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Petition Granted



Stony Brook graduate students rally for unionization outside the Staller Center in 1988. University Photo

State appeals board clears way for graduate students to unionize

By George Bidermann
 and Sean Springer
 Special to Statesman

THE GRADUATE STUDENT Employees Union (GSEU) jumped its first hurdle toward a state-wide union certification election for SUNY's graduate and teaching assistants yesterday when a state appeals board overturned a ruling that rejected the GSEU's petition in 1987.

The election would allow graduate assistants (GAs) and teaching assistants (TAs) to decide whether they want to be represented by a union.

The unanimous decision by the three-member Public Employment Relations Board (PERB), issued just two weeks after oral arguments were reheard in the case, dismissed the state's claim that GAs and TAs were engaged in "casual" labor, and therefore are not covered by New York State's Taylor Law, which gives

virtually all other public employees the right to unionize. But the state's main argument — that GAs' and TAs' dual relationships with the state as students and employees demanded a balancing test that would determine their student status was dominant — was also rejected. PERB found that this balancing test was

inappropriate because graduate students' status as employees gave them the right to unionize regardless of any other relationship they might have with their employer.

The board ruled that GAs and TAs met the test of "regular and substantial employment" by the state, and was not "casual" in nature. It also ordered that GSEU be allowed to set up a negotiating unit separate from the United University Professions (UUP), the faculty union that had sought to absorb graduate student employees if a favorable decision regarding unionization was reached.

No ruling was given on the status of research assistants (RAs), as they were not included in the GSEU's petition. SUNY had opposed the original petition filed by GSEU on the grounds that RAs were employed by the Research Foundation, and the GSEU dropped RAs from the petition with the belief that if GAs and TAs were allowed to unionize, the state could not make a convincing argument for denying RAs the

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Trustees accept new faculty contract with one percent pay cut

Student Leader News Service

GARDEN CITY — Nassau Community College (NCC) nearly avoided a faculty strike this week, when the NCC Board of Trustees (BOT) accepted a new faculty contract at their Oct. 8 meeting.

The Board accepted the same contract they has refused last week, but tacked on a one percent salary reduction.

On Oct. 3, the Nassau Community College Federation of Teachers (NCCFT) faculty union had voted overwhelmingly to strike, after BOT had refused to accept the proposed contract, which faculty, the Nassau County government, and the college administration had all agreed upon.

Six board members had initially voted against the contract, with one abstaining, and one in favor, cast by Richard Brink, the student member of the board, at their Oct. 2 meeting.

Professors at NCC had been working without a contract since Sept. 1, when their previous three-year contract had expired.

According to a spokesperson for County Executive Thomas Gulotta, a tentative agreement was reached between the two parties on Sept. 7, with the union accepting a two-week lag payroll that would save the county several million dollars. The contract called for faculty salary increases based on the annual increase in the cost of living.

But despite the dollar saving lag patrol, the Board initially voted to reject the contract, justifying its action as a matter of "financial prudence." At this time, trustee Richard Kessel stated the Board's decision was not meant to send a negative message of any sort to the NCCFT.

According to Kessel, the BOT felt the contract would be financially inappropriate, due to the \$250 million deficit in Nassau County, and that the contract "sends the wrong signal" to citizens of Nassau County, many whom are laid off.

Members of NCCFT, who were "astonished and outraged at this unprecedented act," did not see matters from the same perspective.

NCCFT President Phil Nicholson said, "This is a political grandstand shot. This contract is well within the budget [that the Board] approved."

"There were powerfully outspoken trustees who were determined to stop this," Nicholson said, noting that the crusade to dump the contract had been headed by Kessel, an appointee to the board of Gov. Mario Cuomo, and head of the State Office of Consumer Affairs.

Nicholson said he believed that differences between the members of the Board of Trustees and leaders of the Nassau County government lead them to reject the contract, adding that the time for them to raise the objections to provisions in the agreement had long passed.

\$20,000 computer system stolen; crash injures student

A black 1990 Chevrolet Blazer was stolen from the Greeley College Parking lot yesterday at about 1 pm. The owner said the car contained a \$700 watch and a \$600 ring. No one has been arrested in the theft.

Public Safety is investigating a charge that a student forged six bad checks to the Barnes and Noble campus book store Monday.

Employees of the store said the account numbers of the checks did not exist. No one has been arrested.

Antoinette Matherson, a student, was reported missing after her parents called Public Safety Tuesday morning when they could not locate her. Public Safety authorized Matherson's resident assistant in Greeley College to enter the room at 3 am, where they did not find Matherson. *Statesman* could not confirm

if Matherson had been found before press time.

Computer equipment worth more than \$20,000 was stolen from the university's public relations office in the administration building last weekend. University spokesman Dan Forbush reported the missing computers to Public Safety and said the burglary occurred between 6 pm Friday and 3:30 am Monday.

Forbush said the burglars, who took six Macintosh computers, a laser printer and several other items from room 138, must have either had a key to the office or came in through a window, as there was no sign of forced entry. Public Safety is investigating the incident.

A student was injured at 1:12 am Monday when a witness said he lost control of his car as he sped around a curve on South Loop Rd. and crashed in the woods. Dennis Lee, who originally refused medical attention, was transported to University Hospital and treated for delayed shock and head damage at about 2:30 am.

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Confronting homophobia

By Sonia Arora
Statesman Staff Writer

Fears of confronting society about one's sexual preference was the topic of discussion Tuesday by Parents and Friends of Lesbians and Gays (PFLAG) as a part of the Lesbian, Gay and Bisexual Awareness week.

Anthony Ramos, who organized the event, said its purpose was to "confront homophobia on campus and to increase visibility of homosexuals."

Inga Fisher and Goldie Gelb, two members of PFLAG, spoke about the gamut of emotions they experienced when their daughters confronted them about their sexual preference.

Gelb said she felt guilty at first because she thought she had failed as a mother, but she said she gradually realized that "Homosexuality is not something you deliberately choose. Just as you cannot help whether you are right-handed or left-handed."

Fisher expressed some of the conflicting emotions she experienced, but now she says, "I have learned to love my daughter for the way she is."

Fisher addressed a small number of participants during the gathering and urged that if they are ready to confront their parents they should be ready to communicate with them first.

"When you come out of the closet, your parents will go in," said Fisher. That is why it is important to prepare them and offer them channels to gain support and arenas to attend for further discussion, according to Fisher, organizations like PFLAG can assist in the transition of denial to acceptance.

Dan Smith, a student at Stony Brook, spoke about his struggle in society as a gay man who values his masculinity but rejects gender role prescriptions of behavior.

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Man guilty in campus murder

By Toni Masercola
Statesman Managing Editor

A Stony Brook man was found guilty Friday of murdering his former girlfriend in front of a bus stop near the campus Chapin Apartments where she had been living two years ago.

Daryl Tolbert, 38, was convicted by a Suffolk County Court jury of second-degree murder. He faces a maximum sentence of 25 years to life when he is sentenced Nov. 6.

The jury rejected the defense's argument that Tolbert was under severe emotional stress when he committed the stabbing death of 32-year-old Arlene Miller in front of their two-year-old child.

When Tolbert testified he told the court he had gone to Miller's Stony Brook apartment that night to talk about their relationship. He said he had taken the knife to threaten a suicide to try to win her sympathy if she told him their relationship was over.

The prosecution's psychiatrist, Dr. Seymour Black, testified that Tolbert did not suffer from a dissociative disorder, but he believed Tolbert had narcissistic personality disorder, which causes "a lack of empathy and hypersensitivity to the evaluation of others."

Sidney Dworet, Tolbert's attorney, said he will appeal the conviction.

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University conducts Biotech survey

By Krista DeMaria
Statesman Staff Writer

The Center of Biotechnology at Stony Brook has been involved in a seven month study conducted to obtain the necessary information and statistics of the Biotech Industry in New York.

Rich Koehn, the director of the center for Biotechnology, prompted the study after hearing Kelvin Willoughby, a research associate at the University of California, spoke about a similar study of the Biotech Industry done in California.

"I met Kelvin, heard the results of California study and decided that this would help me to understand the growth of the industry in New York," Koehn said.

Carole Volkman, a university spokeswoman, also spoke about the study and explained that Koehn was the main proponent of the study.

"Dick Koehn had the main interest and he got Willoughby to come to New York and conduct the study."

Kelvin Willoughby, originally from Australia, has returned to his home but will remain in contact with Rich Koehn as the study continues.

The study did not require money from the budget. Volkman said there were very important findings from the study thus far.

"The most important fact that came out of the study was that human networking is most effective," Volkman said.

Koehn told *Statesman* there were findings but he only has preliminary information right now.

"There are an enormous amount of findings, and we have basic highlights but I don't have any written documents yet," Koehn said.

There were five major findings revealed in the study.

- The Biotechnology Industry in NYS is three to four times larger than originally believed.

- Long Island has the largest share of Biotechnology companies in NYS, almost one-third of the state total.

- New York's biotechnology firms are small: 72 percent employ less than 50 people and 25 percent have less than five employees;

- The state biotechnology industry is a new one but three quarters of the companies have been formed in the last 10 years;

- 84 percent of the companies expect to manufacture their research and development activities.

"Long Island is going to really diversify and when the industry grows it will give people a lot of jobs," Volkman said.

The study proved that relations among companies has improved because of their contacts with one another during the seven month period, according to Koehn.

"We just released a publication which gives info on New York Biotechnology Industries, it enhances the ability for companies to interact with one another," Koehn explained.

Volkman added that the study and the center would bring about many biomedical breakthroughs to aid research.

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THE INCIDENCE OF GENITAL warts has increased at an alarming rate. A few years ago there was an increase in a sexually transmitted disease (STD) called herpes. It used to be the number one STD. Now genital warts has surpassed herpes to be the number one STD. Genital warts are also known as venereal warts of condyloma acuminatum.

Genital warts are caused by the human papilloma virus (HPV). There are many different types of human papilloma viruses. It appears that several types are sexually transmitted and may lead to cancer of the cervix. We do not know what the risk is between penile cancer and men who have HPV.

HPV is spread mainly through genital, oral and anal sexual contact. A non-infected person has a 60 percent chance of infection after sexual contact with an infected partner. The time period from exposure to appearance of lesions is variable and may range from weeks to many years. It is possible to spread the virus via lesions that are present but not visible to the naked eye. Genital warts commonly occur in warm, moist areas, including the penis, scrotum and rectal areas on the male, around and within the vagina itself, and the

This column is part of a series by various professionals from the Student Health Service. Bob Ansbach is a physician's assistant and Marie Santiago is a nurse practitioner in the department.

cervix on the female. The urethra of the urinary tract may also be involved.

The warts may appear as small, hard or flesh areas that may be singular or in clusters, taking on a cauliflower-like appearance.

Some women do not know they are infected until they have a vaginal examination and pap smear performed. A pap smear will detect the presence of abnormal cells microscopically. Once detected, the female patient is in need of further examination. This examination is performed with a colposcope. This is a specially designed magnifier for visually examining the cells of the cervix. The exam is painless and takes approximately 20 minutes. Sometimes the colposcopist, (examiner) will also perform biopsies — the removal of small pieces of tissue that are examined under a microscope. Discomfort during biopsy is minimal. There may be light spotting afterward. Most commonly, in college-age women, the diagnosis is dysplasia, or HPV.

Dysplasia is a condition in which the cells of the cervix (neck of the womb), change in either size or shape. This can be treated in a variety of ways, depending on the extent of the lesion. Currently, two of the most commonly used treatments are cryosurgery, which kills abnormal cells by freezing them, or laser surgery, which vaporizes or heats away the diseased tissue. Other treatments or procedures may be needed for more advanced lesions. Laser and cryo do not compromise a woman's fertility. After treatment, it is important to have follow-up paps as prescribed by your health care provider.

Reducing the Risk

Smoking has been associated with increased risk for cervical cancer. Some experts believe that nicotine stimulates cell changes in the cervix similar to those it affects in the lungs. Others theorize that smoking may suppress the body's immune system, allowing abnormal cells to thrive.

Use of alcohol, marijuana, and other "recreational drugs" may cloud your ability to practice safer sex. Abstinence is the only sure way to avoid any STD.

If you do have intercourse, always use a latex condom and a spermicide containing non-oxynol-9.

Keep your immune system healthy by eating nutritious foods, sleeping approximately 8 hours a night, exercising regularly, avoiding alcohol and drugs.

Learn how to recognize and manage stress.

GSE: Genital Self-Exam, to check for visible warts, lesions, or any signs that might indicate the presence of a sexually transmitted disease.

Urinate after sex.

Remember — your partner may not know whether he/she has been exposed to HPV, or any other STD. So, cover up!

Finding Help

Having HPV or any STD may make one feel embarrassed, guilty, dirty or depressed. Going for treatment might be frightening. Keep in mind that many students share the same feelings and concerns.

Come to the Student Health Service to speak with one of the health care professionals. He or she will be able to give you the support you need.

LIFE stands for Lifestyle-Intervention-Fitness-Education. The goals of the health column are to communicate health care information relative to preventive care and health promotion; to assist the campus student and all other interested individuals to achieve optimal wellness in accordance with their potential; to provide an effective communication vehicle for readers concerned with health behavior and health promotion through the process of education; and to assist individuals to focus on assuming the responsibility for his or her own care. The subject matter in the column is not intended to serve as a standard of medical care. It is simply informational.

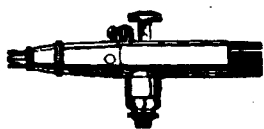
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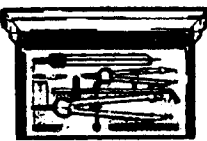


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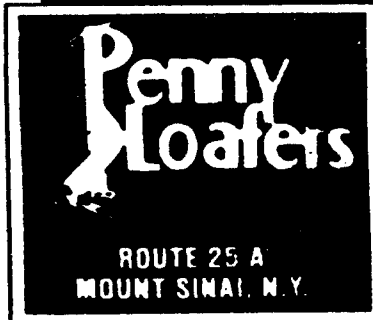
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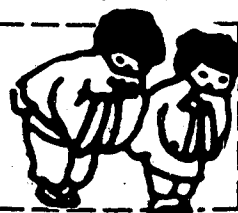
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Decision clears way for grad union

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The GSEU first filed the appeal in 1987, after a ruling that year by a PERB director rejected the case. The appeal resulted in a split decision, as one board member had stepped down and the remaining two would not agree. This time, however, the three-member board was complete for the first time in our years, and oral arguments were reheard on September 23.

SUNY's graduate student employees have been trying for more than a decade to gain the right to unionize, a right that all state employees have, except state prisoners, prohibited from unionizing because their employment was "incidental" to their incarceration.

The GSEU, which is affiliated with the Communications Workers of America (CWA), has been organizing graduate student employees throughout the SUNY system.

"I was prepared for a negative ruling so, needless to say, I'm ecstatic," said GSEU President Dominic Chan, a TA in Stony Brook's Sociology Department and vice president of the Graduate Student Organization at Stony Brook. "It has taken eight years for us to win and SUNY has wasted eight years of resources — money that could have improved the SUNY system — to fight us. PERB's ruling shows the bankruptcy of SUNY's arguments, once and for all."

Chan said: "Our first goal is to sign up as many graduate student employees as pos-

sible, including RAs, and then seek to bring RAs into the fold through a similar petition before PERB. But we also want to know what people think should be our priorities — health insurance as a benefit, higher stipends, or job security to name a few."

David Mintz, counsel to CWA and the attorney arguing the GSEU's case, presented the board with a simple supposition. "The only question is whether there's sufficient employee relationship with the state," he said. "It is absolutely clear on the record that employee relationship exists." Mintz said that in this case, it is "difficult to separate political issues from legal issues."

Graduate students teach or assist in teaching the majority of classes at SUNY's four university centers, but lack collective bargaining rights, health insurance coverage, unemployment insurance and worker's compensation. Some earn as little as \$3,300 per year before taxes. Some, particularly international graduate student employees,

are not allowed to hold outside jobs to supplement their income.

SUNY's Central Administration has used the 1987 PERB decision to deny graduate student employees their right to vote on unionization even while other universities, like U. Mass at Amherst and Berkeley, have dropped their opposition to unionization.

The state presented its argument using a precedent set at a grade school in Great Neck, where a federally sponsored program employing community leaders led to a fight for unionization, but was denied because the workers were hired primarily because of their status as community leaders.

In 1974, City University of New York (CUNY) students receiving work-study employment attempted to unionize, but were denied, the state argued in the GSEU case, because their employment was a result of both their student status and financial need.

According to Mintz, the GSEU's attorney, in each of the cases the employment relationship directly hinged upon a primary relationship. Graduate students, in contrast, would be graduate student whether they supported themselves by university employment or by off-campus jobs, and their actual academic relationship with the university would remain unchanged.

Chan said that SUNY's only option to block a certification election would be to file a case in civil court in an effort to overturn the appeal board's ruling.

"Let's hope that SUNY throws in the towel and accepts the truth of the matter," said Chan, "that it is now in our hands to determine whether we want to be represented by a union. SUNY has wasted too many dollars already."

(George Bidermann is the editor-in-chief of the Graduate Student Organization News and Blues. Sean Springer is the news editor of the Student Leader News Service.)

Confronting homophobia

PFLAG from page 3

He stated his definition of manhood as "The most masculine one can have strength to stand up for his beliefs and values regardless of societal pressures."

Another student told the group that his mother, who is a devout Catholic, denies that he is gay and prays that he will "change" one

day. The student, who considers himself a practicing Catholic said, "I just don't agree with one aspect of the Catholic Church."

Gelb says the purpose of PFLAG is to "keep families together and build badges of respect." The organization also circulates literature with issues facing the gay community and the pressures in seeking legislation, which promotes fair practices

in the workplace. There have been instances where persons have been fired from work when publicly admitting their homosexuality, said Gelb.

PFLAG was founded in 1978 by Ann Harris, whose daughter was a lesbian. This organization has 270 chapters throughout the world, including the United States, Canada, Europe and the Soviet Union.



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Editorial

Justice Served in Conviction

Justice has been served.

After the alarming stabbing murder of a woman who resided on our campus almost two years ago, her killer has finally been convicted for his serious injustice.

In other cases we might sympathize with the notion of severe emotional and psychological disorders as something that builds up inside someone enough where he explodes because no one is there to help him. But Daryl Tolbert, the convicted murderer, was looking for a way out of his crime.

The defense argued that the defendant was suffering from extreme emotional disturbance when he stabbed and killed his former girlfriend in front of their two-year-

old daughter, because he had experienced the stress of his father's suicide, his becoming disabled as a result of an accident, having lost his job and his breakup with the victim Arlene Miller. Tolbert did not have a dissociative disorder. He was a walking time bomb, with one thing on his mind - killing Miller.

Tolbert is a man with a history of violence documented by Public Safety. Miller obtained a temporary Order of Protection from Family Court against he killer. Although the order was withdrawn a month later, Miller was assaulted by him in April of 1989, for which he was arrested by Public Safety.

Miller was also in the process of

obtaining a second Order of Protection just before her violent death.

Tolbert knew exactly what he was doing when he killed the woman he once loved.

Members of the jury during Tolbert's trial said they were struck by his superior attitude and the fact that he always seemed to want to be in control. This man was not emotionally disturbed. The only emotion he had was rage.

He will pay the price for the life he took and the other life he has ruined as his child looked on in horror and fear as her mother's life was taken before her eyes.

Tolbert should get the maximum sentence - 25 years to life - when he is sentenced Nov. 6.

It's Friday. This is my partner, Gannon.
Here's our story-

8:15 Am. - Radio call. Hispanic threatening to jump from 10-stories up.

8:27 - Arrive at scene. Urge him to do it.

11:06 - Gannon spots a black guy.

11:10 - Call in back-up.

11:13 - Beat black guy senseless.

Noon - Laugh about it.

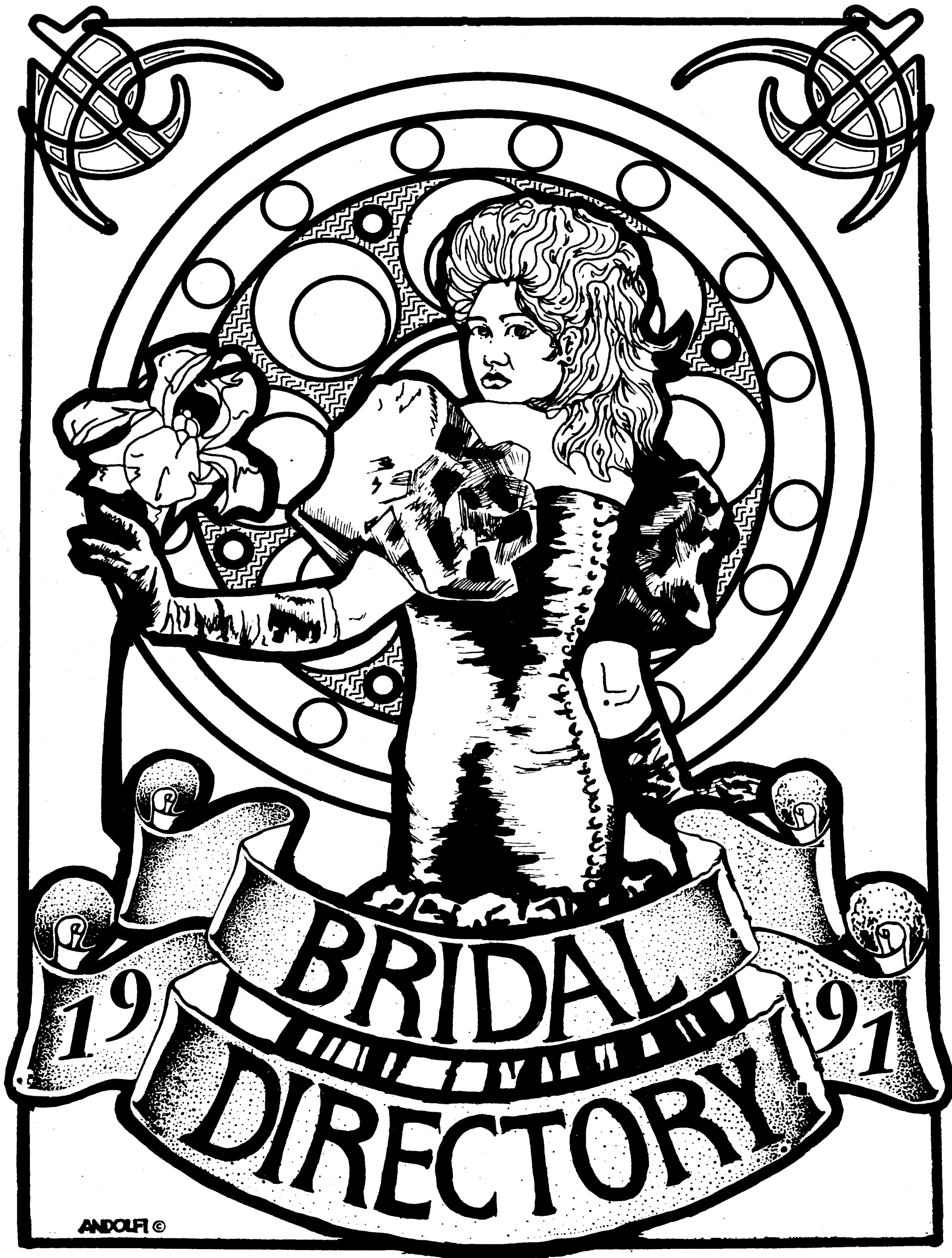
2:30 p.m. - Find out somebody videotaped beating.

2:35 - Begin looking for good lawyers.



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A double Ring ceremony

By Darren B. Davis
Statesman Features Editor

THE JOB OF A STUDENT UNION Manager is one requiring long hours, arduous work and much commitment. Mike Ring has learned this through time and experience on the job. But Ring has recently taken on a new position in his life. One in which the hours are even longer, the commitment even stronger and the work, well, hopefully a lot easier. Ring is now a husband.

On June 29 of this year, Ring and his high school sweetheart, Stephane, said their vows and tied the knot. "We were sitting in Stephane's apartment, in our underwear," said Ring, "watching the war on TV. I looked at the apartment and said, 'It's too small.' Stephane said, 'Do you want to get married?' And I said, 'Sure, pass the pizza.'"

The next big decision for the couple was whether to tell their families of their plans or just to get married and then have a party. Ring choose to call his mom and tell her of their plans. "At first I said 'let's just get married,' because my Bar-Mitzvah was a nightmare," said Ring. "But it was great!"

"It was about two weeks from 'let's get married,' till we found out who, what, when and where," said Ring. According to Ring, Stephane took care of all the wedding arrangements. "If I had to do the wedding plans, it would have been photocopied invitations and a picnic in the park," said Ring. The tough part was the guest list though. "Not being able to invite certain people and having to invite certain people," said Ring.

Ring said the dress and rings were the easy part. "It took her [Stephane] about 30 minutes to pick out her dress," said Ring, "and then she haggled on the price." They went to Chinatown, on Canal Street

for the rings, which took a couple of hours to pick out.

Next came the choice of where to have the ceremony and reception. "We checked out a couple of places," said Ring. They decided on a restaurant with catering facilities, under the Verazzano Bridge. "It wasn't a catering hall," said Ring. "We choose four menu items. If someone didn't like it [the choices] they got the menu and let them choose. The menu was extremely flexible."

The decorations were also unusual. "Instead of a lot of flowers, we had ficus trees with a lot of lights," said Ring. "Instead of a bride and groom on the cake, we had a flower arrangement." Not too many of traditional customs were upheld. "We're not the kind of people who want to be told, 'this is how it's done'," said Ring.

The ceremony was also a bit unusual. It was performed by a criminal judge who did two weddings that day. "After the ceremony the judge said 'Anyone else?'," said Ring.

The ceremony and reception went through without any major problems. "The florist put the flowers into the freezer and they melted a bit when they were removed," said Ring, "and the photographer's assistant, his wife, got drunk," but that's about it. The next day though, the place shut down. The owner took off with all the money.

The honeymoon went just as well. "Originally we wanted to rent a house in St. John's. Instead we got a room on the water in the Hyatt Regency," said Ring. "I wouldn't have changed a thing."

Having experienced the whole thing himself, Ring offers advice to prospective marriages. "Every catering hall I've ever been to, the air conditioning never works. Get married in the spring or fall so the weather doesn't screw you up. Listen to what people tell you; don't use a photographer because he's their friend, use him because he did their wedding and he was good." And finally, "don't tell anyone anything, just do it."



Mike and Stephanie Ring

"We were sitting in Stephane's apartment, in our underwear. Stephane said, 'Do you want to get married?' And I said, 'Sure, pass the pizza.'"

— Newlywed Mike Ring

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WHAT SHOULD SHE DO?

Bride's Calendar

Planning a formal wedding takes more than six months—up to two years near large cities, at special sites.

6 MONTHS BEFORE

- Buy a wedding planner and memory album.
- Discuss wedding budget with your parents fiance perhaps his parents, decide on the wedding style—from flowers to food, cake.
- Decide on wedding and reception sites.
- Plan color scheme for wedding, reception.
- See clergyman or judge with fiance.
- Plan reception, make reservations.
- Choose and order your dress, accessories.
- Select and register china, silver, etc.
- Begin guest list; have fiance do his.
- Choose attendants.
- Choose and order attendants dresses.
- Plan new home, begin shopping for it. Consult a travel agent for honeymoon ideas.

3 MONTHS BEFORE

- Complete your guest list.
- Order invitations and announcements, start addressing them upon receipt.
- Arrange transportation for wedding party.
- Shop for trousseau.
- Order wedding rings.
- Set date to order attendants' dresses, confirm delivery date for your dress (Make sure you give two weeks leeway).
- Select a portrait photographer.
- Make an appointment with gynecologist for examination, to

discuss birth control.

- Complete honeymoon plans with groom.
- Plan ceremony reception details with organist, caterer, florist, etc.

- Buy groom's wedding gift.
- Mail your invitations.
- Have final dress and headpiece fitting.
- Have portrait taken.
- Choose gifts for your attendants.
- Pick up wedding rings, check engraving.
- Plan lodging for traveling guests, maids.
- Plan your bridesmaids' party.
- Discuss rehearsal dinner with groom.
- Write thank-you notes for shower gifts.
- Send announcement to newspapers.

2 WEEKS BEFORE

- Go with fiance for marriage license.
- Make appointment with hairdresser.
- Buy luggage; check honeymoon reservations.
- Begin your honeymoon packing.
- Purchase traveler's checks.
- Finish addressing your announcements to mail on your wedding day.
- Give a final guest count to the caterer.
- Give and/or attend bridesmaids' party.
- Check on final details with florist, etc.
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Groom's Calendar

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6 MONTHS BEFORE

- Pick up bride's engagement ring from jewelry store if no yet selected.
- Start making out your guest list.
- Arrange a visit with clergyman, justice of the peace, or judge to discuss ceremony.
- Discuss with fiancée how many ushers you'll need (one for every 50 guests).
- Discuss honeymoon plans with your fiancée and consult travel agent for ideas.
- If you are travelling abroad, be sure to update your passport, arrange for visas and international driver's license.
- Visit wedding gift registry with fiancée.

3 MONTHS BEFORE

- Complete your guest list. Give it to fiancée.
- Consult with fiancée and order wedding attire for self, best man, ushers and fathers.
- Shop for honeymoon clothes.
- Arrange transportation for wedding party to ceremony and reception.
- Complete honeymoon plans. Buy tickets.
- Order wedding rings.
- Arrange to pay for bride's bouquet. Order boutonnieres for men, corsages for women.
- See your doctors for check-ups and blood tests.

6 TO 8 WEEKS BEFORE

- Plan rehearsal dinner with parents.
- Consult with fiancée and arrange lodging for relatives and ushers from out-of-town.
- Select gifts for bride and ushers.
- Make sure necessary documents are in order — legal, medical and religious..
- Give or attend bachelor party. Pick up wedding rings. Help fiancée with thank you notes.

2 WEEKS BEFORE

- Get marriage license with fiancée.
- Arrange with the best man for transportation from the reception to the airport or train.
- Double check honeymoon reservations.

1 WEEK BEFORE

- Explain special seating arrangements for family, disabled guests, to head usher.
- Put the clergyman's or judge's fee in a sealed envelope and give it to the best man, who will deliver it after the ceremony.
- Purchase traveller's checks.
- Get your going-away clothes ready so you can change after the reception.
- Pack for your honeymoon.
- Arrange to move belongings to new home.

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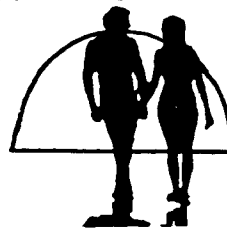
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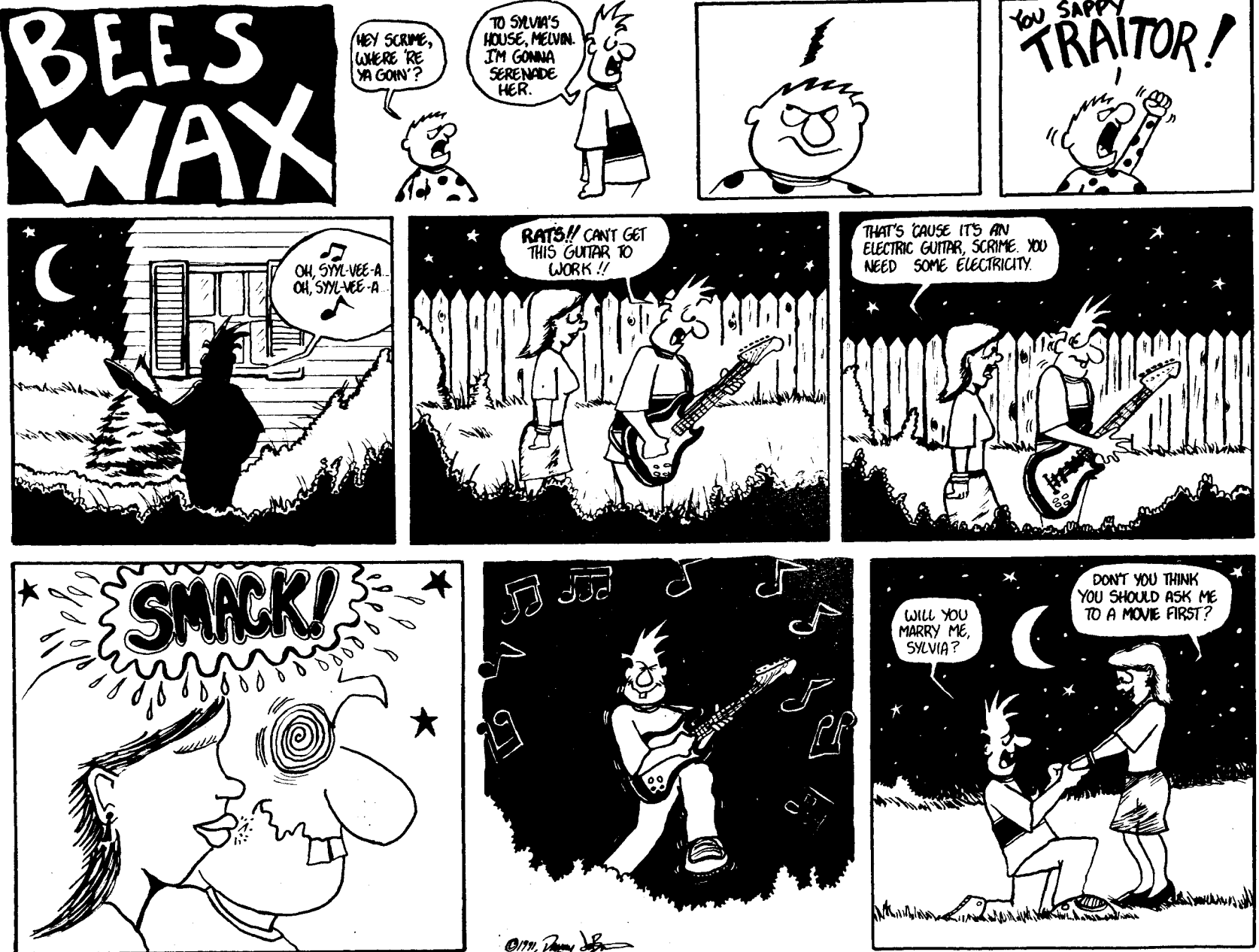
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"I feel sick just thinking about all the things I have to do. There's a whole lot more to think about when organizing a wedding than you imagine," said Tina Masercola, a 23-year-old bride-to-be. "I just figured it would all be done for me, boy was I wrong."

The serenity and picture perfect idea of what she thought her wedding would be like when she dreamt about it as little girl is all coming to reality now—a hellish reality.

Masercola, who will be wed in April, said, "I just never thought I would be trying so hard to please my family and still be happy about my arrangements."

What was originally supposed to be a small wedding of about 30 closest friends and relatives and a quite reception to follow with hors d'oeuvres and drinks has now turned into a wedding of about 75 people in a banquet room of an enormous country club, according to Masercola.

"My mother kept telling me all the people I had to invite to my wedding because they would be 'very hurt' if I didn't," she said. In Masercola's situation where her parents are divorced, one is remarried and the other is living with someone, the guest list kept getting longer and longer when she realized all the new relatives she'd left out. "It comes with the territory," she said.

"It's an unfortunate situation at a time like this," said the bride-to-be's mother Christine Masercola. "It's caused

"I don't care if the band stinks, the food is horrible or if the dresses don't match the napkins, it will still be the happiest day of our lives."
 — Groom-to-Be Darryl Spraragen

some arguments, but most people only get married once and everyone wants to be there."

Although the guest list has been the biggest and most frustrating part of the planning for Masercola, she said her family is helping ease the burden by taking on other aspects of the event. Masercola's father and step-mother are providing the band, her mother will be handling the reception, the groom-to-be is arranging the honeymoon, while the wedding party is taking care of the bridal shower, bachelor party, limousine and other minor details.

"It's important for all of us to take on some responsibility for Tina," said Rocco Masercola, father of the bride-to-be. "She has enough to worry about and we all want her day to run smoothly."

"I wake up every morning and think of something new that I have to do, whether it's picking out invitations, or dresses for the bridal party. There is always so much to think about," said Masercola.

Masercola said she is lucky because her step-mother, who recently married her father, four years ago, remembers a lot of the minor things that need to be done and has helped Tina along the way.

"I know what a pain it is when you don't have someone who has recently been through the experience to guide you," said Masercola's step-mother Wendy Masercola. "It's not easy, but you want you're wedding to be perfect."

The bride-to-be has wanted to elope ever since she could remember. "Since I was a little girl I have wanted my fiance to come and get me in the middle of the night and take me away to Italy," said Masercola. She said there are times now, when she is pulling out her hair trying to pick out music for the reception, when she wonders why she didn't just follow her first thought. But after she thought about it she said she couldn't pass up the privilege of sharing "her day" with her family and friends.

The April wedding is in full swing. Although Masercola is worried about her plans and preparations, her family members say things seem to be under control. "She's the bride. She's supposed to be nervous," said her cool and calm fiance Darryl Spraragen. "I don't care if the band stinks, the food is horrible or if the dresses don't match the napkins, it will still be the happiest day of our lives."

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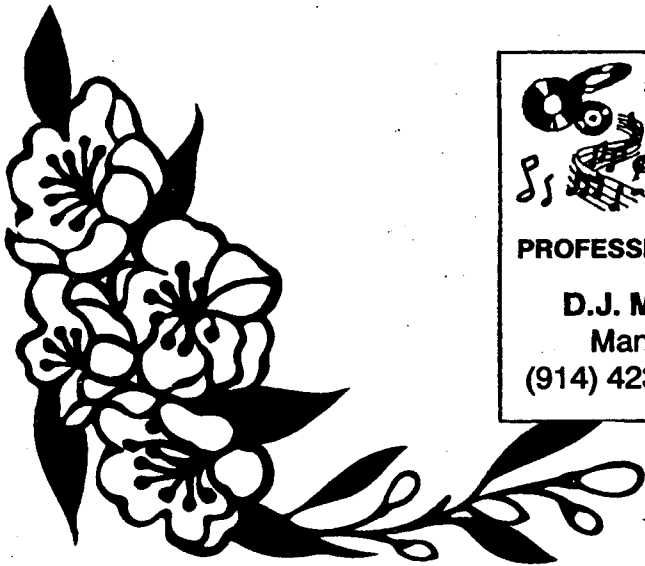
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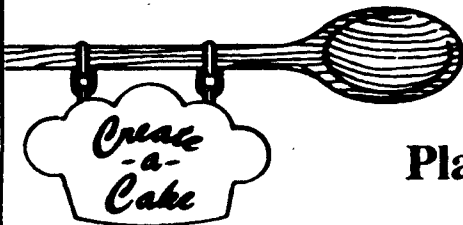
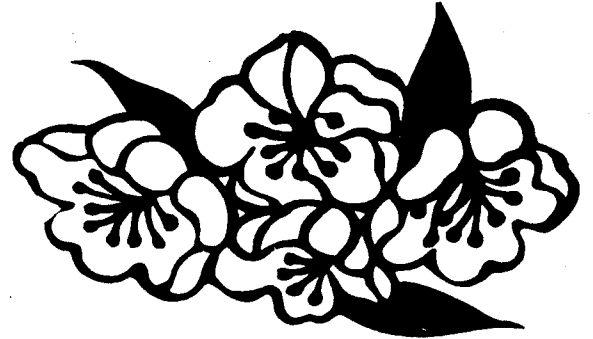


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To the Editor:

What should I say? Welcome back? Well, if I know this campus you've been made to feel welcome already. Unfortunately, our friendliness has been very selected.

Where should I start? The Asian Student Association comes to mind. Why is it that they represent over 15 percent of the campus and they get only \$2000 in funding? That is about \$1.25 per Asian. What are they going to do with that? Buy everyone a Pepsi perhaps?

Or maybe commuter college who represents about 58% of the students and get about the same \$1.25 per student. We can't use the budget cut's on Stony Brook as an excuse, since they don't affect Polity in any way.

So what can we do? I mean were only human up here, so we do make mistakes. But no it is time to correct them. Still, we need your help. ASA, CSA are you out there? I'm sorry we all are.

So I call Stony Brook to get ready. Because, now is the time for a change. Sure, I could have done more last semester, but it is no longer last semester. Perhaps I was waiting for the right inspiration or maybe just that one person. Regardless, I was never one just to sit back, I don't see why that should change.

Vinny Bruzzese
Polity Senator

Republicans Have Improved

To the Editor:

When I came to Stony Brook as a Freshman in 1988, I found no organization on campus offered as much to me as a Republican than College Republicans. So I joined.

College Republicans has much improved over the last 3 years, and much has been accomplished. Whereas in the 1988 election Democrats claimed a tremendous victory on the campus of Stony Brook, it is now the Republicans, led by CRs, that claim the victories.

CRs, in addition to its usual "Blitzkrieg" style campaigning on campus, will also be participating in Republican races across Suffolk County in New "Campaign Corps". The mission of the corps is to provide assistance in the most critical races in Suffolk County. In this way, CRs will be working to make the difference county-wide.

College Republicans offers an experience for Republican Stony Brook students unmatched by any other organization, and all USB Republicans are invited to our

weekly meetings, held in Union Room 216 at 8 PM on Thursday nights.

In addition, I would like to welcome two new people to the executive board at College Republicans, Steve Mauriello and Ary Rosenbaum. Steve and Ary participated in last year's Common Sense initiative, an initiative to introduce real choice into student government elections. While they, like many others, fell prey to the corruption and foul play of the Polity political machine, their electoral experience and dedication is welcome.

Well folks, this year's College Republican campaign is now off and running. I hope that USB Republicans will take the time to join the party - the best party on campus.

Ron Nehring,

Writer Was Misinformed

To the Editor:

I was very distressed to see blatant disinformation printed in the article titled "Finale for SUNY Theatre" (SUNY BRIEFS) on page 2 of the September 12 issue. The claim that "The Empire State Theater does theatrical performances primarily for state officials in the Capitol" is clearly false, and seems to be designed to malign the reputation of a regional theatre company that has gained a significant international reputation over the past decade and a half.

Even here at Stony Brook, 200 miles away from Albany, at least seven of my students have seen productions presented by the New York State Institute for the Performing Arts (The article didn't even report the name correctly). In all, the theatre company has performed for well over two million audience members. There certainly aren't that many "state officials in the Capitol"!

The organization has performed in numerous schools and auditoriums throughout the State of NY, and throughout the world. The "Institute" was chosen to open the Terrace Theatre of the Kennedy Center in Washington during the nation's first "Imagination Celebration". In recent years two of their productions have moved to Broadway, and two more were presented at the Fashion Institute in New York City. They have also performed in Italy, Israel, Jordan, France, and Moscow. In Moscow alone, over 30,000 school children have seen their performances. It was no accident that the Theatre Institute was chosen as the first performing arts group to perform in the USSR after the "thaw" in our relations. The news was even covered in a lengthy feature on ABC Nightly News.

In our current social climate it is hard enough for arts to survive let alone flourish. The disinformation reprinted from the "Student Leader News Service" is not an example of proper journalistic responsibility.

Richard Finkelstein

(Editor's Note: The writer is a professor of theatre design at Stony Brook.)

Commuter Election Should Be More Accessible

To the Editor:

Yes, the Commuter Student Association elections that were held recently were indeed a disgrace [Editorial: Sept. 30]. A small portion of the commuter population knew about these elections and even a smaller number turned out to vote. These are facts, but there are a few more things that commuters at large should know.

- In the 1990 elections, less than 50 commuters voted, for the administration that just left.

- It was this past administration which was responsible for advertising these most recent elections. They were to provide for fair and well-publicized elections. If nobody knew about those elections, it is not the new administration that should be questioned, but rather, people should ask the old administration what happened.

The reason that all this happened is a self-replicating one. At some point in the past, commuters did not take enough interest in the affairs of their representatives and administrations took advantage of this which over time resulted in there being less publicity and less commuter involvement. This, as it has evolved, has resulted in only 67 commuters making the decision for several thousand.

So, the present administration was elected by so small a number due to these circumstances. But the present administration ran in hope of correcting such problems. It started when some people realized what was going on and decided to try to change the system from within. Perhaps, we are not all the best when it comes to politics, but there's a genuine interest in making the Commuter Student Association more accessible to the people at large. It may take a little time to set things straight and we ask people to bear with us for a little while. But, we do promise that when there are elections in the spring, we will conduct them fairly and that they will be adequately publicized so that all commuters will know what is going on. For now, I encourage all commuters that care about what is going to come down and get involved. Commuters should especially try to come to the leg. meetings, which are held every Wednesday at 1 p.m.. They are the best place for commuters to make their voices heard and where they can be involved in everything that is going on. We will be glad to listen to everybody's suggestions and to allow them to participate

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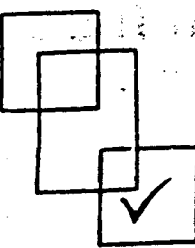
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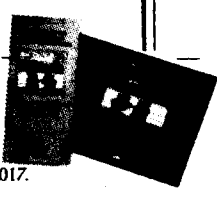
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HOME COMING

Highlights

This is only a partial listing of the many campus-wide events planned for Homecoming, so be sure to check out all the details!

Wednesday OCTOBER 16	Friday OCTOBER 18	Saturday OCTOBER 19	Sunday OCTOBER 20
12:30 PM HOME COMING SPIRIT PARADE Academic Mall	Noon - 4:30 PM STREET FAIR • Carnival Booths • Clowns • Food Vendors • Live Bands & DJs • (Hosted by WUSB) • Comedian Joey Kola Center Drive (between ISC & SB Union) Bain Location: ISC Arena	10 AM - 2 PM TOURS OF THE CAMPUS (Every Hour) Sponsored by Undergraduate Admissions Starting at SB Union/Lobby	9 AM 5K RUN FOR SCHOLARSHIPS REGISTRATION ISC/Lobby
Thursday OCTOBER 17	3 PM TWISTER COMPETITION Sponsored by SAA Grassy area between Physics & Center Drive	10:30 AM - Noon HOME COMING PARADE Starting at Tabor Quad Parking Lot	9:45 AM WALKERS & PHYSICALLY CHALLENGED RACE STARTS In front of ISC (Rain or Shine)
9 PM TOKYO JOE'S SB Union/Balroom	4:30 - 7 PM BARBECUE Center Drive Street Fair Bain Location: Dining Hall	11 AM - 4:30 PM STREET FAIR Same as Friday plus: • Crafts, Art & Antiques Fair • Cartoonist & Artists • WUSB Live Broadcasting Center Drive (between ISC & SB Union) Bain Location: ISC/Arena	10 AM RUNNERS RACE STARTS In front of ISC (Rain or Shine)
	9 PM HOME COMING ENTERTAINMENT Sponsored by SAA Howie Mandel ISC/East Wing Gym	1 PM - 4 PM HOME COMING FOOTBALL GAME • USB Patriots vs. Wesley Wolverines • Halftime Show • King & Queen Crowning Ceremony Football Field	10 AM - 12:30 PM PANCAKE BRUNCH & TROPHY PRESENTATION SB Union/Patio Bain Location: SB Union/Balroom

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AIDS Quilt Long Island

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Union Art Gallery, October 4th-10th.

Bisexuality Workshop

Sojourner McCauley will facilitate a discussion on bisexuality and biphobia.
Union Room 223, 7:30pm.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 6

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Union Auditorium, 8pm.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 7

LGBA Tabling

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11am-3pm, Union Main Lobby, October 7th-11th.

Women and HIV

A Latina Lesbian who is HIV+ will discuss personal and political issues surrounding women and HIV.
Draiser College Lounge, 8pm.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 8

Publishing from a Black Gay Perspective
Members of Other Countries, a group of Black Gay writers in New York City, discuss their efforts in publishing.
Union Room 231, 8:30pm.

Parents & Friends of Lesbians & Gays

Members of PFLAG will discuss issues of the family surrounding coming out, including the effects of homophobia on their families and children.
Union Bi-Level, 8pm.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 9

Movie Day

Movies with Lesbian, Gay and Bisexual themes, such as *The Life and Times of Harvey Milk* and *Before Stonewall* will be shown all day.
Frisco Lounge.

Homosexuality in Asian-Pacific Islander Cultures

Members of Gay Asian-Pacific Islander Men of New York and Asian Lesbians on the East Coast will discuss the diversity of homosexuality in their native cultures, including the effects of World War II and Western influence. An open discussion will follow.
Langmuir Lounge, 8pm.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 10

Homosexuality in Native American Cultures

Members of We Wah and Bar Chee Ampe, a "two-spirited" Native American group in New York City, will share their experiences as Lesbians, Gays and Bisexuals. Include in this event is a 15-minute video from a recent conference on HIV for "two-spirited" Native Americans. An open discussion will follow.
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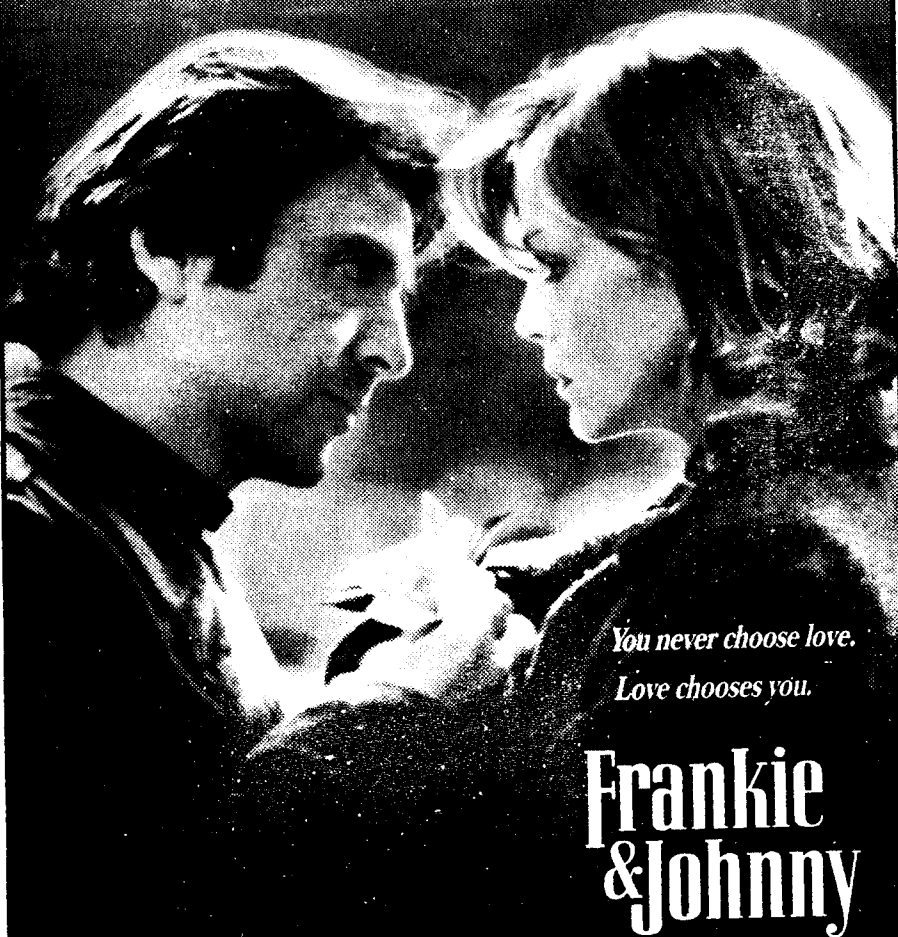
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ATHLETE OF THE WEEK



David Briggs

Briggs grabs silver medal

By Tony McMullen
Special to Statesman

David Briggs of Commack paced the men's cross country team to a first place finish at the Union Invitational and was named the Stony Brook VIP/Statesman Athlete of the Week for the week of September 30.

The Patriots edged out Mohawk Valley C.C. to win the team competition with the low score of 64 points. With several of Stony Brook's runners injured or sick, much of the pressure to lead a young team fell on the shoulders of senior Briggs. Briggs responded by placing second overall in the individual competition, completing the five mile course in 27:30.4. Although not his best time of the season, Briggs' performance at the Union Invitational matched his previous best finish of a second place run at the King's Invitational two weeks earlier.

The individual success of Briggs on the fast course at Saratoga was all part of the team strategy. Until the team member's times get closer, Briggs is more inclined to run with the front pack instead of helping pace his teammates. However, the team concept is still part of Briggs' mindset. Coach Steve Borbet feels that Briggs

leads the team by example. "Dave is a hard worker and that attitude spreads throughout the team," said Borbet. "He is a pleasure to coach."

Briggs considered the Union Invitational a preview of things to come. "This is the last chance to run this course until we go back to run the regionals there," said Briggs. Normally he is the type of runner who "goes out fast and tries to hang on," Briggs ran a more tactical race than usual. "Without Pat McMurray running and the slow start we had at the beginning of the race, I decided to run for placement rather than time," added Briggs.

Briggs, a second-year runner for Borbet, transferred from the University of South Carolina two years ago after starting his collegiate career at the University of New Haven. In his last year of eligibility, Briggs may be saving his best for last. "Going to the nationals is a realistic goal for this team," said Briggs. "If the freshmen keep improving their times like they have been doing, we will have a chance."

Since the Patriots are running in one of the toughest Division III regions, New York State will send four teams, rather than three, to the Nationals. Briggs and the Patriots plan to be one of those teams.

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PEPSI'S WALL OF VELCRO COMING TO SUNY AT STONY BROOK

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Stony Brook college students will have the chance to literally "hang out" with friends while promoting a worthy cause when Pepsi-Cola Company brings its infamous "Wall of Velcro" to the University at Stony Brook on Tuesday, October 15, 1991, 11:30-2:30 PM in the Bleacher Club in the Stony Brook Union.

The Wall of Velcro is a ten-foot, screened structure completely covered with velcro. When participants wearing a body suit of the opposing velcro material spring from a mini-trampoline, they immediately stick to the wall where they remain suspended in mid-air.

Pepsi's Wall of Velcro tour kicked off in March 1990 and has been a local craze at college campuses and other locations all over the nation. At each school, Pepsi donates \$250 to the college's chapter of SADD (Students Against Drunk Driving). The Wall was also constructed at South Padre Island, Texas and Daytona Beach, Florida during Spring Break period where velcro jumping was so popular some students waited two or three hours to take their turn on the Wall.

"Pepsi, in conjunction with ARA Services, is bringing the Wall of Velcro to college campuses for two reasons," said Victor Santella, regional spokesperson for Pepsi. "First, it's a way to illustrate our commitment to responsible drinking through contributing to SADD. Second, Pepsi wanted to provide students with a release from pressures of a academic life with an event that is fun, easy, safe and memorable."

All Wall of Velcro jumpers receive a photograph of their maiden voyage, while the first 10 jumpers are awarded with Pepsi T-Shirts commemorating their jump.

Sports Psychology: Wave of the Future

WHEN PITCHER JOHN SMOLTZ completed his fourteenth win to clinch the National League West for the Atlanta Braves, he amazed baseball fans nationwide by completely turning around his season. Having been proclaimed the anchor of the Braves' staff after going 12-11 with a 2.94 ERA in 1989, he entered the 1991 All-Star break at 2-11 with a dreadful 5.16 ERA. It was then he decided to see a sports psychologist.

Sports psychology helps athletes believe in themselves and their abilities to win. "It's the use of imagination and self-talk to change beliefs around," says Stan Kellner, a well-known sports psychologist. "It's something that's personally based on past experiences."

Kellner has taught his methods of gaining self-confidence to possibly millions of athletes worldwide. He has sold 100,000 books, 15,000 audio tapes and 1500 videos and has in his words, "done a ton of clinics."

Coaches now believe in his system after successful use of his teachings, Kellner says. "I see a marked improvement in the team," says Head Football Coach Sam Kornhauser. "The kids listen to it, and they try to visualize themselves making the plays." This is what is known as Kellner's "visual-lies" theory. "You 'visual-lies' to yourself where your subconscious picks it up,"

says Kellner. "You see yourself doing it — making the play before it happens."

Kornhauser also uses Kellner's "sight-feel-yes" theory. "You see yourself doing something," says Kornhauser, "you watch yourself making the play, and yes, you see yourself making a good play."

It's all in the mind Kellner states. If you believe in it, it will come true. "It's the power of optimism, the science of hope," he says, "things happen if you look for them."

But just looking for things won't make you find them. Kellner stresses week-long practices using his psychology. "You have to get into practice and have a great week of practice [for the theories to work]," he says. And he talks from experience. Kellner coached basketball at C.W. Post for three years, and was a football coach before that.

Kellner also teaches a "mind clear." In this theory the athlete is to use his or her pure talent to "clear" frustrations "We (Kellner refers to himself as we) had 160 of the best basketball players on Long Island at Smithtown East High School," he says. "We were going to teach them to successfully take a shot. We had them toss a ball from 10-15 feet away by standing back to the basket and turning around and shooting." He heard some commotion after telling the players that after

learning "clear", they could hit more than 100 shots in a row. "Three players in Denmark hit more than 100 in a row," he told the players. "One of the players approached me and said it was his brother that hit 117 in a row. Small world," he says.

Another of his favorites is the "comfort zone" theory. "Most people want to stay comfortable, rather than hurting themselves," he says. "Trying too hard could sabotage your performance — people will do that with everything. People will be as good as they should be."

He has received acclamations from Dean Smith, head basketball coach at North Carolina and Lynette Woodward, the first female to play for the Harlem Globetrotters among others, but one local star doesn't believe the effects of the psychological treatment.

"I never needed one," says John Washington, a defensive lineman for the New York Giants. "We do have one for the Giants, but I've never needed it. My mind's clear," he said.

Kellner stages a "Yes, I Can" camp for athletes every year, and will hold one in Stony Brook on June 28, 1992.

As for Smoltz, he is living proof. His remarkable second half — he went 12-2 — turned around the Braves. So for the hundreds of thousands of young athletes who wished they were John Smoltz, they'll have completed the first of many Kellner theories. "We do better after watching and modeling others," he says.



RANTIN' AND REAVEN

Eddie Reaven

'Worst-to-first' teams may meet in series

By Eddie Reaven
Statesman Staff Writer

As the first two teams in major league history accomplished worst-to-first finishes in their respective divisions, it could also be the first worst-to-first World Series.

The Minnesota Twins annexed the first game of the best-of-seven AL Championship series, 5-4 Tuesday night, and the Braves brought an incredible momentum into yesterday's game.

The Twins are led by an enormous starting staff, featuring probable Cy Young winner Scott Erickson and anchor Jack Morris. The staff is also bolstered by ex-Mets Kevin Tapani, a rising star and Rick Aguilera, one of the top closers in the AL. The offense is supported by Kirby Puckett, who batted .319 with 88 rbis, and stalwarts

Kent Hrbek and Chili Davis. There are no MVPs on this team, but the depth is phenomenal.

Toronto failed to post its annual year-end choke, but there is still hope. Though these "New Jays" played no part in any of the collapses in '85, '87 or '90, it seems to be as much a part of the team as the gargoyles are in the stadium's walls.

Joe Carter led a balanced attack that is nearly equivalent to that of the Twins. Carter, Roberto Alomar and Devon White represent the top three spots in the Jays' lineup — and not coincidentally, they are also the best players on the team. Kelly Gruber and John Olerud add good power and defense to the squad.

The staff consists of Tom Candiotti, Jimmy Key, Todd Stottlemyre and Juan

Guzman, a Rookie of the Year hopeful. Though on par with the Twins' rotation, Minnesota holds a slight edge in talent.

It'll be a tough series with the Twins clinching victory in six games.

The Pittsburgh Pirates are the first NL team since the 1977-'78 Los Angeles Dodgers to repeat as divisional champs. Led by defending MVP Barry Bonds — who has a good chance of repeating the honor — and Bobby Bonilla, the Pirates steamrolled through the shallow NL East competition. Although Doug Drabek had an off season, Cy Young-candidate John Smiley picked up the slack with a 20-9 year.

Shortstop Jay Bell excelled in the field and at the plate, as did rookie sensation Orlando Merced. But the Braves will be a bit tougher than the rest of the east.

Atlanta fans erupted as their team rolled to its first divisional title in nine years. Probable MVP Terry Pendleton surprised most of the baseball world by claiming the NL batting title as well as connecting on 22 shots for homers. The Braves also boast Dave Justice, who played only 109 games but drove in 89 runs and 30-30 man — for the second straight year — Ron Gant.

The Braves also have the best pitching staff in the majors. Tom Glavine finished at 20-11 with a 2.54 ERA and is the frontrunner for the Cy Young. Steve Avery, Charlie Leibrandt and John Smoltz easily round out baseball's best rotation. The bullpen is solid with leaks now being plugged by Met-castoff Alejandro Pena, who was phenomenal in late-season works.

Although the Pirates will be tough, it'll be the Braves in seven.

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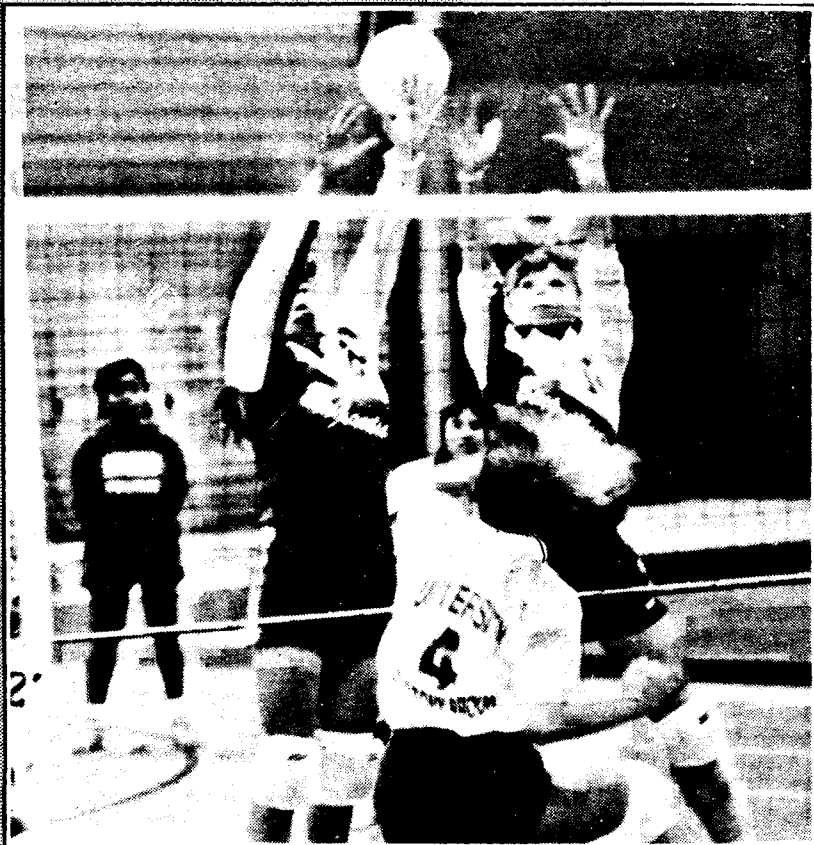
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PATRIOT PLAYS

Football hosts Post:
Saturday, Oct. 12, 1 pm.

Volleyball at RIT Invitational:
Friday, Oct. 11, 5 pm.

Cross Country at PAC Tourney:
Saturday, Oct. 12, 10:30 am.



Lady Pats in action last Saturday. Statesman/Michael Lyons

14 in a row!

By Michele Abbatiello
Statesman Sports Writer

The Lady Patriots volleyball team propelled its season record to 14-0 after downing the spikers from C.W. Post, 15-4, 15-5 and 16-14.

In the first match play, outside hitter Stasia Nikas recorded nine consecutive service points. Kristen Smith, Teri Tiso's "Red Hot Player of the Game" served the last two points, the final of which was a service ace.

Not only did the team end the first match with a service ace, but they began the second match in the same manner, courtesy of Janna Kuhner. The fans got excited when setter Kelly Grodotzke set Kuhner up for the kill. This duo ended the second match for the Lady Pats by blocking

the spike from Post. Dominating once again, Stony Brook came out on top 15-5.

The Lady Pats struggled throughout most of the third match. Post was ahead 7-5 until sophomore Jill Pessoni's dink sparked a comeback. Pessoni recorded the next point with a service ace. Another break for Stony Brook was a block by Nikas and Kuhner. Just when Post thought the match was over, when they were up 14-12, the Lady Pats proved them wrong. Nikas had a big kill, decreasing the gap to 14-13. Kuhner then recorded the next service ace, tying the game. And in the next play, Tina Salaneck and Smith blocked a spike by Post, taking the lead for the first time, 15-14.

Kuhner ended the game with a service ace, and the Lady Pats managed to maintain perfection at 14.

The Lady Patriots travel this weekend to Rochester to play in the R.I.T. tournament.

Volleyball

Patriots: 3
Post: 0

New basketball skipper named

Former pro coach to lead '91 squad

By Sandra B. Carreon
Statesman Sports Editor

With only seven days before the start of official practice, the university announced the appointment of Bernard Tomlin to the head basketball coach position yesterday evening.

Tomlin hails from West Hempstead, Long Island and brings to Stony Brook 16 years of Division I experience. Most recently, he coached the Long Island Surf, a United States Basketball League team.

Since 1988, he has been the assistant coach at Rhode Island where he organized practices, scouted opponents and helped to develop game strategies.

Prior to this, Tomlin served as the head coach of Adelphi from 1987-'88 and William Paterson from 1986-'87. With William Paterson, Tomlin led his team to a 20-9 record, en route to the conference title and ECAC small college tournament. His squad subsequently defeated a nationally number 6-ranked team in the finals.

Between 1982 and '86, Tomlin worked at Duquesne University. There he served as an assistant basketball coach as well as a recruiting coordinator. While he was a recruiter, his recruiting class of '86-'87

was ranked 11th best in the east by the *Eastern Basketball Magazine*.

Tomlin also assisted at St. Bonaventure and his alma mater, Hofstra. He helped the St. Bonaventure team capture its first ever playoff win in the Eastern Eight that year, later called the Atlantic 10.

Tomlin has a Bachelor of Arts degree in Social Science. He captained the Hofstra team to its first ECC Championship and led them to an NCAA Division I playoff berth in 1976. Later on that same year, Tomlin was drafted in the sixth round by the NBA's New Orleans Jazz.

Born in the Bronx, Tomlin attended high school in Malverne, Long Island. He has the distinction of being one of the leading freshman scorers in the nation with the University of Utah in 1971, with a 30.1 points average.

Tomlin fills the void left by former head coach, Joe Castiglie, who resigned in August due to NCAA violations. The Patriots officially begin practice on Oct. 15. They are the defending Skyline Conference champions and will look to Tomlin to help them maintain this title.

(Players' reactions in the Monday issue of Statesman.)

Pats win tight game

By Alicia J. Spiegel
Statesman Sports Writer

The Stony Brook Patriots soccer team broke its three-game losing streak with a win against Steven's Tech, 2-1 last Saturday.

In the first few minutes of the game, the Patriots received a penalty kick, giving them an opportunity to take the early lead. Junior midfielder Eryck Avila capitalized on the play and put Stony Brook on the board.

While the offense played consistently aggressive, the Pats were paced by their goaltender, James Migadakis. The fresh-

man netminder played exceptionally well, recording several spectacular saves. In one instance, Migadakis came out of the goal crease and charged against a player, thwarting an attempt.

After Steven's Tech scored to tie the contest, Avila answered again, with his second of the game — an unassisted tally.

While Avila was triggering the offense, the defense was being anchored by senior Andrew Femino, sophomore Chris Grillo and junior Jacques Nijankin. The fruits of their labor were revealed.

"We were playing well enough, but when we were in this game, we felt like the stronger team," said sophomore forward Joe Gonzales. "We played to create opportunities. We had the right attitude to get through the game."

Men's Soccer

Patriots: 2
Tech: 1