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Polity Senate takes attendance after commuters walk out.

'They Refuse to Listen'

Commuter Senators Boycott, Demand Polity Look Their Way

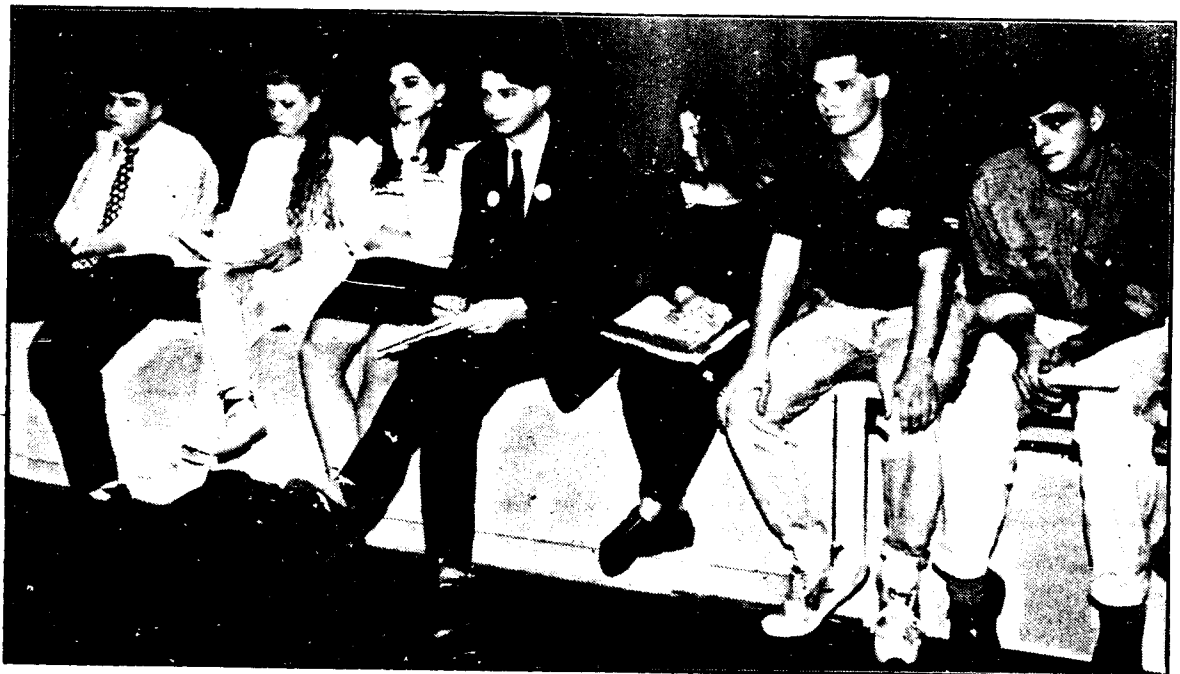
By David Lee
 Statesman News Editor

Charging that the student government leadership consistently ignores commuter students, a large faction of Polity's commuter senators walked out of last night's senate meeting, threatening to boycott the senate until their list of demands is met.

Eleven of the 17 senators representing commuter students — a group that comprises half the Stony Brook student population — argue that the all-resident Polity Council deliberately neglects commuter issues and keeps commuters from important decision-making positions in the organization.

"They refuse to listen," said Senator Richard Cole, who is commuter president. "If I have to, I will chain myself to the door and stop people from walking in or out of the Polity Suite."

"We are treated as a minority, but we're not," said commuter Senator Vinny Bruzzese. "We represent 50 percent of the population and we are a big part of this campus."



Commuters who walked out, from left to right: Jim Coffey, Kelly Force, Erika Abel, Richard Cole, Amy Forman, Keith McLaren and Chad Baldante.

Polity's leadership, however, maintains that the commuters remain an equal part of student legislation and that commuter charges are unfounded.

"This is going to [create more factions in] this body," said Polity President David Greene. "You should get involved and change the process, not walk out."

Vice President Jerry Canada, who chairs the senate, said, "It's not about residents and commuters. It's about Stony Brook."

The commuter group planned the walkout as a

strong-arm tactic to force the meeting's attendance below quorum, which would prevent the group from meeting, Cole said. But even if all 17 members walked out, quorum still was likely.

A statement approved by an overwhelming majority of 52 students at a commuter college legislature meeting yesterday mainly targeted the president. The two-page letter blasted Greene for allegedly threaten-

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Boyfriend stabbed in argument

• A stabbing occurred in a resident's room in Benedict College on Monday. The incident occurred after a fight broke out between a boyfriend and girlfriend and the boyfriend smashed a frame with their pictures in it. The fight escalated when the girl picked up scissors and stabbed him in the arm and leg. He was then taken to the University Hospital and treated. No charges have been pressed.

POLICE BLOTTER Michele Walz

• An accidental fire occurred last Friday in a suite room in Hand College at 12:33 p.m. The fire began when a stereo was left on and then overheated, causing an electrical fire that spread to some nearby papers. It resulted in the stereo melting and damaged the wall behind it. Fire Safety responded to a resident's call and extinguished the small fire. The Setauket Fire Department responded also, and the arson squad was called in. Public Safety reported that there were no injuries. • A 1986 Mercury was stolen from the Student Union parking lot. The car was last seen on Thursday at 11:15 p.m. before which the owner had lost the vehicle's keys. There were items in the car, which included a body board, flippers and books. Everything was valued at \$3,300.

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

• Power tools were stolen from the grounds building in the west service area and were reported missing last Thursday. The items were valued at \$1700. They were left in the building Sept. 10.

• A sink was broken and pulled 4" away from the wall in a women's bathroom in Hendrix College last Friday. The Power Plant was notified and shut off the water. The damage is estimated to be \$200.

• A Murray 18 speed blue mountain bike was stolen last Friday. The bike had a U-shaped lock and had been in the Greeley College second floor lounge. The bike was last seen at 2:30 p.m. on Friday and is valued at \$200.

• The combination lock of an O'Neill room was burned causing the plastic buttons to melt. The incident occurred last Friday around 1:30 a.m. causing \$150 worth of damage. There are no suspects.

• A black diamond-back Mountain bike was stolen from Mount College lounge. It was left on Wednesday at 11:30 p.m. The lock was worth \$30 and the bike \$370.

• In the Student Union, a sink was completely torn off the wall in the men's bathroom causing \$300 worth of damage last Friday at 11:15 p.m. The power plant shut off the water after being notified.

• The driver's side window was smashed on a 1984 Chevrolet. The car was last seen on Saturday at 3:40 a.m. in the Infirmary parking lot. A \$250 Delco cassette radio was smashed in an apparent attempt to steal it.

• A 1981 Pontiac had its driver's side window broken on Saturday causing \$200 worth of damage. The car, last seen undamaged at 3 a.m., was parked in the Infirmary parking lot.

• A \$200 Sanyo cassette player was stolen from a 1982 Toyota from the Infirmary parking lot. The incident occurred on Friday after 1 a.m. The suspects gained entry by smashing the driver's side window which was valued at \$100.

• A 1978 Pontiac had its driver's side window broken last Thursday. It was parked in North P lot and the stereo was damaged for \$150 in an attempt to steal it from the car. The window was worth \$150.

• In the Chapin Apartment Complex, gravel parking lot, a 1981 Toyota had its passenger side front window broken for \$100 worth of damage. It had been left at 2 a.m. on Friday. Nothing was stolen and there are no suspects.

• A wallet and books were stolen from a locker in the Library last Thursday. The books were worth \$43, and the credit cards had \$35 charged to one on the same day of the theft. There was no sign of forced entry on the locker.

• On a 1979 Ford station wagon, the front passenger side window was broken last Wednesday. It was parked in the Faculty/Staff parking lot behind the Life Science building. Nothing was stolen, but the window was worth \$200.

• A 1990 Toyota had its two drivers side windows broken in the Roosevelt Quad parking lot. The incident occurred last Wednesday after 2:30 a.m. The rear windshield was cracked and the rear panel on the driver's side was dented. All damage was estimated to be \$900.

• A 1989 Dodge had its back windshield smashed and a stereo and two speakers stolen on Monday. It was parked in the North P lot and the owner last saw it at 2 a.m. The windshield was valued at \$250 and the stereo and speakers were worth \$300.

• In the Javits Lecture Center, graffiti was spray painted on a stairwell wall. The graffiti was noticed on Monday and was apparently random. The damage is \$500.

• Last, but not least, a male was observed masturbating outside of Mount College on Tuesday. He was outside a female suite when several girls noticed him and notified Public Safety. The suspect fled before Public Safety's arrival. There are no suspects at this time.

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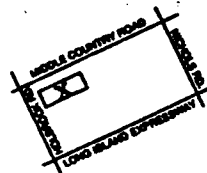
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Court upholds NYPIRG funding — with conditions

By Vincent Grasso
Statesman Staff Writer

The state's highest court upheld a decision recently that permits the New York Public Interest Research Group (NYPIRG) to receive money from student activities fees.

The case has been on-going since 1983, when students at SUNY Albany refused to pay the fee, saying that funding the advocacy group, they were forced to be identified with views they might disagree with.

Several students from SUNY Albany, represented by the Atlantic Legal Foundation, a non-profit legal organization that accepts cases dealing with constitutional law or public policy, brought the case before a trial court. The trial court ruled in favor of NYPIRG in February and after a series of appeals by the foundation, the State Appellate Court, the highest court in the state, upheld the trial court's decision. As a result of the Appellate Court's judgement, the Atlantic Legal Foundation brought the case before a hearing of the United States Supreme Court, but it refused to hear the case.

The case involved students who felt that funding for NYPIRG violated their constitutional rights to free speech. "Most people associate free speech with government repressing free speech," said Martin Kaufman, general counsel of the Atlantic Legal Foundation. But, he said that this is a case where people were forcibly labeled supporters of an organization with which they didn't agree.

Several Polity senators last year challenged the group's funding because they said they did not agree with many of its programs.

But SUNY agrees with the position held by NYPIRG, said Ken Goldfarb, spokesman for SUNY's Central Administration in Albany. "A university where NYPIRG petitions against nuclear power, where environmental groups advocate greater recycling, where opponents of South Africa debate opponents of divestment, and partisans of a dozen other causes press their cases is a university fulfilling its traditional mission in a free society," said Goldfarb. "Were it otherwise, college would be a very quiet, intellectually diminished and ultimately irrelevant place."

While the judgement favored NYPIRG's right to

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— Jay Halfon,
NYPIRG executive director

receive student activity funds, certain conditions and limitations were applied, said Kaufman. NYPIRG must spend all the money it receives from the student activities fee on campus and it must also change its bylaws, Kaufman said. This means Stony Brook's NYPIRG will be forced to discontinue its practice of sending its some-\$120,000 a year it receives from students to a central NYPIRG fund, where it is redistributed when needed.

The court ruled that NYPIRG is not allowed to continue the practice of declaring all fee-paying students members, said Kaufman. The group's member list will be limited to active participants.

"It was a partial victory," said Kaufman.

But NYPIRG is also claiming victory. Halfon explained that NYPIRG should be funded by the activities fee because students vote on the issue through referendums. "NYPIRG has always allowed the students to vote for whether or not NYPIRG got the money in a referendum," he said. "We believe in ultra-democracy."

"The bottom line is that there are always groups who hold views everyone doesn't agree on," he said. "NYPIRG is one of them."

1,700 students register to vote

By David Lee
Statesman News Editor

A massive voter recruitment drive recently registered more than 1,700 Stony Brook students in time for the upcoming presidential election, student organizers say.

Student recruiters call the month-long drive — which fell just 82 voters short of the campus drive in 1988 — a success in rushing to meet the Oct. 9 deadline that allows new voters to participate in the Nov. 3 election.

"We've been registering people since the beginning of the semester . . ." said Jeremy Potter, project coordinator for the campus chapter of the New York Public Interest Research Group.

NYPIRG traditionally registers students every fall, but the student government this year joined the national "Rock the Vote" promotional campaign to attract more students, said Potter.

The 1,707 students, Potter noted, are not all new voters. Voters who changed their address or party affiliation are included in the drive's numbers because they must fill out the same forms.

"We want to make sure the voice of the students is heard in the government," said Potter. "It was sort of like a campus-wide coalition to [get people registered]."

As part of the registration campaign, several parts of the campus were emphasized as centers for registration, including the commuter bus stop near the Engineering Building, the Student Union, and the area commonly called "The Pit," in G Quad, said Polity's sophomore representative, Crystal Plati, who headed the student government's drive. Also involved in the effort were the several fraternities and sororities, the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual Alliance, the Center for Women's Concerns and other Polity-related groups. "We pulled other people into [the drive]," Plati said.

"We're trying to make an impact on a local level," said Plati. She predicted that the more students who registered with their Stony Brook addresses as their home addresses, the bigger the impact students will have on legislation.

"If 5,000 students from SUNY Stony Brook

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Senate looks to reopen campus TV studio

By David Lee
Statesman News Editor

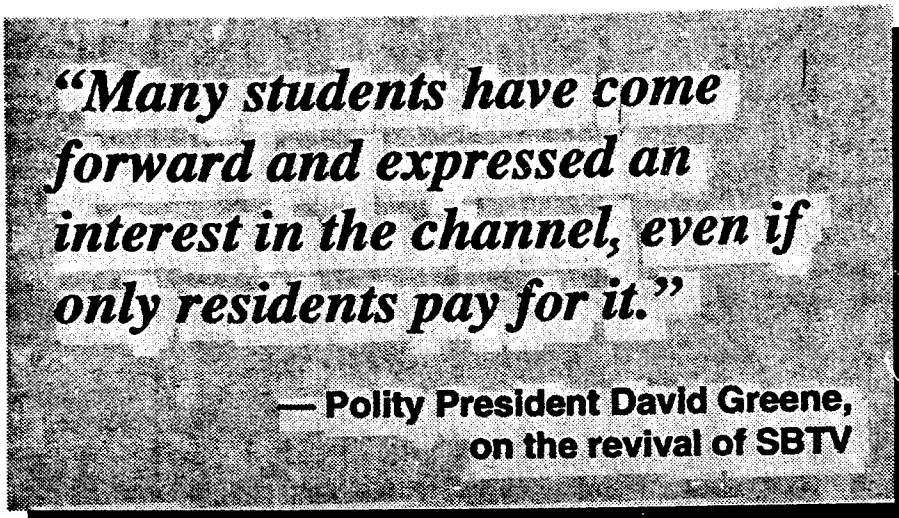
The Polity Senate will create a committee to discuss reopen Stony Brook's television studio, which could provide a closed-circuit campus station for residents.

The SBTV project was abandoned by the university last year because of budget cuts. Since then, Polity has advocated student funds for the station and is examining if it would be feasible to get cable and non-cable stations such as a Public Broadcasting System channel.

Students rejected a \$10 referendum last spring that would have provided \$90,000 to revive the studio. "Commuters felt that they wouldn't get the benefit of the TV channel," Polity President David Greene said at last night's senate meeting.

"But many students have come forward and expressed an interest in the channel," said Greene, "even if only residents pay for it."

Parents' Day, a series of events designed to show student life to parents of students, is cancelled for at least this semester, Polity announced last night. Organizers blame the administration for stalling



the event.

"[The university] didn't think we should do it," said senior representative Alphonso Grant, who heads the project.

The administration rejected the proposal because they want to get a "piece of the action," said Grant. "If the students are putting on a Parents' Day, how bad does it look to the administration if they don't lift a

finger to help?"

"The whole thing is this, they actually have certain routes so parents won't see somethings," said Greene. "It's in their best interest to control this [event]."

The academic affairs committee will again be responsible for such events as the teacher's evaluation book that was published last year. "We had a number of complaints, such as it was hard to read," said senator John Christiansen, chairman of the committee. "The quality was good, though."

Polity has sold about 1,000 of the \$1 books.

In addition to using opinion surveys handed out to students for each of their

professors at the end of the fall and spring semesters, students selected by this committee will attend classes and write an opinion piece on the professor's teaching manner, class atmosphere, etc., as part of the evaluation book. Last year's book included no commentary.

This year Polity will attempt to call private stores and clubs to sell advertisements in the book.

A motion to form a watchdog committee aimed at the Division of Campus Residences was passed unanimously last night. "The eight-member board is designed to look into the affairs of residential life, especially the condition of the dorms," said Christiansen. "It will also serve as a liaison between Polity and [the division]."

The non-budgeted committee will investigate if students have rights as legal tenants and will keep in contact with Polity by giving weekly reports, said Christiansen.

Polity plans to hire a full-time print manager for the Polity Print Shop, Greene announced last night, adding that a search is underway. "We are trying to make it more efficient and more accessible for the students," said Greene. Polity has advertised this position and has narrowed its choices to two or three candidates.


"We will soon have a committee to discuss this [appointment]," said Greene.

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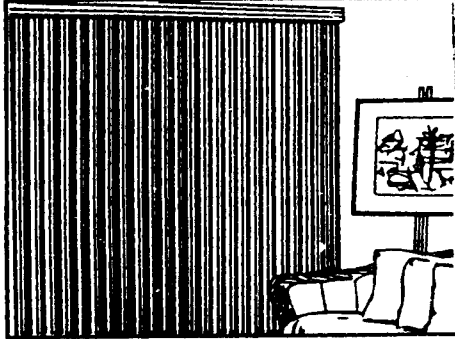
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Students register to vote

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voted, you'd be sure they would have an impact on the campus," said Potter. "If [they were] dispersed all over Long Island, their voices wouldn't be heard as strong."

"By having a large block vote here at Stony Brook," said Plati, "it would be better for lobbying for students, getting politicians to come here and politicking on a state level."



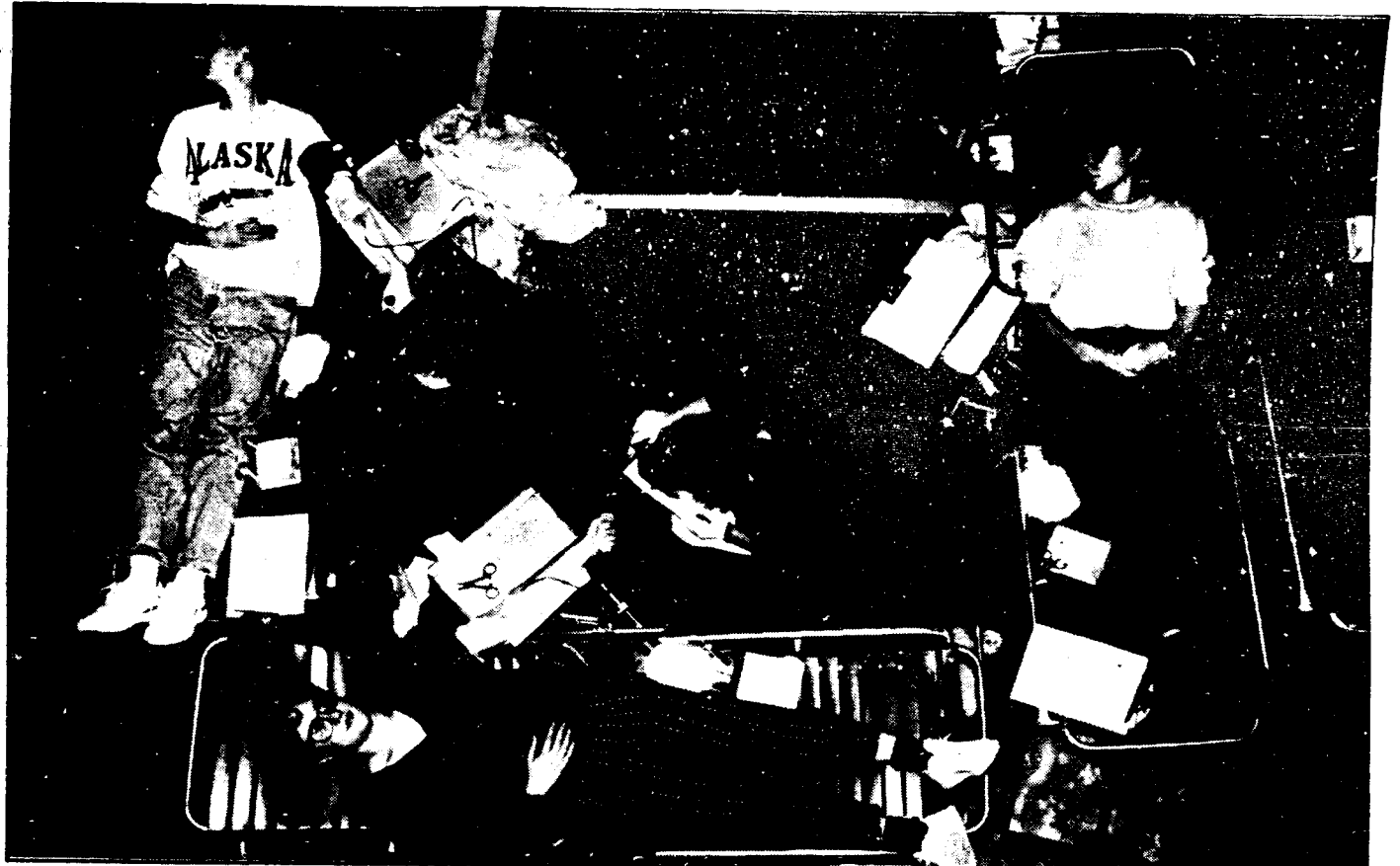
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Crystal Plati

NYPIRG will fund two vans to run from 9 a.m. - 6 p.m. on Election Day. Also, the Sunday and Monday before Election Day, there will be a phone bank to persuade students to go out and vote, said Potter.

To educate students about the candidates, NYPIRG will provide a set of election guides for the presidential elections and a survey answered by state legislature officers dealing with the issues of the environment, higher education and other information pertinent to college students.

The actual number of college students voting is low, said Plati. But when registered, college students statistically tend to vote in greater numbers than other groups.

"We just want [students] to vote," said Potter.



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BLOOD DRIVE FALLS SHORT

Freshman John Griffin, left, and grad students Corker Lynne and Pamela Grimes, donate blood yesterday during a drive in the Stony Brook Indoor Sports Complex. The drive fell short of its 500-pint goal, according to Mehdi Khan, a student organizer, collecting only 380 pints. The campus drives typically drew more than 800 pints a day until 1990, when student protesters blocked the drives, charging that a federal law banning Haitian and sub-Saharan African donations was racist. One campus protest in December, 1990, sparked a riot, causing injuries and two student arrests. Washington has since repealed the ban policy, which said the groups represented a high risk for the AIDS virus. Also pictured is phlebotomist Tricia Smith.

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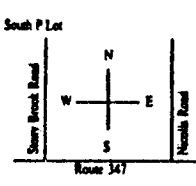
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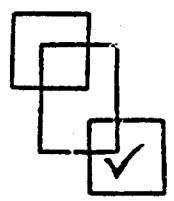
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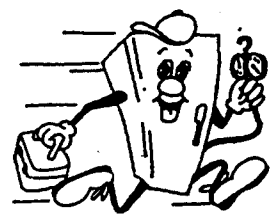


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Grant to continue AIDS dental treatment

By Todd Lillard
Special to Statesman

A federal grant will allow Stony Brook's dental school to continue a year-old program that treats people afflicted with the AIDS virus, officials announced recently.

The project, which started last August, provides dental service for adults and children with the HIV virus, which is known to cause AIDS, and is open to all patients on Long Island, said Edward Schlissel, assistant dean for clinical affairs. The program also will accept children from any referral source in the state of New York, he added.

"The program provides the opportunity for patients that are HIV positive and live in the Suffolk area to get care more easily and rapidly than they would have been able to without the grant," Schlissel said.

The program also teaches the children, whose risk is abnormally high for dental problems, about dental care and disease.

The federal funding came in the form of an \$89,000 grant issued by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services to the University Hospital under Title II of the Ryan White Comprehensive AIDS Resources Emergency Act of 1990. The Resource Emergency Act of 1990 gives comprehensive, nationwide health care and services for HIV-positive patients.

"It also provides nation-wide funding to departments such as pediatrics, internal medicine, and infectious disease all over the United States and Puerto Rico, and will continue doing so until August of 1993," Schlissel said.

The children's pediatric portion of the program is headed by Fred Furgeson, associate professor of the department of children's dentistry, and is assisted by Barbara Berentsen, pediatric coordinator. "The program is basically designed to prevent the spread of disease through decay and to provide information to the children on aspects such as health, oral hygiene, and daily dental care," says Berentsen. The children's program provides dental care for children through the age of 16.

Berentsen says that the program uses the universal precautions advised by the Occupation Safety Hazard Association, which sets national safety guidelines on AIDS care.

The clinic hours are Tuesday and Thursday afternoons and evenings for adults and Tuesday mornings for

children.

The university plans to renew the grant next June. The pediatric care for the children started in January, 1991, and adult treatment started in April, 1991. The University Hospital has already re-applied for funding, said Schlissel, and he predicted approval by next June.

Senators walk out of Polity meeting

WALKOUT from page 1

ing a commuter senator for not agreeing with Greene's policies and pushing his political agenda on commuters.

Five thousand Stony Brook students commute.

The 52 commuters decided to boycott Polity's weekly meetings with a vote of 38 for, 7 against and 7 abstentions, at their legislative meeting yesterday.

After the walkout, the senate voted to review and amend its bylaws. Among the changes made to the bylaws could be sanctions to regulate the walkouts made by senators, Canada said, to prevent anyone from disrupting the flow of the senate meetings.

"We should make an action to the senators that blatantly leave trying to disrupt the meeting," said Canada. "We must take some control over blatant disrespect."

The commuters didn't leave to disrupt the meeting, but to make a point, said Cole. "There are some fundamental problems in the senate that have to be addressed," he said.

Commuters are allocated about \$30,000 per year, so the money is there for them to spend, said Greene. The senate isn't ignoring them, he said.

"We are one campus," said Senator John Christiansen. "Commuters and residents have to work together." More can be accomplished if there is cooperation, he added, saying that Polity isn't about personal interest. "I congratulate the commuters who stayed."

"By boycotting we haven't done anything except lose

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— Commuter Senator Richard Cole

our voice," said Commuter Senator David Bernstein, who violated the commuter vote by staying at the meeting. He said the commuters at the legislature meeting yesterday only heard one side of the issue. "They heard Richard Cole's side of the issue," he said. Also, the legislature meeting was poorly advertised, therefore the full commuter body wasn't represented by the vote at the meeting, said Bernstein.

"[The commuters] don't understand why Richard is doing this," said Commuter Senator Rachel Hallum. "Cole's whole thing is that he needs power."

Cole denies the accusations. "People don't understand," said Cole. "Nothing is getting done by Polity." The commuter students needed to do something drastic to make some changes, he said.

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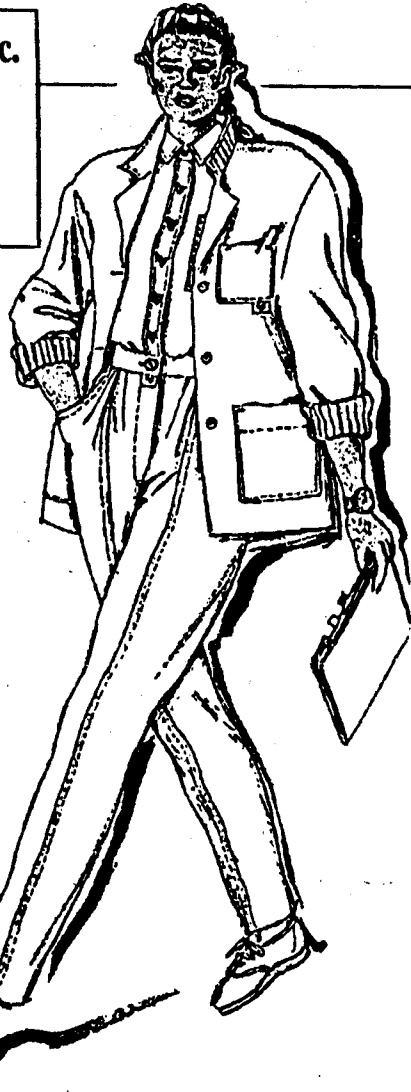
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Editorial

Accessibility Plans for Disabled Were Half-Baked

For most students, going to class requires little thought. Morning classes, for example, find many residents racing to class after they stumble out of bed five minutes before class begins. For a smaller number of Stony Brook students, more preparation is necessary.

The campus' handicapped community is growing, and the university has made some improvements to create independence for the group. But more must be done for the campus to catch up to the demand for access.

One example reveals the university's peripheral attempt to make life easier for the disabled: Several buildings, including the main library and the student union, are equipped with electronic sliding doors at their front entrances, but not at a second set of doors beyond the entrance. For the disabled, once you're in, you're stuck until someone helps out — hardly a design that promotes

independence.

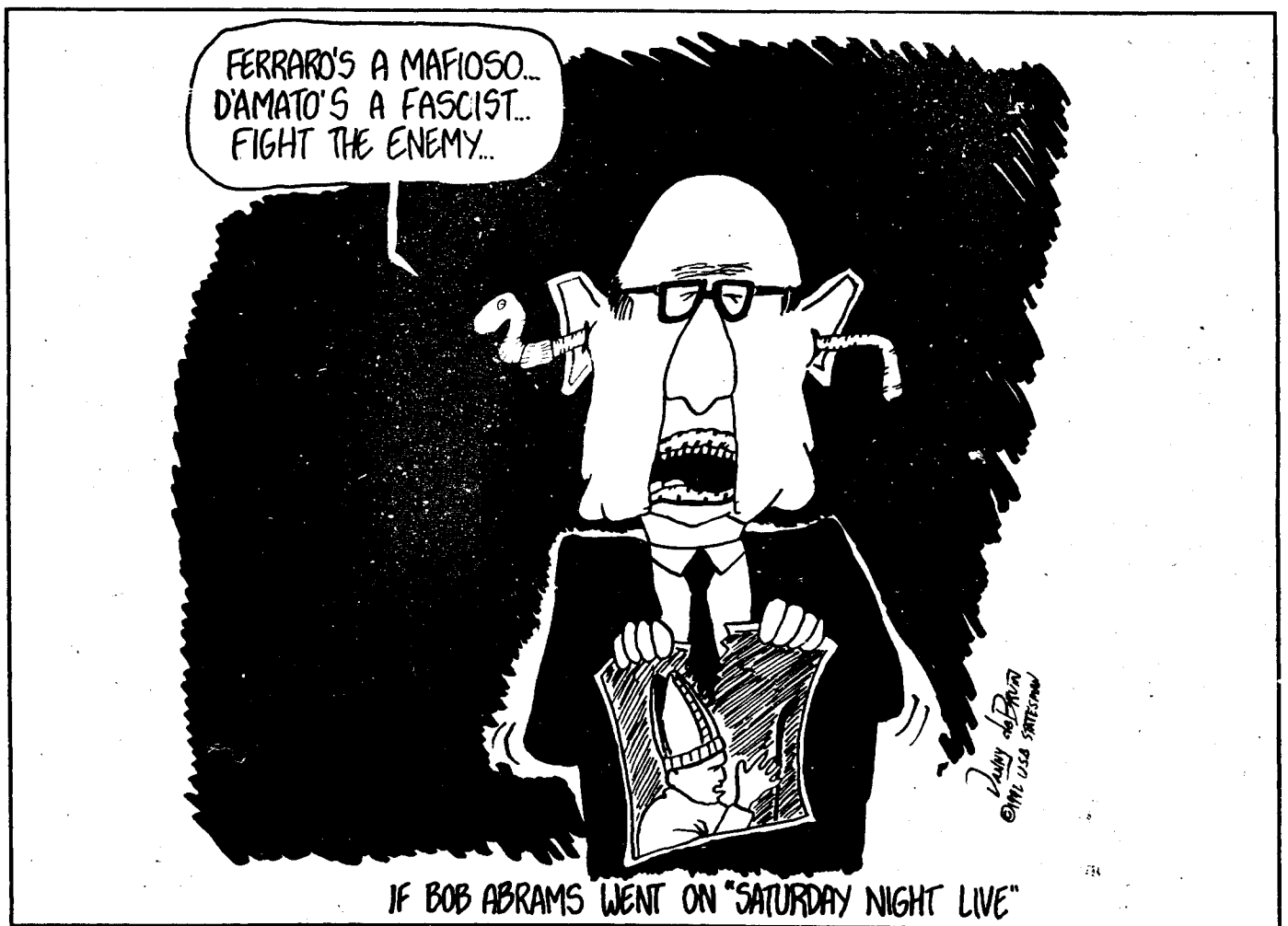
This half-accessibility suggests a half-hearted commitment. Several years ago, university administrators had to make a choice because of budget restrictions: make five buildings completely accessible to the physically challenged, or make 10 buildings half-accessible. They chose the latter, with the argument that "... if it rained or something there would be a building nearby a student could go," said Monica Roth, director of the university's Disabled Student Services office.

Well, that makes half-sense. Fewer key buildings made accessible would be wiser than providing a haven from an occasional rainstorm. There is no excuse, not even a shrinking budget, for depriving handicapped students access to buildings like the library, administration or the union. If able-bodied people must help the handicapped through half the entrance, providing an electronic door for the other half is useless.

Other buildings, like the union, are built in tiers that make navigation through certain areas in a wheelchair impossible. Many disabled students, therefore, are prevented from participating in many clubs and events they pay for through their student activity fees. The meetings for these groups may as well meet in Switzerland to these students because they have no way of getting there.

Also, most campus dormitories have not addressed the problem. Few residence halls are equipped with ramps and elevators for the handicapped, making campus living nearly impossible.

We understand that making every building accessible to the disabled is impossible for the near future. The money simply is not there. But more planning should be made for the money that is spent in the area, and more consultation with the students this issue affects should be sought to better suit their needs.



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Letters

Abortion Has Alternatives

To the Editor:

Recently, while walking through the Student Union, I came across the Long Island Coalition for Life. They had a TV, VCR and a table covered with literature. I stopped to talk to these people. After several minutes of discussing abortion itself, I posed the question "But what would you do to stop the need for abortion, is your group against sex education and contraception for teens?" She told me the issues are unrelated. This group is very quick to point out how evil abortion is, but when asked how to curb it, they fall silent. I told the woman that although I hadn't checked, I would bet that there was not one booklet on birth control. She told me I was wrong and quickly handed me two rather small pamphlets.

The first pamphlet devoted an insignificant amount of space to the topic of birth control and then the only information it gave was about what could go wrong and the most severe medical complications that could arise. They omitted the fact that most of these complications arise in only 10 per 100,000 persons or less. The second pamphlet entitled "Teenage Contraception and Abstinence" was much thicker than the first. After looking over the table of contents and not finding a single listing for condoms, foam, etc. I put it down.

Do they really consider this information useful or profound?

As expected, C. Everett Koop's report to the president was not among their literature. Although he is vehemently against abortion, he felt it his moral and scientific duty to tell the truth that a properly performed abortion is no more harmful to the woman than any other invasive surgery. A properly performed abortion is less dangerous to the woman than bringing the fetus to term. This would have clashed with their information about all the nasty things likely to go wrong.

Their world has two choices, abstinence and parenthood regardless of an inability to care for the child. Their rigid holier than thou attitude allows for only one life style. Theirs. While it is true that there are too many abortions being performed, their solution to simply outlaw the procedure does not take human nature into account. Knowledge of all forms of birth control, including abstinence must be the first step to any plan that is to be effective.

By disregarding human nature they seem to demonstrate a marked inability to formulate any reasonable strategy that will effectively stop the need for abortion.

Bradford Jones
President, Non-Partisan Coalition
For Reproductive Freedom

No Race in Polity Elections

To the Editor:


I am outraged by the article in the last issue of *Blackworld* which claims that Natacha Vincent lost the CSA presidential election because of her race or gender. I voted for Richard Cole for a variety of reasons, none of which concerned the color of his skin. Cole campaigned extensively, reaching out to commuters, especially incoming freshmen. The fact that his posters, flyers and notices were plastered all over the campus not only attracted attention but proved his determination and involvement. Perhaps the best testimony to Cole's character was that he distributed flyers at the South P lot explaining his ideas and qualifications. This is how a candidate wins votes. The question is while Cole was reaching out to students where was Vincent? I didn't see her. Oh sure, I saw a few flyers but they seemed to be put up only as a response to Cole's display.

Richard Cole was elected president because he is qualified for the position. He was a CSA senator and Assistant Vice President, and the first student to be elected chairperson of a faculty senate committee. What are Natacha Vincent's qualifications? If she has any I have not been made aware of them. Cole, on the other hand has a reputation for getting things done. Sure, he is outspoken, uses unusual tactics and is probably the administration's and at times Polity's worst nightmare, but the truth is that he knows how to get through the Stony Brook bureaucracy in order to address student needs. I do not agree with all of Cole's opinions but I do support him because I feel that he has proven himself in the past.

These are the reasons why I and the overwhelming majority of commuters voted for Richard Cole and I feel that Mr. Wilson not only underestimated, but insulted his voting readers by assuming that they would cast their ballots based on race or gender. Wake up! This is not a race issue nor should it be. Cole received twice as many votes than Natacha Vincent, not because of the color of his skin, or his anatomical structure, but because he was the people's choice. Any other claim is simply a pathetic, blundering excuse.

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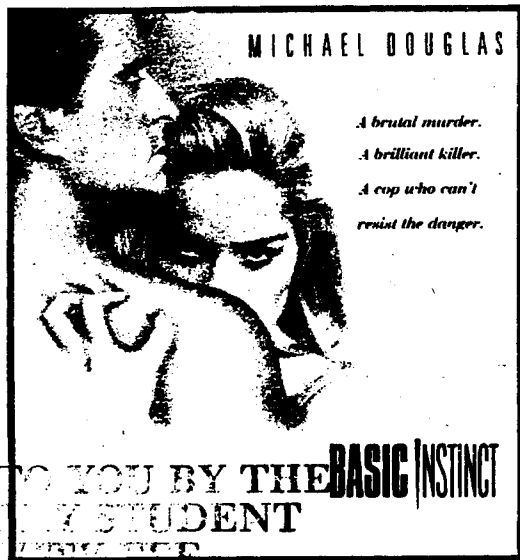
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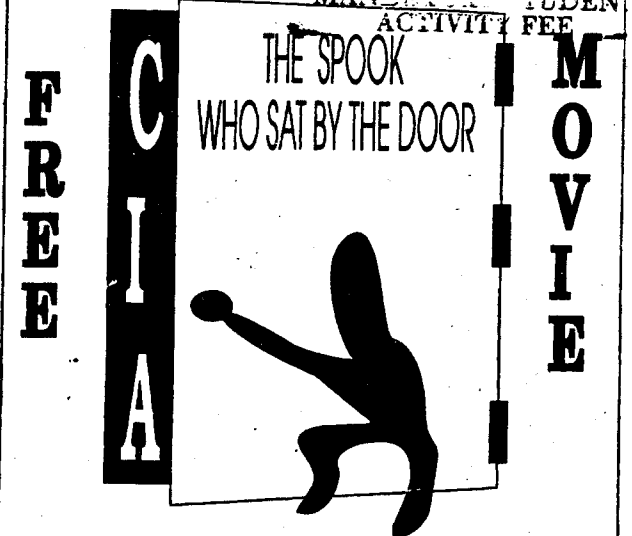
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Riegger gains accolades for championship

By Mark Peterson
Special to Statesman

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Pat Riegger

Last weekend, the men's cross country team did work together, placing five runners among the top seven finishers to capture first place at the PAC Championships. Riegger took first place overall in the five mile race with a time of 27 minutes 11.1 seconds, a personal best at Sunken Meadow State Park. He outdistanced the second place finisher (John Pikramenos of Stony Brook) by 22 seconds on his way to being named to the ALL-PAC team. Riegger was also named VIP/*Statesman* Athlete of the Week for the week of October 5.

"This was a meet we had to win, we were supposed to win," said Riegger. "My goal was to run a personal best, and to just stay on top of things this weekend." The victory was Riegger's second first place finish in four meets this season, however, Riegger continued to stress the importance of the team. "I'm glad that I won, but at Stony Brook we're a team. It's more important that John (Pikramenos) ran a personal best also. We're both getting a little better as the season goes along."

Stony Brook Head Coach Steve Borbet gives Riegger some of the credit for the team's unity. "Pat's a hard worker and he helps to bind the team together," said Borbet. "He's really improved tremendously from high school."

The Patriots did well this weekend, but Riegger considered this meet a tune-up, to prepare for the rest of the season. "I wasn't going out there killing myself," said Riegger. "This was a step up, preparation for the tough meets we have coming up, like the Albany Invitational and the ECAC Championships. My times should improve toward the end of the season."

And when the season has ended, don't be surprised to see the cross country team still hanging out with each other. "We do things together besides track," explains Riegger. "We'll eat together, and go out together. We all have a lot of things in common and that helps to keep the team united."

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Officials leave Patriots seeing red

By Jason Yellin
Statesman Sports Editor

A red piece of plastic that is two inches wide by three inches high and about one-sixteenth of an inch thick. In soccer it is known as a red card and can hold the result of a game in the balance. When the red card is pulled out by an official that player called for the infraction is ejected from that game and cannot be replaced forcing, that team to play short-handed. The player is also subjected to a one-game suspension for the team's next game.

For the women's soccer team red cards played an important role in their two-game weekend road trip to Massachusetts. The Patriots lost to Boston College on Friday by a score of 1-0. On Saturday, they were

Women's Soccer

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| Boston College: | 1 |
| Patriots: | 0 |
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| Patriots: | 0 |

shut out again by Springfield College, 4-0.

The Patriots were forced to play the game at Boston College without starting goalkeeper Chris Foley. The senior was sitting out a one-game suspension for getting a red card in the Patriots last game against Villanova. Without Foley the Patriots were forced to utilize senior Lana Peterson in nets.

The Patriots were once again forced into a disadvantage when junior Sue Scheer, who was playing sweeper in sophomore Chris Amarin's absence, was given a red card and ejected from the game just 20 minutes into the contest. According to Head Coach Sue Ryan, Scheer was going after the ball inside of 10 yards and began to slide in an effort to get the ball. On the rain-soaked grass, she was unable to stop her momentum and tackled a player from Boston College, she was consequently thrown out of the game.

"Just 20 minutes into the game we had to play with just 10 players and without one of our top players," said Ryan. "We had to

switch our personnel around." Senior Heather Lavery, was forced to take over at sweeper in front of Peterson the other replacement.

The duo performed very well, allowing just one goal to the Eagles. Peterson registered 27 saves and stepped up her play according to Ryan.

"The game was almost a moral victory," said Ryan. "Since we were without two key defensive players we made many adjustments." The Eagles have gained recognition for their improving play in the nation. The Eagles knocked off the 15th ranked team in the nation, Cornell by a score of 2-1 just days after their win over Stony Brook.

In the game at Springfield the Patriots were forced to play without Scheer, as a result of her red card. The Patriots were also at a disadvantage when it came to the playing surface. Springfield's home field features astroturf, which the Patriots are unaccustomed to playing on. That showed immediately. The Patriots fell behind just

48 seconds into the game as Christina Gray scored.

The Chiefs scored three more first half goals on their way to the 4-0 win.

"The early goal was a direct result of the turf," said Ryan. "We would be waiting for a ball and their players would stay 10 feet away knowing the type of bounces that come from the turf." Ryan equated playing on turf to running up hill and said that they were a tough opponent that the Patriots had no idea about.

This afternoon at home the Patriots play the St. John's Redmen, who had a record of 10-2. "It is going to be good for us to play them," said Ryan. "We played them last year, and in both the spring indoor and outdoor seasons."

On Saturday, the Patriots will have their hands full with George Washington University. Last season Stony Brook surprisingly knocked off GW when they ranked 20 in the nation. "They are very fired up," said Ryan. "I've heard that one of their goals for the season is to beat us."

Diamond Delmadge sparkles

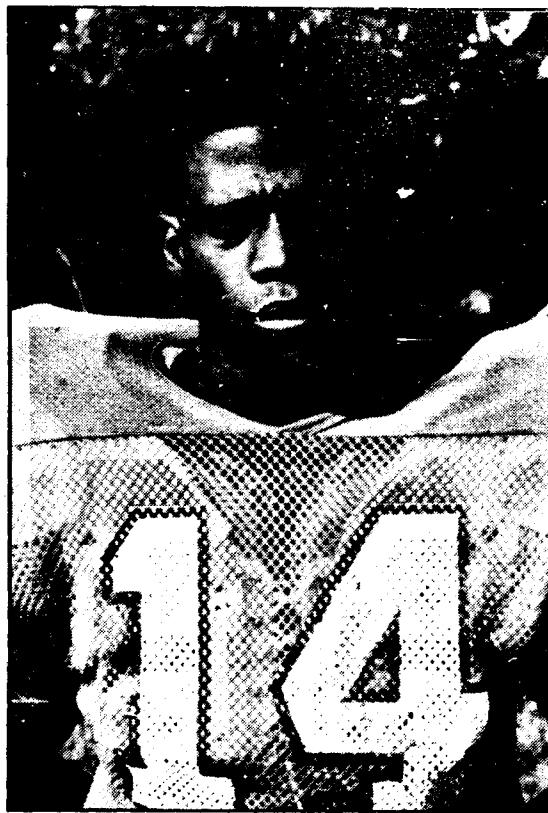
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Delmadge is very team orientated and said that he just goes out to help the team win. Kornhauser expressed the fact that Delmadge is a perfect gentleman and always involved in team practices by asking questions. "He really want to learn and that show," said Kornhauser. "He doesn't know how good he really is, though."

Delmadge has worked hard in practice at his weakness which demonstrates his strong work ethic. "My main weakness is not being able to use my full speed when I go into holes," said Delmadge. "If I can go through the holes I can take more hits and knock down more players." This showed in the Gettysburg game as he gained over the century mark in yards by running over Bullets and through holes, including his scoring play.

Delmadge was a little banged up after the game but according to him and Kornhauser, he, "will be ready for Saturday's big game at Wesley."

The Patriots travel to Dover, Delaware to battle the 5-1 Wesley Wolverines. They are one of the top Division III teams in the nation. According to Kornhauser the Patriots will be playing their top opponent of the year in Dover. "They are well-rounded with both an excellent offensive and aggressive defense." Last season, the Patriots defeated the Wolverines 14-9 to break their six-game winning streak. "It's going to be a big test for us," Kornhauser said.



Chris Delmadge

Pats rally to tie

By Ken Maget
Statesman Staff Writer

The Patriots were sent back down to earth this week. After a great performance against New Paltz last week, they were shut out on Saturday against Vassar and tied Kings Point yesterday in a crucial conference matchup. Their record now stands at an even .500.

At Vassar, the Patriots were shut out in a tough defensive battle. The final score was 1-0. The game was virtually even throughout, with Vassar outshooting Stony Brook by a margin of 10-8. However, the inability to score forced the Pats onto the short end of the stick.

Yesterday, the Pats broke their perfect record in the Skyline Conference (2-0, entering the game) with a 3-3 tie against Kings Point. The Pats appeared to be the more balanced team, but the play of a Kings Point player, Jeff Brennan was unstoppable. Brennan scored a hat trick and dominated throughout. The Pats were trailing 3-2 when freshman forward Rob Brennan scored the tying goal at the end of regulation. The teams then played two scoreless ten minute overtime periods. The Pats kept the ball in Kings Point's zone throughout the overtimes, but goalie Kevin Fitzpatrick made the big saves when he had to.

The Patriots record now stands at 5-5-1 overall. With yesterday's tie their record in the conference drops to 2-0-1. With six games remaining the Patriots still have a chance for post-season play. However, they must come up with some convincing wins in order to gain some momentum. They play at Albany on Saturday and host Manhattanville on Monday at 3 p.m.

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New strategy leads Pats to fourth sweep

By Marco Aventajado
Statesman Assistant Sports Editor

After a demoralizing third place finish in the Rochester Institute of Technology Invitational, the patriot volleyball team took to Monday's practice a new strategy devised by Head Coach Teri Tiso. "When you play good teams, your weaknesses are so exposed," said Tiso, "and if you get beat you have to make changes."

Volleyball

Patriots: 3
Hunter: 0

The new strategy had its test against the Hawks of Hunter College. This was the fourth meeting between Stony Brook and Hunter.

The Patriots lead the series 3-0, beating them all in straight sets. Their last meeting was in the Championship game of the USB Student Life Invitational, when the Patriots won in straight sets 15-3, 15-3, 15-3.

It was a scrappier and quicker Stony Brook team that was on the court last night on Patriot Day. In the beginning of the game, though, the team and their new strategy were looking sluggish. "We had a slow start," said Tiso, but when the new game plan kicked in the Patriots ran away with the game, 15-3, 15-3, 15-1. In the first set, the Hawks shot the first salvo with two straight points but the team's hustle and digs parlayed into a 15-3 first set victory.

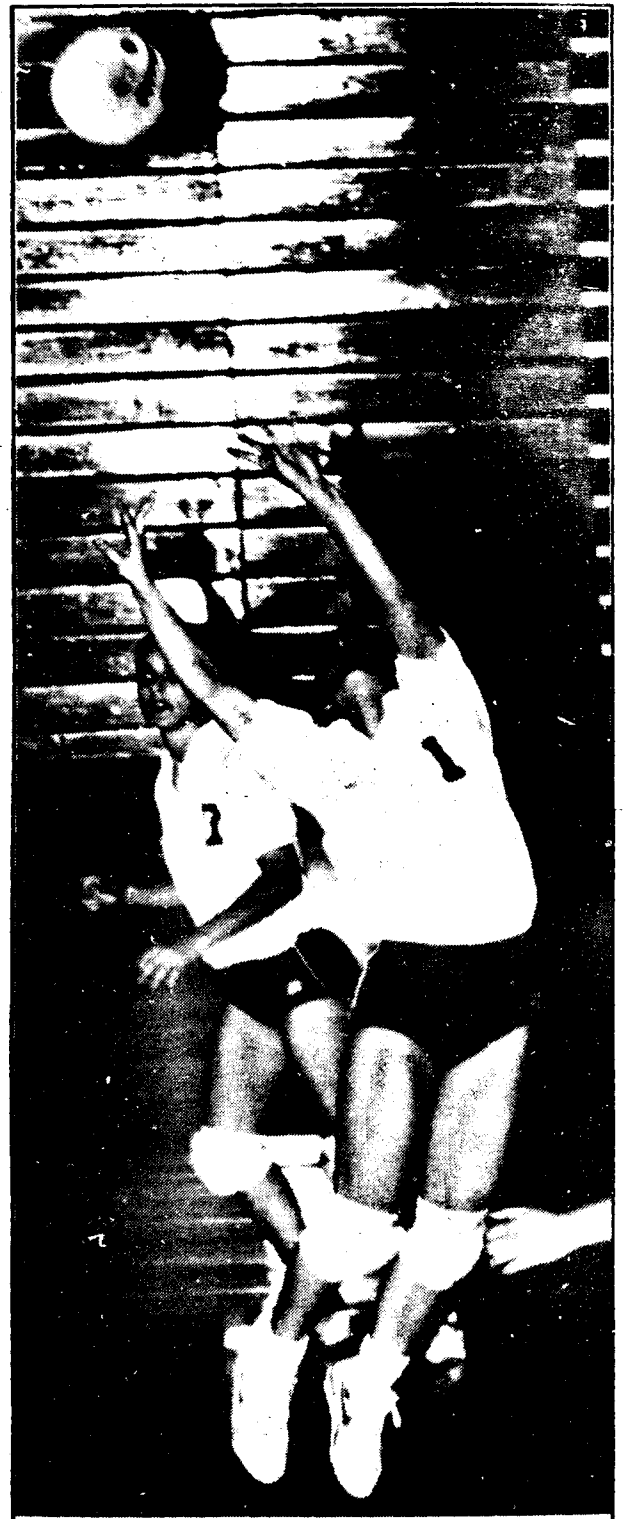
In the second set, the team looked more relaxed with their new tactics as Tiso used her two setters juniors Kelly

Grodzke and Denise Rehor. The Patriots scored seven straight points served up by Rehor and the team chalked up three more served by freshman Maura Gormley. Miscommunication slowed down the Patriots as the two teams traded side-outs. After a Hunter time out, the team regained their composure and won the set 15-3.

The third set was a lot of the same thing. Stony Brook dominated with spikes and blocks en route to a 15-1 set win. Senior Stasia Nikas figured in almost all of the first eight points Stony Brook won by either digging for the ball or spiking it for a winner while sophomore Shari Montegari served up the last five points, punctuating the victory with an ace in the end of the game.

"Everyone played well," said Tiso, "especially Janna [Kuhner], Shari [Montegari] and Maura [Gormley] played well." Kuhner had nine kills, three blocks and an ace for the game. Montegari had six kills, three blocks, two aces and seven digs. Nikas led the team with 14 kills aside from two blocks and four digs. Nikas was a major part of Tiso's new plan of playing the back row, a new position to her. Nikas has been playing outside hitter all season. "Stasia played great," said Tiso, "we had to make the change to show the other teams another look." Rehor had 26 sets for the Patriots. "She's the glue for the team," said Tiso.

Stony Brook record stands at 20-3 and their next game will be in the Elizabethtown Halloween Tournament in Pennsylvania. "We're playing a lot of the top teams in the east region," said Tiso.



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Denise Rehor putting up one of her 26 sets as the Patriots routed Hunter in straight sets.

'A diamond in the rough'

By Jason Yellin
Statesman Sports Editor

Over the last two weeks the Patriot football team has found a potent weapon in its offensive backfield. Freshman Chris Delmadge has emerged from a strong core of running backs to earn an important role for the 4-1 Patriots. Delmadge rushed for 101 yards and his first collegiate touchdown in Saturday's loss versus Gettysburg. For his accomplishments Delmadge was named ECAC Metro NY/NJ Rookie of the Week.

Football

"He is a very talented back," said Head Coach Sam Kornhauser. "He is extremely quick, fast and strong." Delmadge graduated from Floral Park High School in the spring where he averaged 8.7 yards per carry.

He has carried that statistic to the Patriots. So far on the season he has averaged nearly six-and-one-half yards for the Patriots

Delmadge gained his opportunity to play from

his exceptional abilities and injury problems for the Patriots. Senior running back Bill Justesen has been lost to the Patriots for the season due to a broken leg. "After Billy got hurt I got playing time," said Delmadge. The Patriots are loaded at running back with Lenny Catalano, Ken Zack and Luke Posniewski, but Delmadge's performances have allowed him to crack the lineup. "He is a diamond in the rough," said Kornhauser. "He is really hard to tackle and has a great combination that most kids don't have, he is big and fast."

Delmadge has taken full advantage of his chance in the spotlight. Winning the Rookie of the Week award was a big honor. "It means a lot to me," said Delmadge. "I feel that I was over looked in high school and wasn't recognized." On scoring his first touchdown, a 17-yard scamper which he found a hole in the line he said, "it felt real good, but I wish we had won."

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