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Vietnam Forum Polarizes Views of the War

By Keith H. Ebenholtz

General William Westmoreland and Economics Professor Michael Zweig addressed a crowd of several hundred students, Vietnam war veterans, and area residents at the Fine Arts Center Tuesday night, in a lecture series of the new anthropology department course on the Vietnam War.

Zweig, a founder of the Students For A Democratic Society, (a large 1960s activist group), and of the Union For Radical Political Views of Economics, spoke first.

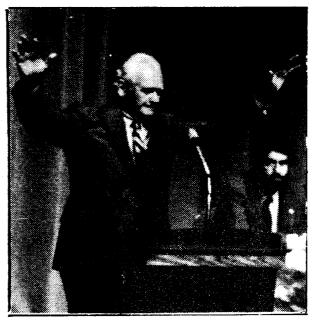
"War is merely a continuation of politics by other means," Zweig said. "Politics is concentrated economics, and ... political differences often reflect economic differences." After urging the audience to check out the facts on Vietnam for themselves, Zweig offered an economic analysis of the war.

"In 1945," he said. "The U.S. emerged as a major economic and political force, dominant over our war-time allies, the French and the British among others. Many colonial holdings were up for the graps at that time. Vietnam was one such holding, and the U.S. had an opportunity to bring this particular 'colony' into its own orbit. Many economic motives underlain this U.S. desire for Vietnam territory." Zweig also entered quotations from National Security Council reports, papers of the ambassador to Vietnam during the war and other documents implying that the U.S. aggressions in Vietnam were highly motivated by imperialistic economic motives.

Zweig said that "the U.S. was not willing to accept the economic consequences of Ho Chi Minh winning popular election there. The U.S. acted as a colonizing power by holding Vietnam." He continued, "our way of dealing with countries when we don't like the way they run there government is to send the troops in." He sighted the Marines' 21 year occupation of Nicaragua from 1912-1931 as the first of many examples.

At the end of his 45 minute talk, Zweig met with some stares of disbelief from the second row (filled primarily with veterans in three-piece suits) as well as widespread applause and a partial standing ovation.

Westmoreland's address was prefaced by a 10 minute

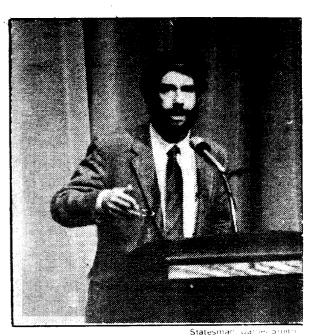


General William Westmoreland

background on his numerous military exploits as presented by his companion Tony Bliss. Bliss also directed a startling and solomn four-man color guard, complete with rifles, the national anthem. He also read serveral letters from Westmoreland admirers as a primer for the general's appearance.

Westmoreland began his address to the "Sunny Brook" campus, as he called it, with an array of quotes from presidents Eisenhower and Kennedy among other notables. The main theme of the general's speech involved the question: "what should we have done to win the war?"

"The war," Westmoreland said, was "activated by conern over unchecked communist movements into insecure and unstable areas. After World War II it became very evident that the Soviets were going to grab as much and control as



Michael Zweig

many people as they could."

Westmoreland said that in 1947, President Harry Truman created a national policy that pledged the U.S. to the unconditional support of free people's attempts to avoid subjugation by minorities or outside oppressors. That was the essence of the Truman Dotrine. This, Westmoreland said, "was our first benchmark along our unwilling and precarious route [to Vietnam]."

Westmoreland said much about why the U.S. did not win the war. He said our mistaken conception of the people of Vietnam as a homogenous society; President Kennedy's original fear of political repercussion from a U.S. withdrawal; the fact that we no longer had a monopoly on nuclear

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Stage XII: New Carpets, Leaky Showers



Missing ceiling tiles are common in Stage XII shower stalls.

By Mitchell Horowitz

New carpeting, new furniture, fresh paint jobs, sparkling new lounges and dirty water leaking from the ceilings of the showers.

Stage XII residents, who returned from the summer-to newly renovated dorms, have been complaining that, although things look nice on the surface, the quad is plagued by unhygienic shower problems.

In most of the first and second floor residence wings of the quad, water from showers on the floor above leaks through to the showers below. As a result, the tiles above most of the shower stalls rusted and, for safety reasins, were removed; water now flows freely through

the ceiling.

"It has been going on like this for three years, and there has been absolutely no change, in fact it got worse this year," said Ali Moazen, a resident of B college.

A repair of the plumbing has been on request to SUNY Central for over two years, said Stage XII Quad Director Les Johnson. Johnson said a SUNY Central team is touring the campus residence halls this week, and he said he hoped that might help put the problem in a greater light.

In several shower stalls throughout the quad, the ceilings have been completely removed because of the rusty tiles, leaving only bare pipes. Most first and second floor stalls in the quad have at least some tiles missing from the ceiling. After showers on the above floors are turned on, it takes about two minutes before a steady stream of water starts to drip through to the shower below.

In one building, students wedged a dresser drawer in place above their shower to prevent the dirty water from falling on them while they bathe.

"It has been a chronic problem," said Karen Krusell, assistant for operations in the Office of Residence Life. The repair request is ranked fifth in priority on a list of 22 Capital Rehabilitation Projects submitted to SUNY Central, she said. The problem is listed under the catagory of "preservation," which usually denotes matainance problems of the severest type, she said. Preceeding the showers on the list is repairs for roofs in certain quads, replacement of bathroom walls and new bathroom fan motors.

Johnson said that stopping the leaks may require a drainage, ventilation, and plumbing overhaul that might cost about \$400,000. It cannot be predicted when the repairs will occur, he said. "There were defects in the design when they built the building years ago," he said.

Over the summer, three of the buildings in the quadreceived \$70,000 each for the new furniture and carpeting, Johnson said. Dorm cooking was banned in two of the buildings, justifying the renovations, and Keller (B) College is housing the new International College program.

"Before I left [for the summer] I heard there was a lot of money allocated for the buildings," said B resident Isaiah Brown. "I was told that everything was going to be repaired."

The budget lines for repairs and for improvements, however, are separate. "It's very difficult to understand the different kinds of budgets," Krusell said, "when you are a resident student and you're taking a shower with dirty water on you."

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Late Night Study Area Moved to Lec Halls

By Denise Dalonzo

The All Night Study Lounge, which once gave students the opportunity to study after library hours ended, has been relocated to Javits Lecture Center.

The lecture center will now function as a study center for independent and group study from 10 p.m. to 2 a.m. from Sunday to Friday and on Saturday from 6 p.m. to 2 a.m. The hours of the old study lounge, however, stretched until 4 a.m.

There will be rooms available for study and the second floor areas will be used for group study only, on a reserved basis. Reservations are to be made with the building manager of the lecture center.

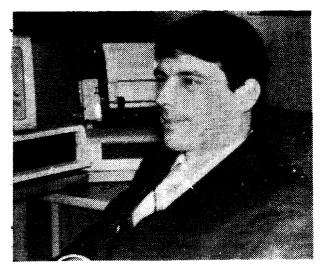
This shift is a result of a study that was done by the Public Policy Workshop of Harriman College, directed by Robert Francis, vice president of Campus Operations. The workshop focused on how and where students study. After some research that was done in the spring of 1985, the group claimed that on campus a more centralized study environment was needed. Francis said this new arrangement was "a response to a student need and it emphasizes the serious student.'

This new program, however, contains some difficulties. The hours of this new addition on campus conflicts with the hours that the Committee of Cinematic Arts (COCA) show

"The movies can be heard in the rooms which are avialable for studying and there are many people roaming the halls while the movies are in progress. This is no place where a student can study confortably, the seats are hard and the lighting is too dim to read," said Darlene Kane, chairperson

Kane also said that with students freely using the building there will be a high risk of vandelism. "With this new study lounge there will be problems with security," she said.

As for where the Study Lounge used to be, which is downstairs in the library, John Smith, director of the library, said he plans to utilize the space for a staff lounge and a



Robert Francis

Medical Scale Is Donated to Burn Center

By Mark LaRochelle

The Firefighters' Fund Steering Committee has donated a special scale to the University Hospital's Burn Center that will allow the weighing of a burn victim without the causing the extreme pain of handling or movement.

University Hospital opened the regional Burn Center for Suffolk County in last January. The 110 volunteer fire departments of Suffolk County, together with paramedics, physicians, nurses, and community leaders, had established the Firefighters' Fund Steering Committee, chaired by Harry S. Soroff, head of the hospital's Department of Surgery. The Steering Committee seeks to raise funds to upgrade care at the Burn Center and to educate the public about burn

The scale was funded out of \$5000 raised by a celebrity softball game this summer between the New York Islanders and a charity team known as the Hollywood All-Stars. The game was co-sponsored by the Adam Walsh Child Resourse Center, and organized by actor Paul Regina, who starred in the TV docudrama "Adam". based on the disappearance in 1980 of Long Island youngster Adam Walsh.

The scale marks the Steering Committee's first major contribution to the hospital; but already the commmittee is planning its next fund-raiser: a 1950's concert at Bald Hill Cultural Park next summer. The committee hopes to fund skin bank research, to grow skin grafts for burn victims, following the research of Soroff and Lorne Taichman of the Department of Oral Biology and Pathology. In addition, the committee hopes to purchase TV's for the burn victims' Rydrobath unit, together with a VCR and Disney tapes for children in the burn ward

Dean of Continuing Education Appointed

By Mary Lou Lang

Paul Edelson, previously an assistant professor at the Smithsonian Institute, has been appointed the dean of Continuing Education at Stony Brook.

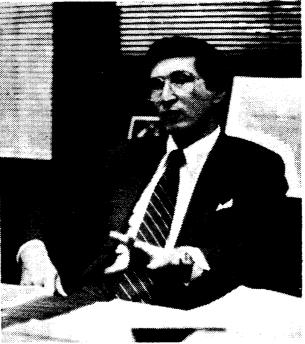
'We are obviously pleased to have someone with Paul Edelson's credentials come to Stony Brook," University President John Marburger said. "His years of experience in administering adult education programs should be invaluable.

For the past 14 years Edelson has been involved in continueing education. Under his supervision, the Smithsonian Institution's continuing education program received nationwide recognition. Prior to his position at the Smithsonian, Edelson was the assistant coordinator of extension programs at New York City Technical College.

Edelson said that Stony Brook's continuing education program is a "very good program. My predecessors have done an excellent job ... I feel that Stony Brook is a place of achievement, enthusiasm and resourcefulness. I feel at

Edelson said he wants to make the Center for Continuing Education (CED) an important part of the university to afford opportunities to adults and the surrounding communities.

The CED program seeks to meet the needs of adult students who can only take classes part-time. Edelson wants to



Paul Edelson Statesman Daniel Smith

make all the university's academic resources available to these students. He said he would like the CED program to be a resource center and a center of expertise in dealing with

Edelson said he plans to expand the CED by strengthening the master of arts in Liberal Studies Program, developing a wider range of credit certificate programs, developing more non-credit programs, and also by developing "a broad array of sophisticated non-credit intellectually challenging outreach programs in the arts, sciences and humanities drawing upon the rich academic resources of Stony Brook."

Edelson said that many adult students are involved in the CED program purely for the sake of learning. By developing more non-credit programs, these students will be able to expand their knowledge without the pressures involved in credit programs, he said. These non-credit programs, according to Edelson, create an intellectual exchange between the student and the teacher. A teacher can lecture to a class knowing the students are present because of their love of learning. This gratifies the teacher and the student, Edelson said.

"My door is open, I hope that the university community will let me know what they think, that they will communicate with me on what they would like to see happen," Edelson said. "I will value their ideas. I want the CED program to be a dynamic and important part of Stony Brook."

International Studies Program Lifts Off

By Evelyn A. Khan

ing on. This semester saw the new Interdisciplinary Minor in International Studies become a reality with students already actively participating in the program

Prerequisties for acceptance to the program are residence in Keller International College, and sophomore standing. Students living off campus cannot participate in the program because the curriculum was developed specifically as a residential minor and lends itself in every way to the residential student, according to David Hicks, the program's coordinator.

Since all participating students must live

in Keller College they have the opportunity Last semester a minor in international stuan idea faculty and staff were work- establishing a certain camaraderie which their mutual intellectual interest would feed

> Hicks said that a close association between faculty and students is being encouraged and students of Keller College should utilize the mentoring system, open to them alone. The program is strictly supervised by Hicks although students have many choices with regards to regions they choose to study and subject matter.

> Students may select a region in Europe, Asia, Africa, or Latin America for specialization and subject matter may focus on such diverse issues as political and population

problems, with issues ranging from Islam to genocide.

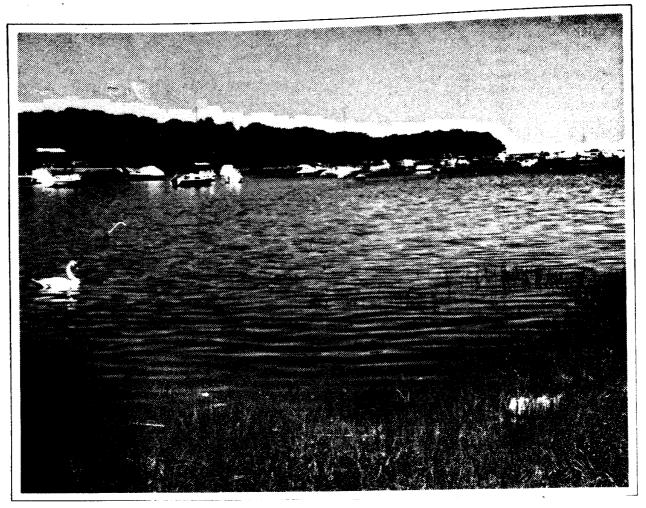
demic and intellectual interest in the world. It can be especially beneficial to a student whose major is engineering or chemistry and yet needs to be aware of the changing political situation in, say, Latin America, Hicks

Students have the choice and are emphatically encouraged to take advantage of a semester of study abroad, Hicks said.

Any student interested in applying for acceptance information should contact Hicks at Keller International College, at 246-



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New Birth Control Methods at U Hospital

By Richie Narvaez

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E. Hakim Elahi, new medical director of ambulatory care for the hospital's Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology, said "simple procedures," such as laparoscopy and minilaparotomy, are done at the hospital.

"The public should know that I.U.D.s [intrauterine devices] have been taken off the market. We want to bring to their attention that women have an alternative that is cheap, available and safe," Elahi said.

Elahi said that men and women often choose sterilization because either their family has reached a comfortable size, they can no longer financially or emotionally support more children, they no longer wish to worry about birth control, or they should not have children for health reasons.

"Women over the age of 40 cannot use the pill; women over 35 who smoke or have diabetes or for some reason, medically, should not should not have children; those who prefer not to use the barrier method—foam, condoms, diaphragms; these women have a limited choice. Their only choice

would be operations such as these," he said.

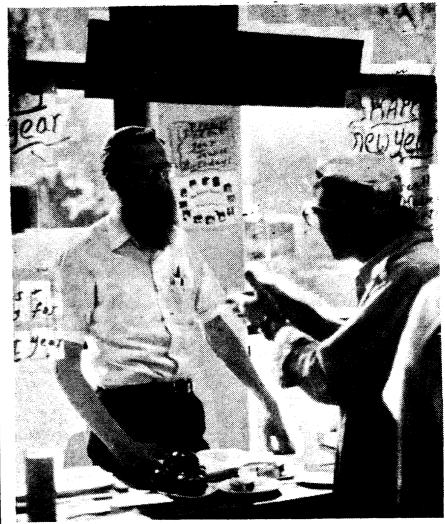
In laparoscopy, a slender, lighted tube is inserted through the navel under general anesthesia. The Fallopian tubes are clamped, then "burned" with an electric charge. The resulting coagulation blocks the tubes. "A small band-aid would cover the incision after the procedure," Elahi said.

A mini-laparotomy is performed on women who do not want general aneasthesia or an incision in their navel. The Fallopian tubes are reached through an incision in the abdomen, about one inch from the hairline, and then cut.

Elahi said there are "relatively no risks" in either operation. The procedures are performed in the hospital's Ambulatory Surgery Center without need of overnight hospitalization. Both procedures are reversible, but, Elahi said, "We cannot guarantee pregnancy ... some damage to the tubes is possible."

Both operations can be performed by any gynecologist at any hospital, except where religion does not permit it.

Elahi is also medical director of the Margaret Sanger Center for Planned Prenthood in New York City. Besides private practice, he has been a clinical assistant professor of obstetrics and gynecology at Cornell University

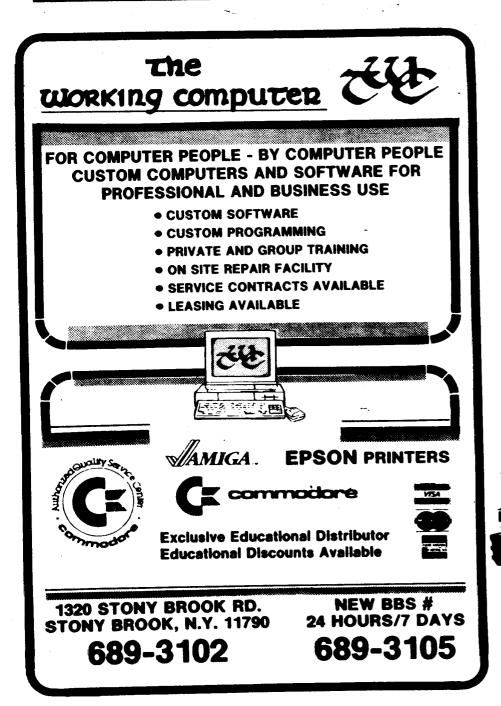


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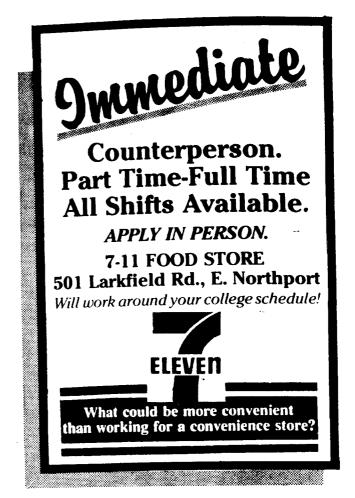
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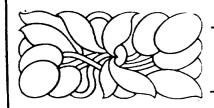
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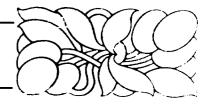
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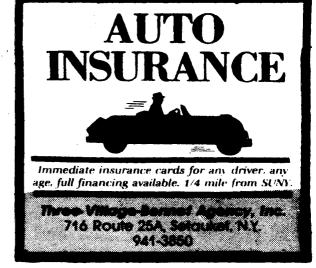
weapons; the failure of the Geneva accords to keep the peace along the 800 mile Vietnam/Laos-Cambodia border; the lack of popular support for the war in America; incorrect press reports that certain battles ere lost when they were not, and media reports that were generally speaking "not in the interest of victory" all contributed to the loss of the war. Along with this included the press' assumption that President Johnson's failure to run for a second term was due to losses in the war rather than his failing health, which Westmoreland asserted was the true reason. Most of all he said, the U.S. had a lack of information about the enemy.

During the question and answer period following both speeches, Zweig said that "there was knowledge at every step, that our actions contradicted our information. It was known that our actions were against peace and the State Department's knowledge." Zweig said. "Lies are the history

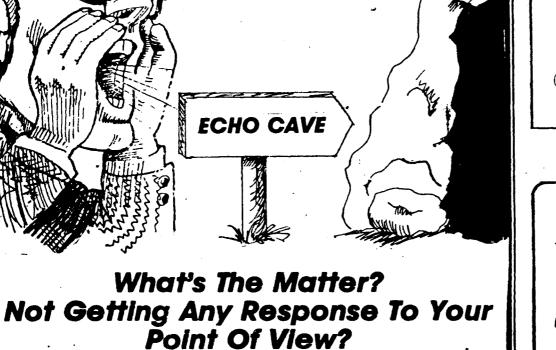
of American intervention in Vietnam and many other places."

The question and answer session following the talks was dominated by Westmoreland and the Vietnam vets in attendance. When an anti-war protestor displaying the scars on his forehead from police beatings in the 1960's was able to speak out, Westmoreland pointed his finger at the individual and demanded to hear a question. Another incident involved a second former protestor who was interrupted by a large man in army fatigues who upset the podium as he pushed his way past the questioning student.

Westomoreland said that his only regret about the whole situation in Vietnam was the official use of terms such as "body count" instead of "estimate of enemy casualties." The general seemed to avoid the few questions that students were able to ask, and he elaborated considerably on the majority of questions, which were asked by the vets in attendance.







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-Editorials The 'Impossible' Error Became Possible

Due to a grave oversight in Statesman's editing process, an editorial entitled "Students Should Distribute Activity Money" found its way onto the pages of Monday's issue; it should not have appeared there.

That piece, which does not represent the views or opinions of the editorial board, was mistakenly printed in the paper as an editorial. It was written by a designee whose views did not correspond to those of the Statesman editorial board. Through a fluke it passed through the editing chain, which was severely weakened that night due to short-, staffing resulting from the holiday weekend.

Several people feel they were unfairly harmed

by the publishing of those opinions as an editorial. To those people, we offer our apologies. It was purely our own error that allowed the piece to appear as a Statesman editorial.

There were factual errors in the piece that should be corrected. The piece stated that the student activity fee is \$110 a semester; actually the fee is \$110 a year. Also, it spoke of Polity raising the activity fee without mentioning that only a student-supported referendum can raise the activity fee.

The editorial policy at Statesman, as at most

other newspapers, states that the editorial shall represent the majority view of the board of editors. A designee of that board is chosen to write the piece. The final responsibilty for the editorial rests with the paper's executive editors. We accept the blame for the appearance of this piece. However we also remove Statesman from affiliation with the opinions, ideas, and terms that appeared in the

This is not a retraction, as we cannot retract views that do not belong to Statesman. It was a mistake unique to the paper's history and one that we shall recall acutely during the future operations of our editorial system.

Superpower Self-Pity Comes to Town

General William Westmoreland's visit to the Fine Arts Center on Tuesday night offered a unique opportunity for observation of the operation of American military attitude. Unfortunately, many present seemed more interested in the rationalization of meaningless death and the display of selfserving patriotism.

Vietnam is not a subject that should evoke patriotism in any American. Patriotism is pride in one's community and country; the people of this country have nothing to be proud of when they look back to the colonial greed, righteousness, and irresponsible use of power that lead to so many deaths. There is no justification for what happened, and only a keen awareness of this fact can save us from echoing that mistake.

At the root of the mistake is a problem that may hold the human race back forever, if not bring about its destruction militarism. People should no longer be so accepting of murder as a solution to their problems. In the name of "fighting terrorism," ("terrorism" being a term which has yet to be defined by the U.S. government) President Reagan has led us on crusades around the globe which have caused much suffering and brought us no closer to peace or even to Reagan's ultimate goal of stopping communism. Death will not be solved by more death, as we should have learned in Vietnam. Unfortunately, halting death is often a presidential administration's lowest priority.

America's reaction to Vietnam has slowly mutated from disgrace and disgust to prideful indignation. The country indulges itself in superpower self-pity for not having "done things right." Few people question whether we were simply wrong to be there in the first place. People like General Westmoreland continue to talk about about 'factors' that "militate" in such situations, and everyone listens, believing without really understanding. The reality of the thousands of dead Americans and Vietnamese never even enters the scene.

Professor Michael Zweig, who also spoke on Tuesday night, addressed the issue correctly when he asserted that economic interests were the major force behind American involvement in Vietnam. But economic interests must be protected only by peaceful means. Someday the megacorporations of the world will realize that destruction and murder only provides a temporary fix. This lesson has been taught in southeast Asia and South America, and is still being taught in Central America and Africa. Though perhaps not as profitable as suppression and exploitation, detente and peace is the only stable foundation for economic growth.

Yet the American obsession with violent "solutions" lumbers on. In the July 1986 issue of Eagle magazine, nestled among the ads for "automatic" knives ("Sold in legal kit form") and manuals for constructing "homemade explosives", is advertised a tee-shirt bearing the slogan "Hey Moscow ... Up Yours!!!" Emblazoned on the front of the shirt is a silk-screen print of an MX missle homing in on the Kremlin. This romanticism of mass destruction is typical of the apathetic American disrespect for human life

This disrespect was exhibited by General Westmoreland on Tuesday night, when he was asked what he would do differently if he could return to the Vietnam era. His response was twofold he said that he would have used the term "estimate of the casualties" rather than "body count," and "finding enemy, fixing, and fighting" instead of "search and destroy missions." His ability to change lives into jargon hasn't lost its bite.

If this is the only lesson General Westmoreland has learned from his experience in Vietnam, then no one should look to him for insight. It shows a lack of respect or love for any human life, American or Vietnamese.



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---Viewpoints

Playing the U.S. Info Guessing Game

By Khalil J. Spencer

Imagine the following headline

"Larry Speakes confirms storming of U.S. Embassy by Nicaraguan forces. U.S. Troops from rapid deployment force respond and seize Managua. Reagan assures the nation that 'it's only in self defense.' Sandinistas claim a setup by contras'

When I read of the Reagan Administration's efforts to plant false news in the U.S. news media in the hope of destabilizing Kaddafi, I was reminded of events that occurred in Central Europe in 1939. Adolf Hitler launched his invasion of Poland on September 1, 1939. He justified it to the German people by stating that Poland had attacked Germany.

Yeah, right.

The deliberate campaign of lies and distortions that the United States government has recently approved and initiated, carried out at the highest levels in the White House, is disreputable and disgusting. Lest anyone forget, we are supposed to be living in a democratically elected nation. The most fundamental premise of such a system of government

is an educated and informed constituency. This constituency casts its ballot on the basis of a logical evaluation of the actions and goals of its elected officials, where these actions and goals are taken in the context of current events. The deliberate falsification of current events, to suit the whims of our leaders, is thus a rape of the democratic process.

A government which is elected, or which attempts to rally public support for itself on the basis of half-truths or lies, is governing on a fraudulent mandate. The possibility of drawing the United States and a foreign power into a war on the basis of fictionalized events could lead to the deaths of countless innocents on both sides, innocents who would be fooled into thinking that they were dying for a just and honorable cause. The nowdisclosed campaign directed at Kaddafi, which used the U.S. news media and public as unwitting dupes, is a grave and criminal violation of the Reagan Administrations' oath of office

A constituency that treats its government with a healthy dose of skepticism is an intelligent one. Unfortunately, a citizenry which is forced to develop a deeply rooted sense of cynicism towards the credibility of its government has suffered a serious blow to its membership in the democratic process. How are citizens to believe our elected leaders if we must treat their statements with the same skepticism that we have traditionally, reserved for Tass or Josef Goebbels?

A nation which grows to disbelieve everything it is told cannot be called upon to rally to any cause when that cause is suspect. We will not know whether to believe Reagan when he states that Daniloff is not a spy, or when he states that Nicaragua has (fill in the blank invaded its neighbors, threatened our southern border, violated the democratic process, clubbed baby seals ...). Fear, suspicion, and Ramboism will replace confidence and dignity as the national spirit. Nations will treat our requests for their cooperation in solving international problems as an excellent opportunity to be "used"

This news fictionalization and management is coupled to the present admin- Earth and Space Sciences.)

istration's attempts to muzzle the press whenever a story is leaked which discloses our government's dishonesty or incompetence (the scuttling of such disiclosures is justified under the euphemism of "natonal security"). This shows a two-pronged attack on freedom of the press, and clearly shows the Reagan Administration's philosophy towards controlling the press and governing the

This administration apparently sees itself as the board of a giant corporation. where the press is nothing but an available source of advertising. The press would exist as a means of control, to convince the people to buy the governments's products, i.e., policies, without too much clamor. Carried to the extreme, our news media would be no better than a house organ of the powers that be. This is clearly not what the writers of the Constitution intended. It is up to the citizenry and our elected representatives to actively oppose this deception

(The writer is a graduate student in

U.S. Lies Should Come as No Surprise

By Mitchel Cohen

With the Republican Party's peanut gallery fluttering ignorance and venality across Statesman's viewpoints pages every week, it seems apropos to correct misconceptions and to state some of the advantages of seeing the world — including our own lives — from a Marxist perspective.

Last weekend, high-level government officials admitted lying to the press to clear the way for the U.S. government's terror-bombing of Libya's largest city, Tripoli, earlier this year, which killed hundreds of Libyan civilians including Colonel Moammar Qaddafi's 10month old baby daughter. According to The Washington Post (October 2, 1986), the White House had mounted a campaign to plant false information in the news media. The Post quotes a memorandum from National Security Adviser John Poindexter, to back up its contention. According to WINS radio, "a senior administration offi-

cial told some reporters that he 'sees a difference between deception and disinformation '

The fact that the government lies to us all the time should no longer surprise us. Hardly a day passes without attempts at major manipulation of our minds. Anyone who has been to Nicaragua — and 45,000 U.S. citizens have gone there as volunteers in the last few years to see for themselves what's going on - will tell you how struck they are not just by the U.S. government's lies about the place, but by the magnitude of the lies as well. Having been to Nicaragua myself in early 1984 and having spoken extensively with the crew of Stony Brookers who returned within the last two months, it is hard to convey in words just how gigantic the difference is between the powerful loving communities of people everywhere in Nicaragua that we experienced, and the lies of the U.S. government, which enshroud murderers and rapists (known as the contras)

with the halo of "freedom fighters". Sure, they're freedom fighters. They fight against freedom, don't they?

Other gigantic lies used to conceal a hurricane of death and propaganda include, of course, the invasion of Grenada and the swirl of disinformaton around the Soviet Union's shooting down of Korean Airlines Flight 007. Not to speak of the lies around the arms race, around the safety of nuclear power plants, and concerning the level of poverty and hunger in the United States.

What is especially surprising — although not really, when you come to think of it - is not so much that the government lies always, all the time, under every conceivable circumstance to us, but that the so-called "free press" duly reports these lies as if they were truth. They pass along the deceptions and disinformation until years later, when a new look at the evidence reveals extensive manipulation of the press, and of our minds,

(continued on page 19)

Majority of South Africa Desires Sanctions

"So, we went and done it." This is what Juan Carlos Sanchez wrote concerning the recently imposed sanctions on South Africa. All I can say is what took you so long?

The majority of Black South Africans themselves have been demanding sanctions for years. In South Africa you can't speak about sanctions, unless you are against them, without fear of retribution and imprisonment. Take for instance the recent miners' strike following the deaths of 177 miners. It was the largest strike in South African history and one of their international pleas was for immediate and universal sanctions to imposed on the ruthless government of South Africa.

Concerning the Zulu organization which Mr. Sanchez so freely speaks of; this organization was created by and for the South African government! It is the National Party's "Black" organization. By terms with the government they must oppose all sanctions, support all government programs of reform, and must never demand more than what the government has offered. Now is this a free and legitimate organization that we can take their word as speaking for the majority of South Africans?

When Mr. Sanchez compares the African National Congress (ANC) with this Zulu puppet organization he insults every thinking person's intelligence. It would be like comparing the Republican Party to the whole population of America. This ratio is some 200 to 1!

I was fortunate to catch the bourgeois program Nightline when Zimbabwe's Prime Minister Mugabe was the quest this past week. Since independence was attained in 1979, Zimbabwe has enjoyed a tremendous period of economic growth and their living standard is comparable with many West European nations today. I quote Mr. Sanchez, "... and whose living conditions have steadily deteriorated for blacks since the abolishment of white minority rule." This indicates to me that Mr. Sanchez indeed supports white minority rule and suggests that it is even preferable to majority rule. This in itself is not surprising, since republicans have long since espoused minority rule as opposed to majority rule.

Mr. Sanchez states that Angola has the worst living standards on the face of the earth. I challenge him to produce his evidence, and in fact, Haiti, not Angola, has the worst living standard in the world. Haiti is a U.S. backed capitalist dictatorship. Also keep in mind that Angola currently is partially occupied by South African forces and is in a constant state of war with them. Also keep in mind that every border state with South Africa has felt the fury of South African arms in the past year alone. What about South Africa's occupation of Namibia? Should the U.S. have continued to fund these outlaw occupation forces?

In South Africa the issue is not as cut and dry as Black versus White, but rather is based on economic reality. It is the working class in South Africa that is fighting the capitalist Nazi rule there. There are many whites in the ANC and many of South Africa's whites been advocates of sanctions. Sanctions are not the final answer to the problems in South Africa, but it is a giant start on the road for self-determination for the South African people. The situation in South Africa will not be remedied by just the imposition of sanctions. No, it will take revolution, a revolution of the masses of South Africa, a revolution which has already begun!

We must keep in mind that just two years ago the republicans and Reagan fought to the bitter end against extending the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and against making Martin Luther King Jr.'s birthday a holiday. It is the republicans that are currently in the process of reversing the equal rights legislation of the 60's and the 70's. It is a reactionary government that we are dealing with in the U.S., and it is destroying the society at large. I wouldn't expect Reagan to understand the plight of workers in the world because, as head of the actor's union in the 1950's, he informed on his fellow union members as to their alleged "communist" connections during the McCarthy investigations

Please keep in mind the press that Mr. Sanchez refers to is the capitalist supported press, not the progressive press apartheid since it's inception! The communist party of this country was demanding an end to apartheid since it formed in 1918. And it will continue this demand as long as racism exists an where in the

I have a suggestion for Mr. Sanchez maybe you should educate yourself on the topics you are going to write about so people like myself don't have to constantly correct you.

Power to the workers of South Africal

(The writer is a member of the Red Bal-Ioon Collective.)

-Letters

Surely, You Pest

To the Editor:

It disgusts me that I have to answer Tim Lapham's "Surely you Jest" article in the October 6, issue of *Statesman*.

In all good conscience, I have to say *Surely you jest*! Lapham was an uninvited guest at the birthday party held by a member of a closely knit group of Stony Brook students.

This group, composed of some 48 members, formed two years ago. We are the best of friends — sharing a wide variety of human experiences and emotions. This is something I do not expect Lapham to comprehend.

Friday night, October 3, Lapham claims he shared a common experience with us. I really doubt that he did, or is even capable of sharing anything. Maybe he should have his hearing and eyesight checked by a professional. He seems to have confused a six-foot hero, wine, beer, and hard liquor with punch and cookies. This is a neat trick. Of course, there was an ample supply of soda for anyone who had to drive. Some of us are on the wagon, but we wouldn't be caught dead with a store brand soda.

He also confused Billy Joel's "Piano Man," "Captain Jack," and Emerson Lake & Powell's "Touch and Go" with Madonna, Prince and Air Supply. If he is not deaf and blind he certainly is judgmental and arrogant about his taste in music.

I would have offered Lapham a stiff drink had I know he was having withdrawal symtoms and envisioning punch and cookies.

For the record, there was no Garfield wrapping paper, but if there were, it might have been greatly beneficial to Jim Davis.

People were laughing, dancing, singing and watching video movies together until 400 a.m. Of course, Lapham missed most of it since he left at 1030 p.m. — he claimed he had "curfew", or maybe he would turn into a pumpkin at midnight.

But by far, the worst mistake in Lapham's article was his claim that he was not antisocial. There is only one thing that annoys me even more, and that is his audacity to pretend to be a journalist. He is neither. He is a pathological liar. He is pompous. He is also pseudointellectual in his perceptions of other people. It will be a cold day in hell before Lapham is invited, or uninvited as the case may be, to any Slunge party. This also applies to any poor, disillusioned, misguided soul who happens to know this jerk!

One final comment "Slunge us Lapham Baby!"

Gene Tombler

Know CARP

To the Editor:

Recent advertisements that have appeared in *Statesman* and that have been posted around the campus inviting studnts to attend a "World Student Celebration" have raised some concern. This celebration, to be held Saturday, October 11 in the Javits Convention Center in Manhattan, is "a program of the Third CARP Convention of World Students." While the ads do not

mention the Unification Church or Rev. Sun Myung Moon, students should be aware of the links between these groups.

Some CARP (which stands for the Collegiate Association for the Research of Principles) publications have stated this connection, but these recent advertisements at Stony Brook have not. Anyone contemplating attending this program should inquire as to the connections between CARP and the Unification Church. As you may know, many questions have been raised regarding the recruiting tactics used by this group. It is claimed that the followers, often referred to as 'moonies.'' have been pressed into long hours of labor at tasks like selling flowers in order to support the coffers of the Unification Church. Its leader, the Rev. Sun Myung Moon, has recently been released from federal prison after serving a sentence for his convition on charges of violating federal tax

Make sure you know the ideas and beliefs of a group that sponsors a program that you are asked to go away to attend. make sure you know exactly what will happen there and what is expected of you. Know that you are free to leave at any time. Don't accept vague answers and make sure you believe the answers you are getting! Remember that there is no magic, no instant friendships, and no reason to be vague unless there is something to hide.

If you feel particularly vulnerable, reach out to someone you can trust. Perhaps a friend, a teacher, a parent, a counselor, or a clergyperson. Our own campus has excellent professionals in the Counseling Center, the Interfaith Center, and elsewhere, who are here to help. Many groups that appear to have simple and quick answers to complex personal issues prey on those who are the most vulnerable. People need one another. Make sure it's a person you can trust!

Joseph S. Topek
Director, B'nai B'rith Hillel
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Clarifying Linguistics Frustation

To the Editor:

I would like to clarify some of the problems that led to Alexander Varsany's unfortunate experience with ESL 198 that he reported on so eloquently in *Statesman* of Monday, September 29.

Mr. Varsany was not alone in his predicament. Because of a new requirement placed on incoming graduate students, a requirement designed to improve the spoken English of non-native teaching assistants, ESL 198 "Advanced Oral-Aural Skills" was heavily oversubscribed this semester. Rather than turn people away, we opened more sections of the course. However, due to budgetary problems, it was not until the third week of the semester that we were able to find instructors and funds to pay them. We know that this may have caused difficulties to many students, but we felt that it ws preferable to simply closing students

out of the course.

Let me also add a few words about Abdoue Hannaoui. Mr. Hannaoui is not a professor, but a doctoral student who was helping to solve the problem of demand in ESL courses on a purely voluntary basis. Mr. Hannaoui receives no salary for this work and should not be hald responsible. Blame me, or more properly the State Legislature (for underfunding the university), but not Mr. Hannaoui, who was simply trying to help.

Mark Aronoff
Chairman
Department of Linguistics

GALA — Bashing Ignorant

To the Editor:

In response to Juan Carlos Sanchez's letter to the Stony Brook Press entitled Gay Republicans, I, a "heterosexual" board member of the Gay And Lesbian Alliance (GALA), believe Mr. Sanchez should take the time to educate himself about GALA before expending all of his energy knocking the organization.

To quote Mr. Sanchez's reference to the GALA sponsored civil rights rally for liberty "The whole rally put light on Gala's inneffectiveness in the past years in its ability to truly reach out and bring gays and lesbians together." "This is spoken as if Mr. Sanchez actually has a knowledge of what goes on inthe organization. But for him to know that, would he not have to be part of it? Since he is obviously not, is it possible for him to form an unbiased opinion? Had Juan Carlos Sanchez taken the time to learn all that Gala has to offer, he might have been truly enlightened. In addition to being a social club, Gala has brought people of all sexual orientations together. It has helped people deal with homophobia. It has provided programs for educational awareness. It has provided hope with useful information for young people discovering their own sexuality. In addition to all this, it has also provided a forum (Rally for Liberty) for all political views involving civil rights to be discussed (even political views opposing those of Gala, like those of Mr. Sanchez).

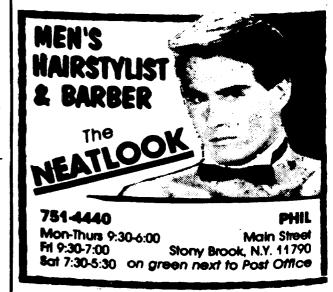
How then could he speak of the ineffectiveness of Gala? Any person, regardless of sexual orientation, must agree that Gala serves a necessary purpose on campus. If one takes the time to become aware of all it has to offer, one would not be so quick to make such an ignorant condemnation.

Marie Riccobene Gay and Lesbian Alliance Board Member

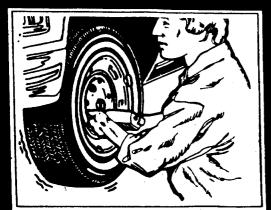
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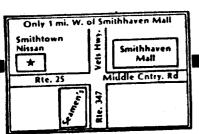
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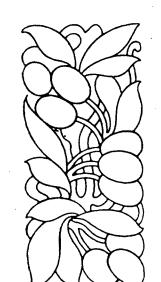
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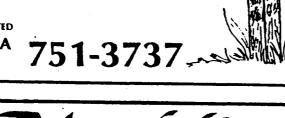
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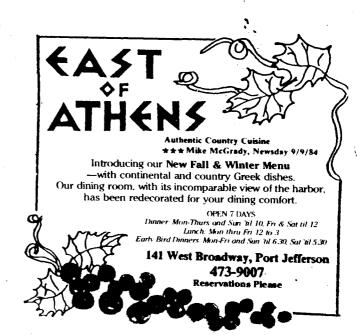
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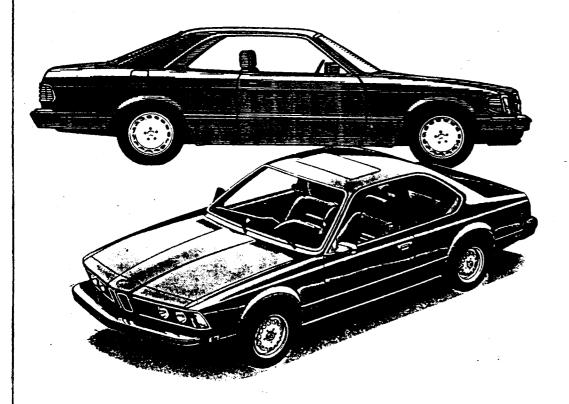
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Secret Societies Breed Mystery and Fraud

By the College Press Service

Charlottesville, VA — Sixty thousand dollars is missing at the University of Virginia.

And it has something to do with one of the campus' secret societies, in which members fiddle with fictional characters from C.S. Lewis' "The Chronicles of Narnia" and seem to buy computer equipment without paying for it.

Trouble is, the secret society — one of at least four on the tradition-bound UVa campus — is so secret that no one knows what to make of the missing \$60,000, another \$20,000 in unpaid bills and what one local merchant calls a trail of "boogie woogie."

At issue is The Council of the Stone Table, about which campus police Detective Sargeant William Morris said "We're not even sure it exists," and former student Patrick Pierce II, who apparently founded the council in 1984. Real or not, Morris is investigating them for fraud, he said.

Hints of trouble started three weeks ago, when the university comptroller noticed the society's campus account was some \$60,000 overdrawn, and called in the police. The police, in turn, raided Pierce's Charlottesville home, finding \$40,000 worth of computers, office equipment, and society stationery.

Since then, the university has gotten another \$20,000 in bills for equipment and service "bought" by the society at a time when there was less than \$100 in the account.

The council, investigators eventually found, was not stingy. It had promised to give a \$16,000 scholarship to a Charlottesville freshman going to Carnegie-Mellon University in Pittsburgh. The letter promising the scholarship was "very legitimate-looking and on official letterhead," said CMU financial aid counselor Robert Meck.

It was so good-looking that Meck revoked the aid package he already had assembled for the student Pierce promised to help, but the promised check, he says, never arrived. The council did donate approximately \$20,000 to two private schools in the Charlottesville area, Morris said.

Headmaster William Porter of the Tandem School, where Pierce reportedly worked for a while, says he received two Council of the Stone Table checks and then letters from the council promising more.

The letters were signed with names of characters from C.S. Lewis' series of children's book, "The Chronicles of Namia."

Ken Shapero of OmniComp, a local computer store, figures the secret council took him "down the garden path."

Shapero says he sold Pierce \$2,500 worth of MacIntosh computer equipment and accessories, and was told to contact Pierce at the university for the charge number to bill him.

He says he had his bookkeeper call the university repeatedly for the charge number, and each time he called he was put off by Pierce.

Pierce dropped off a letter at the store, Shapero says, that was "the biggest pile of boogie woogie I've ever seen — and no charge number.

"Finally, I called him up and told him I'd charge him with fraud, theft and grand larceny if he didn't bring back my equipment in 20 minutes," Shapero said. "He brought it back in 15."

Other Charlottesville computer retailers were not so fortunate.

"Because of litigation, I cannot comment," said Irvin Cox, manager of Entre, "but we do have assets tied up and we have had dealings with Patrick Pierce."

Pierce himself could not be reached for comment.

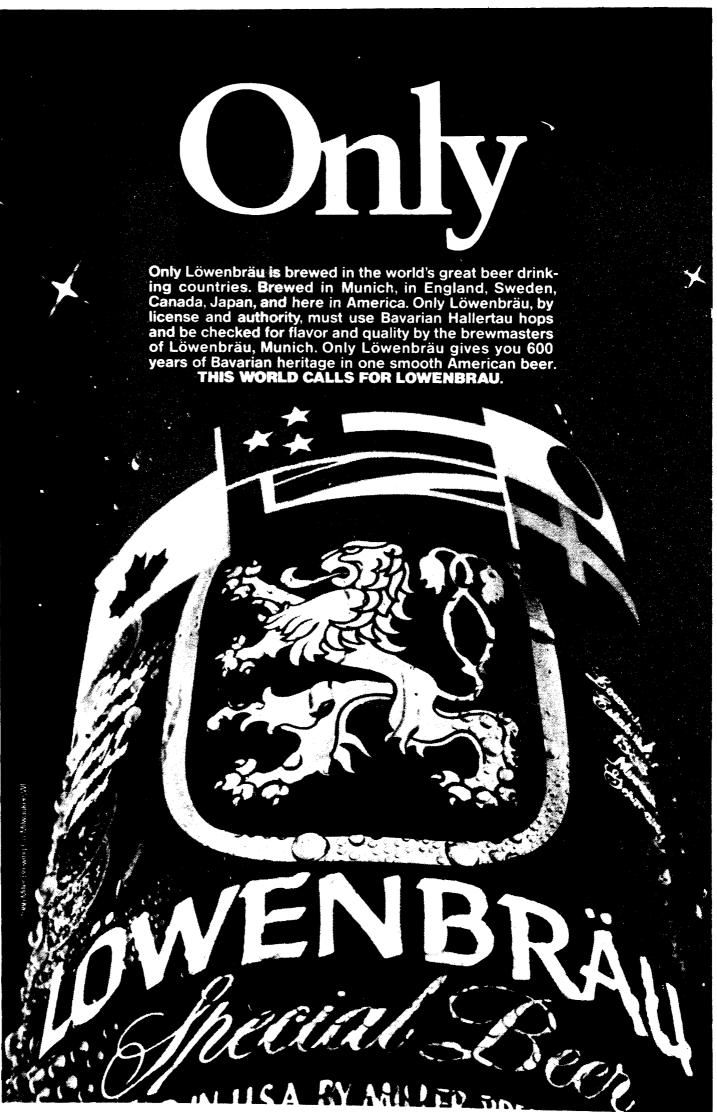
"[These people] became so involved in the Chronicles of Namia that they began to live what they perceived as reality," Morris said. "They took on the personalities of the characters." But no one really knows because the campus secret societies — others are called The Seven Society, the Society of the Purple Shadows and the Z Society — are so secret, said campus spokesman Chip German.

"We used to have to communicate with the Seven Society by leaving a letter at the foot of the statue of [Thomas]

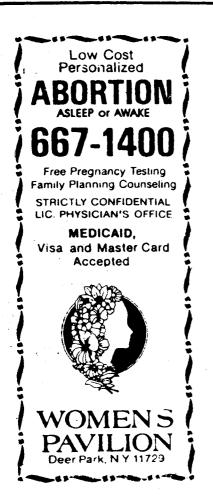
Jefferson," German said.

The societies themselves offer members joint activities and shared experiences, and surface usually only to donate funds to campus departments and local charities. In return, the university keeps the societies' book.

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New Coordinator Settles in at Library

By Daniel McLane

Robert Sewell has been appointed coordinator of collection management and development at the Frank Melville Jr. Memorial Library.

He succeeds Gerard Vasco, who retired in 1983. The university library system, with its nearly 2,000,000 volumes, will be coordinated by Sewell. Sewell's duties include the allocation of book funds, coordination of guidelines and procedures for the selection of new

material, facilitating communication between faculty and the library for new programs and research interests, and overseeing the preservation of library materials.

Sewell had previously been assistant to the director of library collections at the University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign, a "big ten" research institute with over 7.000,000 volumes, one of the largest-university libraries in the world. In addition to his position as assistant to

the director, Sewell held several other positions in his stay at Urbana-Champaigne form 1970 to 1986. These positions included Japanese bibligrapher, acquistion coordinator for Western European, Jewish, and East Asian Studies, and special collections bibliographer.

Sewell holds a Ph.D. in comparative literature from University of Illinois and masters degree in Japanese studies from Columbia University. Sewell said he has a keen interest in East Asian issues and literature, which is expressed in his participation in the Association for Asian Studies and articles published on Japanese and comparative literatures. He also expressed a possible interest in teaching Japanese or courses in Japanese studies at Stony Brook.

Sewell has written articles on collection development and library management. He voiced optimism about the university library's growth potential.

Think Your Way Through the U.S. Lies

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as has occurred in recent reportage on Grenada, the KAL flight, Nicaragua and Libya. You'd think that after all these years the press would know better. Perhaps there are reasons — think about it — why it refuses to learn.

Of extremely important interest to Stony Brook students (as well as others) is the government's lies about the causes and potential cures for AIDS. Let me state this clearly, so there can be no possible misinterpretation There is a readily-available spermicidal jelly -nonoxynol-9 - that kills the AIDS virus HIV as well as herpes. While any chemical agent introduced into a woman's body has certain risks (the fact that birth control pills for men saw research-funding cancelled years ago should convey something of the way this society views women's bodies), nonoxynol-9 is approved by the Food and Drug Administration as "safe for use as a spermicide in contraceptive products." Millions of women have been using it for decades with diaphragms, to kill sperm. You would think that the government would take out TV commercials and advertise this product on every teenage-oriented television show! But

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Bruce Voeller, who did the initial research on nonoxynol-9, says that James Curran, the head of the government-run Center for Disease Control in Atlanta. 'has done everything in his power to put difficulties in the way of information and of research that would have great value - because it would be perceived by the White House as promoting sexuality." Curran's response (as reported in the Village Voice) There are many agents that could kill the virus. Like what? "Oh, acid and strong base, and hypochloride, like Clorox and Purex and alcohol." While rumors are still circulating that the AIDS virus was generated by CIAexperimentation in recombinant DNA tests, an as yet unproved assertion, revelations that the CIA actually let loose bacterial agents into the New York City subway system in 1965 in order to trace the spread of disease cause by "bacterial warfare" (recently admitted by the CIA), and new evidence on the role of the Army in "experiments-gone-haywire," causing the swine-flu scare of a few years ago (AIDS may also be related to those experiments) certainly give added weight to the paranoia most knowledgable people have, not only about the U.S. government's lies, but about what it is actually doing to us.

One must be somewhat perplexed by why anyone, including the Young Republicans at Stony Brook, would actually want to defend the indefensible. I just can't believe that they are all evil people. But then again, I've seen people, blinded by needing to believe in a fearless leader so much, lose sight of the actual conditions under which people are forced to live, and of the potential of all people to take back control of their lives from those who'd lie to them, manipulate them, and ultimately destroy them.

Daniel Ellsberg perceptively said "It's a tribute to the American people that our leaders feel the need to lie to us. It's no tribute that we believe the lies so easily." The next time you see the TV news making fun of Moammar Qaddafi riding a tractor, ask yourselves how come that's funny, when we never laugh at pictures of Ronald Reagan, at his California ranch, atop his ludicrous horse.

(The writer is an alumnus and a member of the Red Balloon Collective and Brooklynites Against Aparthied.)





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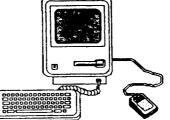
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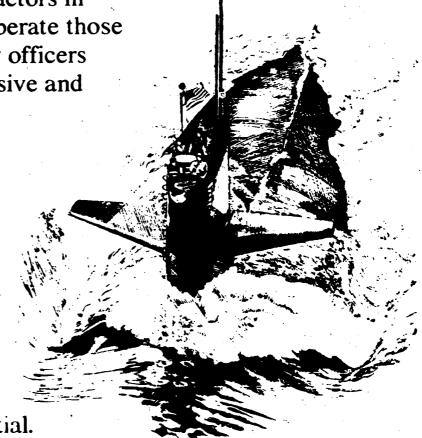
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By Mike Cortese

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Loose Ends takes about three hours, but doesn't waste it, and the admission price of \$1 in advance and \$2 at the door is well worth it. Maybe the show doesn't actually build brain cells, but it certainly won't kill them off en masse like a night at the End of the Bridge would.

Loose Ends spans nine years in the relationship between Paul (Alan Edwards), a disillusioned ex-Peace Corps volunteer and Susan (Peggy O'Toole), a tourist he happens across, from the time that they meet and mate on the beach in Bali, through their problems with career indecision, Paul's sleazy brother, their demnted friends and marital crisis.

It's fitting that an intimate little play like Loose Ends should be presented in an intimate little theater like Fanny Brice. The stage is little more than a 15 x 15 patch of floor cleared between the raftered seats which would obviously be disastrous for a production of Oklahoma, but works wonderfully for Loose Ends. The slides projected on each side of the theatre to chronicle the years between the scenes add to the closeness, although I would normally leave if anyone tried to show me their family photos.

The roles of Paul and Susan are handled nicely by Alan Edwards and Peggy O'Toole although they do suffer from the disadvantage of being the only normal people in a play dominated by

some extremely warped characters. Unfortunately, the only way that the normality of Paul and Susan could be compensated for is for a little extra fire to be brought to their roles. Unfortunately Susan is consistently too sweet to out dimension the other characters, and Paul, although there are times when he should look as though he dearly wants to break something, never seems to shift gears into anger or indignation. This may change through the narcotic effects of opening night adrenaline.

Right, as I said, the casualness of Paul and Susan would normally not make much of a difference. Normally. However, they are surrounded by characters so abnormal that being upstaged is inevitable.

Keith Altman as Doug, a hippie woodsman building his dream house one bit of wood every few days, is my kind of pervert. Imagine Ralph Kramden impersonating Grizzly Adams with an unchecked libido and an acid-scarred brain and you get what Paul and Susan have to share the stage with.

Joy Fleising as Maraya, Doug's soulmate, is not at all what I had in mind, but is fun to watch precisely for that reason. Paul's ne'er-do-well, yet white sheep of the family, big brother Ben is played with flawless sleaziness by William Kovacsik. Ben conspicuously consumes Dom Perignon, kisses women's hands, cheats on his wife and proudly, and is involved in a big multi-national corporation. Gotta hate him.

The sublime and well-heeled guru, Russell, done with deft cynicism by Mark Impellizzeri, is the perfect dig at all the faddish holy men whose faith has left

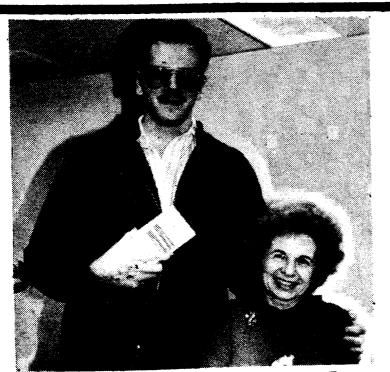


William Kovacsik and Peggy O'Toole

them with a small fragment of their brains, all of it devious.

What it comes down to is this Loose Ends isn't perfect, but who cares? It doesn't change the fact that Loose Ends

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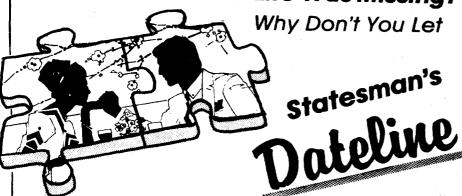
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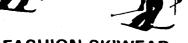


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Men's Soccer on Winning Streak

By Kevin Giuffrida

Following a 1-0 loss to Trenton State on September 20th the Patriots men's soccer team was 2-4 and had a small chance of making the East Coacl Athletics Conference (ECAC) tournament. It is now two and a half weeks later and the Pats are 6-4 and still have an outside shot of a tournament bid.

Charlie Matos scored two first half goals to lead the Pats to a 2-1 victory over Queens College. Two days later the Pats beat Westbury college 4-2 and evened their record at 4-4. Captain Pete Zamboni, a senior, scored two goals while Gary Becker and Matos each had a goal each. Ed Marnich had two assists as the Pats outshot their opponents 29-5.

A nifty move by Coach Shawn McDonald enabled the Pats to pick up two quick victories. The head coach of the college of Staten Island called McDonald to tell him that he didn't have enough eligible players and his team would have to forfeit the game scheduled for November 4th. Although the Staten Island coach offered to play Stony Brook just for fun, McDonald rejected the offer and scheduled a game with New York University on October 1st.

When the Patriots defeated N.Y.U. 3-1 they not only recorded that victory but they also received the 1-0 forfeit victory over the college of Staten Island to up their record to

6-4. In the N.Y.U. game Ed Olson and Matos each had a goal and a assist. Milton Gomez also scored a goal and Gary Becker had an assist. Goalie Harold Efron played a solid game with seven saves.

McDonald said he is very happy with his team's four game winning streak. He has also said he is pleased with the play of Matos who leads the team with goals (7), points (16) and game-winning goals (3). "He's playing outstanding, and he's only a sophomore," McDonald said. McDonald also mentioned the strong play of Zamboni.

Ed Maranich, who has been plagued by injury, is not able to play complete games, but he is doing an excellent job of filling in, McDonald said

A key reason for the Patriots success is their defense, which is led by defensive midfielder Chris Gonzalez. "He never seems to get beat," McDonald said.

The Patriots will be put to the test this week when they take on Vassar college Wednesday and arch rival Kings Point on

Returning to the line up will be Martin Mangialardi who missed the N.Y.U. game. McDonald said that his young team has learned how to win, he also knows that two wins this wek will move the patriots one big step closter to the ECAC bid.



With a record of 6-4, the men's soccer team is getting closer to the ECAC

Efforts Continue to Improve Lacrosse

Strong Transition Game Against Drew College Seen as Step in Upgrading Program



By John Buonora

In a continuing effort to improve the lacrosse program, the Patriots opened their first ever fall season last week.

Second year Coach Bruce Casagrande will take his squad to Farmingdale College on Thursday for the second scrimmage of the season.

On September 25, the Pats traveled to Drew College of New Jersey for the fall season opener. The Pats played a strong transition game, and displayed a strong base of

Many players feel it is the first step in upgrading the program. "This will push us ahead much faster," said goalie Marcel Fisher. The Pats have also added Patriot football coach Dave Caldiero as an assistant and strength coach.

Casagrande guided the Pats to a 7-5 record last season, and lost only Vin Castelli, Nick LaBella, Paul Emmanuel, and Dan McNaughton to graduation. Returning to form the backbone of the squad are 85 all-american Chris Scaduto, allamerican candidate Fisher, and Brian Reily

The Pats will play short during the fall, with attackman Jim Hayes and midfielder Chris Cassidy skipping the season for football. This may give the freshman a better look during the

The Patriots realize how important the fall season is. Last year, many players complained that the lack of playing time incurred by cold weather and coaching transition hindered their performance last season. "We need the extra time to sharpen up," said senior defenseman Jeff Strumeyer. "It helps to have this under your belt when spring comes. It makes the difference between not playing for a year and being sharp."

The fall season closes with an alumni game on October 25 at home. It will be interesting to see how the Pats fare against their former teamates. Each season, as the program improves, the alumni team gets stronger. Yet another sign of the improving program.