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# Coming Together

Polity Sponsored Forum Brings Diverse Groups To Discuss Racial Tensions



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Statesman Editor-in-Chief Richard Cole, left and Vice President for Student Affairs Fred Preston, right were members of the panel at the Polity sponsored Race Relations Forum.



By Carl Corry

Statesman Assistant News Editor

Tuesday night's race relations panel, sponsored by the Student Polity Association Senate titled "What Makes Us Multi-Cultural?," enforced the common knowledge that much needs to be done at Stony Brook to help diverse groups to learn and understand about one another.

The forum, scheduled for 6 p.m. in the SB Union Fireside Lounge, was attended by dozens of students, who eventually filled the surrounding area, listening to panelists speak on a set of prepared objectives.

The panelists included English Professor, Dr. Spector; Chairman of Interfaith Center and advisor to Hillel Foundation, Rabbi Joseph Topek; Chairman of Affirmative Action, Gary Matthews; Vice President of Student Affairs, Dr. Frederick Preston; undergraduate student and Editor-in Chief of Statesman Richard Cole; graduate student and activist, Sean Joe; H Quad Director in the Division of Campus Residences, Sharon Della; and Chairman of Diversity Council and History Professor, Joel Rosenthal. The event was moderated by Polity Secretary Tricia Stewart, who took the place of the Director of Africana

Studies, Floris Cash, who was running late.

Each panelist was given five minutes to answer the objectives, then two minutes to respond to questions from the floor when all the speakers finished.

With two audio speakers raised high on stands to amplify their voices above a room active with conversation and two video cameras logging the events for future reference, the panelists defined their opinions of multiculturalism and what they feel needs to be done to progress passed a controversial period at Stony Brook, that is reluctant to move forward.

With many awaiting an explanation for statements made in his column "Against The Tide," which accuses Stony Brook of being an environment that encourages racism, Cole defined his idea of multiculturalism as an ideal created by educators that brings together "students of various students of ethnic groups and economic backgrounds"... to "look at their differences, teach them pride in their heritage, but give them a common ground on which to move forward."

Agreeing with some points that Cole introduced, Preston also emphasized his opinion that multiculturalism is not just a concept, but an experience. "You just don't put persons of diverse cultural backgrounds in one room, say

beautiful things about each group and have them magically, all of a sudden get along," he said. "They bring to the room, already, preconceptions, pre-experiences, sometimes differences and similarities in attitude. Truly, a multi-cultural society includes working through our differences," he said.

This was the first time that anyone from the administration spoke publicly about the recent tensions on campus. Last week Africana Studies hosted race relations forum in which less than 20 people showed, including only three faculty members. Preston said that Cash knew why he wasn't able to show, but offered no other comment.

The general consensus from the panel was that multiculturalism is an on-going process that needs to be dealt with more in the curriculum and in programs from all different types of campus groups.

"Programming is the only way to understand the truth." Joe said.

Bonita Stevenson of the history Department said that it is the responsibility of the administration to endorse multiculturalism. "There should be a requirement for all students to take an ethnic relations

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# Larceny Hits Men's Lockers

Thursday, March 10

A men's locker was broken into in the Sports Complex. A pair of squash glasses worth \$30 was stolen and the combination lock, worth \$10, was damaged.

A drawing board, acid mask and a set of keys were stolen from the Residential Life Office in Mendelson Quad. The estimated amount stolen was \$65.

A 1989 Honda 4-door was vandalized in the Sports Complex dirt parking lot. The windshield and driver's side window were broken and the driver's side tire was slashed. The estimated amount of damage was \$400.

## Friday, March 11

A men's locker was broken into in the Sports Complex. A pair of squash glasses worth \$25, a t-shirt worth \$5 and a combination lock worth \$10 was stolen.

A resident living on the second floor of Dewey College reported harassing phone calls.

A men's locker was broken into in the Sports

This report was compiled from the daily bulletin of Stony Brook's Department of Public Safety. Anyone with information regarding campus crimes should call Public Safety headquarters at 632-6350 or 632-3333.

Complex. Two racquetball rackets worth \$140 each, a basketball and a pair of jeans worth \$40 was stolen.

A room on the third floor of Langmuir College was broken into. The doorknob was broken and \$350 in cash was stolen from a wallet in the room.

A pair of sneakers worth \$60 was stolen from a men's locker in the Sports Complex.

Two Ektelon racquetball rackets worth \$80 were stolen from a men's locker in the Sports POLICE BLOTTER

Two sweatshirts, a racquetball racket, lock and pair of sweatpants were stolen from a men's locker in the Sports Complex. The estimated amount was \$80.

A master lock worth \$6 was pried open in the men's locker room of the Sports Complex. A green backpack worth \$30, a Motorola pager worth \$50 and two credit cards were stolen.

A wallet was stolen in the men's locker room of the Sports Complex. The wallet contained three credit cards.

A wallet worth \$10 was stolen from a men's locker in the Sports Complex. The wallet contained \$5 cash, an ID card, two credit cards and a set of keys.

## Saturday, March 12

An IBM Pro Printer worth \$200, a data cable worth \$40, and a power strip worth \$20 was stolen from the circulation desk of the Ward Melville Library

A male student punched another student on the chin in the Periodicals Room of the Ward Melville Library. The fight was over a broken stapler and the assailant was sent to Student Affairs.

A stolen 1987 Ford T-Bird was recovered in the Roth Cafeteria loading zone. The car was used in a grand larceny earlier that day at the Sunrise Mall.

Sunday, March 13

A fight broke out between two females in a second floor room in Dreiser College. One female was hit on the top of the head with a phone receiver and received five stitches. The other sustained minor scratches.

Urine was found in the sink of a men's room in the Humanities Building. The Muslim Student Association said it was done against them because they use the bathroom for cleaning rituals before

A wallet worth \$15 and a pair of jeans worth \$20 was stolen from a men's locker in the Sports Complex. The wallet contained \$80 in cash, a telephone card and three credit cards.

## Monday, March 14

A Meyer snowblade worth \$800 was stolen in the Main Campus Service Area.

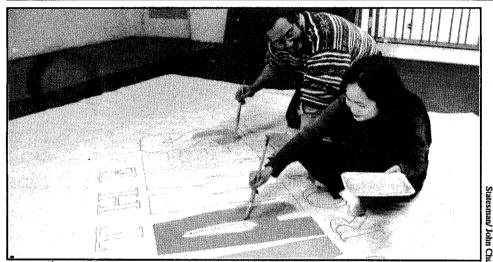
A firecracker was thrown through an open window in a Langmuir College room. A shade worth \$35 was damaged.

A large window worth \$100 was shattered in a Stimson College lounge on the second floor.

A 1992 Ford van in the Physical Plant parking lot received a four foot scratch.

## Wednesday, March 16

A 1987 grey Dodge 4-door was fully engulfed in flames in the South 'P' Lot. The Stony Brook fire department responded to the call.

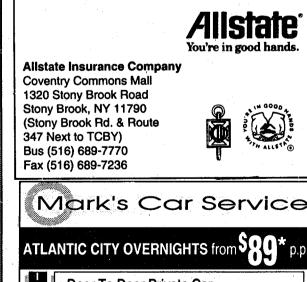


Joe Fraioli

# In The Name Of Love

Traffic Hearing Officer Arty Shertzer and Sophomore Diana Zhu volunteer their time yesterday to paint the signature quilt for the second Names Project AIDS Memorial Quilt, which will be displayed at the Indoor Sports Complex on April 7 and 8.





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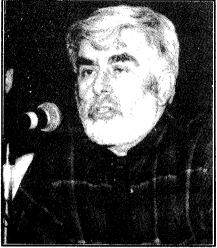
# Polity Holds Race Relations Forum

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course," she said, "including the administration."

"What we're now talking about is a clear development of what we are, who we are and how we need to make this society a better place," Matthews said. "It's a long term process."

Things got little hot when Cole got to comment further on the content of his columns. "As an ideal, multiculturalism may be good, but the way it is enacted at Stony Brook has only forced racism and division," he said. "... That is clearly seen



History Professor Joel Rosenthal, chairman of the University Seante Diversity council was a member of the panel and spoke about multiculturalism

by looking at the Africana Studies Program, the clubs funded by Polity..."

Stewart had to interject and re-state the objectives directly after Cole's remarks in order to simmer the crowd down. "Our objective here for having the forum is not to stand here and spew out negative remarks. We're here to do something positive," she

However, no one could ease Professor Amiri Baraka (who brought his class) too easy. He asked for Cole to elaborate and confirm his generalized statements.

Preston that he was not here to "participate in the Richard Cole Show." It's important to deal with the issues," he said. He also said that he was interested in hearing from more people in the audience.

Baraka also did not agree with the format of the forum because, "we're not here to get the administration to talk at us," he said.

The forum then became the center of a back and forth argument of who is to blame for the conditions on campus.

Some said that it is the introduction of controversial speakers, such as Khalid Abdul Muhammed, that invokes negativism.

This should not be a comparison of "my worst case speaker is better than your worst case speaker," Rosenthal said. "Look at how far we have come." He pointed to the increase in diverse faculty and curriculum. "This should focus on what Stony Brook could do to build a multicultural community."

Preston, Topek and Della encouraged



Amiri Baraka, a professor in the Africana Studies program spoke out vehemently against racism at the Race Relations Forum.

students to go out and listen to more speakers to hear what they have to say, rather than making generalized judgements by only one or two sensationalistic speakers.

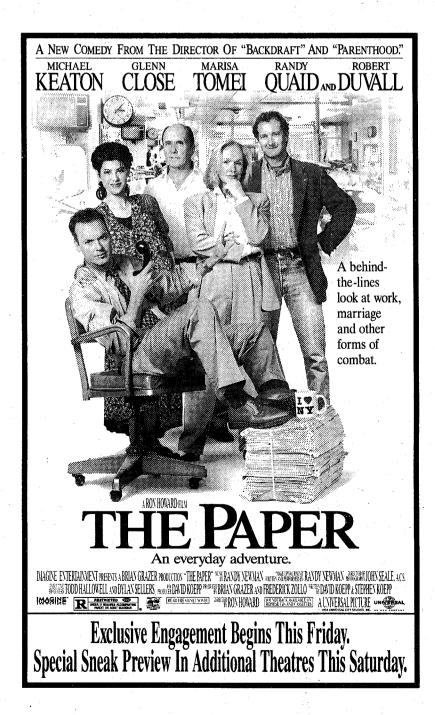
One student got up and said that he gets along with everyone at his dorm and that when he goes outside the dorm and gives a smile and hello to someone who is black or Hispanic, he'll get one in return. He suggested that something like that could be the start of something big.

In defense of the Africana Studies Program and Baraka, a student said that she had learn more about herself in his class

than had ever before. Another said that AFS "brings out issues that need to be discussed.'

"Diversity must not be the monopoly of AFS," Rosenthal said. "I hope that diversity carries on into all classes of arts and science," he said.

When the forum had to close at around 8:30 p.m., Freshman representative, Nicole Rosner, invited anyone interested to the Commuter College in the basement of the Union, where they could continue discussion. But a large majority decided to stay upstairs and talk in small groups.





# The King Part II: More Than A Sequel

There are some anniversaries you don't want to celebrate, but you end up having to commemorate it because you are forced to. This month marks the one year anniversary of a article that I wrote for another publication called "King of the Multicultural Jews," which was mainly an attack on the workings of the Hillel Student Club. The article helped launch my career as a "student journalist."

Despite the views of many, it was no joy for me to write the article. Attacking fellow Jews is not my favorite activity. The article was written as a result of my growing disgust of the leadership of the Hillel Student Club because they concentrated on social activities and making friends with administrators rather than concentrating on cultural activities to enrich Jewish life on campus.

The Hillel Student Club has changed since last year's article. The people that caused my disillusion with the organization are no longer there, which drastically improves the place. The current president Jessica Blumenfeld has done the best possible job she can under the circumstances that she had to face. The club is hampered by an executive board that seems disinterested and lethargic most of the time. I've been to a few board meetings and half the board seems unconscious. How can a student organization expect to be active and attract more students if their leaders seem disinterested in working? Jessica deserves better than the non-support she has been receiving.

If you've read this column in the recent past, you will remember that there was a controversy at *Statesman* on whether to accept a "Holocaust revisionist" advertisement. The board in a wise decision, voted not to accept the advertisement. The B'nai Brith/ Hillel Foundation (a "separate" entity from the Polity funded student club),

headed by Rabbi Joseph Topek was helpful in providing the Editorial Board with information on these hate mongers who parade as pseudo-intellectual scholars. My refusal to accept the advertisement is well documented (*Draw The Line*, 2/24). Yet, there is a small part of me who wanted that advertisement in the paper because it would have woken up Hillel from its deep coma. It would have actually forced them to do something... anything at all.

One of Hillel's assets and liabilities has been their chaplain, Rabbi Joseph Topek. Topek is a very nice and knowledgeable guy, but he lets his ideal views of "multiculturalism" get in the way. At Tuesday night's Race Relations Forum, Topek said that Richard Cole's controversial columns hurt the Jewish community as well. What hurts the Jewish community is the rampant antisemitism on campus and the refusal for Hillel to involve themselves in the matter. At times, I think Topek is a Jewish apologist. His op-ed on the Hebron massacre, in the March 7 issue of Statesman, tried to make sense of the issue, but it sounded like a Jewish person attempting to apologize for the actions of a fellow Jew, Dr. Baruch Goldstein, the murderer of forty Arabs. I won't apologize for the actions of Dr. Baruch Goldstein, just as I don't expect African-Americans to apologize for the antics of LIRR gunman Colin Ferguson.

My problem with Hillel always has been a difference of philosophy with them. The difference of philosophy can be seen throughout the Jewish world. Some Jews, which probably includes Hillel are passive, they are afraid of causing waves or standing up for themselves. The other side are Jews that are more willing to fight, caring less about remaining silent. The "passive Jews" remind me of

the Jewish leadership of Eastern Europe before World War II. The leadership didn't want to make waves because they thought everything was all right. Well, the murder of six million Jews proved that everything was not all right. I consider myself as a "non-passive Jew", but that does not mean I am a fanatic like Baruch Goldstein. My grandfather didn't fight back over fifty years ago, but I will.

The problems that I see at Hillel are the same that I see at my synagogue. The rabbi a my synagogue is the typical "passive Jew", who feels it is more important to make friends with politicians than fighting against anti-semitism. My rabbi condemned the uproar over Crown Heights, defending the actions of then-New York City Mayor David Dinkins. Two weeks ago, my rabbi offered a prayer for the Arabs murdered in the Hebron massacre. A week later, when an Orthodox Jewish student was murdered in a terrorist attack on the Brooklyn Bridge, the rabbi did not offer any prayers for the murdered student. Does the rabbi believe Arab blood is more important than Jewish blood? No, but the rabbi is more interested in doing what is politically correct than acting as the synagogue's spiritual leader.

I generally like the people involved in Hillel, they have always been courteous to me in the past. Despite this column, I will participate in a number of Hillel activities especially their programs about the Holocaust. Despite all their shortcomings, Hillel is the organization on campus for my culture and my people. However, the question remains, when will they have the courage to act?

**Toilet Paper Update** 

It seems that another student publication on this SEE ROSENBAUM PAGE 7



# **Polity Judiciary Reinstated**

John Hanke, Dreiser senator and Steering Committee chair, announced last night that no one showed up to last week's committee meeting. This meant, according to Hanke, that no one had any problems with the rough draft of the constitution the committee had drawn up. Hanke said he will be writing the final draft of the proposed constitution and have it ready within two weeks.

Hanke also addressed the Polity Judiciary bylaws that the committee had written and proposed. Before anyone could make a motion for their approval, Commuter Senator Vincent Bruzzese pointed out what he felt were two major problems with the proposed legislation. He first said that the district court, which is the branch of the judiciary that rules on the cases first, would not have enough jurisdiction under the new bylaws. His second criticism was that the judiciary has the unlimited power of judicial review, the power to declare something constitutional or unconstitutional almost at will. "You're making a one branch system - judiciary, with no senate or council check." said Bruzzese. "Polity can't run more efficiently with a 'Super-Legislature."

Commuter Senator Kenneth Daube motioned to approve the bylaws as written and re-instate the judiciary. Commuter Senator and Senate Secretary David Sashoua made a hostile amendment to add to "Article 9 Section A, "The power of judicial review with the understanding that complaint and controversy must be present." This would mean that the judiciary could declare something constitutional or unconstitutional only if it was brought to them with a valid complaint and reason of controversy. Once Sashoua's amendment was approved, Daube rescinded his motion. "What you're doing is giving ten people who are appointed, the power to say what's just and what's unjust," said Bruzzese of the judiciary. "It's not due process."

Sashoua then made a motion to approve the bylaws with his aforementioned amendment. Daube made a hostile amendment to have Sashoua's addition withdrawn. When Daube's motion passed, Sashoua rescinded. "How do you like that," Sashoua laughed.

Daube once again made his original motion and it was taken to a vote. The vote came out to 17-10-9, one vote short of passing. The motion failed because the approval of bylaws had to passed by a 2/3 vote. Polity President Jerry Canada stepped in, spoke for the bylaws and supported the unlimited judicial review. "That's their job, why not let them do their job," he said. "It just adds another check."

Sophomore Representative Ryan Mitola motioned again for the approval of the bylaws, which passed this time by a count of 22-11-5, re-instating the Polity Judiciary as well.

Hanke announced that he will resign due to his 21 credits that he is taking and the lack of attention he has been giving his Leg. Hanke used that opportunity to stress the senator's role in the college and commuter Leg.

# **Executive Director Resigns**

Speaking of resigning and stress, Polity Executive Director Stressoir Alternis announced his resignation effective April 30, according the Jerry Canada. Alternis will be employed in a new job in which Canada said will be, "a better situation for him to be in."

Canada will be forming a committee for the hiring of

the new executive director. Canada also announced the need to make appointments for some of the Polity committees. Some of the committees that need appointed members include the Student Activities Board, Committee on Cinematic Arts and University Senate. Canada is currently taking recommendations and is forming a selection committee as well.

# **Race Relations Standing Committee Formed**

Sophomore Rep Ryan Mitola has been working on the Voter Registration/Education Committee and will be writing a time-line for next semester's voter registration. He also announced that the first meeting for the Blood Drive Committee will be held next Wednesday in Room 231 of the Union at 6:30 p.m.

Freshman Representative Nicole Rosner thanked those who helped out in Tuesday's Race Relations Forum. She is currently taking suggestions on continuing

programs for race relations. Vice-President Crystal Plati said of the forum, "I was there and I thought it was a fantastic start."

Hand Senator Mark Thomas motioned to change the Race Relations Committee from an ad hoc committee, a committee that meets only when needed, to a standing committee, a committee that meets every semester. Daube said that he spoke against the change last week, but has changed his minds after seeing Tuesday's forum. Proxy Jim Coffey reaffirmed his desire to have a standing committee, which he motioned last week before his resignation last Thursday. The motion passed unanimously.

John Hanke announced that Polity elections will be pushed back a week and held on April 18 and 19. The week before will be used for campaigning and the week after the Spring Break will be the time allotted to petition for a Polity position.

-Compiled By Joe Fraioli

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# Nussbaum Resigns

Chief White House Counsel Bernard Nussbaumhas resigned his position, effective immediately, in response to the subpoenas issued by a grand jury in Little Rock that is investigating whether any impropriety occurred in the Whitewater Development Company and the Madison Guaranty Savings and Loan, a venture that the President and First Lady were apart of, beginning in 1979 and ending during the Presidential campaign of 1992. There are accusations that the White House is a part of the alleged cover-up in the failure of the Savings and Loan.

The inquiry is investigating whether or not Nussbaum and any other members of the Rose law firm now working in the White House shredded documents that were removed from the office of Nussbaum's assistant, the late Vincent Foster, shortly after his suicide last summer. Five other White house officials, as well as five officials, from the Treasury Department were also subpoenaed by special prosecutor Robert Fiske, who was appointed by Attorney General Janet Reno in January after mounting pressure from Congress forced Clinton to allow Reno to appoint the prosecutor.

However, Republicans in Congress have been pressuring members to call for an independent congressional inquiry into the Whitewater affair, led by ranking Republican on the Senate Banking committee, Sen. Al D'Amato of New York. Independent Prosecutor Fiske has asked that congress wait in calling for an independent congressional inquiry, saying that it would hamper his own investigation. Clinton has

assured that full cooperation of the white house staff would occur.

Nussbaum's replacement is Lloyd Cutler, former Chief white House counsel of president Jimmy Carter. Cutler has announced that he only intends to hold the position for 130 days and that we would do so without pay. last week he met with congressional leaders to assure that full cooperation would take place in the matter.

# Constitutional

# **Amendment Fails**

A proposed amendment to the US Constitution failed to gain enough votes that would have required the federal budget to be balanced by law. The bill known as the balanced budget amendment was sponsored by senator Paul Simon of Illinois and had bipartisan support in the senate but failed by three votes to gain a 2/3 majority required for amendments top the US Constitution. In recent years, the bill has been gaining support due to growing budget deficit. Both senators from New York were against the bill as was Clinton.

## Trade War Escalates

Clinton raised the stakes in the ongoing trade conflict between the United States and Japan last week by signing an executive order that calls for a Section 301 investigation. The investigation is designed to find if any damage occurred to US exports to Japan as a result of unfair trade practices by the Japanese against American electronic equipment, more specifically portable phones, the action is in response to the

meeting last month in Washington between Clinton and the Japanese premier. The action is designed to force the Japanese to negotiate freer trade under the GATT agreement and may result in the implementation of a protectionist trade policy against Japan within our own country. Protectionists in congress, such as House majority leader Richard Gephardt support the measure and praised the president for his action.

# Christopher Talks In China Fail

Secretary of State Warren Christopher returned from a week long trip to Japan and China with only a token agreement from both regarding the current policy in Japan as mentioned above, and the human rights abuses in China. The talks between China and Christopher went so bad, that a joint news conference scheduled between the two was cancelled after an agreement on human rights could not be reached. Premier Li Peng of China told Christopher that his country will not agree to human rights agreements that are preferred by the United States and responded that his country can do fine without the most favored nation status that is extended to his country by the President. That status is due to expire in June and the talks were hoped to have been to secure an agreement that would have made the extension of the status easier to give to China. Whether or not the status is extended remains to be seen.

## Battle For Grumman

The Grumman Corporation which is one of the last reminders of the cold war on

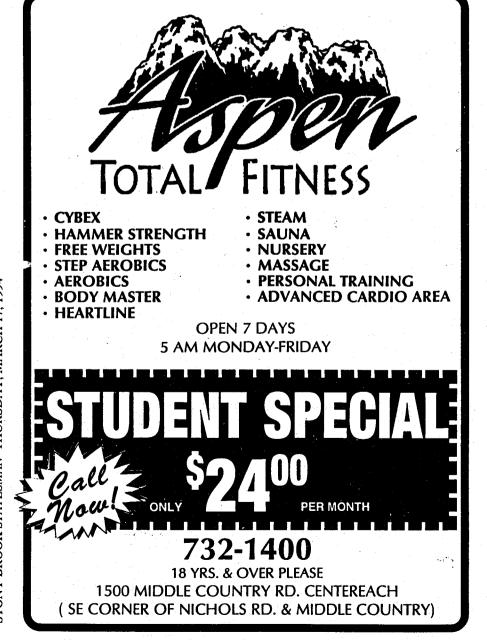
Long Island, is involved in a bidding war between Northrop and Martin Marietta, both of whom are trying to acquire Grumman. The battle began last week when Martin Marietta agreed to buy Grumman for \$1.9 billion in an all cash purchase, that rose the value of Grumman's stock to around \$55 a share. Later in the week, Northrop upped the ante by offering Grumman \$2.04 billion for the company that comes out to about \$60 a share. Both companies have enough resources to continue the bidding higher, so stay tuned for further development.

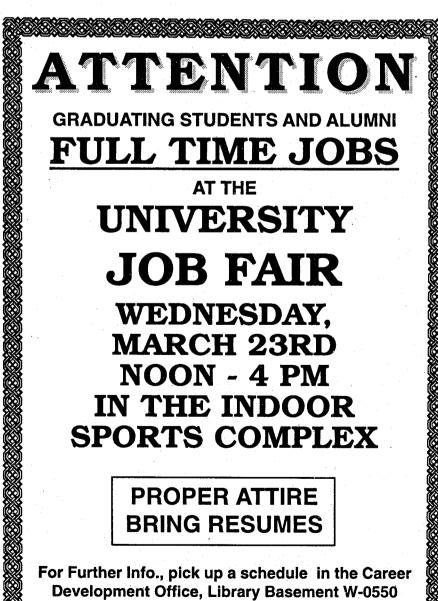
## Beatles Reunion?

Much talk has been circulating around the music business that the three surviving members of the musical group, The Beatles are in London and recording music for a new documentary and anthology series on the history of the group due to be released early next year. There is even speculation that the surviving members are using a four song tape of music composed by the late John Lennon recorded shortly before his death in 1980 and given to the group by his widow, Yoko Ono.

Beatlefan magazine reports that they will electronically splice the tape of Lennon singing and combine it with a tape of the other three's music. As for any possible appearances or concerts, George Harrison said that there will not be any Beatles reunion,"as long as John Lennon remains dead."

-Compiled By Terry Hamblin, Jr.





between 8:30 AM and 4:00 PM

# VA Appoints Alumnus to Head | Humanities Becomes New Women Veterans Office

By Oscar Seara

Office of Public Affairs for the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs

Washington- The U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs announced the appointment March 9 of Joan A. Furey to head the newly formed Women Veterans Program

"I am pleased to make this announcement," said VA Secretary Jesse Brown. "Establishing this office fulfills a personal goal to place a greater emphasis on the care, support and benefits women veterans have earned and to bring about A greater awareness of their contributions to this country's defense. Furey brings a veteran's perspective, a wealth of experience and a fine reputation within her field and the department of the position."

As head of VA's Women Veterans Program Office, Furey will work closely with all VA administrations to ensure consistency and avoid duplication in developing programs to improve services to women's veterans. In addition, the office will publicize the special services available to women's veterans as well as general benefits information available to all veterans, and foster awareness of the contributions of women veterans to this country's

A Vietnam veteran, Furey began her VA career as a

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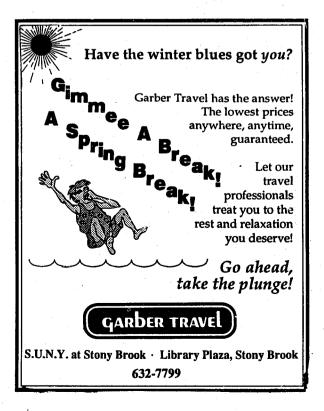
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campus having nothing better to do than talk about Richard Cole. It also seems that this publication has no one better to put on the cover for their last two issues than Cole. The editorial in the paper was vicious. It seems that this paper is dying for some recognition, one should realize that petty jealousy will get you nowhere!

More Draw The Line Hate Mail

It seems all columnists for this paper are involved in controversies. As we know, Richard Cole has been involved in a controversy revolving around his views around multiculturalism. Tom Masse is in trouble for using song lyrics to convey a message, and I'm in trouble for my high school days.

Another week, another column, and another letter condemning the antics of this column. This week's letter (see today's issue), just like the letter from last week were both written by alumnus of my alma mater. Both letters prove what I have said about my alma mater's English teachers, they never taught writing skills to their students. Both authors should complain to their high school English teachers about their lack of writing skills. I have already done my complaining, Mr. Doremus gave me a 75 in Journalism in my junior year. Who's laughing now?



staff nurse at the VA Medical Center in Bay Pines, Fla. After a short tour of duty at the VA Medical Center in Togus, Maine, she returned to Bay Pines as associate chief of nursing. In 1989 she was appointed associate director for education at the National Center for Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder at the VA Medical Center in Palo Alto, Calif., a position she held until her current appointment. During her tenure at Palo Alto, the medical center established the first women veterans inpatient PTSD program.

Furey earned an M.A. degree in nursing from New York University and a B.S. in nursing from the State University of New York at Stony Brook. She is the author of numerous publications and is a frequent presenter before professional organizations.

Of her new appointment and duties, Furey said, "I feel privileged to have been selected for this position and look forward to working with the administration in enhancing the Department's services for women veterans

# Read Statesman Twice Weekly

# Smoke Free

A meeting was held on Tuesday afternoon by Lt. Doug Little, spokesperson for Public Safety, on whether or not the Humanities building should be smoke free.

Seven non-smokers attended the meeting stating their cases on why the building should be smoke free. They relayed their stories by posing health risks from second hand smoke, allergies and complaints of breathing problems related to the people smoking in the building.

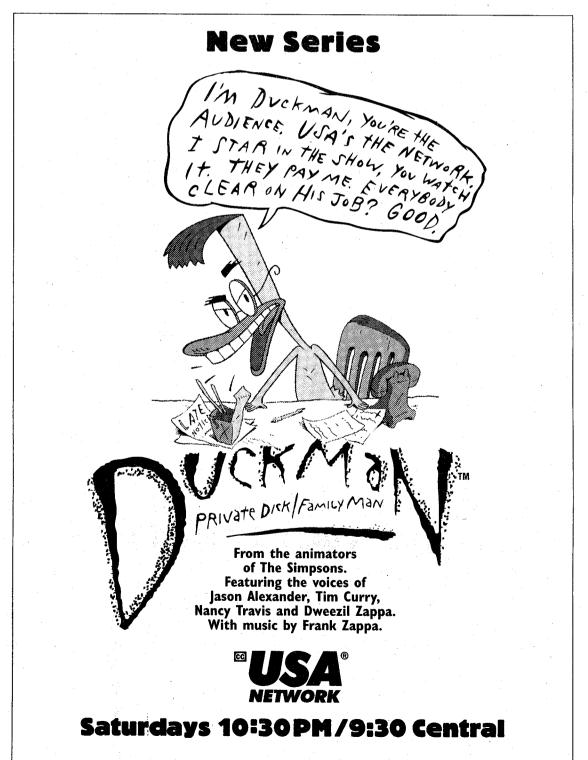
The reason for this move towards a smoke free environment in the Humanities building was the result of numerous non formal complaints received by campus police about the problem of smokers.

The decision for a smoke free building is also followed by the federal government's decision to make all of their government buildings smoke free and because of the growing concern of health risks from second hand

Little commented on the decision by saying, "it is a shame that not many people showed up to this advertised meeting to share their feelings about this matter, but this decision is to protect equal rights of the non smoker."

In order to enforce this, smoke free signs will placed around the building and smokers that smoke in the building will be confronted to take their cigarettes outside. Summons will also be issued to the building manager if the smoke free environment is not enforced. Effectively these summons will be costly to the departments in the building that will have pay for the fines.

- Cliff Kurrkowski



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# **Editorial**

# Taking the First Step

For the first time in years the Polity Senate took a step in a positive direction when it sponsored a race relations forum, Tuesday night.

Although many of the issues that were supposed to be dealt with were not, at least there was some type of attempt for a discussion. For many years, Polity, the administration, faculty, staff, and the students have pretended that everything is picture perfect on this campus. Now people are coming out and speaking about ill feelings between the races on this campus that have been around for many years.

Nicole Rosner, along with the other members of this should committee, be applauded for her hard work.

committee and made something work. During the forum she was the most unbiased of the Polity council members present. She was professional in every sense of the word, unlike many other people in attendance.

The most promising and productive part of the evening took place after the organized forum. It was the same when the UNITI culture center held their town meeting less than a month ago. After the forum, students spoke to each other one on one and, at least tried, to understand each other.

It is one thing for some one to get up in front of a crowd and yell about something. It is a completely other story when one tries to gain knowledge about

Within two weeks she formed a how the other person views the situation by speaking WITH the individual. This is where there was a complete sense of progress. These were the people that really wanted things to change for the better. These are people that don't want to hate but want to understand.

> At last night's senate meeting it was voted to change campus relations committee to a standing committee. Bravo! Also during the senate meeting Nicole expressed her desire to form some kind of programming in this committee that would allow students to talk to each other about this although the exact plan of action is not yet decided on. Kudos to the freshman representative.



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## Students Shafted At USB

## To The Editor:

Have you ever wondered what happened to your activity fee? As a commuter, I always wondered what special plans they had for the \$50 that is collected from 10,000 other commuters. For the past seven semesters (and two summer sessions), I have paid the mandatory student activity fee. Now, in the final semester of my senior year, when I am involved in an activity, Polity will not provide funding.

I am a member of the United Nations Club here on campus. This is a group of 22 students who will be representing Stony Brook at a United Nations conference in New York City from March 29-April 2 (yes, during spring break). As a club, each college works as delegates representing a chosen nation, playing important roles in various committees and learning about global politics. As an organization on this campus, we are entitled to receive funding from Polity. Our head delegate was told that in order for us to receive any money for the hotel bill and other expenses, the trip would have to be open to the entire university. This means that any student could observe the conference and stay at the hotel with Polity and Stony Brook funding us. However, at the last meeting, we were told that there was only \$6,000 in the budget and they generously gave us \$20. What a joke! Each student has paid \$50 for this semester and since many of the members are seniors, have been paying for over three years. Thank you Polity, for giving us \$.91 in return for us funding the crap this campus has to offer. In a time when we pay a mandatory athletic fee for this school's pathetic football team to go Division I, has the emphasis on academics faded? Why give to a college that gives you less than 1/350 of what you put in?

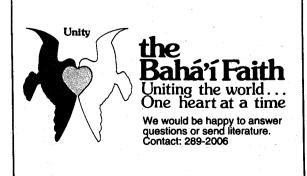
Leah Michelle Jefferson

# Union Deli Pricing Is Unfair

## To The Editor

Everyone who has been to the Campus Deli in the Student Union has taken notice of the prices of the items there. Whether paying cash or using you're Declining Balance for whatever it is that you're buying we know that we're paying a little more than usual. Why? Is there some special type of service that we're getting at the Union Deli that we wouldn't receive in another store. Is the quality of the merchandise there significantly better than at any other off-campus store? As it turns out you couldn't be buying your Snapple or your Chips Ahoy cookies at a worse place that's sole purpose seems to be to take advantage of you as a Stony Brook student. We've made a comparison of the prices of some common items sold at the Union Deli to the Seven Eleven's (accross the LIRR tracks on 25A) and the Pathmark (near the Smith Haven mall) to prove this point.

Pathmark of course is a huge supermarket which is capable of buying goods at lower bulk rates than smaller stores. It's expected that prices there would be less there than in the Union. Now Seven Eleven compared to the Union Deli is a different story. Seven Eleven is a privately owned franchise, it is self sufficient. It is obvious that the Union Deli receives significantly more business in an average day than Seven Eleven's does and could ever hope for. Yet at Seven Eleven's the prices are significantly less than that in the Union Deli. Almost everyone has a Snapple now and then, right? Well the fact is that when you buy a Snapple at the Union you're paying 37% more than you would be if you bought one at Seven Eleven's. If you compared it with Pathmark's price you would be paying 72% more at the Union.



This difference in prices might not make a difference to most people on or off of the student meal plan but when it comes down to it, it's not the paying a couple of cents more here and there, it's the fact that FSA is taking advantage of us. For most on campus residents and students who spend the better half of their day on campus we have few options of where to go for a meal because we a restrained by lack of time in a busy schedule and/or lack of transportation. So does this mean that FSA should take advantage of us? If anything FSA should cut us a break.

The injustices of FSA don't just stop at the Union Deli. Why does FSA charge \$942 a semester for a declining balance of only \$850? It's bad enough that we're getting ripped off when we buy something on campus, but we also have to pay \$92 for the privilege to get over charged? Any on campus resident living in a cooking building can choose to cook instead of being on meal plan... for a fee of course. Why should anyone have to pay a cooking fee of \$250 per person? Are we being charged to make up for not buying their already over priced food? It seem like there's no escaping FSA if you live on campus.

We made an attempt to contact FSA to inquire about these obvious problems hoping that they could give us some explanations. That was about 2 weeks before we wrote this article and we still haven't gotten any response.

> Noel Aquino Paresh Rana

# Don't Blame Preston

### To The Editor:

Richard Cole's article "Stony Brook Teaches Reactive Racism" has been under much heat for the past, however long. I know his thesis to be untrue. I really don't care to comment on the article itself.

However, I would like to react to Ary Rosenbaum's "Draw The Line" from March 10. Ary: you're wrong. There's no other way to say it. You attacked the administration of the school based on improper premises, yourself. You accused Stony Brook President, John H. Marburger III and Vice President of Student Affairs, Fred Preston of a low comprehension level, and not having addresses the issue at hand. However, they did.

Mr. Cole's article says, clearly (although paraphrased) that he was not born a racist. He said that his experiences at this school have taught him (once again, paraphrased) to be a racist. Unless I, too, am misunderstanding Mr. Cole's argument, he is saying that he learned to be racist as a result of his environment.

Now, to Pres. Marburger's letter. Pres. Marburger stated that it is untrue that being in a certain environment teaches one to be racist. I fully agree. It is not the

environment that teaches racism. It's the people that do that

V.P. Preston's letter coincided with Pres. Marburger' letter in terms of meaning. Therefore, with no importance removed from the Vice President's letter, I need not comment much further on this subject.

It is very important to differentiate between one's subsoncious] and one's conscious. Perhaps Mr. Cole has racist intentions in the back of his head since day one on campus. Maybe he had bad experiences in the past with African Americans, by whom he is revolted. It seems that, only recently, his conscious became aware of of what was in his head.

I have been going to school for 16 years. Never have I encountered a situation in which my school directly, or indirectly, taught me to be racist. I have learned that if I don't like someone, it's an individual thing.

Ary, just a few' weeks ago, you wrote about Jews and the Holocaust. Surely Richard knows about this part of our ethnic history, too. That was a prime case of projected hatred of one person onto an entire religion or ethnicity. If Richard had a problem with one African American, that doesn't' mean that "the whole lot" is evil. You know how it feels for people to hate you for being a Jew, if someone had an experience with one bad apple."

Basically, I think that Pres. Marburger fully understood the issue, and commented on it appropriately. I think Vice Pres. Preston was entirely aware of the message Richard was trying to get across, and responded in a manner, both fitting, and correct.

I don't think it's you place to try to protect Richard. He's a big boy. He can fight his own battles. But, if you find it necessary to fight for him, do so in a fitting manner. Don't insult people's intelligence, when they are correct are you are wrong.

Sorry, Ary. I had to say what I felt needed addressing. Don't take it as a personal attack. See it as a lesson... one I guess Midwood never taught you.

Adam Burstein Class of '95

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# Where Do We Draw the Line?

By B. G. Bey

Where do we draw the line? is a popular phrase used to question actions that may need to be acted upon. Many lines have been drawn in the calendar year of 1994 for so called 'black leadership.' Negroes such as Khalid Muhammad have been put in check by their own peers, or by said 'others' at a record pace. I do not need to join in on the present rhetoric and condemn these leaders because of their present actions I will deal with the causes of their behavior.

Where did our present leaders come from? Who voted for who? Louis Farrakhan and Khalid Muhammad descend from the Nation of Islam under Elijah Muhammad. Jesse Jackson and other mainstream black leaders came from the Christian model of such organizations as the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People and likewise. Some research into the 1960's will give a better background on the origins of present leadership. My point is that these people descended from certain schools of thought from a past decade. Educationally, these individuals probably attended colleges, joined student groups such as fraternities, thus gained some sort of identity. Even those that benefited from social were also heirs to a better standard of living and higher access to opportunity (i.e. equal opportunity, affirmative action,

quotas)

After the assassinations of many spokesmen for black rights, something began to happen. These deaths served as a barometer to how far one could go before something happened. Certain issues we not to be dwelled upon. Even today, it is fine to repeat teaching of the man then referred to as Malcolm X because it is not the least bit original. The black youth of today are for the most part sound biting imitations of past years. Watch television and listen to what an individual says, then associate it to a movie, book, or music video. The angry black man, or the systematic opportunist that cooperates with the hassle until he reaches the higher stations of life. Negroes became aware of how politics worked and that it may be safer to channel their energies in other ways. They became teachers, judges, college professors, and professionals determined to make change within the system. People often say that these people sold out to the system, but they always were working to change this system, but used different methods.

It is sad to think about the real state of the world and know that the 'black leaders' know and will not tell, or do not know and tell what they think is right. If they do not know, they need another job, right? I cannot blame our leaders for playing games with us being that most people do not

recognize con games when they hear it. On Arsenio last month Louis Farrakhan (why is he using a Christian first name if he is a Muslim?) praised the Nation of Islam for going into the Prison System and reforming convicts. I would rather know how the system that got me there is operated, and how to stay out in the first place. What about nationality? Proper citizenship status? Monetary policy and its Constitutionality? Why Malcolm X and not the true name Malik El Sahbazz? The way militancy has gone from outward to inward? Break it down my brother because these Negroes need to know, if you represent them. I know you know. Are they afraid to cross that fine line that separates dead heros from live leaders? The school system is in sad shape with students being taught to memorize ideas more than how to create them. Would that cause too much competition for the companies that we are here to learn to work for? These appointed leaders would be exposed too often.I will admit that these people do speak on real issues at times, but it is often out of time and not elaborated upon to the precise detail. If they did, their airtime would be cut, and the Nation of Islam is interested in building up its following. Before saying that the white man is the cause, people should know the role these so called black people play.

Last semester, there was a speaker

here at Stony Brook by the name of Steve Cokely. He mostly discussed the secret foundations of Freemasonry and how it relates to American institutions. The point was that some things are not dwelled upon through formal education, but it turns out to be the foundation of our lives. Most professional people that are in the know will only speak about the Masonic origins of the U.S.A. in private and if induced to, dwell on the fact that they are incorporated to uphold the great secret or truth of the present world. Militant leaders too! True history. The point is that a true leader would expound upon the real truth as it relates to tomorrow. In so many words, Mr. Cokely was saying that I am telling you young people to be real and stop falling into the trap of playing false roles and being afraid to be real. Not loud, real! Focus is what youth do not use as a general rule. They do not know that they are actually a little bit of everyone that ever lived, in mind. Labels and associations are rigidly followed by most, without knowing the whole truth. So called black leaders are committing the crime of perpetrating and leading people on, instead of telling people to know themselves. whenever these people realize who is who, we will all be better off. I chose to ask certain questions because if I left it up to certain individuals, certain things would never get said.

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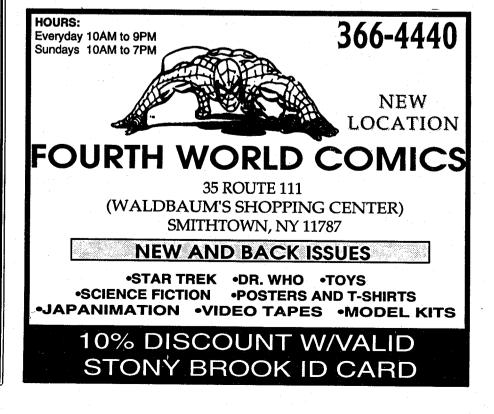
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# Thanks For Women's Rugby Coverage

## To the Editor:

I would like to thank Mr. Masse, the sports editor, for his March 10 article about the women's rugby club meeting. I would, however, like to clarify a few points for those not yet familiar with the game or with our club.

Rugby isn't a men's game and it isn't a women's game. It certainly isn't "football for women" as I've actually been asked. Rugby is a sport played internationally by men and women. It is a club sport at every level, from the national teams to children's teams, and it has the same rules no matter who plays, but what makes it such an exciting and unique sport is the individual

nature every team gives to the game.

On the field, there are 15 players every side for a roughly soccer-sized field, and for those who have played sports that might seem a little crowded. But in actuality, the numbers provide an opportunity for a powerful network and supportive teamwork. The players on the field are organized in such a way that the ball becomes fluid-in constant motion between players. As such, communication and intuitive understanding between players is developed. It is not a sport where one or a few people stand out in front of the rest, it is a sport that relies crucially on teamwork, group dedication and trust. And this team exists both on and off the field, uniquely bonding the players even from different teams and countries.

The special nature of this trust extends to the policies that determine how the teams are chosen within our club. Players do

not need to try out for the team and may have a wide variety of familiarity with rugby in particular or sports in general. The club accepts as many people as want to play the game and forms as many teams as necessary, insuring that everyone will play. There is no pressure placed on the particular skills of a player. Practices are designed both to develop skills particular to the sport and to the crucial teamwork necessary to playing a winning game.

I think that I can speak for most of the women who play rugby with our club in saying that however we each discovered the sport we have each grown to love it. That is the real reason that we go out to practice and work to make our club a successful part of this campus. Thank you very much for your continued support and dedicated reporting.

Alison Tarplee



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# Lacrosse Looks to Soar Against Air Force

By Den Cariello Statesman Staff Writer

Welcome to lacrosse season! After a two week layoff, the Patriots come out from the gym and onto the grass for one of the toughest games of the what looks to be their toughest schedule yet. As senior midfielder Chris Chamberlain said, "Air Force has a physical team. That's their biggest strength. They're a tough physical team.'

It is this tough physical play by which Stony Brook got beat up last year in a 6-16 loss when they played last April at the U.S. Air Force Academy., 'Last year we got beat up pretty bad, but we're not going to stand by and watch the game," said sophomore midfielder Will Imhoff. "We'll go after them."

However, one of the glaring weaknesses of this team is their lack of game experience. With nearly half of the team in their rookie season, one has to wonder how this team, particularly the attack, will react to a game of this magnitude.

"We are a pretty young team, but from what I've heard we have a lot more leg than last year," said Courtney Wilson, freshman midfield/attack. "Not that we'll be able to run around them [Air Force], but we should be quick enough. And with our ball movement, we should be able to compensate for their size.

Steve Cox, one of the veterans of the team and this year's starting goaltender, looks for good things to come from this game. "This has been a heavily anticipated game," he said. "It was a real disappointment about the Notre Dame game and all we're really looking forward to this one... I really think we can come out with a victory Sunday.'

Any keys to the game? "The big glaring weakness with Air Force is that they really lack the skills we have," continued Cox. "Our ball movement is great and only getting better. Air Force is a good team - don't get me wrong - but from what I saw last year, their ball movement skills are really lacking." Incidentally, Cox posted a 63.4% save percentage and a 9.47 goals-against average and will be starting Sunday. "If we play a tight defense, and only allow outside shots, and really concentrate on contesting the inside shots and clearing the crease, we should come away with a victory."

'Come away with a victory" is something this team will try to get used to. Last year this team won three times - out of fifteen chances. Offensively, they were offensive. They averaged scoring four goals less than their opponents, and this is a team which posted an impressive 12.8 goals-against.

According to head coach John Espey, the coaching staff

purposely schedules an extremely difficult schedule intending for the team to play up to its Division I compeition's standards.

Unfortunately, this problem seems to be persisting. With the lack of goals in the past three scrimmages, and the lack of practice under full field conditions, this team is relatively untested under game situations. For most of the preseason, they have been practicing inside the gym, with only a basketball court's length to play with, thus only being able to concentrate on stick and fouron-four drills.

However, this is a team with lots of promise. The experience and size on defense rank with the best of Division I. Cox is looking to improve on his impressive half-campaign from last year. Judging by his hot play in the past three scrimmages, this season should be his best yet. Cox said, "You know this team really works hard and we've played pretty tight in the scrimmages. This is a young team and no one knows too much about us. We're gonna surprise some people."

If everything falls together not only will they surprise Air Force, they may surprise an entire division.

Note: Goalie Kevin Banks has left the team due to personal problems which he feels needs to attend to ... Speculation has it that he will be back with the club before the end of spring break.





# Views From D-I Women Hoops Coaches

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seven top-ten national rankings; four AIAW championships; a silver medal with the 1981 USA Maccabiah Team; and gold medals with the USA Select Team in the Jones Cup (1985), the World Championships (1990), and the Goodwill Games (1990). She also coached the 1992 USA Women's Olympic Team.

At the present time, Declan "Dec" McMullen is the women's basketball head coach, but his position is one that is classified as part-time. According to New York State law, any unfilled full-time job must be posted and applicants reviewed before the job is awarded. As a result, McMullen does not automatically receive the job and must apply for the position the same as every other candidate.

Some have implied that the matter has become a genderissue, claiming discrimination. Others have denied, vehemently, that this is not the case. The three named above were interviewed by phone about this and other related issues.

First, the coaches were asked how important the coach-player relationship is in women's basketball (and most other sports). "If you don't have that, you don't have a team," said Grentz. "Unless you have the greatest players in the world, that relationship is invaluable." Mangina agreed. "One should never underestimate how the coach interacts with their players," she said. "It's the [coach-player] relationship that builds the program and makes the players winners."

As for whether or not that relationship would be stronger if the coaches and athletes

were of the same gender, the coaches had slightly differing opinions. "It would be better for the sport if young women had women as role models for a career choice," said Mangina. However, Auriemma said, "No where does it say that a woman coach will make it harder or easier."

But, should the women's coach be a woman? "I don't think that's the crowning point," said Grentz. "But, that's what I am [a role model]." And, according to Mangina, "It would be nice to hire a woman whenever possible, as long as two coaches are equally qualified."

Speaking of qualifications, that seems to be the real issue, as far as these coaches are concerned. "We're not going to compromise our program for the sake of hiring a woman," said Auriemma. "If we could find a woman who is equally qualified, then that would be a consideration."

"It depends who is conducting the search and what they're looking for," said Grentz. "But they should look for the most qualified person." Mangina agreed. "The best situation for any sports program is to hire the most qualified person."

One option is to look more closely at Division I assistant coaches that may want to take a D-III program to the "Big Time." But, Auriemma feels that situation is unlikely to occur. "Most women want Division I jobs," he said. "They don't want Division II or Division III jobs... Someone who's that good probably already has a job."

Outside of availability, opinions among the coaches differ. "It's really too difficult to

say," said Grentz. "There is such variance some may be, some aren't." Even so, Mangina likes the theory. "A D-I coach would have more exposure to the politics and dealings with Big Time recruitment," she said. "It would be a positive step to give an assistant coach an opportunity. I was an assistant who was given a chance and I am extremely thankful."

Again considering Stony Brook's upgrade to D-I athletics, the age factor can become a consideration. "You will need someone young and energetic to recruit players at that level," said Auriemma. "Age is just another discriminating factor," said Grentz. "I'm not getting any younger, so I choose my staff to be very young to compensate."

Finally, each coach seemed to make one statement that stood out from the rest. "I completely agree that women should get - and deserve-more opportunities," said Auriemma. "But a lot of times the woman that you want won't be available. And if you aren't happy with the pool of female applications, you just can't settle."

As for the much esteemed Grentz, she said "I really *hate* it when gender and age and other things get in the way."

Mangina, who personally knows McMullen, said, "The university would be making a big mistake if they overlook Dec. I have great respect for Dec and hope he is the number one candidate. However, if for any reason coach McMullen does not want the job, then it would be favorable to hire a qualified woman."

Thus far, the opinions, hopes, and recommendations of members of the

Department of Athletics at Stony Brook and leading women's basketball coaches in the area have been heard. Next week, the third and final installment of this series will focus on the players, who have played under McMullen and who will play under the candidate chosen by the search committee.

Correction: In last week's Part I of this series, McMullen's career coaching record was mistakenly reported to be 193-109 (.639 percentage). His actual record is 203-109, for a .651 winning percentage.

David Donahue contributed to this story.

## SPORTS TRIVIA

This week's question concerns professional hockey. Any true hockey fan knows that undefeated streaks in the NHL are rare. Yet, one team dominated a stretch of the 1979-80 season, winning or tying 35 games in a row. What NHL team owns the record for the most consecutive games without a loss? (Hint: That city's sports teams also represented the area in the Super Bowl and the World Series that year.).

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# Canada And Gill Earn All-America Honors

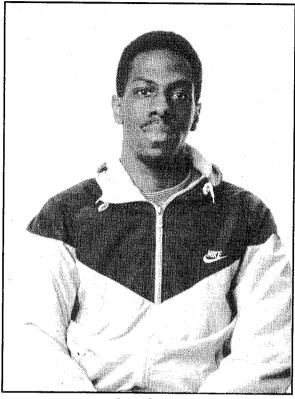
Last weekend at the NCAA Division III Track and Field Championships seniors Jerry Canada and Roger Gill achieved something that only four other 400-meter runners across the country were able to match. Gill and Canada competed in the finals of the 400-meter dash and earned All-America honors, given to the top six finishers of each event, as they finished in third (49.56 seconds) and fifth place (49.73), respectively. For their outstanding effort during the NCAA Championships, Canada and Gill were named Statesman / VIP Club Co-Athletes of the Week.

"I'm proud of what they did," said men's track head coach Jim Meegan. "I came in as a new coach this year and changed the philosophy of their training. They hung in there and rose to the occasion last weekend and they did it on pure heart."

Pure heart because Canada and Gill went into the championships with nagging hamstring injuries, which Gill aggravated in the qualifying heat. "In the first heat I felt a burn in my hamstring, and I went up on my toes to try and go a little harder, but there was nothing there. I iced it that night at the hotel, but I still didn't have everything on Saturday." As a result, Gill changed his usual race plans, jumping out to the lead, believing that his hamstring would not allow him to come from behind. He sustained the lead through the first 300 meters, but was eventually passed on the last turn, something that almost never happens. "For Roger to get passed on a turn, I knew something was wrong," said Meegan. "Roger never gets passed on a turn."

For Canada, who has been subject to injuries and accidents throughout his career, earning his first All-America honor is a pay-off for all of his hard work. "What an experience," said Canada. "This is something that I've dreamed about since I was a freshman, and to win it as a senior is icing on the cake. It's extra special because it's an individual event, but I have to thank Roger and the coaching staff for all of their help."

Gill and Canada benefited from the fact that they were at the championships together. "Most definitely," said

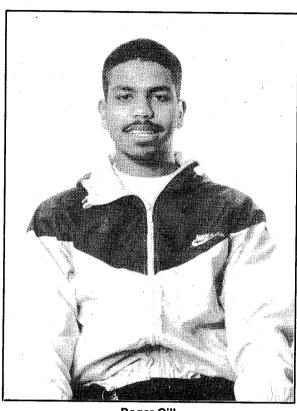


**Jerry Canada** 

Canada. "With Roger out there, there was a sense of familiarity. Of course we were still competing against each other, but it was more comfortable."

'Having Jerry there was an advantage," agreed Gill. "If I know where Jerry is, I know how I'm doing because we are so used to running against each other."

With the outdoor season fast approaching, Gill and Canada are in agreement about a new goal. "With two finalists in the 400-meter dash indoors, we should definitely

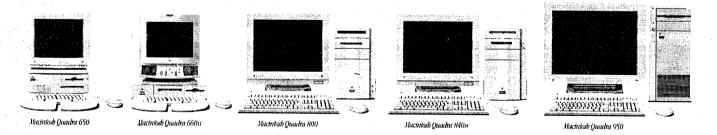


Roger Gill

have a 4x400 relay team in the outdoor championships," said Canada. "We should have a shot at a national championship in the relay."

Meegan agrees that better things are yet to come this spring. "This is just a taste of what they can accomplish. it gives them something to shoot for. I'm real happy for Jerry because he's fought through all of the injuries that he's had, and now, no matter what happens this spring, he'll leave here as an All-American."

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# Almost the Best of the Best at the Brook

By Thomas Masse Statesman Sports Editor

Quick quiz: Which team possesses the best won-lost percentage (.750) at Stony Brook so far this year?

Teri Tiso's volleyball? No, but their percentage was .711. Dec McMullen's women's basketball? Actually, yes, but this story is not about them.

The second best record of the year belongs to Peter Schultheiss' squash team. In his first year as head coach, Schultheiss guided his players to an overall (including post-season) 20-7 record for a .740 winning percentage - just barely behind McMullen's lady hoopsters.

Schultheiss is content with the final tally and said that one "most certainly can't be unhappy" with the season record, but the team had hoped for even better. "That was the goal - to make top ten," said Schultheiss. "That was realistic. But we hit some stone walls against Navy and F and M [Franklin and Marshall]."

The season started with seven straight 9-0 match victories before a tough 1-8 loss to Williams College at Williams. Eleven days later, the team suffered its second straight defeat, losing to Yale at home, 2-7. However, Schultheiss called the loss the "Highlight of the Year." Schultheiss said that the match served as a wake-up call to Yale, who ended the year ranked number two, losing to Harvard in the championship match.

In the match against Yale, number one seed Gavin Appel beat his All-America opponent and four other Patriots took their opponents to five games, two of them (Ali Bukhari and Shaheryar "Sherry" Irshad) won.

"We played our hearts out-it was the best we played all year," said Schultheiss. Stony Brook was one of only six teams to take any games from Yale all year.

The team only lost five more matches for the rest of the year. Three of the losses came in the team's last four matches of the season, and two of those in the Team Nationals to Amherst (ranked ninth nationally) and Cornell (thirteenth). Interestingly enough, Cornell had handed the Brook the other of the three losses the week before the Nationals at the Cornell Round Robin. Even more uncanny was that both losses were by the same score (2-7) and both of the Patriots' winners were the same (C. Appel, and Irshad). "No one hits the ball as hard as Shaheryar (Irshad)," said Schultheiss

Overall, the team shut out thirteen of their 27 opponents and were shut out by only three (Navy, Franklin and Marshall, and Amherst).

The talent goes up exponentially," said Schultheiss of the Team Nationals. "Fourteenth is a good ranking for us." At the Nationals, the Patriots first faced number nine Amherst, whose number one and three seeds were All-America athletes last year. "Beating them would have been an almost insurmountable task for us," said Schultheiss. The loss sent the Brook to the rematch with Cornell, also boasting a number one seed All-America player. Schultheiss felt that the team played much better against Cornell in the tournament than during the season. He said that the match was much closer than the final score indicated.

In Stony Brook's final match of the

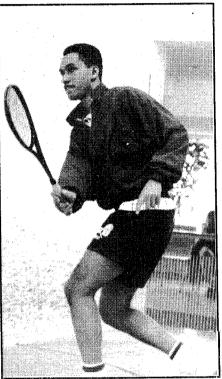
Institute of Technology (also with a number one seed All-America) for a 5-4 victory. Schultheiss said that the team "kind of luckedout" by getting one match victory by way of default. "We were nip-and-tuck the whole way in that one." Summing up the tournament, the head coach said that "it looks like the whole [collegiate] level has gotten better."

On more positive notes, Stony Brook was nominated for Most Improved Team and Best Sportsmanship. And recently, Craig Appel was named Male Senior Scholar-Athlete of the Year by the Alumni Association. The number two seed posted a personal record of 21-6 for the season, but even more impressive is his 3.77 GPA.

The team will be losing the services of Ali Bukhari, Oliver Dick, and Irshad, but should remain strong. Craig Appel may be back for the first half of the season, and his brother, number one seed, Gavin will almost definitely be back for the same.

"It was a thrill to take over for my former coach," said Schultheiss of his first season, also referring to Stony Brook's last squash coach, Bob Snider. "...To carry on the program that he started helped develop my love for the game." coach said that he has tried to pass on that feeling about the game to others. "The success of the team made it worthwhile."

Schultheiss also applauded Craig and Gavin Appel's "unselfish dedication and willingness to help the other team members." Finally, he wanted to thank Josh Smyth, the team's volunteer assistant coach. "His expertise also helped significantly in the overall success we had post-season, the team held off Massachusetts this season. It's something I'm most



Statesman File Photo

Carig Appel was one of the leaders of this year's squash team.

thankful for," said Schultheiss.

On the heels of such a successful season, the team is still looking for freshman and sophomores with racquetball, tennis, or badminton experience. "We're always happy to work with them," said Schultheiss. If this season is any indication, this team has a very good chance of reaching their goals next

# Dec, Part II: The Outsiders

By Thomas Masse Statesman Sports Editor

This article is the second in a series regarding the upgrade of the women's basketball head coach position from part-time to full-time. Last week, coaches and administrators within Stony Brook's Department of Athletics expressed their views. This week, successful Division I women's basketball coaches state their opinions.

Phyllis Mangina, Geno Auriemma, and Theresa Grentz: what do these three people have in common? They are three of the most successful Division I women's basketball head coaches in the area. Each of them had some very interesting views concerning Stony Brook's current situation of searching for a fulltime women's baskethall head coach.

The accomplishments of these coaches are much too long to list. However, here is a

short compilation of their credentials.

-Phyllis Mangina of Seton Hall is currently coaching her finest season. Her team has won 25 games so far and finished 16-2 in the Big East Conference. Her nine-year career record with the Pirates is 135-118, including 107-59 in the last five years, reaching 20 wins in two of those years.

- Geno Auriemma is coaching the University of Connecticut Lady Huskies to

their finest season ever. His team has been ranked in the top-20 in the nation all year, and are currently in the top five.

- Theresa Grentz coaches the Rutgers University Lady Knights. She has over 400 wins in her coaching career that has spanned nineteen years. She has coached her team to nine straight 20-win seasons and nine straight NCAA tournament appearances. She boasts

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