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NY Takes Control



LONG ISLAND
 STATE VETERANS HOME
 Main Entrance

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The Long Island State Veterans Home located on campus will now be run by the state.

By Andrea Rubin
 Statesman Staff Writer

Control of the Long Island State Veterans home will be transferred from the State University of New York at Stony Brook to the New York State Health Department if the state legislature passes the executive budget which gives funding to the veterans center. The

home, which the university has operated since October of 1991, may be run by the health department as early as April said Deborah Schreifels, director of community relations for the home.

Last January the center, which currently houses 180 veterans and has a capacity for 360 was just fined \$8,400 for deficiencies, although the necessary corrections have already been made. "It's like a lawsuit," said Schreifels, "you have an accident and years later it's settled in court."

The fine is completely separate from the change in control over the home. "This doesn't have to do with problems," said Peter Slocum, health department spokesman. "The move is for administrative efficiency and smoothness."

According to J. Howard Oaks, university vice-presi-

dent for Health Sciences Center, the Health Department already controls the Oxford Veterans Home in Binghamton, and is constructing other homes in Batavia and Queens. "As the Health Department is already responsible for the other homes, it is logical for them to resume responsibility for this one," he said.

Officials for the university and the Health Department are working on the details. "All parties are working together for a smooth transaction," said Schreifels. The employees of the home are currently SUNY employees and after the transfer they will be civil service employees. There are over 200 workers, and both Slocum and Schreifels agree that their transition is a detail that needs to be worked out. "There may be some complications," said Slocum. "But most of the [job] titles are very close in both."

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According to Slocum, students who currently use the Veterans Home to learn about caring for the elderly and chronically ill will still be able to do so.

"The home will continue to work closely with the university to maintain and expand the educational programs that have recently begun," said Oaks.

According to Schreifels, Stony Brook students will not realize the difference when the transfer does take place. "This will have no effect on the university," she said. "The Long Island State Veterans Home budget was never part of the university budget, it was a completely separate budget."

According to Oaks veterans care will not be drastically changed. "Residents of the Long Island home will continue to receive care from staff chosen in consultation with Stony Brook," he said. Schreifels said the quality of care for the veterans should remain the same. "We're not anticipating any change."

Under the new administrators, care will also be able to be given to a greater number of patients. "There will be more beds opening up", said Slocum.

Schreifels said that more employees will be hired to take care of the patients, and the home will eventually give jobs to over 400 people in the field.

Black Giant Iguana stolen from Wagner

• A 1986 blue Nissan had its \$50 rear passenger window broken last Friday. It was parked in the South P lot and had a Superpro Kickerbox worth \$200 stolen along with a \$200 Sony AM/FM cassette player.

• The \$50 rear driver's side window was broken on a 1979 two-door Chevrolet while parked in the South P lot last Friday. A Clarion AM/FM cassette player valued at \$160 was stolen and the dashboard was damaged.

• A Street Cycle bike was discovered missing last Thursday from the Dreiser College bike room. It had

POLICE BLOTTER

Michele Walz

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.

been left chained on 12/16 and was worth \$120. There were no witnesses.

• A 10-speed bike was stolen from the Hand College bicycle room after being left chained there on 12/16. The bike, valued at \$450 was discovered missing last Thursday.

• In the Fanny Brice parking lot, a 1987 two-door Ford Escort had its driver's side mirror broken. The incident occurred last Wednesday after 7:15 a.m. and cost \$25 in damages.

• A C-1 end hall lounge window worth \$150 in Langmuir College was broken last Tuesday. There were no witnesses.

• A sports bag was stolen from a hallway on the A-1 section of Irving College last Tuesday. It was left while the resident was moving in and contained a wallet, shoes, a pair of jeans and three sweatshirts. The total value is \$180.

• Money was taken from a cash box on a vendor's table in the student union fireside lounge last Tuesday at 13:05. The vendor left for a few minutes and \$300 was discovered missing.

• Two right tires were slashed on a 1987 blue Jeep

while parked in the West Campus Physical Plant parking lot last Tuesday. The Jeep was a state vehicle and the damage was \$160.

• A 1985 Volkswagen had its front passenger vent window smashed between last Monday at 10:00 P.M. and Tuesday. It was parked in the North P lot and cost \$50.

• A 1987 Ford pickup had its passenger side vent window broken in the Schomburg Graduate Apartments last Monday. The damage is estimated to be \$50.

• The rear window was broken on a Toyota pickup last Monday. It was parked in the South P lot and had 2 MTX speakers worth \$300.

• A white Wrangler Jeep had its driver's side window broken in the Sanger College parking lot. It had been left last Monday at 7:30 p.m. and the repairs are estimated at \$150.

• A black Giant Iguana mountain bike was stolen from the Wagner College bicycle room last Monday. The seat was missing before the theft and the bike is valued at \$300.

• The front and rear passenger side windows were smashed on a 1988 Dodge van on 1/30. It was a state vehicle and was parked in the South P lot.

Correction

The editorial in the Feb. 8 issue of Statesman said the FSA is partially funded by Polity. FSA is an organization separate from Polity.

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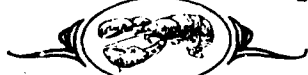
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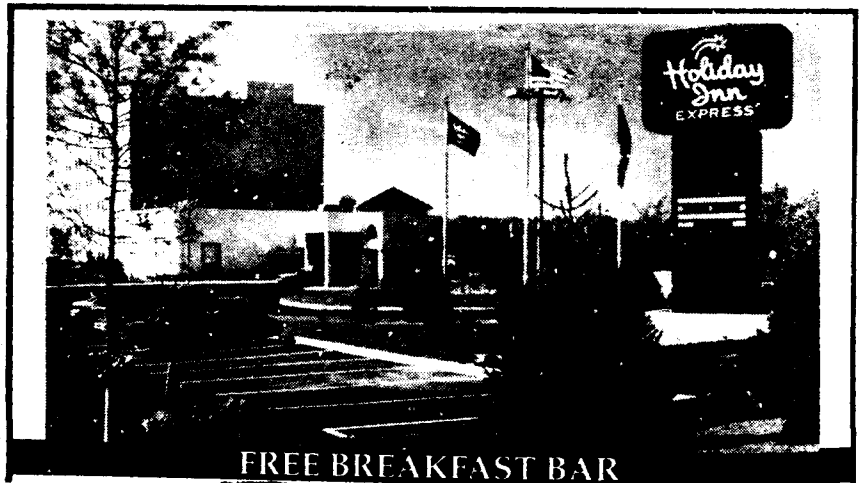
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Two new publications hit the campus

By Vincent Grasso
Statesman Associate News Editor

Two new student publications hit campus stands last week, a conservative magazine and an all-sports newspaper.

The *Patriot Sport Signal* will be a weekly newspaper, coming out on Wednesdays, said Marco Aventajado, associate editor of the all-sports paper.

The *Patriot Sport Signal* was created by Freshmen Jason Yellin and Aventajado, both former sports editors at *Statesman*.

The Stony Brook Review, a monthly political magazine was founded by Richard Cole, former commuter president and Ary Rosen-

baum, president of the College Republicans.

While neither paper is recognized officially by the university, both are seeking club status.

Cole said his paper approached Polity to be recognized, but he said, that President David Greene did not want to vote on the issue without a full executive council. Cole said that while he does not plan to petition Polity for money, he does want to be recognized as a non-profit organization with tax exempt status.

Both publications are largely funded by advertising. The *Signal* will also be receiving money from Commuter College in exchange for an insert which will serve as a commuter college newsletter.

Aventajado said that the *Signal* is presently in the process of being recognized by the Faculty Student Association. He also said that they have applied to Polity for some money. "We won't be counting on Polity for money," Aventajado said, because he would like to be mostly independent. "A little doesn't hurt," said Aventajado.

Yellin, who has also written sports for the *Three Village Herald*, said his paper, which in its first edition covered mainly Patriot sports, has gotten some personal contributions from people in the sports field whose names he didn't want to reveal.

"People have been really generous," he said.

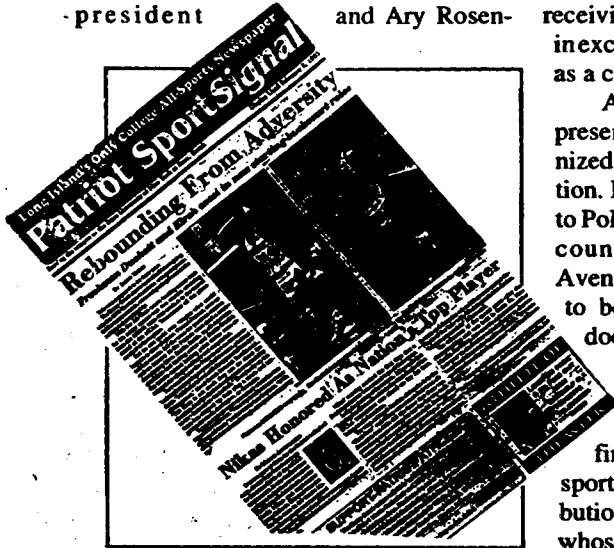
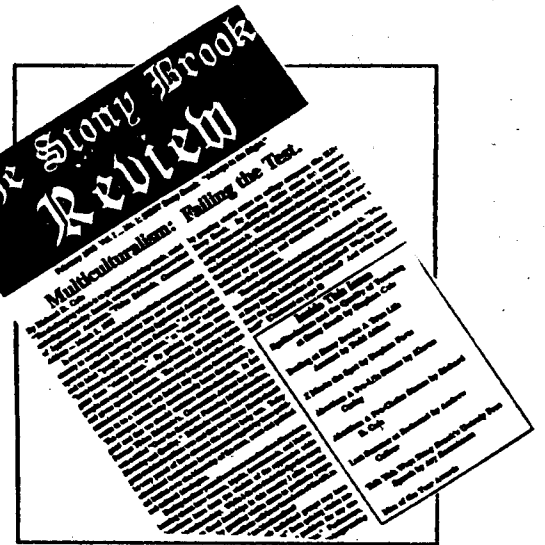
Cole and Rosenbaum used their own money and some contributions for their first edition, which was published on 8 1/2 by 11 printer paper, not newsprint like other campus newspapers. "We both lost money on the first issue," said Cole.

Cole said his paper will not be distributed like the other campus newspapers. "We use different methods," said Cole. They have been putting the magazine in some faculty members mailboxes, leaving it under the doors in some of the dorms and giving it out by hand. He said that they also have distributed some in the local businesses. "We're only going to have between 3,500 and 4,000 issues, it doesn't pay to leave them in stacks in the Union," said Cole. The first issue had 3,200 copies in its run but they hope to put out up to 4,000 issues.

The Feb. 9th issue of *The Sports Signal*, which has been left out in stacks, had a first run of 5,000 copies, said Aventajado.

Even though neither publication has any official ties to the university at this time, *The Review*, is calling itself the *Stony Brook Review*.

"Without recognition, they cannot use the university's name," said Norm Prusslin. Even without recognition, the university still has jurisdiction over the method of



distribution.

So far, reaction to each of the publications have been mostly positive.

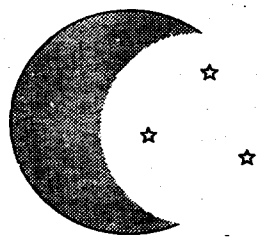
"The athletic department loves it," said Aventajado. He said he has gotten a good response from sports buffs about it.

Cole said that they would like to have a magazine like atmosphere. "We want to present both sides of the issue," Cole said. Cole said that in an educational atmosphere both sides should be represented and in most of the campus publications,

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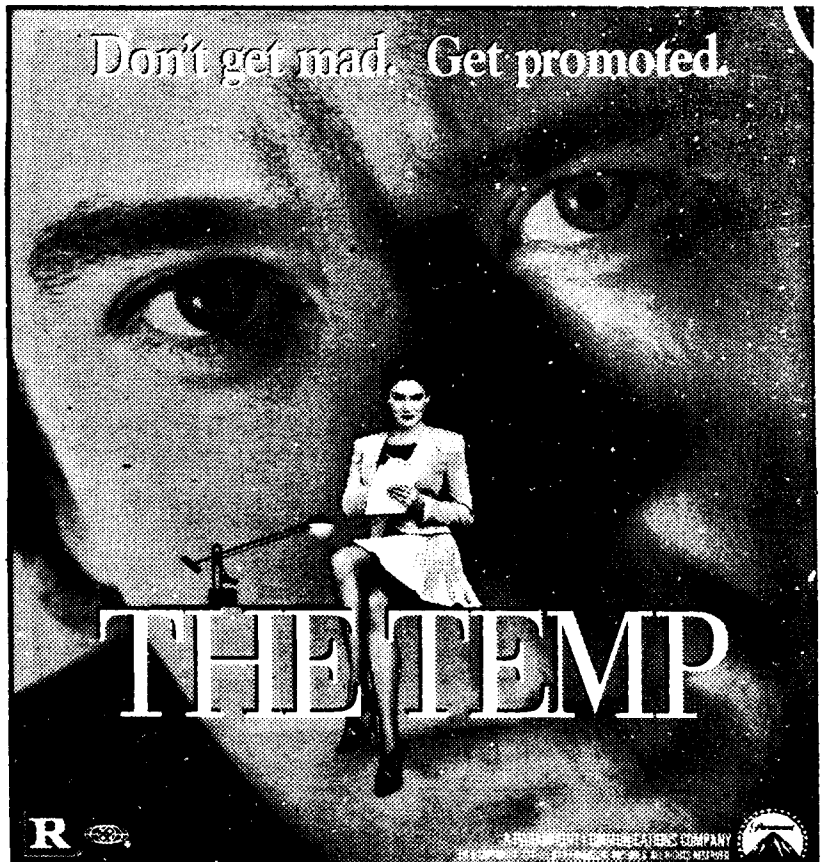
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America, Keep a Stiff Upper Lip

IT USED TO BE, AT LEAST UNTIL AS RECENTLY AS TEN years ago, that Americans possessed thick skins. Residents of major cities, such as New York, were especially stoic when looking life's vicissitudes head on. Our time was far too valuable to seek justice for trivial infractions. We wrote off isolated distasteful experiences as, at worst, minimal losses.

Today, however, many American institutions; the press, the university, and special interest groups among them, have attempted with nebulous success to repaint the portrait of the American psyche. Daily we are inundated with stories of alleged racism, brutality, rape, discrimination, and hate; all valid injustices, which wouldn't have come anywhere near the wire services some ten years ago. Hearing these stories has become so commonplace that many people find stories as such crowding more important (and original) news items off the tube or newsprint.

Could this increased attention signal a steep increase in such incidences occurring? Probably. However, I am led to believe that more and more people are being coached to report incidents of injustice, however trivial, because there is a good chance of winning financial or other restitution for the plaintiff.

Definitions of terms such as sexual misconduct, racism, homophobia, and rape have been spread so thinly over the past few years that any untoward action tangential to these terms constitutes a capital offense. It is like spitting on a sidewalk and being charged with vandalism.

One of these war words, "racism," has suffered the greatest stretch. "Racism" used to be interpreted as the willful denial of one race the same privileges as another,

and has most widely been applied within the Black community for decades. Racism now includes any critique of the ultra left-wing Black philosophy (Clarence Thomases out there excepted) even in a constructive and academic manner. This has led otherwise guiltless souls to burrow way underground when talking about issues such as the artistic worth of Ice-T's ballad "Cop Killer,"



THE EAGLE'S EYE
Adam J. Kaminsky

Leonard Jeffries's venomous attacks on the Jewish population, or denouncing the Los Angeles or Crown heights riots as barbaric and uncalled-for.

Remember when, over the holidays, a New Jersey shopping mall Santa told a black child "if you look in the mirror you will see a monkey," and how the mother of this child worked swiftly to fire this hapless old man who has been doing this for years because she and her child were offended? Nobody cared that he said this to hundreds of children of every possible hue for days if not years. But because this one person made such waves,

the facts were disregarded, and he was guilty.

Another word put on the racks is "sexism." Again, the former definition was interpreted as gender-based discrimination for one reason or another. Nowadays, pinup posters (of women only), beer or car ads featuring women, sex jokes, untoward comments or even compliments, and non-sexual touching can be considered ways in which men subjugate women. Give me a break. It has gotten so bad that many men, including myself, have become so frightened at the prospects of a lawsuit or other action that they don't want to have anything to do with the women they work with or who are otherwise in close proximity, and act so unnaturally as to become almost comical.

Listen. If one cries "wolf" too many times, one begins to lose credibility. If too many petty cases are brought to light, the more severe cases are diluted in importance and everybody loses. Turn the other cheek when confronted with opinions or language you may find offensive, or, better yet, confront the offender and ask him to change his ways out of respect for you. Should that fail after two or so attempts, then consider litigation or disciplinary action. You will find that about seventy-five percent of the time, this pro-active approach is successful, as instigators seldom realize they are offending people, and will do anything within their power to accommodate your requests. To be reactive and go to Mommy or the head of the department before taking the initiative for yourself serves to alienate the instigator who still doesn't know what he did wrong, and he will become only more surly to those around him as retribution. To draw a parallel, what do you do if you are annoyed by a cigarette smoker chuffing away beside you? Do you charge him with reckless endangerment?

I say this because I have been the victim of this artificial hypersensitivity during the previous semester. I lost a supervisory position in a prestigious campus organization as the result of my uttering words while talking to my friend which somebody found off color and offensive. Had this misguided soul taken his business to me in a civil tongue, rather than going behind my back, he would have found the results more than satisfactory.

America, are we sissies, or are we just a bunch of frustrated vindictive morons looking to topple those whose demeanor and views we find distasteful under the guise of being offended? Now the truth surfaces. The sooner we stop this, the sooner we could work toward the mutual understanding so coveted by all in this country.

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Vandalism may shut down Bridge

By Krista DeMaria
Statesman Editor-in-Chief

There has been vandalism in the men's bathroom on the second floor of the student union right outside The End of the Bridge restaurant causing administrators to discuss the possibility of closing the restaurant during the evening hours when there is alcohol served.

"We spent \$6000 repairing the bathroom last spring," said Carmen Vazquez, director of student union and activities. "Since then there has been \$4000 in damage." The damages have included sinks and cabinets ripped out of the wall.

There has been discussion about closing the Bridge and administrators from the food service, Faculty Student Association, Student Affairs, and Student Union and Activities are getting together next week to discuss the problem and come up with a solution.

"We may want to close the bar," said Vazquez. "But this has not been decided just discussed."

Dean of Students Paul Chase said that the group will be looking at other options and trying to figure out what to do next. "We can't keep spending thousands of dollars to repair a bathroom," he said. "There is the option of closing it until there is a means of dealing with it."

Vazquez said there is the possibility of adding more security to the hallway, but either way the Bridge can't continue to operate with someone acting out such vandalism. "I think people are at a threshold of intolerance," she said. "Enough is enough."

Director for Dining Services John Rainey will be at the meeting next week and said he hopes to remedy the problem because the students are the ones who will lose out if the Bridge closes down. "Obviously the cash sales with liquor wouldn't be there," he said. "But the students would be affected because the bar employs many students and there wouldn't be the service of a bar on campus for the students."

Rainey said he doesn't see the bar shutting down, but the problem has to be dealt with. "We're constantly increasing security and it continues to be an expense," he said. "We need one guy just to oversee the bathroom."

Vazquez said she doesn't want to see students punished who are not at fault and the bar will remain open for the next four nights because of sponsored events taking place.

"You have a few screwing it up for everybody," said Rainey. "I don't understand why these people are abusing property."

Suicide in Chapin Apts.

By Krista A. DeMaria
Statesman Editor-in-Chief

Campus Public Safety responded to a call in Chapin Apartments on Feb. 5 where a graduate student was found dead after a self inflicted gun shot wound to the head.

Frank V. McIlwee, a 25 year old who was to begin his second semester of graduate studies, had not been seen by his friends in a few days, according to Public Safety Spokesman Lt. Doug Little. Public safety was called because his apartment mates noticed a suspicious odor.

"He was deceased for awhile before we got there," said Little. "But we don't know the time of death because we haven't gotten back the autopsy report."

The sixth precinct is also involved,

but Lt. Girash said that he would not comment because of the nature of the incident.

According to Paul Chase, Dean of students, there was no apparent cause for the suicide. "There was no note or letter," he said. "There was no known reason for what he did."

Lisa Crist, assistant director for Chapin Apartments said she was not comfortable with the situation. "It has been a traumatic experience for his apartment mates," she said. The other people living in the apartment did not want to comment and the McIlwees family could not be reached.

"It's interesting that he hadn't been here long enough," said Chase. "People didn't know him well enough."

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Media expands to cover sports and politics

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only one side is presented. "In papers like the *Press*, *Blackworld* and *Shelanu*, you only get one side of an issue. In our magazine we want to present both sides, as we did with the abortion articles we ran," said Cole. In the magazine there are also two columns, one naming the politically correct man of the year, and another naming the No Action, Talk Only Man of the Year.

Aventajado said that in addition to simply reporting the sporting events, there will be additional features in the *Sport Signal*. "We have ProTalk and Coache's Corner, which will

allow the coaches express their views and opinions." In addition to those features, the *Signal* also has a "Turn the Clock Back" page where they look at the stories that were printed about sports in the past.

Yellin said that the sports on campus need to get more attention. He feels that there is a lack of respect for the sports. "People aren't treating athletics the way they should," said Yellin.

In the future, Yellin hopes to expand the page to include coverage of all Long Island college sports events. Cole said that he hopes that people will respond to the paper so that there will be intelligent dialog between all side on campus.

"We want to present both sides, as we did with the abortion articles we ran."

— Richard Cole
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Editorial

Have It Your Way, Stony Brook; Not Theirs

Students may not believe this, but their purchasing habits affect many a business in this area in a very direct manner. Students as a block possess the greatest buying power because a huge percentage of their income is disposable. True, as individuals, the students are always "broke," but think about this. Over five thousand students reside on campus without directly paying utility or food bills, nor do they have to pay rent or mortgage on a consistent basis. In addition, a fair percentage of those residing off campus make arrangements to share expenses, thereby freeing vast sums of money to be spent.

Merchants are acutely aware of this and therefore intensively market to our whims. Those Chinese food and pizza menus so ubiquitous around the residence halls are not there because these merchants love us as students. They see us as dollar signs, so they go out of their way to keep us happy.

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The key to this dynamic market is competition. The students are aware of their ability to determine a business's success, and should demand that their loyalty not be taken for granted. The students and those businesses which are most responsive to their needs have all to win. We shouldn't have to subsidize or consider those businesses which expect our patronage as a right.

The latest move involves the owner of the Burger King on Route 347 not accepting the fact that a

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These businesses should be allowed to voice these concerns, but isn't their responsibility to adapt to changing times if they are to survive? Surely they don't expect the students to lap up whatever is set in front of them without protest, or do they?

Students should flex their economic muscle in this matter. Service is bound to improve, delivery times for take out food will decrease, and quality will climb, should we allow more competition. Those businesses which show the best marketing and service will be generously rewarded. Those which don't show the quality and value the students demand don't deserve our loyalty, and should either adapt, or find another market.

Opinion

Give Our Police the Tools of Their Trade

By Eric Stein

YOU'VE JUST LEFT THE UNION WHEN A man coming from the other direction pulls a gun on you. He calmly demands your wallet and all your money. Isn't it a good thing that campus police are just inside the Union? Somebody is bound to see the holdup, and it'll be the boys in blue to the rescue! Taking as much time as you can, you sluggishly pull your wallet from a pocket and hand it to the man. He laughs, then turns and calmly walks away. Where's that cop? Inside the Union, watching the whole thing, unable to do anything.

You see, our campus police force does not carry firearms. Therefore, campus police may not respond to any situation where a weapon is involved. Not one. If they do so, they are in violation of local laws and can be prosecuted. Procedure demands that campus police call in the Suffolk County police, who carry guns. The last time that the County police were needed (responding to a reported shooting), they took twenty-three minutes to get to the campus. I don't find this very reassuring. Too much can happen in twenty-three minutes.

You're walking in the Greeley parking lot late at night. All of a sudden you hear a loud bang, and your left leg gives out. You're kicked several times. Hands push into your pockets searching for valuables. You get kicked in the head and pass out. Meanwhile, the shots have awakened

somebody. This good Samaritan calls the campus police, then goes to his window to wait for the sirens and lights. Unable to respond, the campus police calls in the County police. Because it is a slow night, they arrive on the scene in a mere fifteen minutes. The ambulance comes roaring into the lot three minutes later, once the County police have determined it is safe. Unfortunately, you've already lost too much blood, because the bullet hit a major artery. Sorry, but you are dead.

Although this situation is theoretical, it could easily happen tonight. A man was recently shot in the infirmary parking lot [Statesman, Nov. 5, 1992]. The County police took twenty-three minutes to respond. Campus police could have arrived in less than five minutes, and would have been able to call in an ambulance much sooner. Had the man's wounds been any more serious, the eighteen minute difference in response time could have meant the difference between life and death.

the campus police are trained just as hard and for just as long as the Suffolk County police are trained. The only difference is that our police don't carry guns. the campus police themselves are eager to be armed. "We're cops that can't adequately protect our campus," campus police spokesman Doug Little said. "We are qualified...All we are asking is to be able to adequately serve...If you just want security officers, so be it." [Statesman, Nov. 5, 1992].

I think it's a safe assumption that most people who engage in gratuitous violence carry the tools of their trade. Even when

responding to a call which does not include a weapon, campus police must back off as soon as their quarry pulls a weapon, be it a knife or a gun. They must then call the County police, wait for their arrival, and point them in the right direction. Plenty of time for any criminal to get away. Indeed, in the Statesman Police blotter (Nov. 5, 1992), a man was reported carrying a "one way" street sign. If the police found him, and he pulled a screwdriver on them, he would be probably be classified as 'armed' and campus police would have to call the County police for backup before proceeding with a pursuit or arrest.

Webster's Dictionary defines "police" as "a body of civil officers...organized...to maintain order and enforce law." According to their own spokesman, our campus police are unable to adequately perform the duties they have been hired for. I ask you—what good are they? What are we paying them for? To keep an office in the Union? To give us the impression that we are being protected? It seems to me that if the campus police cannot effectively fulfill their obligation to protect the student body, some action must be taken to ensure safety. But what to do? Well, we have two choices. We can either: a) fire them all and rely on the County police, or b) arm them so that they can become an effective peacekeeping force.

The solution is obvious. Relying on County police is absurd. They cannot be counted on to arrive in time to do anything more than pick up the pieces. We must arm our campus police to make them an effective body.

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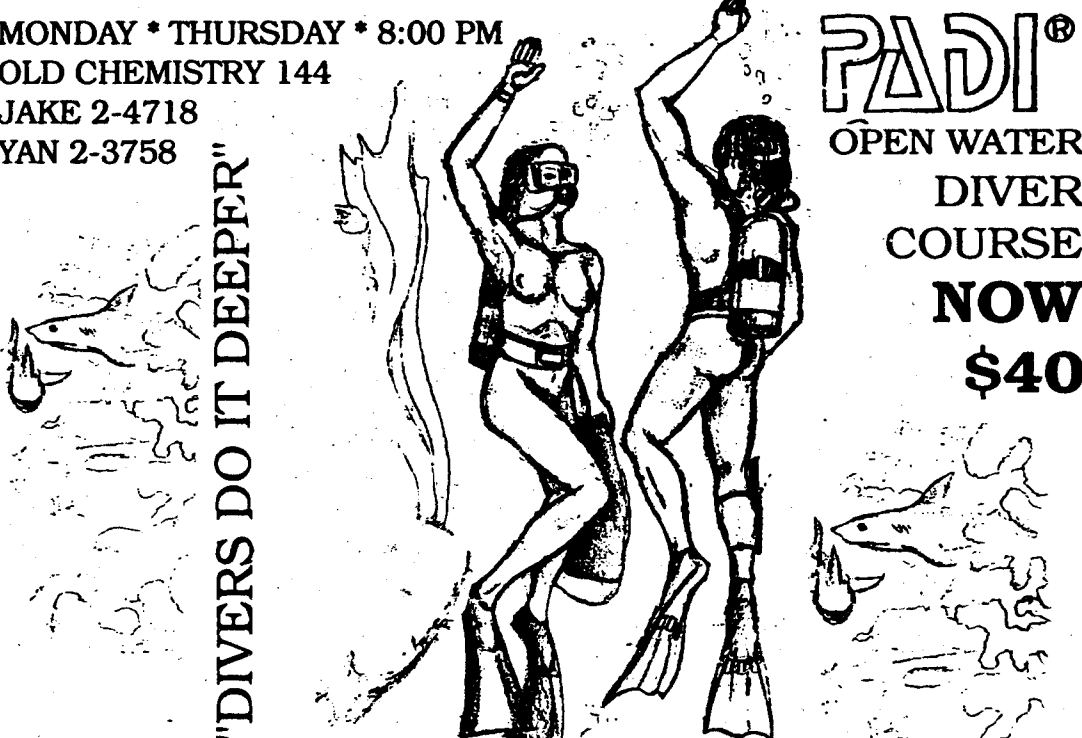
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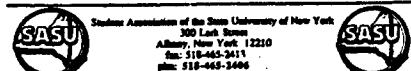
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Tupaj leads track to PAC championship

By Mark Peterson
Special to Statesman

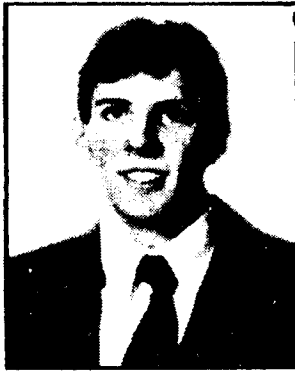
Sophomore Dan Tupaj had a busy weekend with the men's indoor track and field team. Friday night, Tupaj competed in the Milrose Games at Madison Square Garden finishing fourth in the 4x800 meter relay. He ran the fastest split for Patriots at 1:58, which was also a personal best. On Sunday, Tupaj led Stony Brook to a first place finish in the Public Athletic Conference (PAC) Championships, winning the 1500 meter race with a personal best time of 4:07.59, just .23 seconds shy of a Sports Complex record. He also ran the fastest split (51.8 seconds) for Stony Brook's 4x400 meter relay team.

"In the 1500 meter race, we just told Dan to leech onto everybody and then take off at the end. That's what he did," said Stony Brook head coach Steve Borbet. "He has so much more in him though. He's really

starting to run with confidence."

"I held back until the end of the race and then I just kicked it in," said Tupaj. "But I wasn't really pushed by those guys. We should have went out faster, then I probably would have broken the record."

In the beginning of the winter season, it didn't look like Tupaj would be breaking any indoor track records. As an All-League basketball player at Commack High School, he originally tried out



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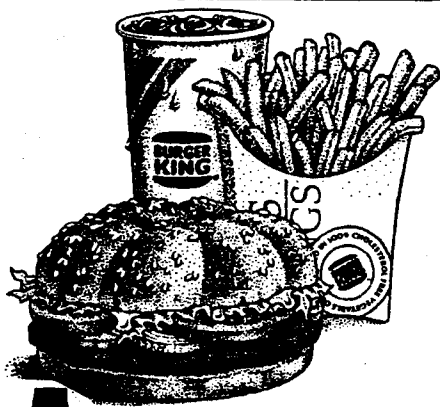
Athlete Dan Tupaj

for and made the men's basketball team. But it wasn't too long before he headed back to the track.

"I really didn't think I was going to play," admitted Tupaj. "I just figured it would be more fun out here then sitting on the bench."

Tupaj also had the chance to compete at Madison Square Garden, an opportunity he passed on when he left the basketball team, which will play Old Westbury at MSG on March 1st. He ran a personal best in the men's 4x800 in the Milrose games on Friday night. "I think that was the most anticipated race I've ever had. I was really nervous," said Tupaj. "It was definitely a great experience."

Tupaj's goal this season was to make the nationals, something Coach Borbet sees as a definite possibility following Sunday's 1500 meter race. "He has been improving every race," said Borbet. "If he keeps running races like that one, look out."



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Runners place in Division III

By Robyn Sauer and Pat Riegger
Statesman Staff Writers

At the Milrose Games at Madison Square Garden which took place on Friday, the men's 4x800 team placed fourth in Division III with a time of 8:06.1. This team included Ken Graham, Jason Clark, Dan Tupaj, and Victor Rugg. The first place team of Jerry Canada, Roger Gill, Chris Paul, and Courtney O'Malley achieved this position in the 4x400 in a time of 3:27.85. Yariv Pomeranz also placed highly in the men's 1 mile walk in 6:57.

Men's Track

running like this and continues to run low times, said assistant coach Nick Cifuni, "He can qualify for nationals." Gill came in second in the 400 meters in 50:16 and qualified for nationals then he came out in the 200 meters and placed 3rd with a time of 22.85. In the men's 1500 walk Pomeranz in 6:21.74 to win this event. With this time Pomeranz set a new field record. In the men's 3000 Victor Rugg won it in 9:06 and qualified for the ECAC's.

The Patriot's won by a large of 143 to the second place finishers King Point's 98 points and 96 point Farmingdale, who were the defending PAC champions. "It was important to win this meet," captain Patrick Riegger, "The competition was easy and there was no way that we were going to let Farmingdale defend their title."

Michael Peterson captured first place in the pole vault with a 12 foot vault. Contributing 32 of the 143 points that Stony Brook earned with a third place finish in the triple jump and four third place finishes were Jeff Vitale. Vitale's third place finishes were in the long jump, pole vault, high jump, and 55 meter high hurdle.



Statesman/Chris Vacirca
Race walking winner Yariv Pomeranz

Stony Brook gets hunted down

By Robyn Sauer
Statesman Staff Writer

The men's basketball team had a disappointing loss to Hunter College on Monday night when the final score was 88-60, bringing the Patriots record to 10-9 overall and 3-3 in the Skyline Conference.

The team was almost destined for defeat when at the half USB was losing by the score 36-19. Senior Ricky Wardally, who was the top Patriot rebounder and second only to Emeka Smith in scoring last year, scored a team high of 22 points in Monday's game. Wardally, last year, also won, as a forward, Skyline Conference honors. Vernard Williams also receives much credit for points scored against Hunter with his 15.

Men's B-ball

Hunter who is believed to be the best team in the region, "Just played better," said Head Coach Bernard Tomlin. "They had a stronger front line," he said. "They were just all around the basket." Stony Brook was tied with both Hunter and New Jersey Tech for first place. After the Pats meet up with New Jersey Tech this week it will be easier to see exactly where Stony Brook rates in the conference. Stony Brook won their first game against New Jersey Tech and must play their best and keep in good spirits.

Unfortunately, it looks like injured center Michel Lamine, a junior from West Africa, will not be returning to play this season. Last year, Lamine lead the Patriots in blocked shots with a total of 40. Lamine also was part of the National Championship Team in his home country. Tomlin said that Lamine being out of play has had its effects on the overall game outcomes. "He'll probably be out for the season," said Tomlin. This team has had their all time high scoring player and team leader in steals forced off the team half through the season and now incapacitation of another. Although all of this has had its effects on the team they are coming out nicely. "No team anywhere could loose as many players as us," said Tomlin. "And still come out with the same level of competitiveness."

First place finish at championship

The PAC meet is won by a landslide



Statesman/Chris Vacirca
55 meter dash winner Julie Bonura

By Robyn Sauer
Statesman Staff Writer

The women's team took first place in the PAC championship, which was held in the Indoor Sports Complex this past Saturday, with a high 158 points. Coming in a far second place with 76 points was Kings Point. St. Francis finished in third place with 63 points.

Women's Track

Patriots: 158
Kings Point: 76

Julie Bonura, a freshman, lead the team by winning three first place titles. Bonura ran the 200 meter run in 26.49 seconds and jumped a length of 5.41 meters in the long jump. Her other first place

finish was in the 55 meter dash in a time of 7.32 seconds. This time also broke her own school record of 7.33 which she had established January 26, 1993 at the Yale Invitational at New Haven Connecticut.

Nicole Hafemeister took first place in the 1500 meter run with a time of 5:02.03. With a time of 5:04.65 Delia Hopkins came in a second to Hafemeister. Both of these women athletes are now qualified for the ECAC championships that are held in Lewiston, Maine this coming March. Winning the triple jump with a 10.65 jump was Loretta Varbero. Danielle Modica in the high jump also won first place.

The Patriots' track team will now move on to the Wesleyan Invite this next Saturday at 11 AM in Middletown, Connecticut.

PATRIOT ACTION THIS WEEK

Home games in **SMALLCAPS**

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