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# Confrontation After Game Leaves Three Hockey Players Injured

By Sandra B. Carreon

Statesman Sports Editor

ROUTINE BUS STOP TURNED INTO A VIOLENT confrontation when two members of the Stony Brook hockey club were slashed and one player stabbed by a group of male youths on Oct. 27, according to Suffolk County police.

A group of 30 to 40 male youths ranging between 15 and 20 years of age attacked the team at a park and ride area off the Long Island Expressway after about five of the unidentified youths engaged in an argument with several players, said Detective Bob Hammond of the third precinct, who is in charge of the investigation. Some of the players were picking up their cars on the way back from a game against Seton Hall when the incident occurred, he said.

According to Hammond, some of the youths "attempted to steal the car," which belonged to junior goaltender Gerry Calalmia.

"Someone told me the window of my car was broken," said Calamia. "I thought it was a joke." Calamia and some of his teammates then spotted about five or six youths whom they believed to have been the

"We asked them if they broke into the car," said senior goaltender Bill Dickhut, who was one one of the players slashed. "We assumed that they did it. So we all started yelling at them. Then they started throwing beer

bottles and rocks at us. Then more boys started coming in from the fog, eventually they got hold of our sticks."

According to team Head Coach Andy Kinnier, Dickhut, along with junior defenseman Sean Farrel, was slashed with what they believe to have been a knife. Dickhut was gashed in the back and Farrel was caught in the scalp. Another goaltender, senior Tom Rufrano, was stabbed in the back with what was presumed to have been a screwdriver.

"We didn't realize his [Rufrano's] situation at first," said Kinnier. "We thought he was shot with a bibi gun."

The coach said he tried to suppress the violence by ordering all his players to get back on the bus at around 1:30 am. However, about four or five players, including the coach, were unable to re-board the bus. They ran to a Mobil gasoline station across the street on Wicks Road. The team bus picked them up at the gasoline station before proceeding to the Sheraton Hotel, at which time some players were treated for wounds and gave statements to police.

Some of the players were shocked by the incident.

It all happened in 10 or 15 minutes," said Dickhut. "I wasn't expecting to get stabbed or chased.'

"I'm just glad there were no major injuries," said Calamia. "I can't believe that these youths, in the midst of their delusion, would try and put a stop to people with direction. There was no reason for this.'

Dickhut and Rufrano were well enough to dress against Hofstra in this past Saturday's game, according to Kinnier. Dickhut started in net and played great, said Kinnier in tying Hofstra 5-5. Rufrano was the backup goaltender and "was fit to play." Farrel, on the other hand, who received about 12 stitches to his head, was unable to play because his helmet would have interfered with the stitches. Farrel's stitches were removed four days ago. "I just want to get back on the ice," he said. "I'm sure it's gonna hurt but no pain, no gain."

Hammond said he is still working on the case. "There is nothing new except I have a few leads which I'm investigating," he said. "I've spoken with numerous people involved. I've found some witnesses . . . . I have some possible suspects and I think that one of the victims can possibly identify . . . but I still need to conduct further investigation."

The chartered bus belonging to the Hampton Express Inc. bus company was badly damaged. "There were \$3,800 in damages to the bus," said a Hampton

Express spokesman.

Dickhut said that while he and his teammates were upset by the incident, it will unite the team. "For some reason this will bring us together," said Dickhut, "because we were all worrying about each other."

A small electrical fire broke out in room 200 of the charged in the incident. Javits Lecture Center Monday, forcing an evacuation of the building for more than two hours and injuring two Physical Plant workers.

Christopher Coffey and Robert Christensen, staff

of the Physical Plant, were transported by the Stony Brook Volunteer Ambulance Corps to University Hospital for treatment

POLICE BLOTTER

**David Joachim** 

of minor smoke inhalation, but suffered no serious injury. Between 9:20 am and 10:34 am, the Physical Plant conducted air quality tests and determined it was safe to conduct classes

A female student's back was burned when her clothing caught fire from a candle in her room in Douglass College Sunday. When her friend attempted to smother the flames at about 1:35 am, he received minor burns on his hands. Both were treated and released from University Hospital.

A non-student became violent Sunday during a party in the Chapin apartment complex, hitting several people and biting one student on the left arm, causing minor injuries at about 2:15 am. The man was not

A resident assistant in Schick College reported that two unidentified males were attempting to shoot out lights with a BB gun Sunday at 2:30 am. BB guns being fired has been a recurring problem in the area. No arrests were made after Public Safety traced suspects to room in Schick, where several students denied responsibility for the incident.

A Suburu station wagon was stolen from the North Parking Lot Saturday at about 2 pm. No one was arrested for the theft of the car, which was valued at

One student and one non-student were involved in a confrontation last Friday in Benedict College, which resulted in several injuries and several complaints to Public Safety,

The student was treated at University Hospital for bruises and cuts to his face after a female student alleged he was following her and harassing her. Her boyfriend, a non-student, apparently fought with the student at about 2:15 am, which led to the student breaking a window.

The student, who had to be detained by 12 Public Safety officers, was referred by Public Safety to the Office of Student Affairs and was told to pay for the

A Benedict College resident assistant also complained that the student threatened him with a metal object during the confrontation. Despite the several complaints, no charges have yet been filed. And although Benedict College residents originally reported that a gun was involved, Public Safety could not confirm the

A non-student, Ricardo Roldon, was arrested by Suffolk County police last Thursday for possession of a 1985 Mazda, which was stolen from the Wagner parking lot on campus at about 12:00 pm. The car. which was valued at \$6,100, was recovered by Suffolk

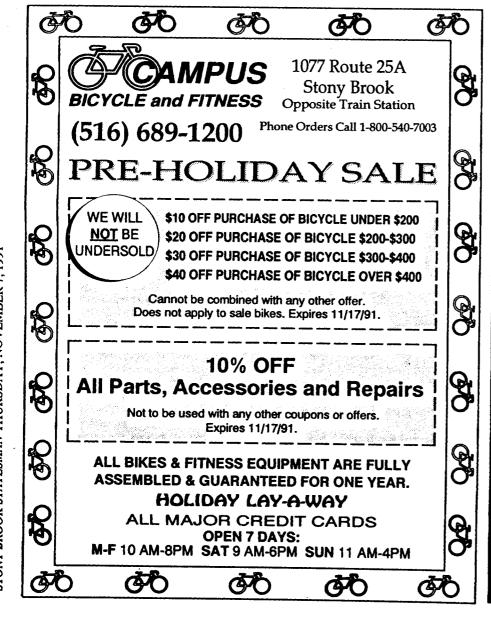
A small brush fire broke out on the corner of Nicolls Road and South Drive last Wednesday, which was caused by an electrical line leading to the traffic light on campus. No one was injured.

A 1984 Ford Mustang valued at \$2,500 was stolen from North P-lot last Wednesday at about 8:30 am. No

A Toscanini College resident assistant reported that two unidentified males shot BB pellets at his window last Wednesday at 2:24 am. When Public Safety arrived at the scene, no one was found.

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# Group rebuts Jeffries' racial statements

By Jason Didner

Several people gathered Tuesday evening in the Union Fireside Lounge to hear Stony Brook's Jewish community respond to racially provocative statements made this summer by City College of New York professor Leonard Jeffries, who spoke on campus Sunday.

The response to Jeffries' remarks, organized by B'nai B'rith Hillel Foundation, was made by a panel of scholars, with Hillel Director Joseph Topek as modera-

Jeffries had stated at a symposium in Albany last July that the negative portrayal of black people on film was the brainchild of Russian Jewery and the Italian mafia in conspiracy, and that Jewish merchants financed the slave trade.

The first panelist to speak was Frederick Preston, vice president for student affairs, and a former civil rights activist of the 1960s. "Dr. Jeffries' remarks offend me as an African-American," stated Preston, "as they should offend my Jewish brothers.'

Preston reminded the audience that during the '60s and '70s much of the success of the civil rights movement was a



Panelists, L to R: Robert Goldenberg, Jack Wertheimer, Joe Topek, and Fred Preston.

tribute to the coalition between the African-American community and the Jewish-American community. While Preston said some of the Hollywood producers whose films degraded blacks were Jews, he maintained that "the idea of a Jewish conspiracy is beyond ludicrous." He said the point of combatting the oppression inflicted by

Hollywood is "to not take on the behavior of the oppressor and victimize someone else."

Panel member Jack Wertheimer, a history professor at the Jewish Theological Seminary of America said Jeffries' statements contained truth, but only partial truth. "There were Jews in the slave trade, but See JEFFRIES on page 4

Jeffries does not talk about who was most involved — the Arabs, because it is not on his political agenda." He said, "Jeffries is a symptom of a breakdown of what had been a very important alliance between the blacks and Jews that had lasted for several de-

## Napoleon freshman rep; referendum passes



Gillann Napoleon

By Toni Masercola man Managing Editor

Gillann Napoleon is the new representative for the freshman class, beating her opponent Crystal Plati 211 to 166 in a runoff from last week's Polity elections.

Napoleon, an 18-year-old business management major, said she is very relieved that the election is finally over and she does not have to wait any longer to see the results.

The decision to run for office was made after members of the Caribbean Student Organization informed Napoleon of the vacant office. She said she accepted their proposal and was off campaigning.

Napoleon said she feels it was her excessive campaigning that put her over the top. She said she went doorto-door telling people about herself and encouraging them to vote for her. "I'm very outgoing," said Napoleon, who feels this was a major factor in earning her new position and getting the students to vote.

As freshman representative, Napoleon will be heading the freshman council. She said she encourages all the candidates for the position to get involved in the committees dealing with different aspects of freshman life. These aspects include: food quality control, academic affairs and improving freshman orientation, according to Napoleon.

She said she plans to hold meetings for freshmen in each quad to find out what kind of problems they are encountering and to search for ways to solve them.

Napoleon said she felt all her opponents had good ideas and she hopes they all stay active in the student government in other capacities.

"I'm just happy that I came out to be the one to win after all of this," said Napoleon. "Crystal [Plati] really pushed me to work extra hard."

Also passing on the ballot was the \$4 media referendum, which will be distributed evenly between the four student newspapers: Blackworld, Statesman, The Stony Brook Press and USB Weekly.

The referendum passed by a vote of 733 to 222 after weeks of debating on whether or not to put the four publications on one ballot or to separate them.



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# Group rebuts Jeffries racial comments

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cades."

Wertheimer also discussed the importance of maintaining the African-Jewish alliance in terms of their common interest of ending intolerance. "If one group is the victim of demagogues like Jeffries, all groups can be. I think it's vital that all black-American leaders speak out against the demagogues, as do the Jews.

Robert Goldenberg, associate professor of Judaic Studies, was the last panelist to take the floor. "We can name the Jewish slave-traders and Hollywood producers. What does it mean?" asked Goldenberg. He said the professor is responsible for the proper use of historical fact. He raised the question as to why Jeffries presents the names of Hollywood producers, naming two Jewish names and one Italian, yet to show how these Jews exploited blacks, he names the film Birth of a Nation, created by a White Protectant

"The message comes from outside the data."

said Goldenberg, "It comes from an agenda. The non-academic agenda that seems to exist is designed to inflame hostility. I can see the partial and selective use of information. Scholarly method is in danger when these kinds of activities are going on and being called research."

The forum concluded with a question and answer session in which African and Jewish members of the audience opened up their controversy for discussion.

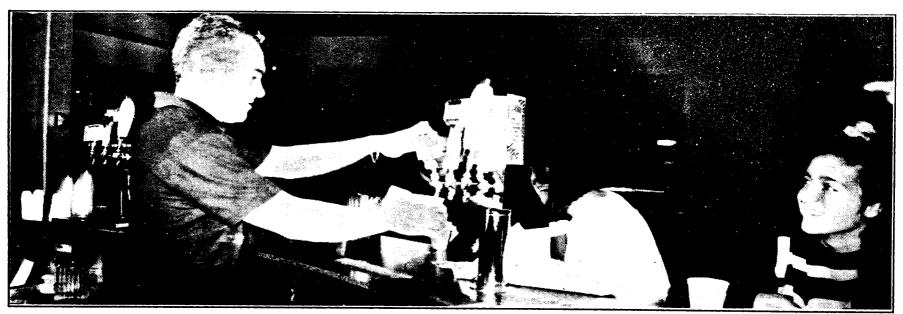
African-American Student Organization President Susan DeCrarava, said she would like to see another forum, with panelists from both the Jewish camp and from Jeffries' side. "This [forum] just furthers a one-sided viewpoint that was portrayed in the media," said DeCrarava.

Topek said, "The purpose of this forum is that the Jews were saying 'ouch'," in response to Jeffries' remarks. While he found the session "depressing, but frank," Topek said, "We don't have to agree, but if we don't talk about it, it is going to hide under the surface. Let the dialogue continue."



Fred Preston

Statesman/John O'Keefe



## **POURING IT ON**

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Stony Brook alumnus Brennan Holmes taps a beer for patrons at The End of the Bridge campus bar last night, which reopened last Friday after a two months haitus.





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career decisions as well as personal decisions. With increased freedom and increased stress, college years

THE LIFE COLUMN

Sharon Schulz, R.N.

stress, college years present situations that can promote drug and alcohol

abuse.

While most students have begun drinking before they reach college age, many are struggling with their

identities and with establishing their lifestyles.

The three causes of death among young people in New York State are accidents, homicides, and suicides. All are significantly related to alcohol abuse. Alcohol abuse is acknowledged as a serious campus problem and is the number one "drug of choice" among college

The calling for a "drug free America' has a tone of moralism and social control. This "calling" views the use of alcohol and other substances as matters about which one simply makes "decisions". For many, just saying "no" is a desirable and possible personal decision. For others, it illuminates "choices"— having a right not to use alcohol and drugs. Additionally, there are others who have addictions or patterns of abuse, so that "just saying no" may be neither possible, nor enough. Alcohol use and misuse is a social problem, but it also has a definite health dimension.

At most colleges, it is taken for granted that drink-

This column is one of a bi-weekly series written by various professionals from the Student Health Service and Faculty Student Association. Sharon Schulz is a registered nurse in the SHS.

ing is a part of college life. According to studies done, most college students drink to feel good, to have a good time, to relieve stress or fatigue, to feel like one of the crowd, to get high, to be more at ease at get-togethers, to escape, and to enjoy the taste of alcoholic beverages. For most college students, problem drinking can be divided into two basic categories:

1) Excessive consumption of alcohol and substances. This type of behavior often leads to increased risks of personal endangerment to include: overdoses, accidents, assaults, unplanned pregnancies and gastrointestinal disturbances.

2) Consumption of alcohol and substances. This behavior exposes the student to an increased likelihood of developing chronic substance abuse and substance dependent problems. This may indicate that a chronic alcohol problem has begun.

The consumption of an increased amount of alcohol can have both physical and mental effects on the body. Several physical effects include: increased heart rate and loss of muscle control, which can lead to slurred speech and poor coordination. As a result of the above effects, a person may experience a hangover accompanied by fatigue, nausea, vomiting and a headache

Additionally, some of the mental effects may include: impaired judgment, thinking and reasoning, poor concentration, loss of inhibitions and increased feelings of fear, depression, anger and anxiety. As the consumption of alcohol increases and the amount of alcohol ingested changes from frequent drinking to intoxication over an extended period of time, the long range consequences suffered are: alcoholism, damage to brain cells, malnutrition, increased risk of cirrhosis of the liver, ulcers, heart disease and cancer of the liver, mouth, throat, and stomach.

Further, there may be degeneration of the muscle and bone, blackouts (memory loss), hallucinations, personality disorders, isolation and DTs (delirium tremors due to the withdrawal from alcohol).

The problems associated with alcohol consump-

tion cover a broad range, including physical, behavioral and psychological disturbances which may include: arguments, fights, abusive behavior toward others, driving while intoxicated, property damage, and injury to self and others; academic problems: absenteeism, poor grades, personal/social problems: disrupted relationships with family or friends, difficulty in coping with peer pressure, societal problems including trouble with school authorities or the law.

Alcohol incidents refer to drinking that results in negative consequences. It is assumed that these incidents would not have occurred were alcohol not in the picture. Alcohol related problems that have been reported on college campuses include: vandalism, fighting, fatal and non-fatal injuries and accidents such as: freezing, falling off a balcony, or out a window, being burned, contracting a sexually transmitted disease including AIDS, and becoming pregnant. Additionally, acquaintance rape is frequently associated with abusive drinking behavior on both the part of the rape survivor and the perpetrator.

When we think of an alcoholic we imagine the "skid row bum" lying in the street with a bottle in hand. In reality, given diversity of lifestyle, familial and social pressures and decreased self-esteem, we may possibly be predisposed to becoming alcohol abusive or alcohol diseased.

Unfortunately, this insidious disease invades all socioeconomic, religious, professional, vocational, gender, racial, age and ethnic classifications of people. This includes but is not limited to: lawyers, physicians, nurses, students, professors, custodians, mothers, fathers, clergy, etc.

If you resonate with any of the feelings, symptoms or experiences described above, or if any significant others in your life can now be identified as alcoholdependent, take a chance, take that first step, reach out. You can receive information, education, support, counseling and information regarding resources within the community both at the Student Health Service and the University Counseling Center.

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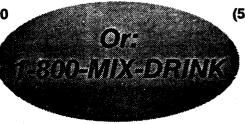
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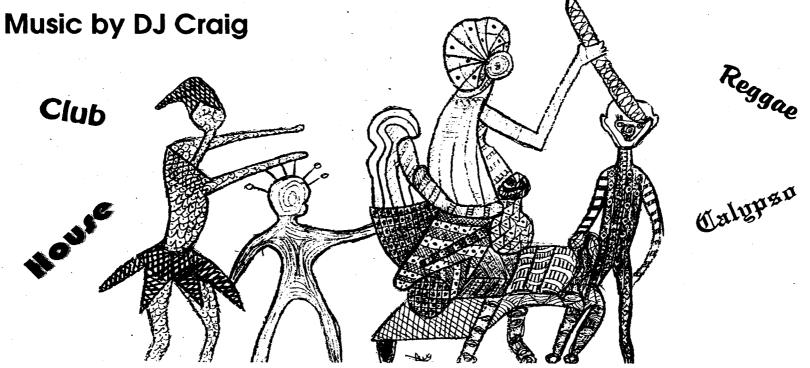
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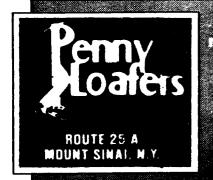
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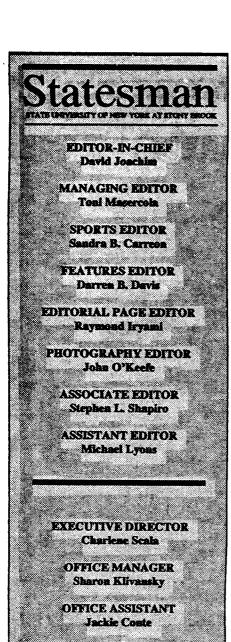
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## Voting Is Just Too Difficult

Apathy is often the favorite excuse of those in politics, or media, or anyone else who is looking for a reason to blame the apparent low number of people who participate in our democratic process - on or outside the campus. Usually, it's right: people don't vote because they don't pay any attention to the races, because let's face it, most people are not interested in politics.

But apathy is not alone in sharing the blame. The other main factor is that people who would otherwise vote actually don't know who the better person for the job is.

Suppose on a test, the instruction was that for each question, you would lose points for a wrong answer, but no penalty if you leave it blank. Many, if not most people would not answer a question, unless they were reasonably sure their choice was the correct one.

Unfortunately, even guessing

with a minimal certainty of accuracy on the position or qualifications of candidates is not so easy anymore. All anyone seems to want to talk about is the other candidate and why the opponent is somehow unfit not only as a public representative, but also as the type of character you would not want even as your neighbor.

So often, issues are confused with personal attacks that a rational and intelligent choice based on substantive matter is difficult if not impossible. How are people expected to vote, if they honestly cannot figure out which one (if any) of the candidates is the one who best meets the voter's demand. It's one thing to vote for a candidate and be wrong about him or her. But voting blindly is just not fair.

Fifty-two percent of eligible voters in Suffolk County did take part in Tuesday's elections, according to Board of Election officials. This figure is not unusual of elections of this sort, where a national office is not involved. However, the United States is still far behind other industrialized countries in terms of voter turnout. Images of Eastern Europeans who in recent months went to the polls for the first time, are ones which has not been seen in this country for nearly a century.

Identifying solutions is difficult. In a democracy, people have the right to vote for public officers as well as a right not to vote at all. However, getting candidates to voice their positions on an issue is possible. It is harder than just reading about it in the newspaper, it involves direct contact with those already in the government and party officials who coordinate the campaigns. But as with other matters, the difficult solutions are the one most worth pursuing.



# Letters. Letters. Letters!

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# Greek System Makes a Difference

By Jayson Zellman

■ HERE WAS A BUZZ around campus. Everyone knew it was coming. What they didn't know was how big it would actually be. After months of long meetings, tedious planning and unselfish dedication, the time had finally come. The sun was bright and the skies were clear. Nothing was going to stop this from happen-

Slowly they came. One by one at first and then by the carloads. They all got together on that perfect day to celebrate what would be an historic event in Stony Brook

Jayson Zellman, a junior at Stony Brook, is a fund raiser for Tau Delta Phi.

What we're talking about was none other than the first Fraternity and Sorority Weekend held in the Spring of

The importance of this weekend did not lie in the fact that Fraternities and Sororities got together to party. The importance was the cause that the event represented. The first Fraternity and Sorority Weekend was dedicated to Happiness is Camping.

Happiness is Camping, is a summer camp for children with cancer. The camp provides free summer fun for those unfortunate children stricken with this horrible disease. The camp operates solely on donations, so parents who are burdened with costly hospital bills do not have to worry about additional expenses.

This event raised \$1238.43 in the name of this worthwhile organization. In addition, leftover T-shirts are being shipped to the camp to be distributed to the campers so they know that people here at Stony Brook support

I am proud that I played a major role in the development of this event. Everyone who helped plan and participated in the weekend deserves a big pat on the back. Because of them, a few more, less fortunate kids will have an opportunity to enjoy life.

You see, fraternities and sororities do make a differ-

## Letters

#### Senate Full of Distortions

At the Student Senate meeting of October 17, I was once again reminded of how an elite group of radicals continues to have a stranglehold on an enormous amount of student money: through rumor, distortion, and flat out lies.

A colleague of mine, Senator Richard Cole, recently questioned the use of excessive obscene and degrading language in a student funded publication. Having had a number of my commuter constituents raise the same question with me, I entered the discussion questioning whether it was appropriate for the same publication to continually bash people of a particular political belief, something clearly offensive to some of the same people funding the publication. Following that came the distortions from other speakers. In light of that, I feel it's important to clear up myth from reality.

MYTH: College Republicans (CRs) at Stony Brook opposes the mandatory student activity fee. (This was strongly implied by on of the speakers)

FACT: CR's at Stony Brook has no formal opinion on the matter, and has never even bothered to discuss it for over three years, because it lies outside of the group's more immediate concerns of winning Republican political campaigns.

MYTH: The president of College Republicans opposes the mandatory student activity fee.

FACT: I fully support the mandatory student activity fee. When I first ran for the presidency of CR's in 1989, I represented the mainstream wing of the group, against a radical Libertarian wing that had become obsessed with issues like the fee. After having won that election with a ticket of mainstream Republicans, not only did the radicals leave, but I quickly put such matter to rest because they had nothing to do with College Republicans.

MYTH: It was inappropriate to call into question the use of student money.

FACT: As a senator, it is my responsibility to bring up concerns which my constituents raise with me. This is supposed to be a democratic system, much to the dismay of certain radicals on this campus. I will contime to fight for the concerns of those people who I was elected to represent, even if it means going up against an entrenched establishment.

> **Ron Nehring** Polity Senator, College Republicans President

#### **Editorial Inaccurate**

After reading your editorial regarding the appearance on campus of Dr. Leonard Jeffries [Jeffries Has Right to Speak, Nov. 4] I am surprised that you missed one of the critical points in the Jewish community's position on this issue. Your editorial states that:

"Hillel was the front-runner protesting Jeffries' appearance on campus. While Statesman agrees with Hillel and others that Jeffries' comments were insensitive and ignorant, Statesman disagrees with those who believe that Jeffries should have been banned.'

This sounds as if Hillel sought the banning of Dr. Jeffries from campus, which never was the case. In fact, we took out an ad in the October 31 issue of your own paper that covered fully half a page and which concluded with the words.

"While we do not take issue with Dr. Jeffries' right to speak, we are concerned lest his polemics poison our academic environment."

Where does this call for him to be banned? While there is no question in my mind that Dr. Jeffries' speech was full of anti-semitic canards, this does not abrogate his right of academic freedom and the AASO's [Afri-

can-American Students Organization] right to invite him to campus. It is here, in the light of day, that his paranoid delusions of a Jewish conspiracy (sorry, a "concert of interest in a symphony of white supremacy") can be exposed as the true ranting of an ethnocentric racist. Academic freedom means that even this must be allowed on college campuses. I have not yet heard a single person call for Dr. Jeffries to be "banned," nor have I seen anyone so quoted in your paper. If anyone does feel this way, I suggest that you find them before pointing the finger at someone else.

> Joseph S. Topek Director, B'nai B'rith Hillel Foundation **Jewish Chaplain**

## Cartoon Was Racist

The cartoon [Editorial, Oct. 21] was utterly racist. There are not only poor blacks but members of every race. Furthermore, drugs are a plague amongst all. I think you should use more tact in your publishing of these materials.

Rochelle A. McDonald

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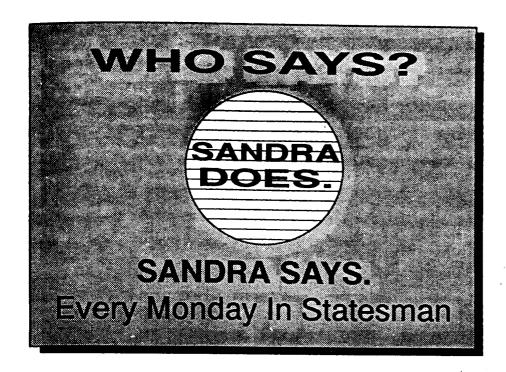
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Doesn't it always seem to be this way? In 1987, the Giants became a shadow of the team that won Super Bowl XXI. The media was blaming the Giants' front-office for not fielding a credible scab squad (an oxymoron?), but every Giants fan knew that wasn't the reason. The team just didn't have it in '87.

And now, it appears the virus that infected that team is returning.

The Giants suck. It's that simple. They will become the worst defend-

ing champs since — guess who?— the 1987 New York Giants. And why, you might ask? Because Bill Parcells decided to find his niche in the color commentating industry.

Actually, it really didn't matter that Parcells left. What did matter is when he left. His protege, defensive whiz Bill Belichick, left the team when he got an offer to become head coach of the Cleveland Browns when Bud Carson was fired. A week later, Parcells left. Ray

Handley, meanwhile, was promoted by Parcells from running backs coach to offensive coordinator, replacing Ron Ehrhardt, who became the "eye-in-the-sky."

When Parcells left, Giants ownership decided to promote Handley again, this time from offensive

coordinator to head coach. That's a big step for someone who almost decided to get out of coaching altogether to become a lawyer.

But Handley, now head coach, decided to keep himself as offensive coordinator also, therefore having no one else to question his calls. Belichick, as coach of the Browns, has transformed a 3-13 team to a team worthy of some respect. And Handley? The Giants have

fallen from champions to a team scraping for a minute chance at a wild-card spot.

But why do the Giants stink so bad?
I can't explain that, and I'm sure everyone has his or her own opinion.
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But the Giants do have many problem areas, namely their wide receivers and defensive backs.

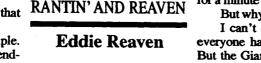
These Giants have given up so many big plays I can't begin to count them. Last year's team gave up less than five plays of more than 50 yards. Mark Collins has gotten beat so many times it appears he's running in slow-motion. It's time to bring back Elvis "Toast" Patterson.

You can tell the wide receivers aren't doing the job when a running back leads the team in receptions. That

isn't true for all teams: the Eagles' main weapon is Keith Byars, a back with exceptionally good hands, and Tom Rathman of the 49ers set a record last year for receptions by a running back. But Rodney Hampton? Don't get me wrong — Hampton is the lone bright spot on this weak team. But leading the team in receptions? Either the receivers are not getting open or quarterback Jeff Hostetler just isn't finding them. Only one other team has its backfield as its primary receivers: yup, the 0-9 Indianapolis Colts.

And what's the deal with the fourth quarter collapse? You never see a Giant fourth quarter surge. No way, not here. I had begun to believe that Hostetler was the savior. After leading the team in the 1990 post-season, I felt Hoss was the guy who could become New York's Terry Bradshaw, Roger Staubach or Joe Montana. It looks like he's being turned into a cheap imitation of Randall Cunningham, a quarterback that throws for 100-200 yards a game and rushes for 25. You can't win with a limited passing game. Though Hostetler has a high completion rate, he hasn't gotten the necessary yardage. In addition, he has only four touchdown passes (though only four interceptions).

As for reaching the playoffs, the Washington Redskins, currently 9-0, play only two teams with winning records, and both are at home. The Cowboys appear a cinch for a wild card spot, as do Atlanta and Detroit. The old-guard of New York, San Francisco and Chicago are crumbling. Long live the Saints!



# Brett buzzes through Stony Brook career

By Alicia J. Spiegel . Statesman Sports Writer

Brett Buzzy, a senior who captained this season's soccer team, saw his last career college game this past Saturday.

The mechanical engineering major, although remaining at the university for another year, has completed his four years of eligibility and is therefore restricted from playing in the college level again.

His soccer education dates back to when he was three years old. As a 21-year-old today, Buzzy credits former Head Coach Jim Felix for inspiring him to further his soccer career.

Buzzy, in heeding his ex-coach's advice, found him-

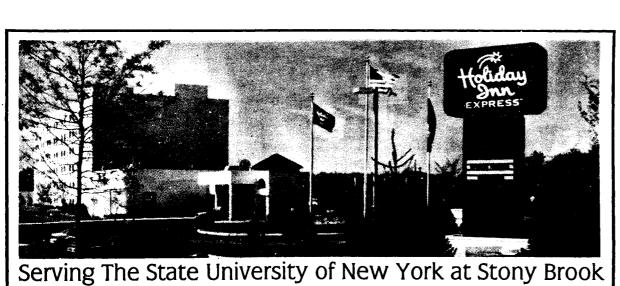
self with a new one this semester. He was impressed with the efforts of Head Coach Nick Sansom. "The soccer program has turned around from last year to this year because of him," said Buzzy of Sansom.

Having played for four years as a Patriot, Buzzy will naturally miss his team. He said, "I wish I could play for two more years here but I can't." He does, however, intend to continue playing the game by participating in different leagues.

Buzzy enjoyed his career at Stony Brook. While soccer was time consuming, according to him, the encouragement he received from friends and family compensated nicely. But Buzzy was displeased with the overall attention, or lack thereof, the soccer team was given by

fellow students.

Both Buzzy and teammate Andrew Femino played their last game Saturday afternoon. And as both of the team's captains, Buzzy felt that the team may suffer a little bit. Team players agree that the team will miss two quality starters as well as two leaders.



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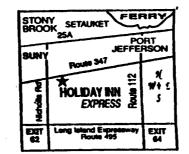
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# Football program needs revamping

By Stephen Rollins Statesman Contributing Writer

With a 4-4 record, the Stony Brook football team has a chance to post its third winning season in eight years. A cause of this lack of success can be attributed to the sophomoric offense which Head Coach Sam Kornhauser and his Offensive Coordinator Lou Schiavetta choose to employ.

Imagination. Creativity. These are two words foreign

to the Stony Brook scheme. Rather, they are predictable and boring. In the recent victory to the

Analysis

0-8 powerhouse Western Connecticut, the offense once again refused to break from this mold. During the first half, they decided to run left only three times and only once in the first quarter. The offensive gameplan was so simplistic

it didn't take a defensive genius to figure it out. The offense stalled and although its average start was its own 45-yard line, this offense could only manage 14 points.

When the defense allows more than 10 points, except on one occasion, the Pats lose. The offense needs diversity. It needs to adapt to weekly changes. It needs to score more points.

Coming into the game against Western Connecticut, it was well known that their defense had one impact player, linebacker Bill Bryce. Both Kornhauser and Schiavetta referred to him as the "stud" of the defense. With this in mind, Stony Brook was still unable to neutralize him. In the first half alone, he had two sacks and close to eight tackles.

The passing game of Stony Brook is limited in it's diversity, as well. Until the game with Western Connecticut,

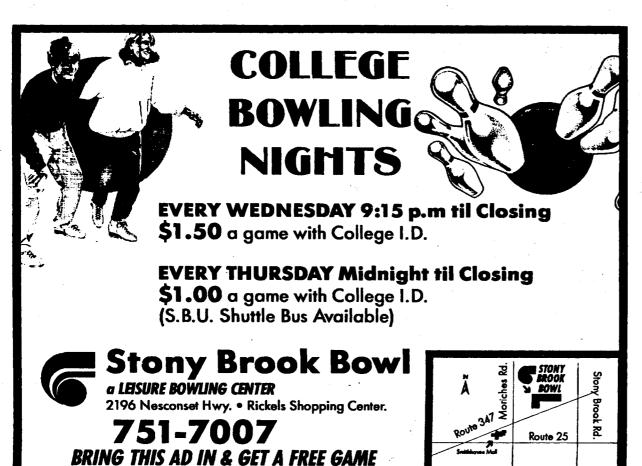
Anthony Meola was the only player to catch a TD pass. Also, Meola has had more yards receiving than all the other receivers combined. This indicates to a defense that if it can shut down Meola, as Western Connecticut did, it can shut down the Stony Brook passing attack.

The coaching staff isn't completely at fault. Blame must also lie with players in key positions who fail to play up to par. The Patriots quarterbacks seem to have difficulty reading the blitz. Secondly, their running of the option is a massacre, compared only to Custer at Bull Run. The level of play at this key position needs to be raised geometrically, probably through recruitment.

There is nothing wrong with a ball control offensive geared to run, especially when the completion percentage of the quarterbacks is hovering around a blistering 40 percent. But the choices of the offense is limited to having Oliver Bridges run around the right side or having the fullback run over the right guard. It would be feasible to bring more diversity to the running game and cut the pass patterns down to the five-to-ten yard range and maybe the offense can increase its output to more than 289 yards per game.

Other than the offensive scheme, there are problems caused by the program itself. True, this school budget does not allow for a high level of recruitment, but there are no Florida States and Miamis on the schedule. The competition seems light, so there is no reason why this group of players should not be a consistently winning team. Unless, of course, there is something intrinsic in Kornhauser's program that only allows a .432 winning percentage. Also the practice facilities are poor, allowing only a two-hour practice. This hampers any week-to-week changes. Lastly school support is nil. This team is in great need of a PR director or possibly just a winning season, to gather some student body enthusiasm.

The football program needs some drastic changes to bring it out of the doldrums of continual mediocrity. The best place to initiate these changes would be in the stagnant offense. Kornhauser needs to bring life to the offense, therefore bringing life to the program as a whole and eventually stirring the emotions of this lifeless campus to rally around the "college football" experience.





## **USB INTRAMURAL REPORT**

## Cajun crew undefeated

Cajun Crew Reign Supreme — The flag football intramural team, Cajun Crew, remained undefeated by defeating another formerly undefeated team last Thursday, Doom, 28-7.

Cajun Crew's quarterback Steve Lee opened up the game by running for the first touchdown. Teammate Matt Keltos made good on the extrapoint kick and the lead was 7-0. Cajun Crew managed to score again after Lee threaded a pass to Rob Bennett. The ensuing extra-point attempt was unsuccessful and the score stood at 13-0.

Later in the first half, Lee would help add to his team's lead by successfully kicking a 30-yard field goal. Doom attempted to get back into the game when they scored a last minute touchdown in the first half. Quarterback Chris Dicarlis threw the ball to Joe Crafasi at the left corner of the end zone. The extra point was good, giving Cajun Crew a 16-7 halftime lead.

Second half action was all Cajun Crew. John-Eric Leoniak caught a 15-yard touchdown pass from Lee to make the score 22-7, after the extra kick. The final scoring came when Lee threw the ball to Bennett. Bennett then pitched it to Lemont Platt, who ran 20 yards down the left sideline.

Fit To Be Tied — In Wiffleball, O'Neill G-2, last year's McDowell Cup champions, won the Residence Division and the Doco's won the Independent Division. The teams were so evenly matched that the game resulted in a shutout tie; both teams are sharing the title.

- Nurys Rodriguez

## ATHLETE OF THE WEEK

# Bruce: Big on 'D'

By Tony McMullen Special to Statesman

Junior Bruce Muro of East Islip was named the Stony Brook VIP/Statesman Athlete of the Week for the week of Oct. 28.

Defensive tackle Bruce Muro led the Patriots' defensive attack by making nine tackles in the game, seven of which were unassisted. Three of Muro's tackles were behind the line of scrimmage resulting in a loss of yardage for Western Connecticut this past Saturday. Muro is currently the leading tackler among defensive linemen and is second on the team in sacks.

"If you saw him in street clothes, you would not think he was a defensive tackle," said Defensive Coordinator Dave Caldiero. "But then he gets on the field and controls the line of scrimmage. Bruce is such a defensive threat because he is so quick off the ball that he can beat a block, or he can use his strength and drive offensive linemen right into the backfield."

Muro did both against Western Connecticut, disrupting the Colonials' ground and air attack. "It was a big game for us coming off the disappointing loss to Kings Point," said Muro. "We knew Western Connecticut would be hungry for their first win."

In holding Western Connecticut to a field goal and a late fourth quarter touchdown, the defensive unit is still trying to fulfill one of its pre-season goals. "We are still looking for our first shutout," said Muro. "It is something we want to give to the coaching



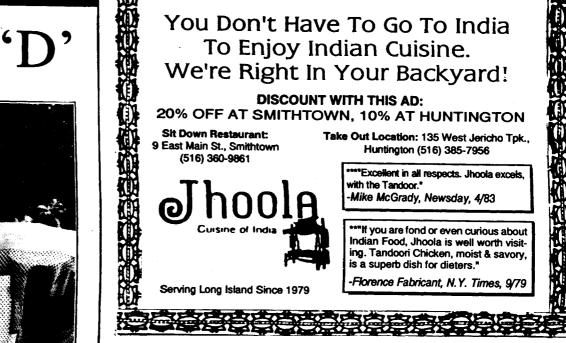
**Bruce Muro** 

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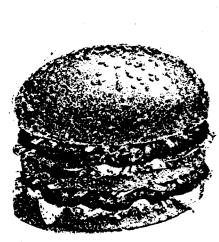
Another of those pre-season goals — scoring points — almost happened Saturday as well. With the Colonials' offense pinned inside their own five-yard line, the Stony Brook defense looked to put some points on the board. "I broke through the line and hit the ball carrier, but the ball was placed on the two-yard line," said Muro. "I was looking for the safety."

Muro attributes his performance this season to the entire defensive unit. "Scott Schuster keeps me pushing and Doug Foster keeps my head in the game, telling me when I am out of position," said Muro. They are great guys to be surrounded by, both on and off the field."

With just two road games remaining this season, the Patriots look to improve upon their 4-4 record. For the defense, that means two more shots at achieving their pre-season goals. And no one should be surprised if Bruce Muro's name appears in the scoring summary of Sunday's local papers.







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Freshman Annya Callahan (1) gives the ball a ride upfield last week.

## Season ends in dark

By Christine Cleary esman Staff Writer

The women's soccer team ended its season in the dark, after the referee called its 1-1 overtime game against Southampton Monday because the sun had set.

Stony Brook closed their 1991 fall schedule dueling it out with a tough Divi-

sion II squad. "The Southampton game is always competitive," said Head Coach Sue Patriots: Ryan. "It's for bragging rights on S'Hampton: 1

Women's Soccer

Long Island." Both teams

can brag they held the other scoreless for the first six minutes into the second half. But only the Lady Patriots can brag that they came from behind to tie the game.

The lone Stony Brook goal came from junior midfielder Denise Laviola, with an assist from freshman forward Kara Wrieth. This followed the Southampton tally in the second half.

Southampton had opportunities to break the deadlock. In one instance, when freshman back Amy Coakley was penalized for a foul, the referee awarded Southampton a free indirect kick. The referee ruled her first kick invalid because he was not looking; the second attempt was

Stony Brook, like their opponents had opportunities to score. Sophomore midfielder Sue Scheer, sophomore back Debbie Egger, freshman forward Miki Callahan, Laviola and Wrieth combined for a total of 15 shots on net.

Ryan said that LaViola was the key offensive player against Southampton. "Denise has been one of our most consistent players all year," said Ryan. Ryan also cited the efforts of junior goalkeeper Chris Foley, who recorded seven saves.

Darkness had already begun to set in when regulation time ran out. The coaches agreed to play two five-minute periods rather than the usual two 15-minute halves. Still, with one minute left in the contest, the referee ended the game because he could not see the plays.

According to Ryan, this game typified the team's season. "We have to take advantage of opportunities in the first half," she said. "All season long we've come back from being one or two goals down." Ryan said that the shortened overtime periods hurt Stony Brook. "Time just ran out for us," the head coach said. "We had the momentum that Southampton didn't. We would have won if the two 15-minute overtime were played."

The Lady Patriots garnered a total of four wins, 13 losses and three ties. They look to use the experience they gained this season to better their record next season.

## Tech shuts-out Pats

By Alicia J. Spiegel an Sports Writer

The Stony Brook men's soccer team finished its season off with a disappoint-

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Men's Soccer

ing shutout loss to NJ Tech, 2-0, making their final season record 5-

Stony Brook Patriots: had many chances to capitalize. At

one point, sophomore forward Louis Palermo attempted to score but the ball hit the back of the net. Palermo again had an opportunity to put the Pats on the scoreboard when he dribbled the ball all the way down but was attacked by the goalie. He was then

awarded a penalty shot, but he was unsuccessful.

At the 31:45 mark, NJ Tech scored its first goal of the contest. They had a chance to add to this early lead when NJ Tech was awarded a penalty shot. Freshman Jim Migadakis saved it, however.

At the 7:19 mark of the second half, Tech scored its second goal, closing off the scoring for the afternoon.

The second half provided the Patriots with more scoring opportunities. But still, NJ Tech managed to dominate play.

It was a tough battle and a tough loss for the Patriots. Despite their below .500 record, several team players feel that the Pats will only get better under the direction of Head Coach Nick Sansom.

## Ladies to defend title

By Michele Abbatiello nun Sports Writer

What a way to end regular season

Taking yet another invitational title, the volley-

ball Lady Patriots captured the Stony Brook Classic by completing the roundrobin tournament, 3-0.

Storry Brook defeated Upsala, Western Connecticut and Vassar on their way to the championship. Starting off with a shaky beginning against Upsala, Stony **Brookmanaged to** gain control and

defeat them in four games 11-15, 15-9, 15-9, 15-3. "Upsala played good defense," said Kristin Smith and Denise Rehor. "They picked up most of our Entering the second match, Stony

Brook faced the Lady Colonials from Western Connecticut. Dominating the entire match, the Lady Pats took the win 15-2, 15-8, 15-5. "We had a good offensive game," said Smith. "Everyone clicked."

The finale for Stony Brook was against the Lady Brewers from Vassar College. Ending with a boom, the Lady Patriots downed Vassar 15-6, 15-2, 15-7. Rewarded for their efforts Stasia

Nikas, with 46 kills and 32 digs and Janna Kuhner with 26 kills, 30 digs and eight blocks, were named to the All-tournament team. Rehor contributed 75 assists in the three victories. "We played well together as a team," said Rehor. "Every time we get on the court we play more and more as a team."

Stony Brook will host the New York State Championships this weekend, Nov. 9-10. The state's top 16 teams will try to knock off the defendchampion Lag raunous. Opening ceremonies will begin Saturday at 10:15 am in the Indoor Sports Complex. Stony Brook received the second seed in the tournament and will begin play at 12:30 pm. General admission is \$4.00, but students need

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only to pay \$2.00.

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