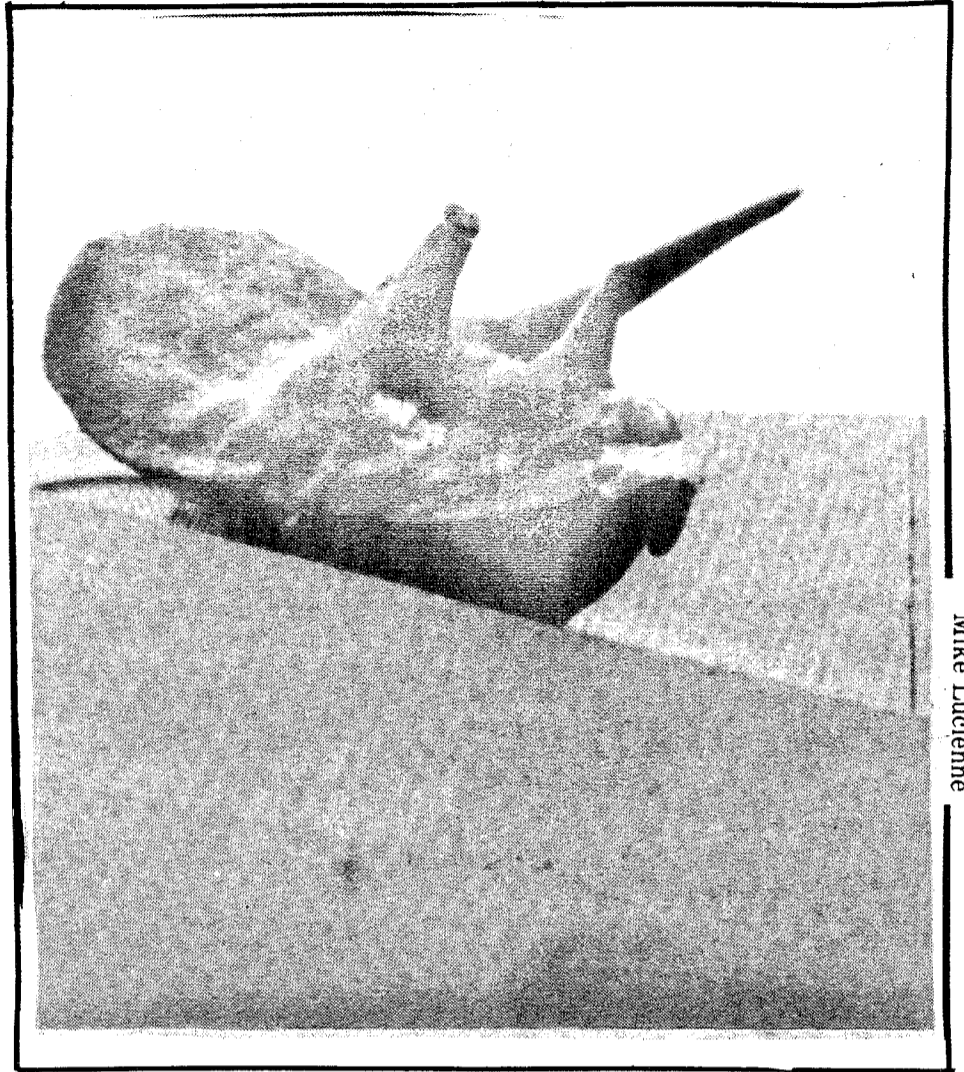
To Sandy, Dawnette, Janet, Colleen and Annette,
You never know who can trust, so be sure you know who your true friends are.
From you know who

Vote for
KIM PARKS
for Polity
Secretary
on
Thurs. Apr. 26, 1984

**NEED A JOB?
PLAN AHEAD
FOR FALL '84.
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Have You Lost Your Head?



Mike Lucienne

CARIBBEAN STUDENTS ORGANIZATION PRESENTS...

A LECTURE BY
MICHAEL MANLEY



*Former Prime Minister of Jamaica
*Author
*Brilliant Speaker

Place: S.B. Union Ballroom
Time: 7:30 p.m.
Date: April 26, 1984

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on Wed. April 25, 1984
at 7:30 pm.

TOPIC: Present concerns facing
Minorities.

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Black Women's Weekend

is coming May 4, 5, 6

They need your

SUPPORT

For more info:

contact Alicia 6-7441

Joy 6-7227

S.A.I.N.T.S.

Dinner

on May 4, 1984

Respond on or before Apr. 20.
for seat reservation.

one invitation per student
+ family.

S.A.I.N.T.S. office:

Polity Suite, Rm 256 - 246-8330

or ANGELA-6-7897 + LARRY-6-4193

Upcoming.....

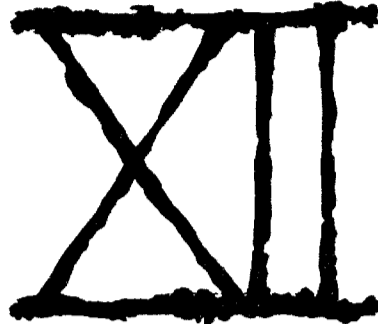
Polity ELECTIONS

Thurs. April 26, 1984

GET OUT + VOTE!!

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LIFE FORCES BLACK ROOTS



JUNE JORDON
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SATURDAY APRIL 28, 1984 8pm For further information: 944-9870

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Reverend Herbert Daughtry
speaking on

"Black and Progressive Politics: 1984"

Tuesday, April 24, 1984, 6 P.M.
Humanities 101

Please join us!



NYPIRG

will present:

- N.Y. STATE Assemblyperson
GEORGE J. Hochbrueckner
- Michael DePaoldi,
- Chuck Hitchcock,
- Gregory Blass.

Candidates from the 1st congressional district.

FORUM ON ARMS CONTROL

on

Monday, April 23, 1984
at 7:00 pm. in the
Stony Brook Union BALLROOM

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May 1st at the
Fine Arts PLAZA
time: NOON - 3:00 pm

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Elections

are coming:

May 1, 1984

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GET INVOLVED!

"CARIFESTA
84"

Wed. April 25.

Jean Dominique

TOPIC: Democratic Movement in HAITI
Refreshments served

7 pm U.N.I.T.I. Cultural Center

Thurs. April 26.

Cultural Fest 12 noon in
Union Fireside Lounge

Michael Manley - Former
Prime Minister of Jamaica

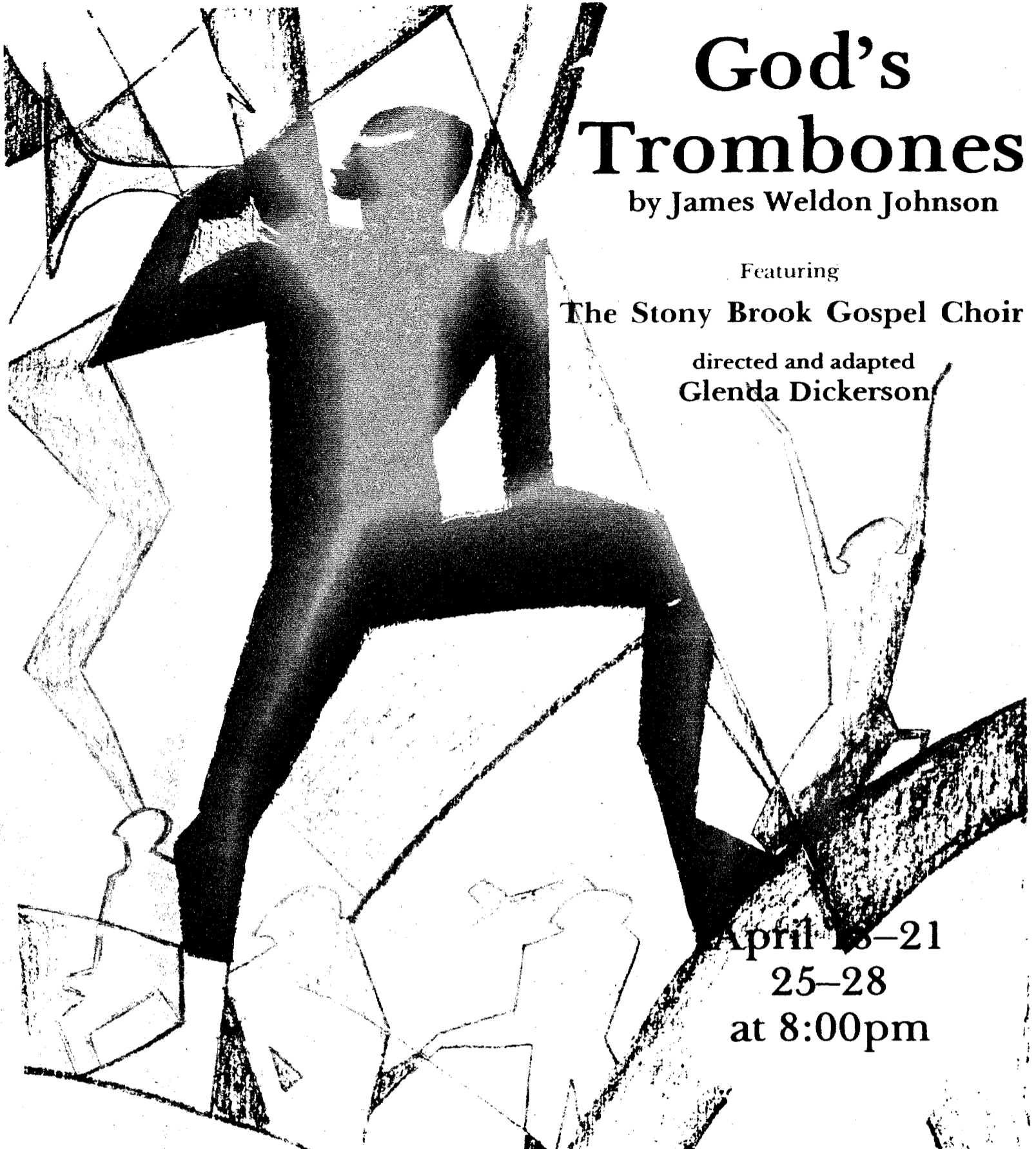
7:30 pm S.B. UNION BALLROOM

FRI April 27.

Caribbean steel drum band, food
1:00 - 6:00 pm Fireside Lounge

SAT. April 28.

Soccer tournament 10 am - 6 pm
Athletic Field. Cultural show 7pm
in Union.



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