

## Senators Debate Issues and Problems At Weekly Meeting

### Decision to Support Athletic Fee Increase Pushed To Next Week

By JOE FRAIOLI  
Statesman Managing Editor

Although only four items were written on the original agenda for yesterday's Polity Senate Meeting, the meeting lasted over two and a half hours. Yesterday's senate meeting is the third of the year and began at about 7:30 p.m. in the Bi-level of the Stony Brook Union.

### Part-Timers Allowed To Run For Office

The first to address the senate body last night was Division of Physical Education and Athletics Associate Director for Development Greg Economou. Economou asked the senate to postpone the voting of whether or not to support the Division's \$10 increase in the Student Athletic Fee because there was not a large turnout at yesterday's town meeting held in the Indoor Sports Complex during Campus Lifetime. He also said that Dean Laskowski's father had passed away last week and was unable to attend the town meeting or senate meeting. Economou said that the next town meeting will be held at 1 p.m. next Wednesday in the Stony Brook Union Auditorium.

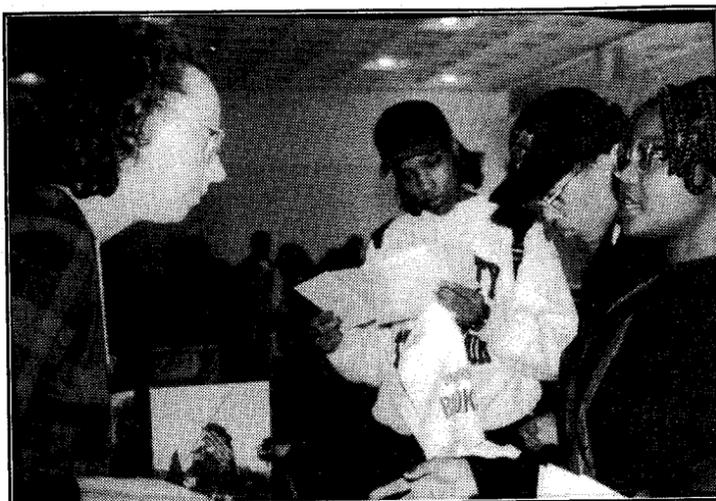
Former Commuter Senator Vincent Bruzzese discussed what he felt were some needed changes in the Polity Election Board Bylaws. In simplest terms, the election bylaws are an outline of rules and regulations on how elections should be held, conducted and regulated. In a 30-0-6 vote, the senate approved some of Bruzzese's recommendations. The changes ranged from misspellings in the bylaws to procedural alterations. One of the major changes included allowing part-time students to run for any office as long as they have paid a full-time Student Activity Fee making them Polity members. Another significant change included

letting the Polity Senate become part of selecting the Election Board. In the past, the Election Board, the board that is responsible for upholding the election bylaws, has been approved by the Polity Council. Under Bruzzese's changes, the board must now be approved by both the council and senate. After it was stated that the approved changes will be in effect for this November's elections, a long debate followed by senators who complained that the changes should be instated for the spring elections and by other senators who said that it should be clarified that the changes will be enforced for the November elections. A motion to reconsider the senate's previous approval of the changes was made, but was later rescinded.

Other changes in the Election Board Bylaws are scheduled to be discussed and voted upon during next week's senate meeting. One of the proposed changes is to allow negative campaigning such as mudslinging, to be allowed during a candidate's campaign period as long as it is not libelous. "That's censorship," Bruzzese said about the banishment of negative campaigning. "It should read that nothing libelous can be printed or said. That's something that can be open for discussion by the senate."

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## Grad Department Hosts Graduate and Professional Fair



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Maureen Kaminski, a representative of LIU speaks to students about business graduate programs at its C.W. Post Campus.

By SUZANNE MURPHY  
Statesman Staff Writer

The Stony Brook Graduate Department hosted its first annual Graduate and Professional School Fair in the Union Ballroom yesterday from 12 p.m. to 7 p.m. The fair proved to be an overall success thanks to the hard work of its director, Eugene Reiersen, and all the schools that participated, from New York University's School of Social Work, to the Logan College of Chiropractic in Chesterfield, Missouri.

The goal of the fair was to reach out to students and give them a chance to meet with recruiters from various schools, hopefully steering their future in the right direction. Tables were set up in an informal way so that students could leisurely walk

around and approach anyone they wanted, at their own pace. It proved to be a pleasant atmosphere for most, which alleviated the stress of the concept of applying to Graduate School. Most of the school representatives were satisfied with the set-up, and were pleased with the interest and openness of the students who attended. Usually at other schools, the fairs were run from 12 p.m. to 4 p.m., but Stony Brook stayed alive and functioning until 7 p.m. to accommodate full-time workers and residents of the community. Some recruiters felt that this was too long of a day, especially if they had to travel three to four hours to get here, but others, like Glenn Berman, Director of Graduate Admissions at New York Institute of Technology, felt

that it was a necessity and would stay even later if there were a need for it.

The tables were decorated with booklets and pamphlets with just about every bit of information written in them concerning the schools and their programs. Students diligently filled out cards concerning themselves and their majors in order to receive more information from the schools, chatting to various directors about their goals and possible career choices. They collected all their papers and held them in shopping bags donated by Wallace's, the University Bookstore. Most of the students who took the time out of their busy schedules to visit the fair said that it was well worth the time and was well organized. Many were pleased with the results, and left with a sense of accomplishment.

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## New Policies Effect Academic Dishonesty

By SCOTT NEVINS  
Statesman Staff Writer

Since the first day of the fall semester, a new change in the policies and procedures governing undergraduate academic dishonesty for the College of Arts and Sciences, College of Engineering and Applied Sciences, W. Averell Harriman School for Management and Policy, and the Marine Sciences Research Center, has been enforced in addition to the previous rules.

The Academic Judiciary Committee are already in the process of mailing the new

policy to every undergraduate student attending Stony Brook (on campus and off.) In addition, the faculty has received the policy.

The newly featured addition is the "Q" grade. The grade is used to signify a student has committed an act of academic dishonesty. Under the previous system, students were given the permanent grade of "F". With the new grade, students are given the opportunity to have the incriminating "Q" removed by taking a class the next semester.

The approximate \$50 non-credit course requires the

involved to attend seven classes in which students self-analyze themselves to find out why they cheated in addition to learning study skills. If the instructor (part of the Residence Life Staff) feels the student has successfully completed the course, the "Q" will be removed and exchanged for the grade the teacher would normally give (usually an "F").

Students who are found guilty of academic dishonesty after taking the course, will have their original "Q" reinstated and

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# Bookstore, Basix Sites of Theft

## Wednesday, September 28

1:20 P.M. Student Union Parking lot. An 88 mazda truck owned by an ARA employee was booted for unpaid parking tickets. Once the boot was removed, the employee proceeded to still park at the meters but this time placed 2 slugs in the meter for more illegal parking time.

Since all the break-ins at South P-lot, the University Police have investigated any suspicious people in the area. On this account a suspect was found not to be breaking in cars but to have a warrant out for his arrest, from the Suffolk County Vehicle and Traffic Law. He was brought to University Police headquarters and turned over to the Suffolk County Police. So pay overdue speeding or parking tickets or this could be you.

## Thursday, September 29

At 40 minutes past midnight, there was criminal mischief over at Langmuir P-lot near Conservation. The rear passenger side window was broken in a vehicle and miscellaneous articles were stolen.

At 5:07 A.M. a harassment

case was reported at North P-lot. A female was confronted by a tall white male, 5'10" and about 170lbs. He was last seen heading toward the Park Bench. No charges were filed.

## Friday, September 30

12:22 A.M. Stimpson- first floor. Victim stated a rock was thrown thru her window, valued at \$100. The Power Plant was notified.

AT 3:08A.M. a white male was found sleeping in a phone booth in the Irving O'neil lobby. The intoxicated male said he was visiting a friend, who could not be located. He was left to sleep it off in the lobby.

At 3:09 A.M. in Hand College a female tripped going up the first floor stairs and injured her ankle. Stony Brook's Speed Vac transported her to University Hospital. A friend stated the victim had been drinking off campus. The case was referred to student affairs.

8:10A.M. Life Science Library,

an IBM 286 computer was stolen, along with a color monitor and a Pioneer CD-ROM. The total value was \$2,400.

8:30P.M. Dreiser P-lot. An 86 mazda had all 4 tires slashed. The approximate value was \$240.

## Saturday, October 1

11A.M. A silver toyota parked in Dreiser P-lot had 2 tires slashed on the left side. Each was valued at \$65.

3:29P.M. An RA at James College reported smelling marijuana from one of the rooms. The occupants

admitted to smoking the substance earlier but none was found. The case was referred to Student Affairs by the RA.

7:11P.M. Staller Center Pit Area. A small fire was found in the garbage can and was extinguished by a University Police Officer.

## Sunday, October 2

11:53P.M. Toscani College Laundry room had a smoking

dryer. Stony Brook's Fire Dept., Environmental Health and Safety and the Power Plant responded. The smoke was cleared and an electrician called.

## Monday, October 3

At 12:43 in the afternoon, 2 Asian males were reported to have stolen 2 windbreakers from Basix in the Student Union. They were worth \$50. The suspects were gone upon arrival of University Police.

5P.M. Stony Brook bookstore. A suspect placed a \$50 book under his jacket but was caught by 2 employees. It was referred to the manager who referred it to the Student Judiciary.

5P.M. Irving the Suffolk police were called in to issue an order of protection for a girl from her ex boyfriend. He had threatened to kill her.

8:03P.M. Keller College kitchen. On the first floor an unknown student was cooking and left the stove unattended. The Environmental Health and Safety extinguished it in time and no damage was reported.

## POLICE BLOTTER

BY GAYE DERUSSO

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# Allegations Brought Against Council and SAB <sup>3</sup>

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## PSC Finally Established

The senate elected its new Programming Services Council (PSC) last night. The PSC oversees the allocations of the Student Activity Fee to both Clubs and Organizations and Fraternities and Sororities. There was another long debate about holding off the elections until next week so the new senators could become familiar with the committee, but many senators said that it is too late in the semester to hold off the elections for another week and there is already a list of organizations wanting to speak with the PSC. The new representatives include: Kenneth Daube, Venessa Sidacu, Brendan Heddle, William Bernhard, Steven Erdmann, and Christopher Calavas.

## Project Reports

Sophomore Representative Nicole Rosner gave an update on her voter registration committee and stated that she was behind schedule in getting students to register. She planned to have at least 2,000 students registered to vote by October 14. With only about 500 currently registered, she is now aiming for 1,500. She also stressed that this year is a gubernatorial election and she would like to have polling done at the school in the future, but needs more participation and involvement by students.

Senior Representative Cory Goodman announced a '70's Dance Party sponsored by the Senior Class Committee and the Inter-Fraternity Sorority Council. The dance party will be held Saturday at 9 p.m.

in the Union Ballroom. The party will include a '70's Dance and Costume Contest.

## Outside Organizations Offer Information, Services

President of the Memorial Wildlife Federation Stanley Bethiel addressed the senate about his crusade to help save the planet of many of the violations being done to the environment. Bethiel attributed many natural disasters to the abuse done to the environment by humans and has been traveling across the country to speak at colleges. Bethiel said he resigned from 10 years of government service because "the governments don't want to deal with the issue" and started the Memorial Wildlife Federation, a Holbrook non-profit organization. His mission is to get signatures for one million petitions to help save the planet.

Alumnus Mitchel Grotch then addressed the senate and announced that he had formed a Student Rights Law Center in Manhattan will offer services to students in need. He said that he is currently working on cases at USB including one involving the Student Conduct Code. Grotch is fighting to allow the presence of lawyers at judicial hearings. Grotch also said that the Polity Council would not let him in the Polity Suite to interview student rights violations because Polity has their own lawyer.

## Senators Express Frustrations

Commuter Senator Robyn Sauer expressed concern that she did not want the senate held accountable for the

council's ineffectiveness. The Polity Council consists of the President, Vice-President, Treasurer, Secretary, and all four class representatives. Sauer said the reason why duties such as the appointments for judiciary and PSC haven't been fulfilled was due to the council's idleness. "The senate should make a statement to the council saying we're not going to be delinquent in our duties because they are," she said.

Nicole Rosner defended the council saying that the appointments have been on the Council Meeting Agendas for some time but they have been unable to obtain quorum or hold meetings long enough. "We've been exceptionally busy and we're trying our best," she said. "I do want to apologize and we're not ignoring you."

Cory Goodman added that interviews have been done for the judiciary positions and will be brought to the senate as soon as possible. Polity Council Meetings are held Mondays at 9 p.m. in the Polity Suite.

Sauer said that the guilty council members should fulfill the duties of the positions they ran for and should hold themselves accountable for their actions, or lack thereof, since they are getting paid every week. Benedict Senator Brendan Heddle expressed his disappointment with the fact that a senate agenda can not even be distributed 24 hours in advance. James College Senator Cathy Toumbekis stood up for the council saying they should not be bashed but supported for their hard work.

(IFSC) President Peter Scolaro motioned to allocate \$1,500 out of the IFSC budget to spend on fireworks for Spirit Night on Thursday, October 13. Scolaro said the total for Spirit Night came out to \$4,000 and is receiving help from Mark Newmark, faculty advisor of the Booster and Spirit Clubs. Scolaro's allocation was approved unanimously. Spirit Night will be held on Seawolves field from 8 p.m. to 10 p.m. and the fireworks will be done by Gucci.

## Senators Claim Reverse Diversity

Sauer addressed a student's concern that was brought to her, saying that the Student Activities Board is not representing the student body. The Student Activities Board is a branch of Polity in charge of campus entertainment such as concerts and parties. Sauer said that the board was only representing the minority population on campus and not the rest of the students. She also brought up a letter in the Monday, October 3 issue of *Statesman* that expressed one student's frustrations of no events targeted for different ethnic groups, only those who like Rap or Club music. "The Student Activities Board has limited their programming," she said. "There isn't a multicultural representation."

Other senators agreed with Sauer saying that something must be done. Former Commuter Student Association Vice-President Steven Alamia questioned where the money was being used to obtain the bands that were chosen. "The concerts we have are crap," he said. "We're not getting any known bands. I haven't seen a

## Getting Set For Homecoming

Inter-Fraternity Sorority Council

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Literature Tables Fireside Lounge, Stony Brook Union

**Wednesday, October 12**

**Homecoming Kick-Off Event,** Front of Stony Brook Union  
(Rain Location: Fireside Lounge, Stony Brook Union)

**Homecoming King & Queen Selection,**  
Stony Brook Union, Room 229, 9pm- for application and  
information contact Scott Law, Campus Residences at 2-9533

**Thursday, October 13**

**Roth Quad Re-Opening Celebration,** Roth Quad  
Ribbon Cutting Ceremony, 1:30pm

Re-opening of Roth Food Court, 6- 7:45pm

March to USB Spirit Night!, 7:45pm

**USB Spirit Night featuring Fireworks by Grucci!,**  
Athletic Stadium, 8 - 10pm

**"Tales of the Lost Formicans,"** (performed by students in the  
Department of Theatre Arts), Theatre One, Staller Center, 8pm

**SAB Tokyo Joe's Dance Party,** Ballroom, Union, 10pm

**Friday, October 14**

**USB Seawolves Classic Volleyball Tournament,** Indoor Sports  
Complex, 3:30 - 10:30pm

**"Tales of the Lost Formicans,"** (performed by students in the  
Department of Theatre Arts) Theatre One, Staller Center, 8pm

**SAB Caribbean Cruise Party,** Pritchard Gym, 9:00pm

**Saturday, October 15**

**Alumni Continental Breakfast with President Shirley Kenny,**  
Lobby, Staller Center, 9 - 10:15am

**Freshman Parents Brunch,** 10am- Noon, Union Ballroom

**USB Women's Soccer,** Varsity Soccer Field,

USB Seawolves vs Buffalo, 10am - 1pm

**USB Seawolves Classic Volleyball Tournament,**  
Pritchard Gym, Indoor Sports Complex, 10am - 6pm

**STUDENT POLITY  
ASSOCIATION**

**Homecoming Family Fun Activities (fun & games for children),**  
Center Drive across from Sports Complex, 11:00am - 1:30pm

**Homecoming Parade** starts at Tabler Quad at 11am- for appli-  
cations and information contact Scott Law, Campus  
Residences at 2-9533. Information meeting today (Oct. 6th) at  
4pm in Irving O'Neil Lobby)

**Football Game Tailgating Event,** North P Parking Lot, 11am

**Football Game: USB Seawolves vs. Norwich,**  
Athletic Stadium, 1:30pm

**"Tales of the Lost Formicans"** (performed by students in the  
Department of Theatre Arts), Theatre One, Staller Center, 8pm

**Staller Center Event featuring Rita Moreno,**  
Main Stage, Staller Center, 8 - 10pm

**Homecoming Celebration with the TEKES, (Tau Kappa  
Epsilon Fraternity),** End of the Bridge, Stony Brook Union, 9pm

**Sunday, October 16**

**Registration for 5K Run for Scholarships,** Lobby, Indoor  
Sports Complex, 9am

**5K Race for Walkers & the Physically Challenged,** starts at  
9:45am and takes place throughout campus grounds

**5K Runners Race** starts at 10am and takes place throughout  
campus grounds

**Homecoming Pancake Brunch and Trophy Presentation,**  
Ballroom, Stony Brook Union, 10am - 12:30pm

**"Tales of the Lost Formicans"** (performed by student in the  
Department of Theatre Arts) Theatre One, Staller Center, 2pm

**USB Men's Soccer Game USB Seawolves vs Concordia,**  
Varsity Soccer Fields, 2:30 - 4pm

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# Homecoming Policies Change For Dishonesty

## Concert Canceled

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rock band in years."

Senators also took the opportunity to express their dissatisfaction with this year's performer for the homecoming concert - rap artist Queen Latifah. Goodman announced that Queen Latifah will not be able to make her performance due to a filming contract with the Fox network and there will be no concert for homecoming this year. When Brendan Heddle suggested forming a group to oversee SAB's operations, Goodman defended the board saying that if the senators are so concerned, then they should go to the SAB meetings themselves. "SAB meetings are Thursday's at 1 p.m. in the Polity Suite," said Goodman. "It's not their fault."

CSA Vice-President Kenneth Daube also expressed his disappointment with other Polity socials on campus, saying that the same DJ is hired for every single event and that DJ plays nothing but rap and reggae music. "We should also have a DJ with rock music," he said. "We deserve everything, because we pay for everything." □

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the marks will become permanent.

Depending on the academic dishonesty and if the instructor or Dean feels that there should be a more severe punishment then "Q" students might have the possibility of being expelled or suspended. A lesser penalty may also be justifiable under mitigating circumstances.

William Wiesner, Assistant Vice Provost for Undergraduate Studies, informed the *Statesman*, "Nobody has been accused of dishonesty this semester." He also commented that "... all the feedback from the faculty and staff has been positive..."

Students who were questioned had other feelings about the new ruling. Sophia Giampilis, a Sophomore at USB, stated, "Basically, I think that a universal rule about instituting a 'Q' is totally unreasonable. This should be a decision of the teachers, whether they will give the student an F or a 0 for one test. Manjula Gill, a senior, argued, "The new 'Q' grading policy, although seemingly guided by good-intentions, probably wouldn't change or accomplish anything. The course that the cheaters are required to take would be a waste of time. First of all, everyone knows cheating is wrong anyway and second, the class would change the

reasons the person cheated in the first place. And in the end, the cheaters will get the same final grade anyway."

As read in the *Policies and Procedures Governing Undergraduate Academic Dishonesty*, "Academic dishonesty includes any act that is designed to obtain fraudulently, either for oneself or for someone else, academic credit, grades, or other recognition that is not properly earned."

The policy also gives suggestions for protecting students from being charged with academic dishonesty. They suggest that students do not sit near roommates, close personal friends, and students they have studied with. They also make the suggestion to prepare thoroughly for examinations and assignments. □

## Graduate Fair

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Mark McGeary, a freshman who is undecided about his future as a pre-med student, was glad he came by. "I was well-informed, and now I'm leaning towards research because there is a need for minorities in that field," he said. "I'm glad I came because I never would have known this." He also found out that there was a research program in the summer and plans to

participate in it.

Other students agreed that the fair was a very informative, but were disappointed when they didn't see the school or program of their choice. Heidi Becker, a theater major, did not find any schools that she felt were of value to her. She suggested broadening the fields of interest next time to include the various majors of all students.

Although the event was advertised around campus, some students just found out about it - just in time to stop by. Tom Kane, a senior majoring in Economics, felt the fair gave him a chance to meet with recruiters personally without writing away for applications. Although pleased with this, he felt the tables could have been set up differently. "Some people don't have particular schools in mind, so they should set the tables up according to their area of interest, maybe health science in one area and business in another," he said. By having students fill out a survey at the end of their visit, Reiersen was open to these suggestions and any opinions students might have had. She was generally pleased with the end result, and is eager to hold another fair next year. "The schools were very happy with the reception they received, and many schools only had good things to say about the students", she said. Reiersen hopes to broaden the selection of schools next time, but realizes it is impossible for every school to make it on a particular day. This is one area she hopes to improve so that the next fair will reap even more benefits for everyone involved. Her only regret is that she didn't offer free food. . something that Stony Brook students are not used to. □

In Case You Missed it Last Wednesday, WUSB 90.1 FM will be Re-airing President Shirley Kenny's Convocation Speech This Saturday at 7:30 p.m. and This Sunday at 3 p.m.

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## Editorial

# Won't Get Fooled, Again

By now, you have probably heard that there will be no Homecoming concert this year. Maybe it's the first time in Stony Brook Homecoming history, maybe it's not, but do you really care about that?

Neither do we. We're just really miffed about the whole thing.

Unfortunately, we can't just leave it at that, either.

When the semester started - no, before the semester started - Statesman was approached by various Homecoming committee members. After last year's Homecoming coverage, they (and we) hoped to see more and better coverage this year. As a result, we were invited to attend the committee meeting and our office has been in consistent contact with the committee members and chairs.

With such a good relationship, it seemed very hard to believe when our writer and photographer were asked to leave this past week's meeting before any business was brought to the floor. They were told that "highly personal" or "sensitive" material was going to be discussed.

What?

For some reason, we thought that Homecoming Committee was an open meeting. The committee does not have the right to restrict who attends the meeting.

Well, of course, we know why they didn't want reporters for the newspaper that everyone on campus reads to be at that meeting. It's because they were going to announce that the

Homecoming concert had been canceled. Oh, perhaps you haven't heard some of the other Homecoming events being canceled or changed.

We have only heard whispers - true facts that we cannot publish because Homecoming Committee members are afraid to be named in the paper. Let's just say that Homecoming won't be very much the same this year. One committee member, who wished to remain anonymous (as they all did) said that everything the committee had done - that is, had not done - was "a terrible disaster."

Everyone should remember at this point that your hard earned dollars are being wasted by the thousands over ineptness such as this.

*Ineptness.*

First the Beach Boys pulled out. They have been around since the earth formed, but someone thought that they could fool one of the most prolific bands in music history to not check out the facilities at Stony Brook before they came to play. Of course, as fantastic a building as the Indoor Sports Complex is, it was not built for concert sound and acoustics. Translation: no Beach Boys.

After that, on short notice, Queen Latifah was signed. At least, we were told that she was signed. Now we are being told that her filming contract with the Fox network is preventing her from performing. Some thought that she might perform on Sunday night. Really? She films

on the West Coast on Friday. So, Queen Latifah is going to film all day Friday or Saturday and then fly out to the East Coast to play a concert for a few thousand (if that many show) a day or two later.

Something tells us that Queen Latifah was never signed (we haven't seen any paperwork) and that we were told that because certain people wanted Queen Latifah, instead of maybe someone decent.

All of the crap involved, however, pales next to the fact that the Homecoming Committee **DID NOT WANT YOU TO KNOW!** Why else would they expel our writer and photographer? They knew we would print what was said in that meeting - they just didn't want us to.

Our staffers left quietly, without protesting.

We here at The Stony Brook Statesman still will bring you the best, most in-depth coverage of Homecoming we possibly can. That is our job, and unlike the slew of politicians and administrators on this campus, we will continue to do our job to the best of our abilities to serve you, the campus community. We will go the extra mile to keep you informed and to highlight the great events we still might get to see.

Hey, Stony Brook, it's your - no, it's **OUR** money. Don't let them hide the truth any longer. If you're as miffed as we are about this whole fiasco, write us a letter. Give us a phone call. Let your voice be heard. And, LET EACH BECOME AWARE!

## Hello? Isn't This College or Something?

We've been sort of wondering: what the heck is "Flava" and how does one kick it?

We scoured the campus to try to find out what "Kickin New FLAVA" really is.

First, we looked at the word itself. It sure seems to have some kind of relevance to "Flavor" so we went to ARA to inquire.

"What is 'Flava,'" we asked? They had no idea what we were

talking about, which really didn't surprise us. After receiving two nickels and a penny for our 11 cents change (even though there was a mound of dimes in the register) we headed back across campus in search of Flava.

Checking the spelling, we headed to Earth, Space and Science (ESS, duh). Fortunately, there happened to be an exhibit on volcanos.

What luck! Surely "Flava" had something to do with "lava!"

As you may have guessed, Flava and lava have nothing to do with each other.

Finally, defeated, we headed across the tracks to Strawberry Fields for some java. . .

**WAIT!**

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**- Margaret Gilman**

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# Statesman Features

Thursday, September 29, 1994

## Uptown Comics at Colours

BY STEVEN PUENTES  
Statesman Staff Writer

Colours Cafe was packed with people last Friday, awaiting the start of the comedy show, which was to begin at 6 p.m., but did not start until 8 p.m.

The title of the event was called "The Beginning of The End," which was the second to last show in the Polity Pride series. The event was hosted by Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Sigma Chi Beta Fraternity, and Polity. The entrance fee for the event was free, which was the idea of the entire Polity Pride Series.

The atmosphere was set in the cafe with balloons, and live music by Total Chaos Productions. The full house in Colours eagerly anticipated the start of the comedy show at 6 p.m., but when the first comedian, Big Jimmy from the group home, came on stage, the crowd gave him a rousing applause.

Big Jimmy's routine was a hilarious skit based on his characters' life in a group home. Many of the jokes ranged from a stuttering step-father who used to hit him and stutter, to a joke explaining the Thundercats' ethnic backgrounds. I had a chance to interview Big Jimmy and ask where he started, and he said, "I was always the class clown spending a lot of time in detention, teachers always throwing me out for snapping on them." He continued say that he got hooked up with the Uptown Comedy Club, when he "was a little tipsy at the bar, and they had an open mic and [I] got on..." Since going up on the mic, he hooked up with the Uptown Comedy Club, and the rest is history. Stony Brook University was the first university that Big Jimmy had a show at, and was energetic about doing more shows at other universities.

The next set of comedians was a funny trio of guys called Tommy Dog and the Two Bastards (Big D and Rufus the Bodyguard). The performance the three men put on was a physical brand of comedy, which ranged from their portrayal of Aaron Hall's hit song "I Miss You," in which Tommy Dog serenades Big D, who was dressed up as a woman, to their own comedic performance of the song "Funk Dat." When asked how they all got started, Tommy Dog replied that his partners wanted to beat him up at the start of high school, and by the end of high school they were his best friends. The trio works with the Uptown Comedy Club, travelling throughout the SUNY system, with plans to do more comedy shows in the South,

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## Staller Center, Department of Theatre Arts Get Set For 1994-1995 Season This Week

BY JOE FRAIOLI  
Statesman Managing Editor

Both the Staller Center for the Arts and the Department of Theatre Arts begin their Fall Season this week with performances over the weekend. Both organizations have a lot to offer the students and surrounding University community this year as they get set for eventful seasons.

The Department of Theatre Arts hosted the play, *From My Family's Album*, two week's ago which featured Guest Performing Artist Julie Portman of KI Theatre in Washington, Virginia. But the student actors will get their turn on stage this week with the play, *The Tales of the Lost Formicans* by Constance Congdou. Recommended for mature audiences, *The Tales of the Lost Formicans* is an hilarious comedy about Middle America seen through the eyes of venturing extraterrestrials. Directed by John Cameron, opening night is tonight at 8 p.m. The play will also run on Friday and Saturday evenings at the same time and Sunday the 9th at 2 p.m. If you are unable to view a performance this weekend, the play will also be performed Thursday, October 13, through Saturday the 15th at 8 p.m. and Sunday the 16th at 2 p.m.

For the month of November, *The Diary of Anne Frank* will take us back to World War II as we follow young Anne's perception of the war, discrimination, and love. Directed by Farley Richmond, chair of the Department of Theatre Arts, the play will be performed November 3 through the

6th and the 10th through the 13th. *The Diary of Anne Frank* won the Pulitzer Prize, the Tony Award, the Critics' Circle Award with its guiding principle as the universal declaration of human rights.



The Turtle Island String Quartet

And opening on December 1 in recognition of World AIDS Day, *Raft of the Medusa* is described as a taut drama that drives home the reality of AIDS as a disease which we all must understand. *Raft*

of the *Medusa* presents a world where gay, straight and bisexual men and women discover the disease can divide as effectively as it conquers. Written by Joe Pinturo and directed by Tom Neumiller, performances will be from December 1 through the 4th and the 8th through the 11th.

### Turtle Island Jazzes Up Opening Night This Saturday

The Staller Center for the Arts kicks off its fall season this Saturday with the Turtle Island String Quartet. The quartet will open the Staller Center's 1994-1995 season at 8 p.m. in the Recital Hall. The Turtle Island String Quartet considers itself a "connecting point for the rich diversity of American music," reflecting the influences of jazz, blues, bluegrass, and other musical traditions. According to *Downbeat Magazine*, "This may be as much fun as you can have with a string quartet." The ensemble has distinguished itself as much more than a jazz string quartet, with a repertoire that ranges from Dizzy Gillespie's "A Night in Tunisia" and Oliver Nelson's "Stolen Moments" to Robert Johnson's classic Delta blues, "Crossroads." Their touring has taken them to Europe, Japan and Southeast Asia, and Canada. Since its Windham Hill Jazz recording debut in 1988, Turtle Island has released five recordings and a motion picture soundtrack on that label.

Two days later on Monday, October 10, singer/songwriter Suzy Bogguss will perform on the Main Stage featuring songs

from her gold album, *Aces*, and her newest release, *Something Up My Sleeve*. Bogguss hit the top of the Country Music charts with "Voices In the Wind" and hasn't stopped rising since then, winning the prestigious Country Music Association's Horizon Award and making many guest

appearances on television and in magazines. The event begins at 8 p.m. and tickets are \$26.

For Homecoming Weekend, the multi-talented Rita Moreno will perform on the Main Stage on Saturday, October 15, at 8 p.m. This actress/singer/dancer has just about done it all in the show business world. Moreno is the only female performer to have won all four of the most

acclaimed show business awards, the Oscar, the Emmy, the Grammy, and the Tony.

Born in Humacao, Puerto Rico, Rita Moreno and her mother soon moved to New York when she was five-years-old and began taking dance lessons. At age 13, Moreno made her Broadway debut in *Skydrift* and was signed to a contract with MGM at age 17. Moreno made about 25 films early in her career, but it wasn't until she won an Oscar for her performance as Anita in *West Side Story* that she gained



Award Winning Performer Rita Moreno

international recognition as a major talent. Moreno won the Emmy twice, once in 1977 for a variety of performances on "The Muppets" and again in 1978 for a dramatic appearance in "The Rockford Files." Moreno's Grammy was for her 1972 performance on the "Electric Company Album," and the Tony was for her 1975 triumph on Broadway as Googie Gomez in *The Ritz*. Early in 1978, Moreno turned her attention to live performances, creating an act which has attracted critical acclaim.

It's rumored that Ms. Moreno can move and dance as well, if not better, than when she was a young performer in the '70's and '80's. Now's your chance to find out, and since the Homecoming Concert has reportedly been canceled, you better hurry to get your tickets before they're all sold out.

Exactly one week later, on Saturday, October 22, the Staller Center will host Academy Award Winner Kim Hunter's and Abbey Theatre's Vincent Dowling's performance of *The Gin Game*, D.L. Coburn's Pulitzer Prize winning play. Presented by The Miniature Theatre Of Chester and directed by Kenneth Tigar, *The Gin Game* is a love game - a life game that is funny, tough, and moving at every turn

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# Shows and Performances Fill Staller Center

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of the cards. The two cantankerous card players will be live at 8 p.m. on the 22nd.

The following Saturday, on the 29th, Japan's renowned Century Orchestra Osaka will perform Symphony No. 9 in E-Flat Major, Op. 70 by Shostakovich, Veklaré Nacht, Op. 4, by Schoenberg and Mendelssohn's Violin Concerto in E minor, Op. 64.

Established in 1989 by the government of Osaka Prefecture, the Century Orchestra Osaka is Japan's newest orchestra. The orchestra is a 56-member, twin woodwind formation that plays a wide variety of music, emphasizing baroque, classical and recent modern music, but also playing opera and ballet. Uriel Segal will conduct and the exciting young violinist,

Kyoko Takezawa will be featured as guest soloist for the performance. The performance will be at 8 p.m. also and tickets are \$26.

On Saturday, November 5, internationally renowned pianist Claude Frank will perform with his daughter, violinist Pamela Frank in the Recital Hall of the Staller Center. Pamela Frank performed last spring with pianist Peter Serkin at USB. She has been achieving acclaim with her musicianship, artistry, and technique. The performance will be at 8 p.m. and tickets are \$20.

Theatre-goers will have the chance to enter the amazing world of MOMIX on Saturday, November 19, at 8 p.m. Known internationally for presenting work of exceptional inventiveness and physical beauty, MOMIX is a company

of dancer-illusionists under the direction of Artistic Director Moses Pendleton. For ten years, MOMIX has been celebrated for its ability to conjure up a world of surrealistic images using props, light, shadow, humor, and the human body.

The company takes its name from a solo created by Pendleton as a member of Pilobolus, for the 1980 Olympic Games at Lake Placid. MOMIX (meaning a mixture by Moses) is committed to expanding the art of dance and entertaining its audience has remained constant. MOMIX is

definitely a must-see for enthusiasts who are looking for something different or unusual on the stage. The company is said to mesmerize the audience with their illusions and dance, and is a totally new experience.

Although these are only a flavor of some of the many events at the Staller Center, one can see that the Fall season is full of stellar performances and will be a showcase for extraordinary talent. For more information on events, ticket prices, and dates, pick up a Staller Center for the Arts program or call the box office at 632-7230. □

## ♀ According to Eve

### Vulnerability: Big Girls Don't Cry

Women are expected to cry when upset and men are expected to be aggressive. If women are demanding or meticulous than they are a bitch, but if men are the same then they are aggressive. Men are insensitive and women are overly sensitive- these traits are incredibly stereotypical. "Men shouldn't cry" is as antiquated as listening to the Bee Gees.



By Brooke Donatone

expected to do so. For example: a tough, assertive manager in a business environment is male might be highly respected and looked up to. If a woman does this she might be termed a castrating bitch..." added Lobel with no reference to Lorena Bobbit intended.

People are very quick to judge others, especially when they follow stereotypes. For instance, if a guy is sensitive then he must be gay. Or if a woman is very much into sports then she's really masculine.

"...Even when there's counterevidence people are slow to change their beliefs about groups of people, what they tend to do is view those individuals as exceptions and they tend also not to remember the exceptions as much as they remember the cases that exemplify the beliefs that they have," explained Lobel.

Even songs sung by women depict vulnerability such as "It's my party (and I'll cry if I want to), and "I'll do anything for you". This song basically says 'you can treat me like a sex toy and I'll still be your slave because I have no

Vulnerability is demonstrated in every aspect of life, pertaining to women of course. I'm being sarcastic. In "Silence of the Lambs" Jodie Foster was very convincing in her interrogation of Hannibal Lecter. However, when she went outside she broke down crying about an insult made to her. Any male character in a movie when aggravated or upset will punch something or someone. Even when witnessing physical fights between women, it is viewed as entertainment and not taken seriously by men. The term "cat fight" was coined for female fist fighting. Is there a term for male fighting?

"While society may believe that women are more vulnerable, society often imposes many difficulties on women, such as the expectation that women will work outside the home then come home and be the primary care giver; which should be a demonstration that women aren't so vulnerable at all and quite capable," said Dr. Marci Lobel, Social Psychology professor.

If I express aggression, as in contributing physical harm to another it's considered unusual. A guy once called me a "woman on steroids" because I threatened another with physical harm. Yet, it's not considered strange if a one-hundred pound guy expresses the same interest.

"Research shows that women are more harshly criticized for behaving aggressively in the same conditions where men might behave aggressively, but are

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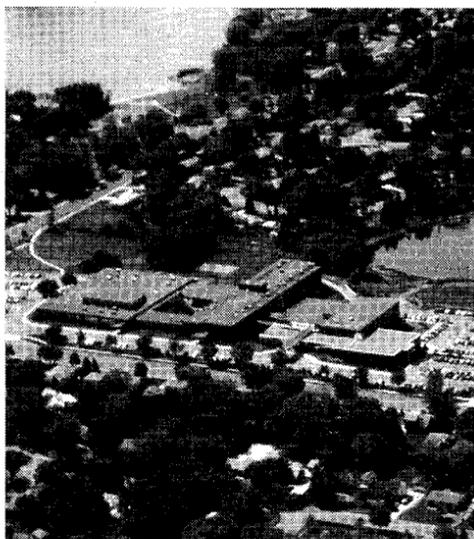
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# Comedy at Colours Ends Polity Pride Week

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but most of all, they do all the major comedy clubs in the area.

Although the event was part of the Polity Pride Series, but the credit for this particular event should go to Shareen

King, secretary of Polity. This event was her first project for Polity that she did. "I thought the event went very, very, very, well," she said. "A lot of people came out (between 75 and 100), the comedians were great, the people seemed to enjoy themselves, and people seemed shocked that the whole event was free."

"Polity Pride was not started last year, but the year before, to promote Polity, and to let students know what we have to offer," said Polity President Crystal Plati. "The main thrust of Polity Pride is to have students become involved in the university events, support Polity, and to boost school spirit."

# Gender Sensitivity and Vulnerability

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pride.'

Male singers are beginning to depict vulnerability in themselves as well. Richard Marx sang, "wherever you go, whatever you do, I will be right here waiting for you..."

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# ATHLETE OF THE WEEK

## Klein Excels In Women's Soccer Victories

By JASON SEEDORF  
Special to The Statesman

Freshman forward Jodi Klein (Framingham, MA) led the women's soccer team to a 3-0 week, which included two victories in the Holiday Inn Express Women's Soccer Invitational. Klein scored one goal in Tuesday's 4-2 win at Iona, three goals during Saturday's 7-2 win in the first round of the Invitational versus Columbia, and one goal versus Lehigh in the team's 3-1 victory to capture the tournament crown on Sunday. Klein is currently second on the team in scoring with nine goals and 19 points. For her performance this past weekend, Klein earned all-tournament honors in the Holiday Inn Express Women's Soccer Invitational. In addition, she was named the Statesman / Stony Brook Athlete of the Week.

"What separates Jodi from other forwards is her deadly accurate shot inside the 18," said Stony Brook's women's soccer head coach Susan Ryan. "As a forward, Jodi has excellent shooting skills and the ability to finish a play. You don't find many forwards with the ability to do both."

"In the beginning of the year I just wanted to make the team," said Klein. "I feel that I have improved my game a lot in the last couple of weeks. As I continue to gain confidence, adjust to the

pace of the game and work hard, I should continue to help the team."

"Jodi is a great complement player to Kim Canada [Stony Brook's leading scorer]," said Ryan. "Teams do not have the luxury of double-covering Kim with Jodi on the field. Jodi also does not allow the pressure of games to affect her. It's very difficult to find players who have that much poise and mental composure, especially as freshmen."

"My teammates have been a big help to me this year, especially co-captains Amy Coakley and Annya Callahan," said Klein. "Not only have they helped me with soccer, they also have been great in helping me adjust to the college lifestyle."

"I was very happy with our team's performance in the Holiday Inn Express Invitational," said Ryan. "In the tournament our offense and defense came together and played well as an entire unit. Previously, there were games when our offense carried the team and other times when the defense carried us."

"It was nice to be recognized this past weekend at the tournament," said Klein. "I'm happy to have had a good weekend. Until now, the team has not made a name for itself since moving to Division I. I am proud to be a part of what could prove to be one of the best women's soccer teams in Stony Brook history."



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Athlete of the Week, Jodi Klein, scored a total of five goals in three victories, including two wins during the Holiday Inn Express women's soccer Invitational.

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# Burying Ghosts

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Heart, freshman running back Alex Londino was named the ECAC Budget Rent-A-Car Metropolitan New York / New Jersey Rookie of the Week and the Freedom Football Conference Rookie of the Week. Junior tight end Jonathan Fischer was named to the ECAC's weekly honor roll.

Two years ago, the Stony Brook Patriots football team was 4-0 when it traveled to Gettysburg. The Patriots lost 13-15 and then lost their next four games. At 4-5, the Pats beat ULowell (now UMass-Lowell) at home to even their season record at 5-5. □

Thomas F. Masse contributed to this article.

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**Rules for all of these fabulous prizes will appear in Monday's Sports Section (I promise).**

For this week, let's stick with the pretzels and an easy question.

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# Lesson in Motivation

LESSON, From Page 16

He set a personal best of 26.31 seconds in that event.

Earlier that month in Baltimore, Frasure struck gold in both the 200-meters and javelin. His throw of 45.45 meters set a National Handicap Sports Meet record. He also won the bronze in the 100-meter dash.

Frasure's prosthetist, Capital Prosthetics and Orthotics' Dave Partridge, knew that Frasure was an athlete before the accident and wanted him to stay active in intramurals.

But he went one better.

Last winter, Partridge encouraged Frasure to check out an amputee's sports clinic in San Antonio, Texas. There, Frasure met Dennis Oehler, a right-foot amputee who once held the 100-meter world record in his class. Frasure says Oehler got him "really involved with the paralympics."

At the same time, Capital Prosthetics was learning the new technology behind athletes' prostheses. Frasure was fitted with a high-tech carbon graphite prosthetic for his competition sprinting about three months ago.

Frasure had to organize the funding

for international competition. He composed a portfolio and solicited state businesses with the help of a marketing firm. Hardee's and Bassett Furniture are among some of Frasure's benefactors.

Frasure feels that there is some good that has come from the pain of the accident. He would not be competing at the world level had the accident not occurred.

"I can't really say how I would have done before," Frasure says. "But at the same time, I don't think I'd be competing at the level I'm competing at now had it not been for that experience, which is really good when you can take something like this and consider you got a plus out of it." □

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You know it was a tough week when the best record of five prognosticators is 6-6. So, I may not be choosing all that well, but I'm still doing better than everyone else. It's only Week 6, though, only Week 6.

Also having a "good" week was 2Inconsistent, who tied me at 6-6. His big .500 weekend hauled him out of the cellar. In the overall standings, Joe is now tied with the Adman who, at 3-9 last weekend, has had it coming - what with all his hot-air bragging. Krazy bettered the Adman by only one game and fell into the swill.

Women's basketball coach Beckie Dickinson had a fairly decent week, considering. With Coach Dickinson's selections, the coaches secure a two-game, second-place lead, only three games by The Mass.

This week, there is not one game that everyone agreed on - it should make for an interesting Monday morning.

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# Statesman SPORTS

Thursday, October 6, 1994

## Brook's Battle of Gettysburg, Part II

### Can the Seawolves Bury the Patriots' Ghosts at Gettysburg?

BY GAYE DERUSSO  
Statesman Staff Writer

The Seawolves football team is heading west this week, and will be hosted by the Bullets of Gettysburg College in Gettysburg, Pennsylvania.

The Gettysburg Bullets are 3-1 this season. They were defeated by Catholic 14-20 but proceeded to win their next 3 games: at Western Maryland 35-14, Swarthmore 30-10 and at Johns Hopkins 27-14.

At last week's game, the Bullets overcame a 24-14 deficit in the fourth quarter, scoring 13 points to defeat Johns Hopkins. The new quarterback this season for the Bullets, Chris Adams, completed 12 of 20 passes for a total of 151 yards. Fullback Dwayne Marcus, who was contacted by pro scouts in the off-season, rushed 72 yards and had

one touchdown. Halfback Shannon Forsythe rushed for 110 yards and two touchdowns. On the defensive line Kevin Schmidt had a great game with one interception, a quarterback sack and 18 tackles.

The Bullets seem like a tough team to beat. "They're one of the best-coached teams we play, with a long traditional football program," said head coach Sam Kornhauser. "Gettysburg presents a great challenge to us with their offense. They run and pass equally as well."

About Marcus, the Coach Kornhauser said, "We know him pretty well. We played against him the past two years. He's very dangerous and tough to tackle." He added that "Forsythe is smaller, but more elusive. We're fortunate this year. Last year when we played Gettysburg, it was the first time we played a wing-T team all year. There was a lot of misdirection. . . This year Pace and Sacred Heart ran a wing-T, although Gettysburg runs it better by far."

The Seawolves are leaving Friday for Gettysburg. The long trip could have an effect on the way the 'Wolves will play. Defensive tackle Joe Lawrence said "The main problem with this road trip is not the five-hour bus ride, it's how the players react to staying in the hotel and if they are able to stay focused on the main mission - to win the game."

James Saladino commented on the Bullets' offensive backfield. "Marcus is a big strong back and Forsythe is very fast; but, as long as we continue to swarm the ball I cannot foresee any problems. . . Gettysburg is definitely a good team and the best we've had to face, yet. I feel this game will definitely be a confidence booster."

Senior quarterback Timm Schroeder said, "This is going to be the hardest game of the season; but, the offense will get the job done. . . We're going to go undefeated all year."

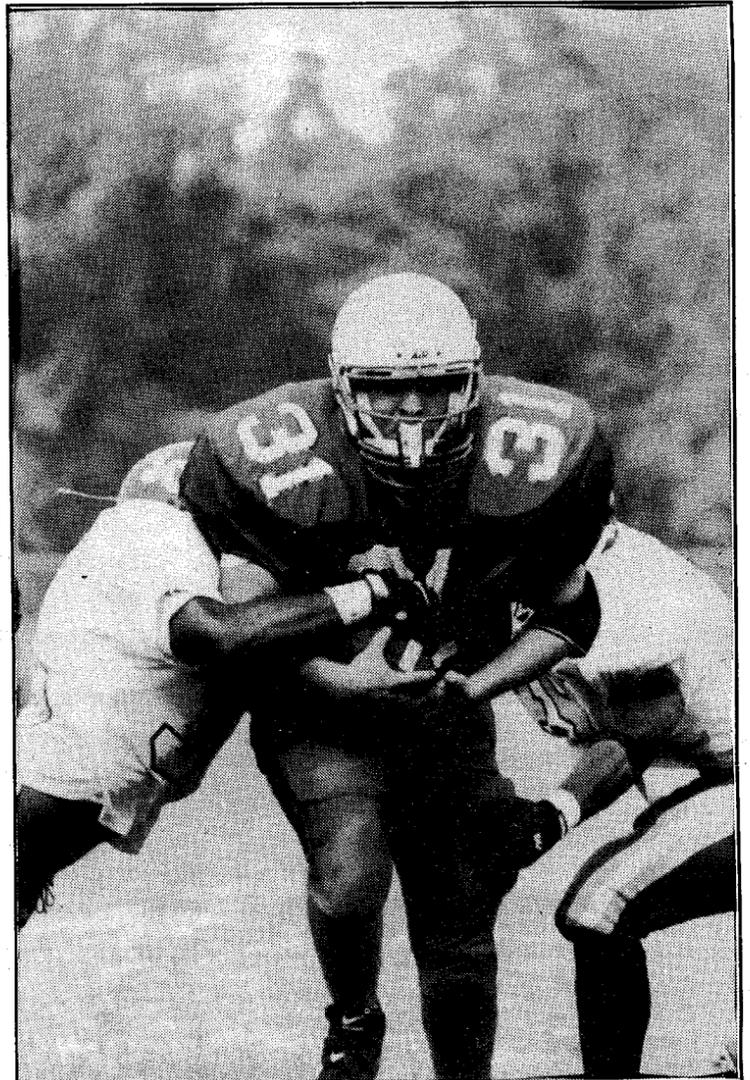
The trip will be long and the game might be tough, but defensive captain James Leach said, "every team is tough. . . We shall triumph. . . We must remember: 'NO FEAR in 94.'"

#### Notes:

The Seawolves defeated Sacred Heart last week 22-6 and are now 4-0. They are ranked second in the Freedom Football Conference in defense and third in offense.

Currently, the Brook is tied for 9th (with Susquehanna, PA) in the voting for the Lambert Trophy in Division III. The Lambert Trophy is awarded to the top football teams in the Northeast as voted by sports writers.

For last week's performances in the home win against Sacred  
See FOOTBALL, Page 14



Statesman / Erik Jenkins

Freshman running back Alex Londino, who rushed for 131 yards last week against Sacred Heart, will try to help bury past ghosts of Stony Brook at Gettysburg on Saturday.

## A LESSON IN MOTIVATION

### N.C. State Athlete Overcomes Adversity

BY OWEN S. GOOD  
Technician North Carolina State University  
College Press Service

RALEIGH, N.C. - At a standstill, he is conspicuous.

His severed left leg is socketed into a metal pole mounted on a false foot. The football players passing by North Carolina State's Derr Track on the way to practice stop and look. A lot of people stop and look.

At half speed, he begins to blend in.

His left leg kicks up with an unnatural hop off the track surface. His right leg

compensates.

But at full speed, he becomes whole.

The velocity makes him incognito. His stride is smooth and natural. His legs are a whirlwind of energy, their features blurred.

Now Brian Frasure is complete again, looking no different than the athletes he sought to compete with before losing his leg to a streak of over-competitiveness.

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On the night of September 9, 1992, Frasure was running faster than a locomotive when he made a move that nearly cost him his life. He and his suite mates in Bragaw Hall had taken up a new sport: see who could hop the most trains in a semester.

"It was a competition, and

that's what kind of sparked it for me," says Frasure, now a junior majoring in industrial engineering. "I guess all my life I've been highly competitive."

"A lot of people don't understand why we were doing this," Frasure says. "We were never drunk. It wasn't any kind of bet. I compare it, when people ask me, to the same reason people bungee jump. It was kind of like an adrenaline rush. At the time, we weren't thinking of the danger."

Train-hopping worked this way: The idea was to run at the same speed alongside a car's ladder. The runner would grab on, still keeping pace with the train, and then pull himself up.

Frasure was on the tracks that bisect NC State's campus, sprinting faster than the train. He

slowed down to let a ladder catch up, and he grabbed the ladder without accelerating to match the train.

"As soon as I grabbed on to the ladder, it jerked me straight down," Frasure says. "I flipped, and when I flipped, my feet came across the track."

Frasure was the North Carolina state champion in the 300-meter hurdles and twice his track team's MVP at Maiden High School. He was also a four-year letterman on the football team.

"I was lying on the prep bed in the hospital when the doctor told me they were going to have to amputate my left foot," Frasure says. "I told them 'No, I'm not going to let you amputate my foot. I'm an athlete. I'm a track star'"

The train had crushed his left

foot beyond repair. After two operations on the right foot, the doctors eventually had to amputate all of his toes, except for the first knuckle of his big toe.

Frasure wanted to try out for the Wolfpack track team that year. He figured he had a reasonable shot of making the team as a walk-on. All that was gone.

"The time right after the accident, that was the hardest thing for me to cope with," Frasure says. "I found it really ironic I happened to lose my foot when I was planning on concentrating on track. I thought I was going to be lucky to walk, much less do anything athletic."

In late July of this year, Frasure was in Berlin, competing against world-class athletes in the javelin and the 200-meter dash.

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