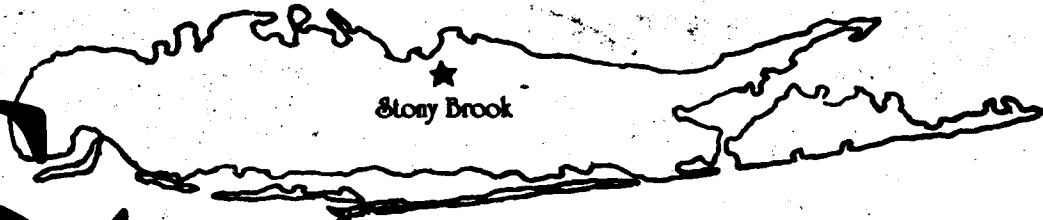


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Cuomo's Promise

Governor vows Staller flood aid

By Krista A. DeMaria
Statesman Editor-in-Chief

Gov. Mario Cuomo vowed yesterday to lobby the County Legislature to pay for the nearly \$4 million in damages caused by the one million gallon flood at the Staller Center.

Cuomo made an unscheduled tour through the damaged theater to view the wreckage and talk to staff in the fine arts department, after dedicating equipment in the Marine Science Center.

"I am going to the Legislature in this area and telling them when they draw up lists that they include money to take care of what is needed here," Cuomo said during the tour.

University President

John Marburger accompanied Cuomo on his tour and said he is very appreciative to the governor for his time and his promise. "When the governor says he is going to take care of it, you can believe it," he said. "He didn't plan to come here, but his visit was very important to us."

Cuomo said he was very impressed with the support the university received from the community and repeated that he guarantees money to help with the expenses.

"This facility is important to the entire community," Cuomo said. "We ought to have no difficulty in finding the money needed."

Alan Inkles, associate director of Staller Center, said he is confident that the governor will keep his promise. "I really think he will come through," he said.

The damage created by the flood, which happened on Feb. 21, is

"When the governor says he is going to take care of it, you can believe it."
— University President John Marburger

President John Marburger yesterday shows Cuomo surface where water main broke.

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Students, Change Your Attitudes Now

STUDENTS HERE DO NOT EAT ENOUGH FIBER. I HAVE come to that conclusion because if we did, we'd rid ourselves of the counterproductive and disrespectful attitudes we harbor. As the famous cartoon character Popeye says, "That's all I can stand, I can't stand no more," it is about time that I "gives" back to the students all I have taken from them over the years, double and in spades, and this is just the place.

Students here, as a whole, or at least that part which is most readily visible, are a slovenly, disrespectful, infantile, selfish, and grossly immature lot. The undergraduates, that is. A walk around campus and its many areas of congregation is testament to this hard-to-digest fact of life.

To begin, let's note that many students have gripes about how this school operates, the condition of its infrastructure, or grading policies, among others. These gripes are legitimate, and answers as to why the situations mentioned occur are usually presented in terms of deficiency of faculty and staff, construction, or the price of bagels for that day. Nobody suggests that the students themselves are creating their own circumstances in many instances.

Here's a big complaint: Dorm cleanliness. Bathrooms reek of acrid stench, halls are dirty, and security is deficient. Bathrooms are cleaned five times a week. Halls are mopped in concert. Working locks are available on every entrance door of every building. Nobody correlates the terrible conditions to high rates of vandalism and downright laziness and sloth on the part of the residents. There should be no reason for newspaper and toilet paper to be littered about a hall a few hours after it has been cleaned, except if the residents don't

seem to care. Why not let these pigs live in their own sties? Don't break your back fighting a losing battle. Let these degenerates live in their befouled nests awhile and see how they like it. Ditto for the cafeterias, classrooms, and other meeting places.



THE EAGLE'S EYE

Adam Kaminsky

There also seems to be a lack of respect for dissent here. We have diversity of race, religion, nationality, disability, and sexual orientation, but isn't it odd that everything here takes a markedly liberal slant, and that conservative voices are spitting into the wind? Isn't diversity of the mind more important?

In our campus media, there is a laughable scorn for conservative views. "Conservatives here are rabble rousers," they say. I say, "... and with good reason." After being squelched for so long, it is surprising they aren't seizing

the Polity office in much the same way as those hippy-trippy peacenicks have seized the administration building in years past.

While we are on the subject of Polity, senate meetings have become a farce. The dictatorial council laughs and jeers at anybody who disagrees with it, dismisses any issue in which it is not interested, and looks to end each meeting as quickly as possible, and without much dissent to its master plan. People think conservatives like Cole and McLaren, along with their many followers who just happen to be from Commuter College are trouble makers. I think that without them, the otherwise disinterested student body would've ended up paying for Greene's and Ries's housing, and much, much more. But I congratulate the council for realizing the indolence and disinterest of the students, and using it to their advantage for all these years. They deserve it. And so do we.

Statesman ran a story about a woman whose car got booted, and lo and behold, she owed \$400 in unpaid

Students here are a slovenly, disrespectful, infantile, selfish and grossly immature lot.

tickets. Yet she was upset. Another lady got the boot twice, and asked that Traffic notify an offender of outstanding debt before the boot is given. Let's see: From \$15 to \$50 a pop, that is at least eight tickets received without answer. We have a word for that. It is called *scofflaw*. What should they give you for \$400 in unpaid tickets? A trophy? As for notifying the recipient beforehand, isn't that yellow envelope dangling from your wiper blade begging for payment warning enough? You must be joking. I would think that if parking tickets were paid in a timely manner, and guilt is admitted, there would be no need to boot. Or a cheaper and more responsible alternative: park legally. Ever think of that one?

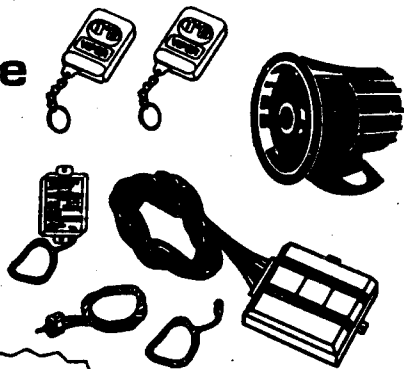
I am sick and tired of hearing California Dude types dismissing this irresponsibility by saying that we are in college and that I should lighten up. Since when is setting or age an excuse to act like an imbecile child? Shouldn't we be striving to be as mature and responsible as possible, at all times, for it is we who will determine the spin of this country for the next forty or so years? Maybe you should *tighten* up and belly up to the responsibilities bestowed upon you by society and the university. Only then will we as students be given the credibility and treatment we deserve.

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I-CON sci-fi convention threatened

By Vincent Grasso
Statesman Associate News Editor

Stony Brook I-CON convention, one of the largest science fiction events in the country, is searching for a sponsor after Polity, citing past financial liabilities, pulled its backing last semester and may not restore it.

Lacking the student government's sponsorship, the university has demanded the student group find another sponsor or it will lose its reservations for free university space. And I-CON officials say they cannot afford to move the convention, but expressed fear that another campus group would be willing to risk exposing themselves to potential suits from I-CON's creditors if the convention loses money.

Of I-CON's nearly \$100,000 in funding, Polity provides about \$2,500. The rest comes from advanced ticket sales and product sales. After a loss of \$50,000 from I-CON X in 1991, Polity pulled its sponsorship, but not its funding.

Lou Scarpati, I-CON president, said that he was appointed to his position by Dan Slepian, former Polity president, last year to oversee the affairs of I-CON XII. "Last year we only had six weeks to put it all together so it was much smaller," he said. "But, we still made \$1,400."

There are three ways that an organization can be approved for sponsorship from the school: being sponsored by Polity, sponsorship from the Department of Student Union and Activities or from Program of Conferences and Special events. I-CON has also applied to the Student Union for sponsorship in case there is no approval from Polity. Sponsorship allows the organization to use the buildings and facilities for free.

Student Union officials could not be reached for comment.

"I don't think there should be a problem with them getting recognized," said Polity Treasurer Corey Williams. He said that Stessor Altemis, executive director of Polity, is reviewing insurance options on an event by event basis, which would limit the organization's vulnerability.

According to Scarpati, I-CON has already planned most of this year's event and



Statesman File Photo

Science fiction trading floor at 1991's I-CON X convention in the Indoor Sports Complex.

will lose thousands of dollars if it is cancelled for lack of a sponsor.

"Everything is already done," said Scarpati. He said that the programs are already printed up, slots for booths are already given out, and ads are paid for. "This year we are even having a commercial produced and that is already in the works," he said.

Carla Bauer, I-CON student treasurer, said that Polity has become more stringent with the organization. "In the past, we didn't have to show Polity a budget, but we had to last year and this year," she said. She also said that this year, they are being more reasonable in the amount of money that they expect to bring in.

Scarpati was optimistic that I-CON's problems two years ago will not be repeated this year. He said that bad decisions and mismanagement led to the loss at I-CON X. "They were given too much leeway," he said.

Aside from Polity's funding, I-CON's money comes from advance ticket sales, ads in their program and vendors. Most of the money is already spent, said Scarpati. Student Union and Activities did not guarantee I-CON its space, but Scarpati thought a confirmation was implied. He added that if neither the department nor Polity decides to approve its sponsorship, I-CON would suffer a major financial loss.

The third option is not yet available to

the group because that program is limited to organizations which are incorporated. "We will be incorporated in about six weeks, but by that time it will be too late," said Scarpati. Incorporation would mean no other group could be held accountable for I-CON's losses.

Scarpati says the university should sponsor his group because of the exposure its convention brings to Stony Brook. "Many of those people are high school students who are potential college students," he said.

Scott Withington, student vice president, said that I-CON was one of the factors in his making a decision to come to Stony Brook. Scarpati added that I-CON attracts thousands of people to the university.

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Snowballs break windows

• A window in the Earth and Space Science Center was smashed last Friday. A witness saw two males throw chunks of snow. They were identified and are being sent to Student Affairs.

POLICE BLOTTER

Michele Walz

• Two rear tires were stolen off a 1989 Toyota in the North P lot. The incident occurred between last Monday and Tuesday with no witnesses. The tires were estimated to be \$400.

• A blue mountain bike was discovered stolen last Thursday from outside Stimson College. It was left on Jan. 27 secured to a pole by a chain and lock that was also missing. The total damage is \$300.

• A 1984 Audi had all four tires slashed while parked in the South P lot. It was discovered last Friday and was estimated to be \$280.

• An Iron Horse mountain bike was stolen after being locked last Thursday in front of the Staller Center for the Arts. It was worth \$270.

• A leather jacket containing a set of keys was stolen from the Health Science Center between last Monday and Thursday. It was in an unlocked room and was worth \$150.

• A 1987 Mercury station wagon had its rear

window broken last Monday. It was parked in the South P lot and the damage was estimated to be \$150. Nothing was stolen.

• There was \$130 in cash taken from an employee in the Roth Quad cafeteria last Thursday. The money was in an unsecured locker. It is known to be an ongoing problem.

• A window was smashed in a room in Irving College from the outside last Friday at 12:08 a.m. There were no witnesses and the damage was over \$100.

• Two library books were stolen from a locker on the second floor of the Health Science Center. The books were left in a secured locker last Wednesday and were found missing on Thursday with the locker left open. The books are worth \$100.

• In the Life Sciences building \$70 was taken from a wallet last Thursday. The office was unlocked and nothing else was stolen.

• A window was broken in a room on the first floor of O'Neill College when the occupant went home on 2/19 for the weekend. It was not determined what broke the window. The replacement window was \$50.

• A wallet containing \$50 and credit cards was stolen on Sunday from the gym field house. The wallet was in an unsecured locker and was stolen while the victim showered.

• Money and credit cards were taken from a wallet in the Indoor Sports Complex men's locker room last Friday. There was no sign of forced entry.

• Minor damage to the paint in the A-2 hallway of Langmuir College occurred from a small fire of papers last Thursday. It was extinguished with no injuries. The damage was \$10.

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.

HS students win 4-year scholarships

By Rose Chan
Statesman Staff Writer

Stony Brook's Presidential Scholars Program, which awards 15 high-performing high school students four-year, full tuition scholarships and was initiated last year in an effort to attract top-ranked high school students to the school, gave incoming students their awards in a ceremony Sunday.

Theresa LaRocca-Meyer, assistant vice president for student affairs and Ronald Douglas, vice provost for undergraduate studies, created the scholarship and said it offers the recipient other award benefits such as priority registration, preferred housing, and special freshman year events, lectures, and receptions.

"The rationale behind the program is to attract high-achieving students to Stony Brook . . ." said LaRocca-Meyer.

This year the program is being offered to 15 high schools from the Nassau and Suffolk counties, the five boroughs, and Upstate New York. With the help of principals and academic counselors one candidate and one alternate is nominated. Many of the students chosen for this year's program were not aware of the Presidential Scholars Program when they applied to Stony Brook.

University's President John Marburger said the scholarship makes the university unique. "It not only attracts good students but increases the university's visibility to other high schools," he said. Marie Yarisantos, from Bay Shore High School, received the award but applied to Stony Brook before she knew about the scholarship. "I had already applied to Stony Brook," she said. "I didn't know about it until my counselor nominated me."

In choosing a candidate for the program, there are several criteria taken into consideration such as a high grade point average, SAT or ACT scores, leadership qualities, and outstanding achievement in the Creative or Performing Arts.

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Prof. Vincent Breslin demonstrates the machine for the governor yesterday.

Cuomo dedicates pollution device

By Krista A. DeMaria
Statesman Editor-in-Chief

Gov. Mario Cuomo yesterday dedicated a pollution detection device to Stony Brook's Marine Science Center, which was given him by the Hitachi Corporation.

The Atomic Absorption Spectrophotometer, valued at about \$70,000, measures and analyzes metals in water and soil, calculates the metal concentration released.

"I'd like to focus on Stony Brook and the excellent job they are doing," Cuomo said. "Stony Brook is doing high tech work."

University President John Marburger said the university will use the equipment to benefit the university and the region. "That instrument is the most sensitive you can find," he said. "I'm glad a deal was struck."

Vincent Breslin, a research assistant

professor, said the machine will be used to test the air quality around the boathouse, which is a university experiment built with incinerator ash cinder blocks. "The boathouse is just one project," he said. "We stabilized the ash with additives and built the house, this machine samples the metal concentration and ensures that they are not being released into the environment."

Along with the machine Cuomo presented a plaque to Jerry Schubel, director of marine science center, on behalf of New York state and in appreciation for the work that the university is doing.

"We are delighted that this has been donated," said Schubel. "This will help us locally and within the university."

Stony Brook beat out SUNY Buffalo for the machine, Breslin said.

Governor vows help

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estimated at \$3 million to \$4 million, and according to John Rose, associate director of the physical plant, workers have been working around the clock. "We have initiated the repairs and will continue," he said. "But it's very encouraging the money is coming."

The flood damaged a hand built pipe organ worth \$500,000, two Steinway pianos and projection and lighting equipment. There is an estimated \$1.2 million in equipment needing replacement, according to Inkle.

Clean-up workers have restored electrical services and are planning to start a painting project soon. "The workers were definitely pleased to see the governor," said Rose. "He was a real morale booster."

The physical plant has a contract for

maintenance that pays hourly rates for extra work, and according to Rose the university has not had any extra expenses for labor.

A report describing the extent of the structural damage is being completed, and Inkle said if the results are positive than the recital hall and main stage will reopen at the end of the semester.

"We'll find a place for everybody," said Inkle. "No one will be disappointed."

Administrators were optimistic about the governor's offer. "I'm confident that between the governor, the president and the community that we will have everything restored to 100 percent by the summer," said Inkle.

Cuomo said he feels strongly about getting the damages completely taken care of and left the university with final words of encouragement. He said, "There is no excuse for not supplying the money."

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Commuter VP Faces Ousting

What started as a personal dispute has turned into commuter students submitting a petition demanding the impeachment of Commuter Vice President Jim Coffey.

After a dispute with other members of the commuter council, Coffey did not return to the commuter lounge for four days, neglecting his office hours, prompting members of Commuter College to submit a petition with 25 names calling for Coffey's impeachment.

"It's a bunch of nonsense," said Coffey. "I missed four days." Coffey said that he was at commuter college nearly every day when they were working to get the bus fee on referendum.



Jim Coffey

During the discussion at the commuter legislature meeting yesterday, it was questioned as to whether or not the charges were merely personal or if they had any substance.

"I feel that the charges are founded," said commuter president Vincent Bruzzese, who also signed the petition. "Unfortunately, the question of trust must be addressed when you speak of student representatives. Jim Coffey has breached that trust," he said. Bruzzese said that what he needs is a working, active vice president. "It was never really a personal thing," he said, "It's... just business."

Coffey said that he has been devoting his time lately to the Freshman committee, a committee in Polity that is coordinating events for freshmen, and that is why he has missed some of his office hours.

"I'm not resigning and I don't want to be impeached," said Coffey.

Bruzzese said that Coffey has told him that he no longer wishes to hold office hours.

The question to impeach Coffey will be put to vote at the next commuter legislature meeting, next Wednesday.

Greene Attacks Commuters

Polity President David Greene launched a barrage of charges and allegations against the leadership of Commuter College at last night's senate meeting. Greene, saying he was attempting to make Polity more credible, called for a greater acceptance of accountability from Commuter College.

Greene began with the allegations against Richard Cole, former commuter president, concerning alleged assaults on Adam Turner, a member of the Polity Judiciary and Jim Coffey, commuter vice president. Greene handed out photocopies of the charges filed against Cole.

"If the vice president of commuter college feels there is a threat of physical harm, he cannot do his job," said Greene. He also said that there was no separation of powers and no checks and balances since last semester Cole was Commuter president, treasurer and a senator.

Commuter President Vincent Bruzzese said that Polity was guilty of the same flaws. Bruzzese pointed out that members of the council, such as Alphonso Grant, senior representative and Rick Ries, freshman representative, are also voting senators.

"I think it's very ironic that they're talking about accountability," said Cole. "This is just a witch hunt against Vinny and myself."

Greene also charged the commuter council with intimidating senators who would not vote in a block. This was corroborated by commuter senator Rachel Hallum. "I was threatened with impeachment if I didn't vote like they wanted me to," she said, addressing the senate.

There was then a motion to have the violations looked into by internal affairs and have the commuter council abide by their decision. The motion passed with 23 yes 14 no with three abstentions.

Bruzzese claimed that the actions commuter council would be forced to take by internal affairs would make them violate their constitution. He motioned to have Polity publicly say that they were forcing commuter college to violate their constitution. Motion failed 14 yes 20 no with six abstentions.



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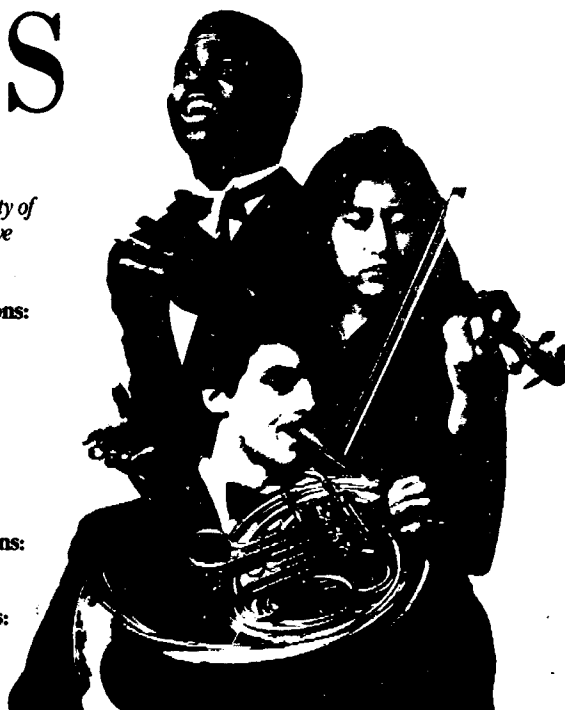
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SASU Asks for Help

Student Association of the State University President Glenn Magpantay, a Stony Brook alumnus and former Polity senator, addressed Polity last night to give a report regarding SASU's progress and its response to the governor's budget.

Magpantay handed out the response which contained the highlights to urge the governor to uphold his freeze on SUNY tuition, to restore \$31.2 million to SUNY, to restore \$62 million to TAP and to pass the Bias Related Violence and Intimidation Act with an educational component. Magpantay and Natasha Vincent, Stony Brook representative of SASU sought the help of the senators in a letter writing campaign. Magpantay said that some progress is being made in the State Senate but little is being made in the Assembly.

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Sony sends exec to teach management

By Rose Chan
Statesman Staff Writer

The Department of Applied Mathematics and Statistics is offering a special course in manufacturing policy, taught by one of the country's leading high-technology engineering executives.

Sheldon Weinig, the vice chairman of engineering and manufacturing for Sony USA, Inc., teaches the course on Tuesdays from 1 p.m. to 3:50 p.m. The class is being offered for credit to seniors and graduate students in engineering, applied and physical sciences, as well as students from the Harriman School for business.

At a National Academy Symposium on Manufacturing last year, Weinig, who is responsible for operations at 20 Sony manufacturing plants in the United States,

criticized the way American universities train students in manufacturing issues. Professor James Glimm, the chairperson of Applied Mathematics and Statistics, approached Weinig at the conference and asked him if he would be interested in teaching a class in manufacturing policy at Stony Brook.

Students, both registered and non-registered, as well as professors, have attended Weinig's lectures to see his approach in teaching manufacturing policy. "Manufacturing is a necessity," said Weinig. "We're looking for people with spirit and process of manufacturing as a business phenomenon, not learning how to make a this or a that."

Prof. Alan Tucker, the undergraduate program director of the department of Ap-

plied Mathematics and Statistics, said the purpose of the class is to develop an understanding of new technology in manufacturing management, how it leads to restructuring of the industrial enterprise, and exploring the policies associated with these changes. "I encourage my students to sit on Weinig's class. He is a fascinating lecturer, giving lots of interesting personal experiences at Sony and kiss-and-tell stories about the people he meets."

Weinig is also the chairman and founder of Materials Research Corporation, now a wholly owned subsidiary of Sony USA, Inc. Prior to that, he was on the faculty of Columbia University, where he received a doctorate in metallurgy, the science of metal, and New York University. Many students taking Weinig's course

have responded enthusiastically to his teaching methods. "Dr. Weinig teaches us to think over numbers, to look beyond methods and formulas," said Christian Mata, a graduate student studying computer science. "I like the way he lectures."

Mata said Weinig's teaching method involves poking fun at the business world. "Dr. Weinig leads an active lecture and he's not like other professors where they teach you everything from the book," he said. "Instead, he does everything opposite of the book and gives us the real picture."

Many faculty members are also pleased that Weinig has offered to teach manufacturing policy at the University. "We are very lucky to have such a high level leader teaching at Stony Brook," said Glimm.

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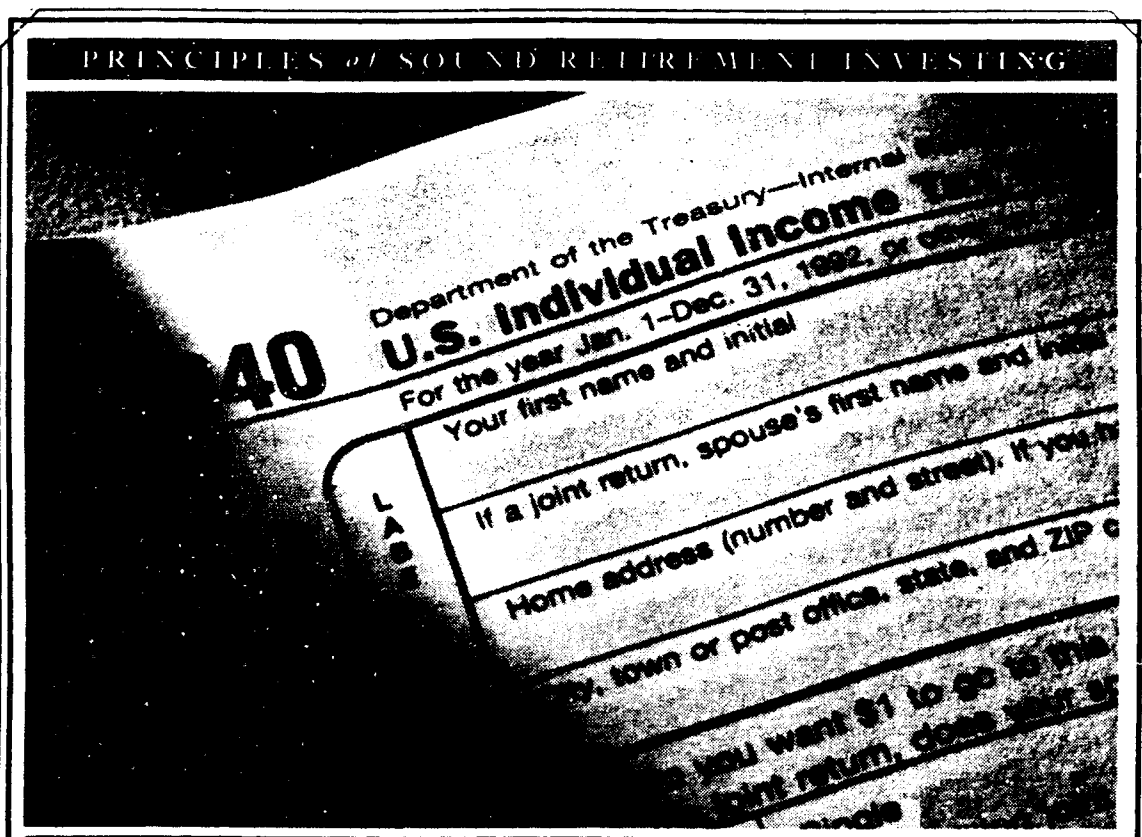
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Editorial

Don't Use Student Money for Polity's Housing

The rent check for the Polity Council's intersession housing might be signed by the students and Polity President David Greene thinks we at least owe it to him to pick up the tab.

The \$1,100 bill, which covered \$550 each for Greene and freshman representative Richard Ries to live in the dormitory over intersession, was allocated by the Polity Council and not even voted on by the senate. At last week's Polity Senate meeting the senate got wind of what the executive council was up to and overturned the allocation. The senate questioned why students should pay for Greene's and Reis' housing and vetoed down the payment.

And it should have. This campus is not a hotel for the Polity officers who can't go home because they live too far away or don't have a driver's license and can't bother with the train.

Past Polity officers did not find this expense necessary for the student government to run, but Greene insists it was necessary to keep Polity going.

It seems that with his \$100-a-

week stipend, the highest in the SUNY system after a \$25 raise last year, Greene should be able to cover a housing bill over a five-week period. The stipend combined with the housing bill from break would cost the students over \$2,000 through January, a ridiculous number when officers are supposed to be working to save students money.

Despite the senate's override last week, senators last night voted to reconsider, even though the council has not vetoed the current policy, which denies the money. The senate will vote again next week.

It's obvious the council is trying to get its way in the senate instead of simply vetoing the senate's challenge. If it didn't, the senate would have to look at the subject again to review the new decision and all eyes would be on the greedy council again, which seems to spend its time trying to find ways to profit from the \$1.4 million student government.

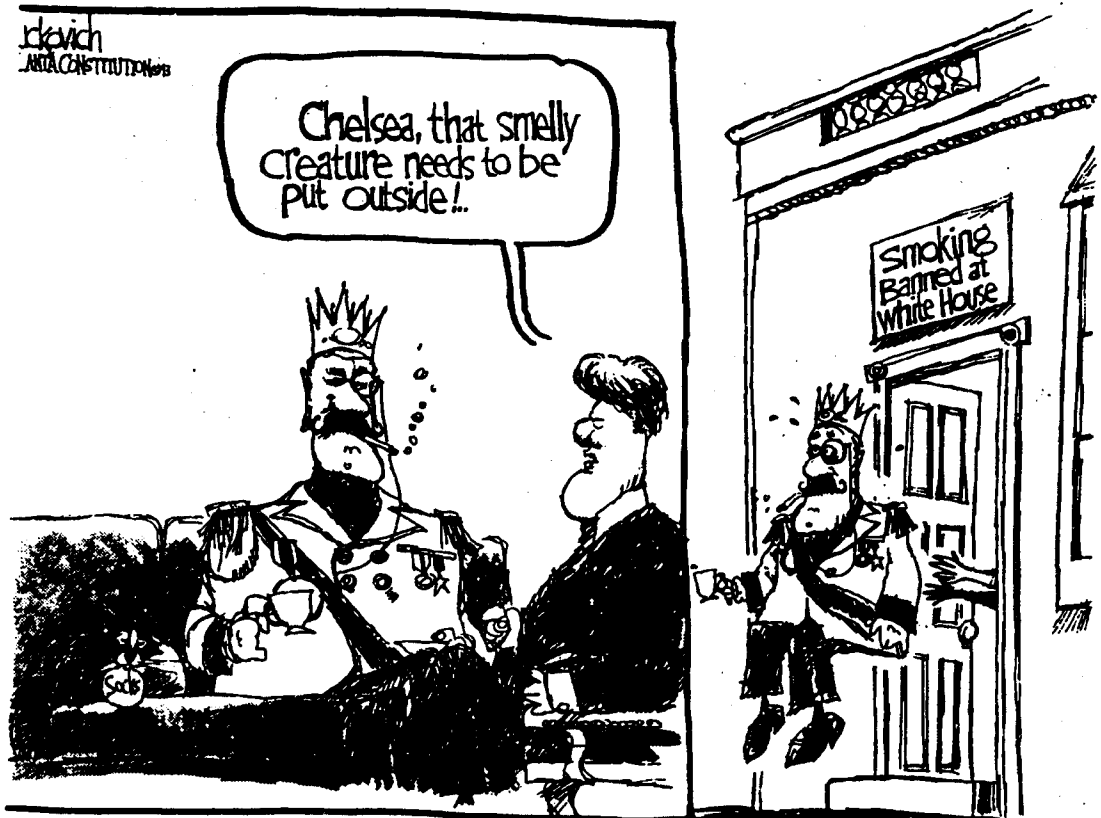
We remember the stipend increase last summer; we remember last year's all-expense-paid spring

break trip in Florida with rented cars and hotel rooms; and we will remember this during next month's elections.

The officers who worked over break could have done the same job during the semester, but if they had spent intersession at home they wouldn't have received their bulky stipend. For the cost of rent and their salary we should really see some changes as a result of their work accomplished during intersession.

As part of the president's annual report, Greene will outline how he spent his time over the break here. Will Greene's report include anything that is worth what we've spent? There should be a clause in Polity's bylaws that says the constituents are guaranteed to get what they pay for. And if students foot the bill they'd better show us something outstanding.

An allocation of student fees toward officers' housing would be unreasonable and unfair. Polity must spend more time on subjects that mean something to their employers instead of wasting time talking about themselves.



Any Thoughts?

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City Shouldn't Control Parade

By Kieran Curley

EXIT THE YEAR OF THE WOMYN [sic], ENTER THE YEAR OF the homosexual. One would think that a 150-year precedent would be enough to ward off the usual foolish politician, but the mayor of New York City is a special kind of fool. Mayor Diversity, the honorable David N. Dinkins, has deemed it necessary to isolate yet another group of New Yorkers, the Irish Catholic community.

For 150 years, the Ancient Order of Hibernians (AOH) has had the right to organize the Saint Patrick's Day parade. There is even a provision for this within the city charter. The parade for 1993 was to have been organized by a different group until a court order allowed the AOH to regain control. Why was control removed from the Hibernians in the first place? Very simply, the AOH had refused to admit the Irish Lesbian and Gay Organization (ILGO) under its own banner. This other organization stated it would.

It is commonly believed that the AOH has refused to allow ILGO the right to march because they

are homosexuals. This is a false assumption. The stated reason has been that ILGO is a political group with a political agenda. Throughout the 150 years of the parade political groups have been systematically denied the right to march. The one understandable exception has been the inclusion of groups which advocate the removal of British authority from Northern Ireland. The denial of the right to march for political reasons is completely legitimate. It has been the mayor and ILGO who have made this a question about the acceptability of homosexuality.

The mayor believes that the Catholic doctrine stating that acts of homosexuality are immoral is the reason behind the denial of the right to march. Therefore, his actions to allow the homosexuals to march anyway shows that he disagrees with Catholic doctrine. Furthermore, it proves that he is willing to use his position in the govern-

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ment to correct the doctrine of the Catholic church when he sees fit.

Who the hell does David N. Dinkins think he is? Men have fought and died for the principle of separation of church and state, including the many fine homosexual members of the armed forces since the Revolution. If Mayor Dinkins disagrees with the beliefs of Catholics, he will just have to learn to live with them.

The actions of the mayor should alarm every American, not just Irish Catholics. Precedents are mighty powerful in this country. I am reminded of that old refrain, "They came for the Jews, I wasn't a Jew, so I didn't get involved... When they came for me, no one was left." It would be easy to dismiss these concerns, but unless rights apply equally to all they do not apply at all. If the Catholic church wants to believe that homosexuality is immoral, then that is their right.

The mayor's actions have also confirmed the fact that this is a Catholic parade. It would be unnecessary for his intervention otherwise. This is just

a statement of the obvious, though, the AOH is a Catholic-based organization. Saint Patrick himself is not only the patron Saint of Ireland but also of the Archdiocese of New York. Very Catholic, indeed.

This observation should serve to make the alarms already blaring in this country that much louder, but it is doubtful that the alarms have even been sounded at all with the new powers that be. It emphasizes the fact that Mayor Dinkins is waging a religious war against Catholics specifically. Where are all the noble advocates of civil rights now? Or do those rights only apply to the traditionally oppressed?

The actions of the mayor of New York City are not only reprehensible, but un-American. He has violated the sanctity of the tradition of the separation of church and state. So in the vein of that radical feminist Jane Fonda, "Hey Dave Dinkins, stay the hell out of my religion."

Oh, and also, the Irish will remember in November (26+6=1).

If Mayor Dinkins disagrees with the beliefs of Catholics, he will just have to learn to live with them.

Pay for School and Serve Your Country

By Bill Clinton

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Bill Clinton is the 42nd president of the United States.

PC Not Necessarily Socially Correct

By Greg Finesmith

ALL TOO OFTEN IN OUR MODERN, LIBERATED society I have witnessed people being referred to as "politically incorrect" for failing to follow the guidelines of a loosely organized group of idealistic people who label themselves as "politically correct."

First of all, who gave anybody the right to pass judgment on other people? The fact that an individual refuses to refer to another individual or group in politically correct terms does not make that individual incorrect. While it is understandable that slur terms directed at people are not desir-

able, it is also not desirable to rewrite the entire English language, Bible, or other great works of humanity to satisfy a minority of zealots. Instead of following the "politically correct" movement, it might just be better for all of us to concentrate on being aware of each others' feelings and on not hurting those feelings. In addition, political correctness entails a certain degree of hypocrisy since many of the "members" of the politically correct movement are not willing to give reciprocal respect to the same people they want respect from.

For example, take the politically correct stance on feminism and women's is-

ues. While many politically correct people agree that women should not be discriminated against in the workplace or in the home, nor should they be referred to by certain anatomical slur words, I have witnessed many of those same people referring to men by anatomical slur words and insisting that it is the man's place to pay for a date. This is utter hypocrisy since nobody has the right to define a man's place any more than they have the right to define a woman's place.

This same argument also applies to other disadvantaged groups which have been granted suffrage. Always keep in

mind the world owes you *nothing*. None of us owe anything for the actions of our forbearers. We were not around to control them. We only have to learn from their mistakes and be sure not to make them ourselves.

The "politically correct" movement only exacerbates the situation by concentrating attention on our differences instead of our common humanity. We must all stop attempting to label each other and collect debts from the children of our grandparents' tormentors and instead work to view each other as fellow humans and respect each other for who we are. Only then will debts be repaid to those who have been slurred and had their civil rights violated.

Greg Finesmith, a senior, is an engineering major.

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Guns Are Not the Answer

To the Editor:

In response to Adam Kaminsky's column, "The Eagle's Eye" [*Statesman*, February 25, 1993], the campus is secure as is! Arming Public Safety officers will not make it any safer. Indeed it may make it less so. Are the [Suffolk County] precincts, with their armed officers, any safer than the campus?

Increasing violent crimes on campus is often cited as a justification for such arming. This can be misleading. In how many of these crimes—rapes, robberies, shootings, stabbings—were our campus police actually present on site when the crime was in progress and could have stopped the crime, except for the fact that they did not carry arms? In most cases they would probably arrive at the scene only after the perpetrators had absconded. So what good would arming them be for you and me? Armed campus police could be patrolling campus in their vehicles and you and I could still be mugged walking through the woods on our way home.

One could perhaps more convincingly argue that these crimes could possibly have been prevented if the victims themselves were armed. Should everyone on campus then carry guns?

If an armed officer did confront a violent crime in progress, what then? Would it be peacefully resolved now that our officers carried guns? Or is it more likely there would be a shoot-out? And we victims and bystanders—are we much safer now? How long will it be before a crime gone wrong results in a hostage situation?

If criminal elements target campus, would the knowledge that our officers were armed throw a scare in them or are they more likely to come better prepared, with heavier artillery?

So let us not be lulled into a false sense of security. Arming our police would be the bigger gamble. If indeed our population, and this presumably includes our police, have "lower moral standards than the British," would not arming such a population be irresponsible? And if "we in

America seem to want to cut each other's throat," would it not be better to simply shoot each other? That is, after all, more sanitized and civilized.

Yes, we have agonized over this issue for a long time and deservedly so. Let us not rush into making the wrong decision.

Chandra Shrestha
Department of Economics

involved in any activities; it cost me \$151 to read the *Statesman*, but that is my problem, not yours.

Bob Dellasala

We Want Your Input

To the Editor:

On Feb. 8, 1993, the University Senate convened to discuss the merits of the "Stony Brook Plan." They balked about a steering committee which would direct their efforts to make Stony Brook a place for undergraduates as well as for research. This steering committee, also known as the Committee on Undergraduate Life, run by Dean Schubel of the Marine Sciences Dept., has administrators and professors, but no students. This same committee has spoken to *administrators* and *professors* about what the students want.

The answers so far received are biased and very slanted in their views. It was not until last month's University Senate meeting that this problem was brought up.

"Business as usual will not do" is a statement from the Barton-Gillete findings on how the administration should run things. But by limiting the steering committee to have lack of student representation or even to find out our ideas, the committee went about its tried and true path of not caring about the student responses to helping out the future of SUNY Stony Brook.

After the meeting I was able to talk with Dean Schubel about starting to talk with the students on undergraduate life. No biased perspective.

On March 7, 1993, the steering committee is planning to meet with the undergraduate students in the Whitman College lounge at 8 p.m. All students are invited to discuss their complaints and proposals for the future of SUNY Stony Brook.

Joseph S. Fein
University Senate Undergraduate Representative

Live Within Your Means, Polity

To the Editor:

Should a person who could afford a Chevrolet, buy a Cadillac and go into debt? Most people would answer "no" to this question and say that buying the Cadillac is impractical. Obviously, this person is living above his means.

Polity President David Greene and freshman representative Richard Ries are behind the wheel of a Cadillac and expect students of Stony Brook to pay their debt. They decided to remain on campus during the intersession and work for Polity. This action has proved to me that they are loyal and dedicated to their public service work which they volunteered for. I thank them for this, but I cannot condone the \$1,100 bill they left behind for their room.

David Greene said, "What people have got to understand is that realistically people have bills." I think that we all are painfully aware of this, especially after most of us have received the bill for the activity fee increase. My bill had a partner in the mailbox; it was a \$200 credit card bill for my books. Mr. Greene, most of us have bills and feather weight wallets after paying them. You are already compensated for your services, but please do not make us pay for the extra work that you do of your own volition.

Most of us work hard for the money that pays the \$151 activity fee and would like to see it spent in the most responsible way possible. This means that most people would like to see it go to benefit the student body as a whole and not a few individuals. I am not personally

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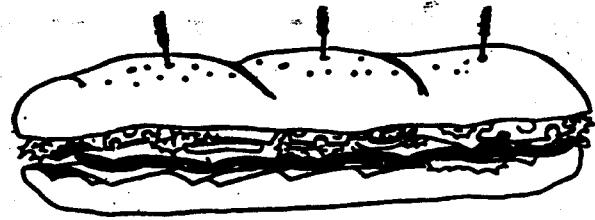
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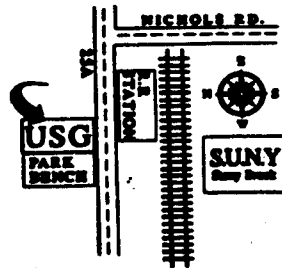
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Pats lose Garden game

GARDEN from back page

did not make them lose concentration. "We were anxious," said Wardally. "We did not have nerves."

The hoopsters pulled a six point lead at 6:05 in the first half and kept above the Panthers for close to three minutes. It was a tug of war between the teams as they pulled and pushed all the way to the end keeping the crowd on a roller coaster waiting to see who would come out on top. The hoopsiers never

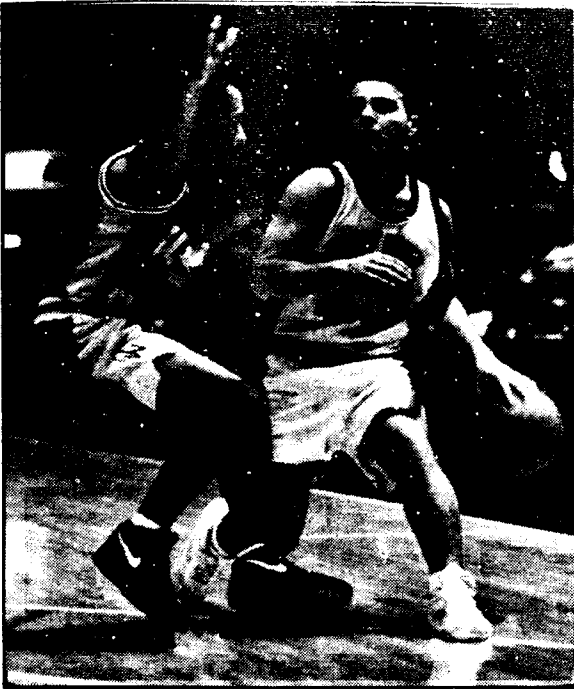
fell more than three points behind the Panthers through the game, until the final score when the loss was a four point spread.

Senior Patrick Cunningham played his last game of the regular season as a Pat and said playing on that court was a boost, but the loss was like taking a lollipop from a child. Cunningham only made one basket, but made two turnovers with one turning into a score made by Williams.

"The excitement got taken away by us losing," Cunningham said. "It was fun, but it was a tough game."

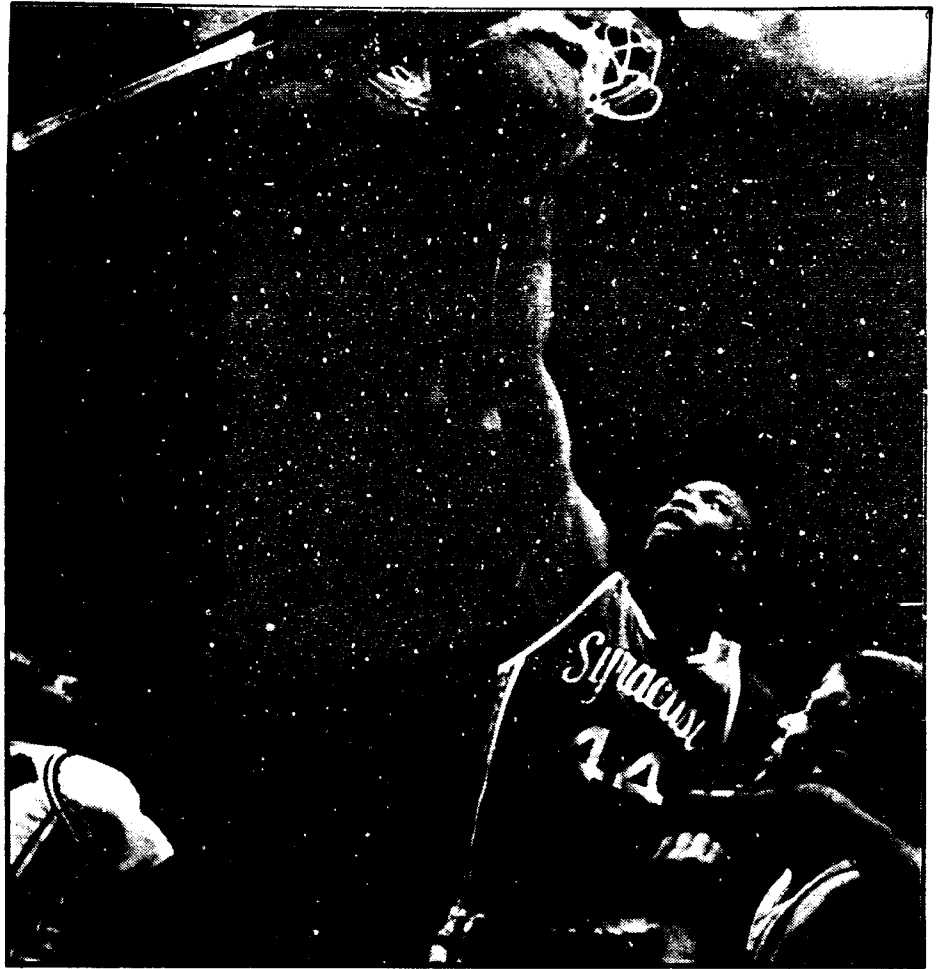
Freshman Joseph Kirch kept the Pats excited with six turnovers making three in each period. Kirch forced a turnover toward the Pats end of the court leading to a score made by Wardally with only seven seconds left in the first half of the game. Midway through the second half Kirch got possession of the ball and assisted Duckett to a three point basket bringing the Pats above the Panthers with a score of 45-44.

The Pats, who are headed to the Eastern Collegiate Athletic Conference with a fourth place bid, left the garden discouraged but with the memory that they played on the same court as some of basketballs' greatest players. "It was great to be playing on that floor," said Cunningham. "Especially knowing all of the people that have played there."



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Joe Kirch dribbles around Panthers' defense.



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ATHLETE OF THE WEEK

Bonura runs to ECACs and NCAAs

By Mark Peterson
Special to Statesman

Freshman Julie Bonura of the women's indoor track and field team continued her exceptional running this weekend. On Saturday, Bonura was a two-time state champion at the New York State Women's Collegiate Athletic Association Championships. She finished first in both the 55 meter dash (7.40 seconds) and the 200 meter dash (26.86 seconds), as well as finishing fourth in the long jump (17'5"). For her performance, Bonura was named VIP/Statesman Athlete of the Week for

the week of Feb. 22.

Bonura, who has been hampered with a shin injury for the past couple of weeks, has already qualified for the Eastern College Athletic Conference Championships in all three events and the NCAA Championships in the 55 meter dash and the long jump (the NCAA does not conduct a 200 meter dash at their championships).

Because of her shin problems, Bonura has slowed down her practice schedule to once or twice a week to alleviate some of the soreness. "This is a

problem that Julie has had since high school," said Stony Brook head coach Steve Borbet. "The training room put her on a program on her legs, hopefully that will help her."

"Because of her injury, I may hold her out of the 200 meter dash in the ECACs," Borbet said. "I realize it may cost us some team points, but I want to avoid further injury to her shins, and hopefully keep her healthy enough for the NCAAs"

Despite her injury problems, Bonura has had an impressive freshman season.

She already holds the University record in the 55 meter dash at 7.0 seconds, and holds the Indoor Sports Complex record in the 200 meter dash (26.51 seconds) and the long jump (18'3").

Although she already holds records, Borbet believes she can improve upon her times. "Her 55 meter time could get a little better, but there's room for improvement in both the 200 meter dash and the long jump. As she is now, Julie definitely has the chance to be a double All-American (in the 55 meter dash and the long jump) and possibly a national champion"

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14 Pats spear Spartans, move toward Top 20

By Dave Fallace
Statesman Staff Writer

After two losses over the weekend, the Patriots defeated the heavily favored Michigan State Spartans yesterday to move in on a top 20 ranking.

Last year Michigan State edged the Patriots 9-7 in East Lansing, Michigan on a two game long road trip. This year the Patriots turned the tables producing an upset which might propel the lacrosse team into the Top 20 standing.

Lacrosse

The underdog Patriots beat the number 18 team in the nation, 9-7, putting Stony Brook in good standing for a shot at a Top 20 standing. "If we intend to make Top 20, we need to do more than play the game, we have to play like we did today and we need to play with our hearts and minds as well as the fundamentals," said senior midfielder Paul Leva. "In order to beat the top teams on our schedule, which we are clearly the underdog, we need to step it up."

Patriots: 9
Mich. State: 7

Kevin Dalland scored first in the game, giving the Patriots an early lead 1:30 into the game. The Spartans responded twice as hard, bringing the score to 2-1 in the Spartans favor. Then Chris Chamberlain answered Michigan by tying the game at 2. A few minutes later, Michigan scored again ending the first quarter.

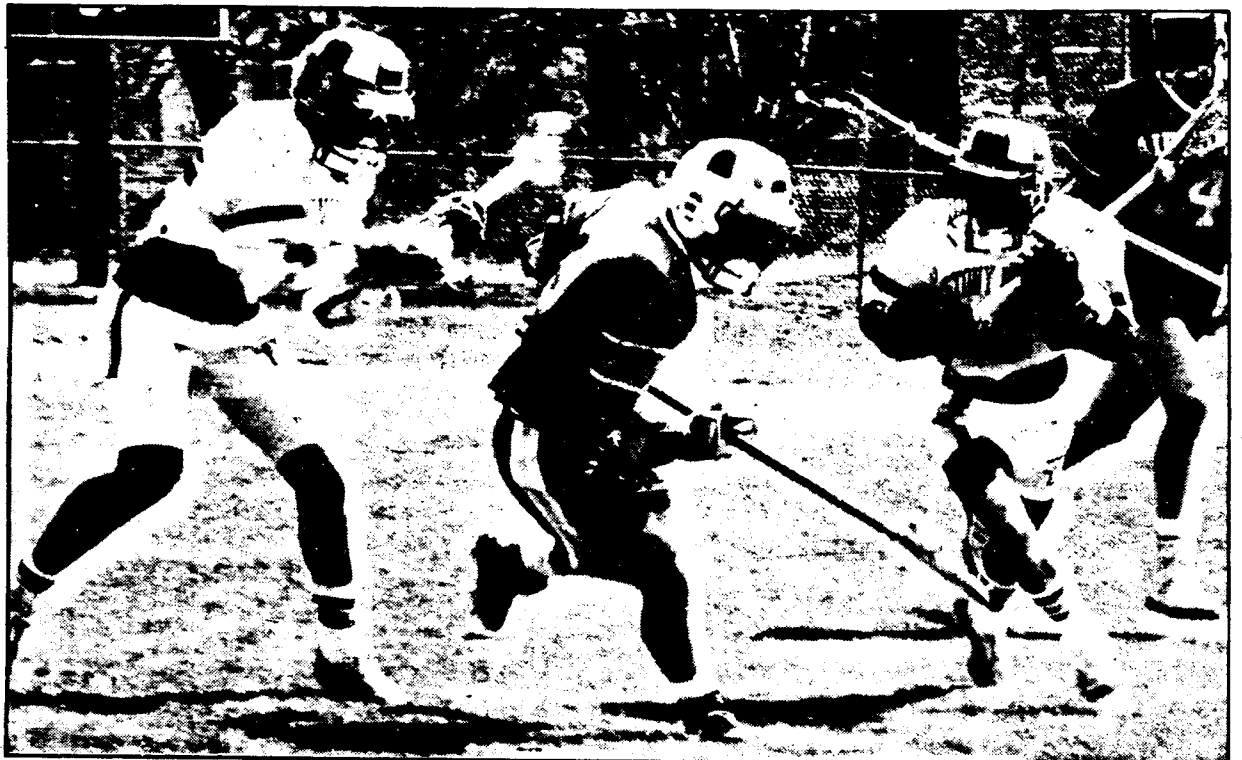
Attackman James Sommese tied it up again in the second quarter. In the middle of the third quarter the game was tied up again at 5-5, Jason Morales and Ed Havel had each scored off of passes from Brady Clouser.

After Paul "the cannon" Leva scored his first goal of the game Michigan would never tie the game again. Sommese shortly after scored bringing the score to 7-5, from a pass from Lou Ventura. At the end of the 3rd quarter the Patriots put on an impressive clear, in which freshman defenseman John Micena, passed the ball 40 yards to Kevin Dalland, then Dalland quickly fed Sommese who scored from the opposite of the goal.

Chris Chamberlain off a textbook inward roll dodged a Michigan State defenseman sealing the fate of Michigan State.

Senior midfielder Mike Feinstein praised his fellow teammates. "Chris Chamberlain stepped up and played a big game and Sommese was on fire," he said. "Spallone proved himself to be a top, legitimate Division I goalie." Brady Clouser also gave credit to his fellow players. "The defense did a good job moving the ball on the clears. As long as we beat the teams that we are supposed to, and have good showings against Top 10 teams we should be in the Top 20," said midfielder Brady Clouser, who assisted two goals for the day.

"Top 20 is within possibilities. We want to do good against Lehigh, so we will be in a good position to face Princeton. Princeton is the biggest home game we have ever had, they are the National Champions," said head coach John Espey. "If we can get our fans involved, it will be very positive for our team."



Statesman File Photo

The Pats were trounced by UNC and Duke on the road, but bounced back to beat Michigan State yesterday

Laxmen trampled in D-I pair

By Dave Fallace
Statesman Staff Writer

The lacrosse team started the season with two losses against top teams in the nation.

This past weekend the Patriots traveled down to North Carolina to play in the Nations Bank Tournament. Stony Brook's opponents were Duke University and the University of North Carolina who beat the Patriots 18-3 and 18-4.

In 1991, the Patriots met up against the then eleventh ranked Blue Devils and the then number one ranked Tar Heels. The Stony Brook team seemed ill matched against the two teams losing 17-3 to UNC and 19-2 to Duke.

Comparison of scores over the past years show that maybe the lacrosse team had not improved over the two year period.

Head coach John Espey said, "The team had to overcome a lot of adversity, a lot of the team had been sick, the snow had kept us inside, and we did not yet scout the teams."

In Saturday's game against ninth ranked Duke, James

Lacrosse

UNC: 17
Patriots: 3
Duke: 19
Patriots: 2

Sommese led the day with two goals and an assist. Lou Ventura and Brady Clouser each added a goal as well. Joe Spallone replaced Rob Serratore who was winner of the 1991 Statesman/VIP Athlete of the year Award and North Carolina's Best Opponent Award. Serratore set a 1991 record for most saves two years ago as he recorded 35 saves against National Champion North Carolina. Spallone kept a .521 save percentage quite high for someone playing the top teams in the nation. Against Duke, Spallone had 12 saves for Stony Brook.

Spallone was an incoming transfer last year from Herkimer, one of the top lacrosse junior colleges in the nation.

Junior defenseman Paul Schultes shows confidence in Spallone's goal tending abilities, "Rob Serratore will certainly be missed," he said, "But, with Joe in the net things don't look so bad."

On Sunday, the Patriots faced the third ranked North Carolina team who easily handled them. Paul Leva, Brady Clouser and Sommese each scored, and Spallone stopped 25 shots.

Stony Brook will face Lehigh University next Wednesday at 3 p.m. Defending national champion Princeton will be playing Stony Brook on the Patriot Field on Sunday, March 14 at 1:30 p.m..

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Runners place fourth, look to championships

By Robyn Sauer
Statesman Staff Writer

Stony Brook runners crossed the finish line bringing the Pats into fourth place this weekend to set them up for the upcoming championships.

After taking three years off from competing at the New York State Women's Collegiate Track and Field Championships the Patriots went into the championships with hopes of beating their third place win in 1990. The New York State Women's Collegiate Athletic Association Championships were held in Plattsburgh last Friday.

Women's Track

Julie Bonura, a NCAA qualifier, managed a 17'5" in the long jump which was not a top jump for her, but said the reason for this mediocre performance is her injured shins. But her jump earned her fourth place. Bonura then beat the defending New York State and Eastern Collegiate Athletic Association champion to win the 55 meter dash to win with a time of 7.40.

Loretta Varbero, who is another team runner with injuries in her legs, placed twice on Friday. She took sixth place with the her long jump of 16'8". With the injury she completed her second event taking sixth place in the triple jump when she jumped a height of 34'4.25".

Nicole Hafemeister ran the 1,000 meter run in 3:06.63 beating her personal best and giving her the title of the State Champion. Fourth place was earned by Delia Hopkins for the run of the 1500 meter in 4:57.33. Dara Stewart placed fourth in the 200 meter dash in a time of 27.77. Connie Morawski rallied in the pentathlon to earn 2,378 points, giving her a personal best record and an eighth place spot in the conference.

Claudia Puswald broke her own University Record with a 36'1.25" toss in the weight throwing. Shane Cook also threw herself onto a personal best milestone in the shot put with a length of 28'2.75". Danielle Modica placed

third with a jump of 5'0" in the high jump.

The 4x800 relay partners of Lalena Heske, Jennifer Wilson, Hafemeister, and Hopkins finished in third place in 10:18.6. The 4x400 relay team placed seventh in a time

of 4:34.96. This team is comprised of Marissa Forsing, Dara Stewart, Varbero, and Modica.

The Stony Brook team will competing Saturday at 9 a.m. in the ECAC Championships in Boston.

Last chance to place in conference

By Robyn Sauer
Statesman Staff Writer

Stony Brook was ran down this weekend at the Seton Hall Invitational by their opponents in their last chance to achieve a spot in the Eastern Collegiate Athletic Conference.

Men's Track

The ECAC championships take place Saturday and the Patriots will be competing in events where they have statistically done their best. The team is not worried about increasing their number of qualifications in the ECACs and although in their last meet they were not in top shape, they are confident that they have what it takes to make the conference successful.

Ken Graham ran to achieve the second fastest time in Stony Brook history. His accomplishment took place when he won the 1,000 meter run with a time of 2:32.75. The 1984 record was set with a time of 2:31. The almost record breaking score was not completely expected because the Graham was only using this to prepare the 1500 meter in the ECACs. If he accomplishes a sub-4:00 time he could get Graham into the NCAA Championships.

The team showed promise after a few runners made it to the top of the conference giving the Pats that extra push they needed, and these three team members are provisional for the ECACs. Scott Scheffer ran a 2:46.83 and Rory Manning ran a 2:47.47 in the 1,000 meter run. Jason Clark is also awaiting Thursday night when he will find out

Ken Graham ran to achieve the second fastest time in Stony Brook history. He won the 1,000-meter run with a time of 2:32.75.

if he will be running in the 3,000 meter run. All three are hoping to get into the ECACs.

John Pikramenos ran a 4:37.13 in the mile run to gear up for the 3000 meter in the ECACs. Neal Levy ran 4:52.64 in the mile and John Lyons ran the 3,000 meter in 9:27 to take ten seconds off his previous personal best.

The track team will be competing in the ECAC championships at 9 a.m. on Saturday.



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Garden Grief: *Pats lose finale in closing seconds*

By Robyn Sauer and Krista A. DeMaria
Statesman Staff Writers

The excitement of playing in Madison Square Garden fizzled after the Patriots had a disappointing loss when with seven seconds left the Old Westbury Panthers scored, after Ricky Wardally missed a shot bouncing the ball off the rim.

Over 750 Stony Brook faculty and students cheered from the third section of the Garden while the Pats and the Panthers battled to the 57-53 end. It was a first for the players and the fans to be showing off the Stony Brook hoopsters name at the garden and the cliffhanging game, that brought the record to 14-11, was decided in the last seconds.

The Pats high scorer was freshmen Ron Duckett with 19 points. Duckett also made an assist for the first score of the game at 19:42 exciting the Stony Brook crowd clustered together in a small section of the huge arena. Four points of his scores brought the fans to the edge of their seat when twice he brought the Pats to a tie score, once each period.

Wardally, who was the second highest scorer on the Pats last season, leads the team with 27 points above the rest averaging 13.7 points per game. This game he made 12 points, with all shots during the first period. The second period was not as successful for Wardally when he got two fouls and made only one assist. "We could have played better," he said. "We were the better team, but we weren't playing up to capabilities."

Junior Vernard Williams put on a show for the Patriot Posse who travelled the distance to support the team when he scored 12 points. He carried the team through the beginning of the second half making 10 points of the 23 scored by the Patriots.

The three high scorers agreed that playing in the garden was exciting, but the thrill

Men's B-ball

Old West.: 57
Patriots: 53

Pats squeak playoff bid

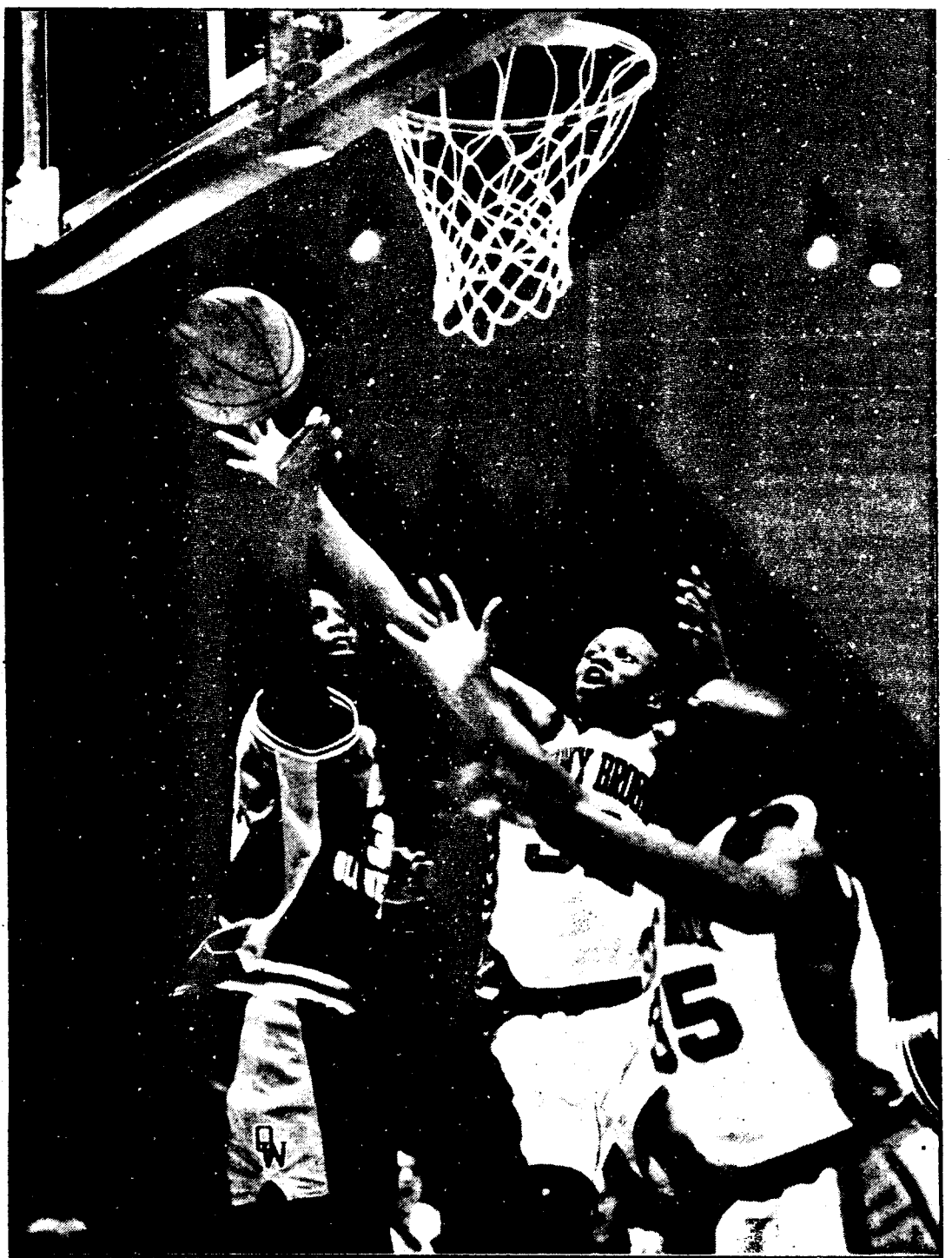
The Patriot basketball team received a fourth place bid for the Eastern Collegiate Athletic Conference playoffs.

The hoopsters started the season confident that they would make the playoffs, but as the games continued the team faced challenges. The loss of two top players handicapped the team and their fourth place spot was barely reached.

Head Coach Bernard Tomlin was forced to utilize beginner players, but the Patriots turned their luck around and reached the spot they came close to losing.

The Patriots will now host fifth place bid Medgar Evers, who have a record of 15-12, Saturday night at 7:30 p.m.. This will be the first round of the Eastern College Athletic Conference-Metropolitan NY/NJ Tournament. The winner of this match up will face the victor of the Trenton State and Baruch College game.

— Robyn Sauer



Statesman/Chris Vaccaro

Forward Vernard Williams reaches over opponents for shot Monday at the Garden.

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