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Dioxins Found in Lecture Center Vent System

By Ray Parish

University officials said in a press conference Monday that, in light of recent test results on soot from the ventilation system of Jacob Javits Lecture Center, certain sections of the vent system that contain high levels of dioxin have been sealed off.

University President John Marburger also voiced criticisms of actions he said had been taken by members of the New York Public Interest Research Group (NYPIRG), saying that "actions were taken ... that I would have to describe as alarmist and highly irresponsible." He asserted after the meeting that posters had been put up bearing information that only NYPIRG members would have had.

Students and faculty entering the lecture center on Monday were met with posters and graffiti warning them that the building contains toxins. "Enter at your own risk," has been written over the main entrance to the building. Many students in the building expressed concern over the warnings, but class attendance appeared normal.

Rich Drury, project coordinator for NYPIRG on campus, denied Marburger's accusations, saying that NYPIRG had taken no such action. "I think it's irresponsible of him to accuse us of such a thing," Drury said. "I think we've proven to be very credible ... [Marburger] is just trying to trash our credibility."

Marburger said at the press conference that "while there is a high concentration of dioxins at one point in the air handling system, they have not made their way into the lecture center itself ... those rooms are as safe now as they ever were."

But NYPIRG officials and many students disagree with administration officials' evaluations of the situation in the building. NYPIRG, in a letter to Marburger on Tuesday, requested that administration close the building until more is known about the presence of the toxic soot. NYPIRG "strongly urge[d] the quarantine of the building until a full-scale investigation can be conducted to determine where toxic 'hot spots' exist in the building due to air circulation and/or soot deposition."

The most recent tests were performed on three soot samples taken from various places in the lecture center air ventilation intake ducts near the room where the fire took place; the central core of the air ventilation network; and from wipe samples taken on surfaces in a major hallway, a door near the spot where the fire burned, and an air duct.

The results on the different samples revealed varying levels of different dioxins, furans, phenols, and PCBs. Whether



Rich Drury

any of these levels are above the legal standards set by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is still in dispute. According to the letter to Marburger, NYPIRG calculated the toxicity levels using "toxicity equivalence factors" devised by the EPA. In the letter, NYPIRG officials claimed that, according to the EPA equivalence method, "the levels of dioxins and furans in the Javits Lecture Center are calculated to be of great concern."

Theodore Goldfarb, associate vice provost and professor in chemistry, said that the toxicity evaluation method used by NYPIRG was not valid, and would return exaggerated figures. When asked at the press conference by Polity President Marc Gunning if the building is safe to inhabit, Goldfarb responded, "Personally, I would feel comfortable teaching in that place now."

The main concern, according to Marburger, was over whether any mechanism existed by which the toxic soot could be transported out of the air ventilation system and into the classrooms. But, Marburger and Goldfarb said that no such mechanism exists and the levels of toxins are small.

People voiced concerns at the meeting, such as what will be done for students who were made ill at the time of the fire or those who claim to still be suffering the ill effect of toxins in the building. Presently, several legal actions against the university are being planned by students, faculty, and workers who occupied the building during the months after the fire.



John Marburger

Some concern was raised over the workers who cleaned up the lecture center, especially in light of the fact that most did not wear protective covering over their hands or faces. Vice President for Campus Operations Robert Francis responded by saying that "the judgment was that in the concentrations we were likely to be encountering, there was not a need for those kinds of measures."

"The university has consistently underestimated the health risks associated with the fire," Drury said in an interview after the conference. Now, he said, "they are ignoring completely all the other carcinogens that were found." Drury maintained that the toxicity estimations NYPIRG made are useful and indicate that more caution would be applied to the situation.

"We're not saying that people are being exposed to huge quantities [of carcinogens]," he said. "The experts that we have talked to ... all think that the prudent course of action would be to quarantine the building."

NYPIRG has also requested that Marburger form a Javits task force, which would consist of representatives from the Civil Service Employees Association, and United University Professions, the University Senate, the Graduate Student Organization, Student Polity, NYPIRG, and leading dioxin researchers. The task force would monitor results, make recommendations, and form a campus safety protocol for the future.

U.N.-Involved Prof to Exit Stony Brook

By Monica Hickey and Scott Wiss
Political Science Professor Yassin El-Ayouty, who created links between Stony Brook and the United Nations, is leaving the university this month where he has taught courses in International Relations for 14 years.

El-Ayouty has taught such courses as: Arab/Israeli Conflict, Politics of Africa, Politics of the Middle East, and Politics of International Organizations. His educational career began in his native country, Egypt, where he earned undergraduate degrees in history and education. After lecturing for several years in the Middle East, he arrived in the United States in 1952 as a Fulbright Scholar. He went on to get a masters degree in history from Rutgers University and his doctorate from New York University.

Since his arrival in the U.S., El-Ayouty has taught at Rutgers University, New



Yassin El-Ayouty

York University, St. John's, Farleigh-Dickinson, and Stony Brook.

After receiving his masters, El-Ayouty served as an employee of the Egyptian Ministry of Education. From this post he
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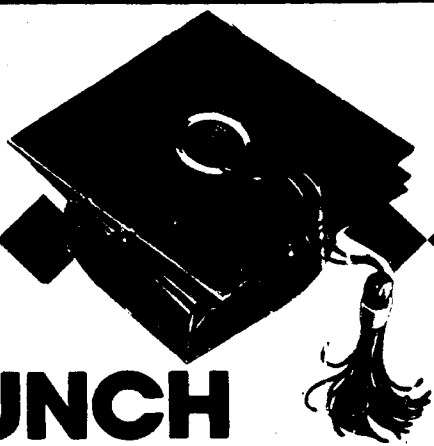
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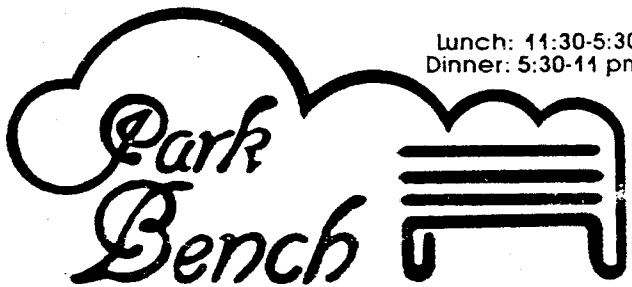
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Experts: Violent Campus Crime Increasing

By the College Press Service

Students enrolled at large rural or suburban campuses are more likely to be victims of violent crime than students at large urban commuter campuses, a recent survey of campus violence has found.

In its survey of 764 colleges, Towson (Md.) State University also discovered that alcohol — not drugs — was a factor in most violent crime cases, that students now are more apt to report "date rape," that students at the largest schools experience the most physical assaults, and that vandals are more likely to be caught and prosecuted at smaller campuses than at larger ones.

In general, campuses are becoming more dangerous places, others added.

A decade ago campuses were relatively safe, said Michael Smith, who teaches criminal justice at Southern Mississippi and whose book "Coping with Crime on Campus" will be published later this year.

Today, he said a comparison of campus crime rates with the FBI's Uniform Crime Statistics indicates college rates are "slightly higher than in society."

"Most of the violent crime we are talking about is student-to-student, rather than perpetrators coming onto the campus," said Jan M. Sherrill, Towson's assistant vice president for Student Affairs.

Sherrill said that she thinks the relative safety of students at urban schools is "because urban settings are considered more dangerous so students are more careful, while students in the suburbs consider themselves safe and don't look over their shoulders."

About a third of the schools in the survey reported increases in violent crime, a statistic Sherrill said "shows we are in trouble."

He noted that campus police and student

affairs administrators usually reported stable crime rates, but residence directors perceived increases.

"The residence directors are on the front lines," Sherrill said. "They see the incidents on a first-hand basis and they see things that don't make it into the statistics."

University of Minnesota Residence Director Ralph Rickgarn, for one, reported no increase in violent crime, but said his colleagues have noticed a greater awareness of violence.

"I don't think there has been an increase in date rape," he said. "I think any increase is an artifact of reporting, of the greater awareness that any forced sex is rape."

Dean Edgar F. Beckham of Wesleyan University in Middletown, Conn., agreed that "awareness has been effective in decreasing [date rape] incidents."

But violent crime has been increasing at other campuses.

At Southwest Texas State University in San Marcos, Tx., for example, the number of reported assaults jumped from 18 to 29 in 1986. Although two of the 1986 cases proved to be "unfounded," police officer Kathleen Wolff said, "anytime there is personal injury involved, we pay a lot of attention."

In general, small private schools seem to be a lot safer than large schools, regardless of their location.

"I know I'm not the norm, but we have had only one aggravated assault in three years," said Rose Hollister, director of campus life at the College of St. Francis, a Joliet, Ill., institution with an enrollment of 3,850.

"At a small college, the campus security and the administration can really have their fingers on the pulse of the school," she said. "A large college is so impersonal it can get away from you."

Smith also said she thinks that "at the mega-universities you can't tell a student from an intruder. It's a different physical environment than the small colleges where everyone knew each other."

Even so, Smith suspected much of the violent campus crime goes unreported.

"Things are serious," Smith said. "Appropriate campus responses have to be developed and better crime awareness and prevention programs should be put in place. We are seeing some progress in courtship violence and date rape, but we have to make

it clear that all forms of violence are unacceptable."

"Students had the feeling that our campus was unsafe at night," said Lt. Robert Hagerman of Trenton (N.J.) State College campus police. "The statistics didn't bear that out, but we responded with an escort program and patrols."

Hagerman said he believes colleges get a lot of press and special attention for violent incidents, and "considering the age group that attends colleges, we may be a lot safer than other communities our size."

U.N. Prof to Exit

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Egyptian government and the U.N. invited him to join the U.N.'s civil service in 1958. He is now the principal officer of the Department of Public Information, responsible for all news and information from and about the U.N. In the past his positions there included a post in the Department of Political and Security Councils Affairs in charge of the Peace Research Unit, chief of Africa in the Department of Political Affairs and Decolonization, and Secretary of the U.N. Council for Namibia.

El-Ayouty has written five texts and a multitude of articles concerning Africa and the Middle East.

El-Ayouty maintained a program of U.N. symposiums for Stony Brook students each semester. These apparently popular programs have brought Stony Brook students to the U.N. to hear witness and speeches.

El-Ayouty also brought Stony Brook

students into a program of U.N. summer internships. This is a highly competitive program that puts Stony Brook students into competition for positions with students from schools such as Columbia and Harvard.

"Stony Brook has made an excellent impression on the U.N. in the past due to the excellent caliber of students picked for this program," El-Ayouty said.

El-Ayouty said he likes to think of himself as a sort of Stony Brook ambassador to the U.N. El-Ayouty now plans to move from Manhattan to Old Field, where he said he can relax and write another book on the U.S. foreign policy towards the Middle East. He will continue to chair the U.N.-Stony Brook Summer Internship Program and he said he will try to make himself available to his ex-students for consultation.

El-Ayouty said that his connection with Stony Brook is a lifelong one and will not wither away by his absence.

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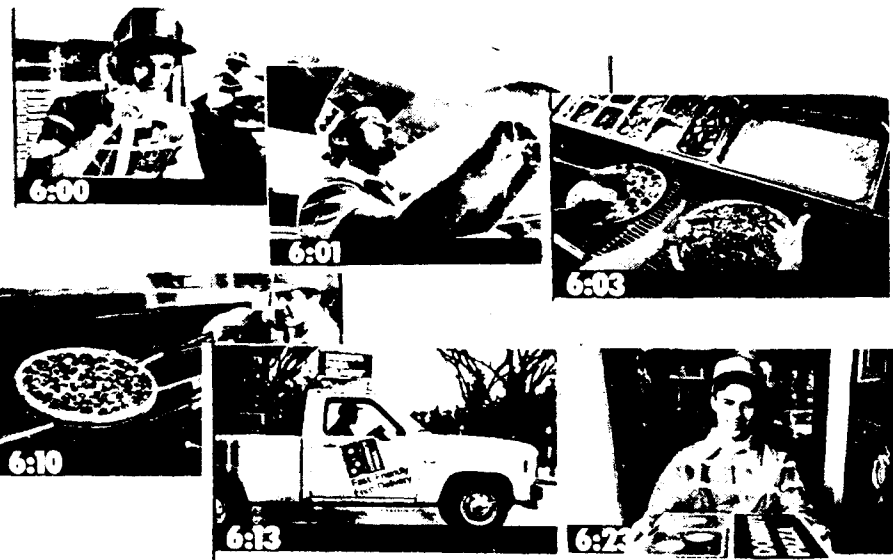
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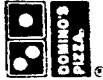
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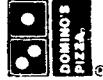
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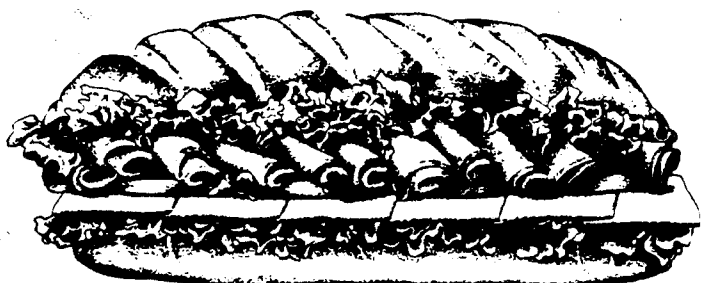
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Figures Flubbed In Civil Rights Cover-Up

By the College Press Service

Hoping to appear they were responding quickly to civil rights complaints on American campuses, U.S. Department of Education workers in six cities reportedly backdated documents.

In Washington, department officials said they're "doing everything humanly possible" to correct the problem.

"We want to make certain it doesn't happen again," explained Gary Curran of the department's Civil Rights office.

The department itself found suspicious dates in 23 cases in the Boston office. 14 cases in Atlanta, 18 in Dallas, 17 in Kansas City, and seven cases each in Seattle and San Francisco.

The false dates enabled workers in regional offices to make it appear they were complying with a court order for quick review of civil rights complaints. The order — a result of a 17-year-old lawsuit against the department — mandates civil rights cases involving colleges and other institutions be handled within 225 days.

Normally, a person on campus who complains about not getting a grant, tenure or, say, funding because he or she has been discriminated against can ask the Education Dept. to investigate.

To make justice a little swifter, the courts have asked the department to investigate and respond within strict deadlines.

But the department found workers in the regional offices backdated documents anywhere from one day to two weeks to make it look like they were complying with the court order.

"We've taken several steps to assure the end of the practice," Curran said. "We've sent memos to regional directors on docu-

ment handling and its importance, and we have new audit procedures in place to check performance of the regional offices."

Curran declined to reveal the new audit details because "we don't want the offices to be able to predict when they'll be audited."

In addition, on April 23, the House Intergovernmental Relations and Human Resources Subcommittee talked about the issue, and could make more recommendations.

"It's embarrassing for them," said Richard Rosser, president of the National Association of Independent Colleges and Universities (NAICU). "I can't think they would want such publicity again, so it should tighten up their procedures."

"I don't know if the incident will make them more aggressive in civil rights or if it will just assure they don't backdate again. [the department] just seems to continue doing what it does no matter how often they're slapped down."

Other groups say regardless of the outcome of the House investigation, they plan to keep a close eye in the department.

"The NAACP (National Association for the Advancement of Colored People) is tremendously concerned and will continue to monitor the Education Department and to speak out on these issues," said NAACP chief lobbyist Althea T.L. Simmons.

"We're urging the congressional oversight committees to deal with this issue, and to make federal agencies get into shape or risk not getting funded."

Curran insisted the backdating resulted from the strict guidelines and short timeframes governing civil rights suit investigations.

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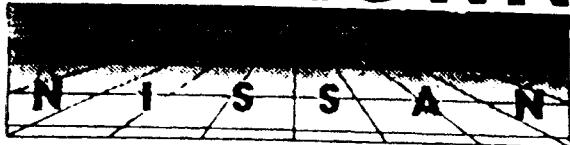
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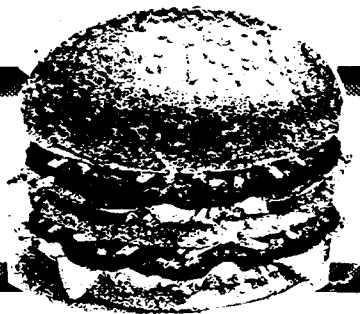
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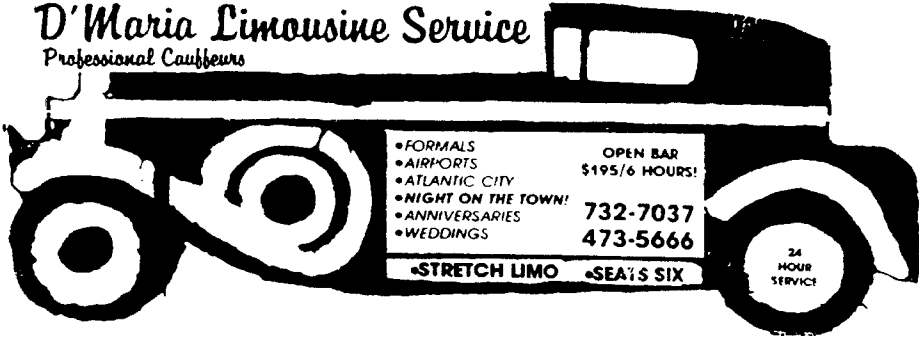
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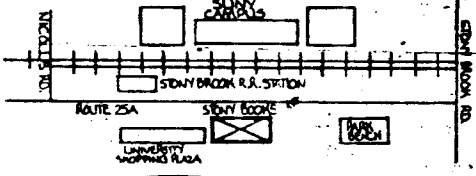
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Correction

The civil service problem which the fire marshals have encountered is not a change in policy, as reported in the May 11 issue of *Statesman*; it is an application of a law which has not been properly administered since the fire marshals were hired, according to David Green, regional president of the Public Employees Federation.

Due to a typesetting error, the editorial in the same May 11 issue read that each of the fire marshals have been at Stony Brook for 15 years. It should have read that each of the fire marshals has served at least five years on campus.

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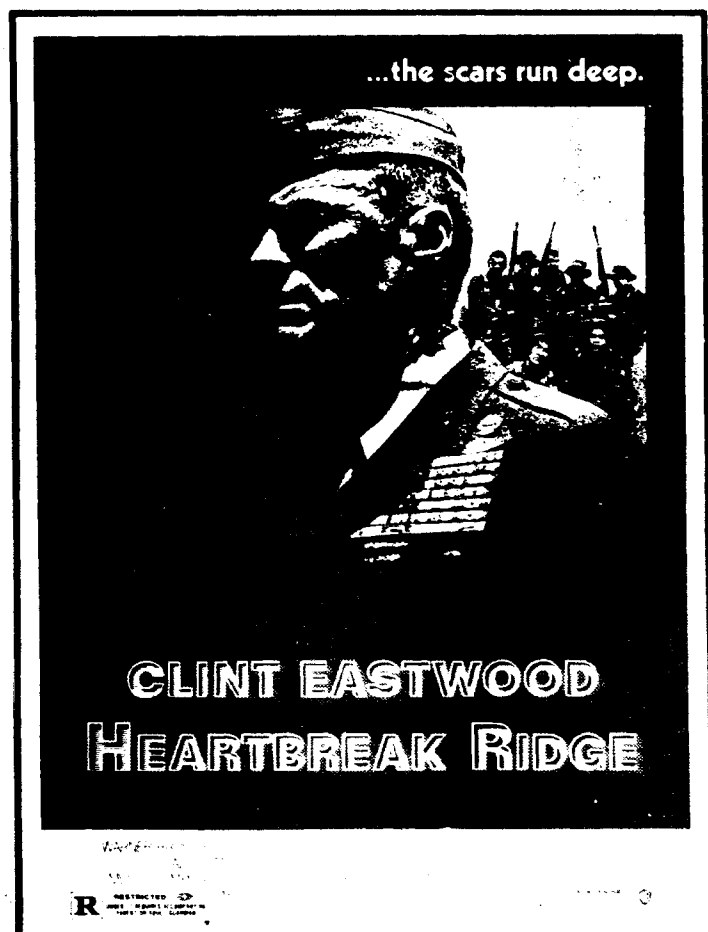
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Workers at University Hospital last February (right) as garbage piled up on the hospital's loading dock for days during a carting dispute.

The controversy surrounding toxics released in the Jacob Javits Lecture Center (below) after a September fire showed no signs of weakening this semester (see related story, page one).

Graduate student Choichiro Yatani (below, right) was relieved to return home last August after being detained for six weeks by the Immigration and Naturalization Service on unexplained charges.

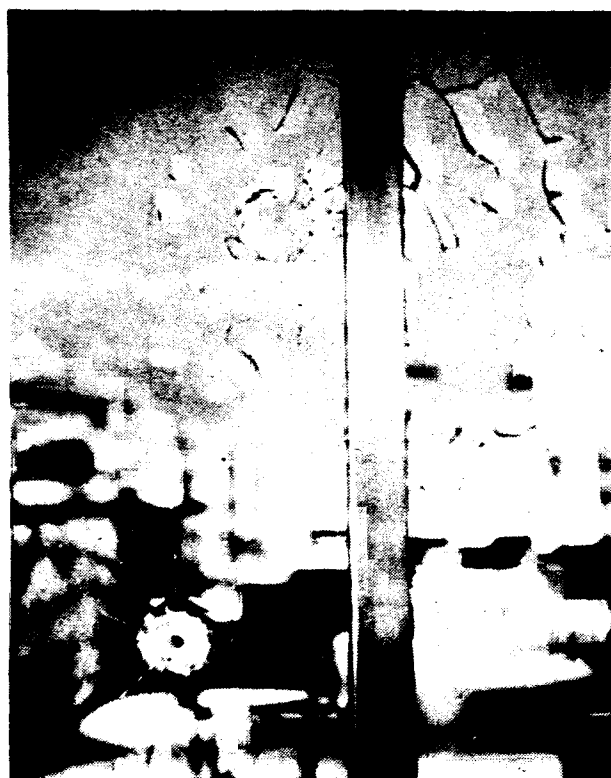


The Long Island Railroad strike left an empty Stony Brook train station (left) and preempted service for area students who returned from the winter break in January.

A shooting outside Tabler Cafeteria this month shocked students and things got hairier last weekend when bullets were sprayed through the cafeteria's windows (below, left).

Polity Vice President Gerry Shaps won the presidency in a three-way race in April.

G-Fest attracted many "townies" but campus bands, like Six and Violence (below), slayed the crowd.



General William Westmoreland (below) stirred controversy and emotion when he spoke in the Vietnam class last October.

About 1000 students rallied in April for the Graduate Student Organization's living conditions demands (right), forming one of the largest rallies the campus has seen in years. Administration and graduate students representatives arrived at a wage and benefit agreement weeks later.



Controversial faculty member Ernest Dube (above) was denied tenure last February after months of flip-flop decisions. Dube was assailed by some Jewish groups after he taught Zionism as racism in a 1983 summer course.

Students burst into protest (above, left) later that month over the tenure denial, spraying graffiti, marching on the Administration Building, and sitting in outside University President John Marburger's office.

There was cause for celebration on campus, however, as the reopening of the beloved Graduate Student Lounge (below) in January packed in relieved crowds.



Look to the Larger Causes of Teen Suicide

"I saw the best minds of my generation destroyed by madness, starving hysterical naked..."
— Allen Ginsberg
"Howl"

A few teenage suicide cases have been publicized in big headlines recently, like the suicide pact of four teenagers in Bergenfield, New Jersey last March. But thousands of other teen suicides go by quietly each year. The teenage suicide rate, according to medical authorities, has doubled since 1972. In this age of technological revolution and renewed national spirit more teenagers than ever before are killing themselves.

There are about 400,000 teenage suicide attempts a year, 6,000 of which are successful. That's about 15 dead teenagers a day. That rate doesn't include the suicides of homeless teenagers or deaths by drug overdoses. On campus this academic year there were three reported suicides among young people and four reported unsuccessful attempts. These numbers, too, are deceptive. It is wishful thinking to believe we get entirely accurate numbers on campus crimes or tragedies.

Who can't think back and remember the self-doubt, insecurity, and frustration one experienced as a teenager. Some social thinkers concentrate strictly on the personal problems of suicidal teens. Other social thinkers believe that zeroing in on societal problems will provide something approaching an answer. Politicians like Pat Moynihan have received deserved criticism for classifying people's pains as societal problems and creating charts to gauge human suffering.

Ignoring personal problems for the sake of a societal thesis is shallow; but it's time to start pinning some blame for teenage suicides on the social and economic society we've created. Too often social scientists and the media attribute

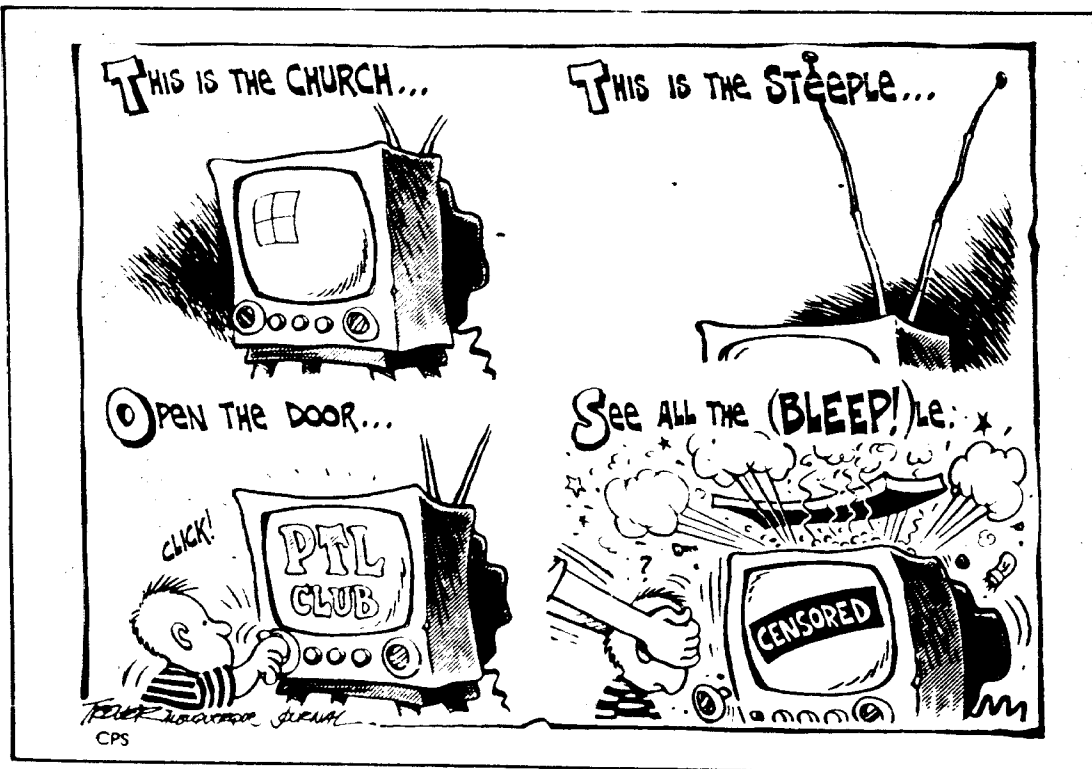
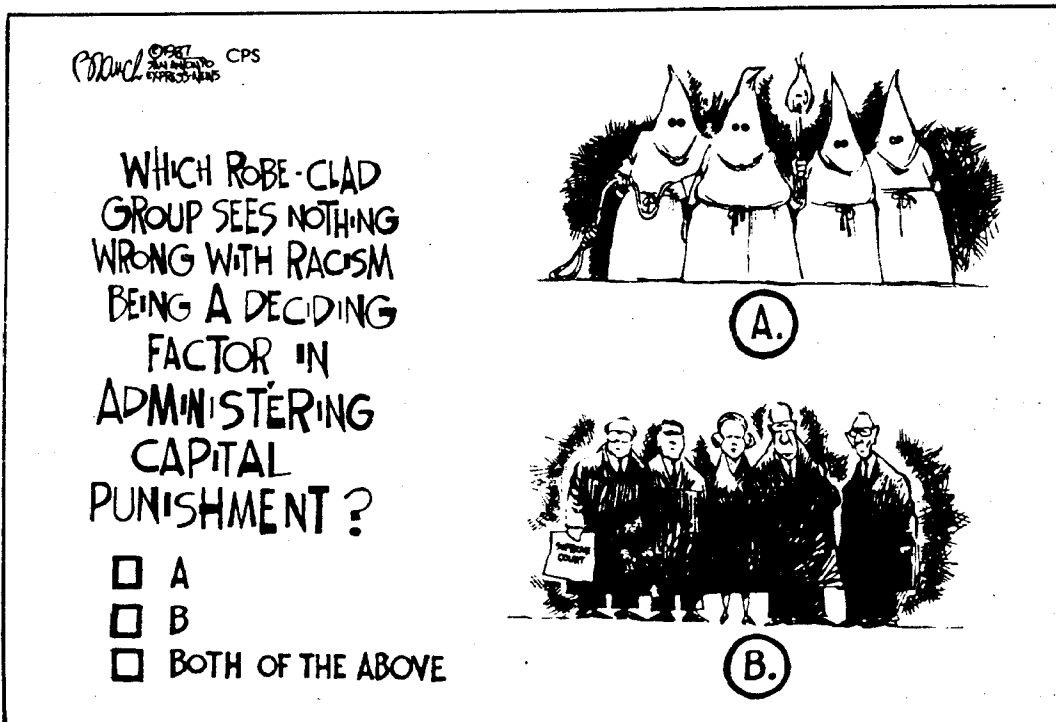
teenage suicides to personal problems and not the society in which these problems are fermented.

The definitions of succeeding and winning in America have not broadened over the past decade, but narrowed. With the advent of yuppism and young conservatism we've become a more "success"-oriented society; and success has come to mean one thing: financial success. To do, achieve, and win are the only steps that seem to fit in to our society today. The four teens who killed themselves in Bergenfield (and the two others who attempted a week later) were known as the "burn-outs" in their high school. All four had either dropped out or were suspended. They were society's lost cause or acceptable casualty count. Their school had sent a message to them that they didn't fit in any more. What they must have seen as hours of boring classes held nothing for them. They

knew, by looking at their other friends and themselves, that a society where a "future" meant economic success and material comfort held nothing for them.

Teenagers seem to feel more alienated from the world these days. The feeling that one can change the world, which was so prevalent in past generations, has died. The belief that things can't be changed (so you may as well run with the winners) is probably responsible for the selfish trend of young conservatism that has popped up around the country.

Our emphasis on income achievement has told many teenagers that they're not "making it." We've given up on young people who can't succeed in the traditional way. The sharp jump in the teenage suicide rate shows that they've given up on our standards and on us.



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Breaking Boundries That Divide the Sexes

By Raymond Maietta

SOC 247, Women and Men, has been in existence for some time now. Roberta Karant has taught the course for the past two and a half years. In that time the popularity of the course has grown. Men, women, feminists, and chauvinists alike have been drawn to the class regardless of its 8:30 a.m. starting time. It has always been worth waking up for.

Last semester, the combined work of Roberta and her teaching assistants led to the creation of a new twist to the course. For 20 percent of their grade students were given the choice of writing a five page research paper or participating in a Consciousness Raising group for two hours a week during the term.

The best way to explain a Consciousness Raising group would be to first describe what it is not. C.R. is not a therapy or problem-solving session, nor is it a course that teaches the 10 easy steps to

becoming a feminist. It is a combination of feminist theory and practice which takes the form of a "rap session" facilitated by trained teaching assistants. Each two hour session gives students the opportunity to relate the theoretical foundations they've learned in class to their everyday lives. There is a topic for each session related to gender. The group has a tangible goal of helping students become more aware of typical gender issues and the impact they have on an individual's life.

"The C.R. group has been a very rewarding experience for me. In the group things were discussed that I had never actually confronted and I realized my views were very wrong in many cases. I also realized that I had to change." These are the sentiments of Greg DiPrima, one of the participants in the advanced men's group.

Another member of this group,

Orlando Montan said, "I feel that the group has opened my eyes on many issues. This group has been very rewarding to me personally. Everyone at Stony Brook should be required to be in a C.R. group."

What makes the groups work so well? As facilitator of the advanced men's group, I found that, among other things, the atmosphere of the group lends itself to this type of experience. Everyone is made to feel comfortable regardless of what or how much he says. This helps build the trust that is necessary for open communication. People can join a C.R. group knowing that they'll get back whatever they put into it. This type of experience is especially important for men, who are rarely afforded an opportunity to discuss interpersonal issues — especially with other men.

Sabrina Segui, one of the women's group facilitators sees the opportunity for

learning from the different ways people experience similar situations. She finds rewards in helping people put their experiences together while working with each other on a personal level.

Libby Chute, one of last semester's facilitators, sees the C.R. experience as a way to break down the barriers of race and gender that often artificially separate people from one another.

Five groups are going on this semester. There are three women's groups and two men's groups (one of which is the advanced group consisting of members from last semester's class). Under the direction of Trish Leffingwell, Sabrina Segui, Catherine Figueras, Robert Ellis and myself, these groups, like those of the past, are helping to add some interpersonal warmth to the anomic experience of being an undergraduate at Stony Brook.

(The writer is an undergraduate.)

Exposé: The Professional Student Tells All

By Paul Kahn

Many of you reading this will note that you seldom if ever see a story or column in the newspaper with my by-line, yet here before you is what appears to be a sizeable piece by this unknown. Well, I am Paul Kahn senior photo editor of this paper, soon to become dearly departed editor as I take this time to say my farewells and leave this place we call school. As I look back on my intense yet brief SIX year college expedition I can think about nothing else but when and why it all went wrong. Six years and three schools later, I have come to realize it went wrong right at the very start. I will begin at the beginning, but keeping in mind that all or none of you have been to these other places the intro will be brief.

Part One: I Start College

I came to Stony Brook by way of getting kicked out of Queens College, and not being accepted at Queensborough Community College. Both are member schools in the CUNY system, the first being the top and the second being the school CUNY doesn't like to talk about. It was a two year stint at Queens, and one year of attendance at Queensborough making three all together. It was dull and boring except for the clubs and I'll leave this first half of my college career at that, rather than bore you even more with some names and references that you probably won't understand.

My genius younger brother goes to SUNY at Buffalo. He's a senior now but he's going to go another year to attain his second engineering degree. That will make five years all together but he says he's got even bigger plans for after graduation. Something tells me he's gonna build a bomb and ransom off the world. But back to the plot.

Since he was going to UB, my dad thought it would be a wonderful idea if I went there too. So I sent out a SUNY application and listed the four university centers as my choices. Guess what happened?

Part Two: The Stony Brook Shuttle

In all its mighty wisdom, the people at good ol' SB invited me to come on over and make a go at a college education within their fine institution of learning. My dad was thrilled Mom was ecstatic. I was bewildered. Didn't they see my transcripts? Could this be a mistake? No mistake, the week after I got my acceptance I signed my housing request and mailed it back with a deposit. I was really going. With the first day approaching, I did not have something many attending here still do not have. A ROOM. Queens, where I live, is about 50 miles from SB, which equated to one tremendous commute. Fifty miles there, 50 miles back, 100 miles a day, 500 miles per week. Not to mention about \$300 per week in gas, commuting in rush hour traffic and getting home too tired to study

after about an hour of driving home.

Anyone in my position now knows the story. Up at the crack of dawn to drive in, home in the late, late evening after exams and becoming a permanent fixture in the Res Life office ever hoping that soon as the room freeze will end, your petition will be heard and someday you will get a room. My hoping went on for eight weeks.

I was told my roommate would afford me enough time to sleep. Not so. I was told my roommate would be a non-smoker. Not so. I was told I was moving into

And so it goes.

Part Three: I Join Statesman

My first semester went okay. I was learning to become a member of WUSB and pushing my way into SCOOP AV at the same time. Within a couple of weeks I was doing both. Somewhere between those things I was going to class and studying. Well, at least a little bit.

"By the end I was telling teachers I had contracted hepatitis ..."

Late in the semester I met Diane. She came over to a party that my suite was having as a guest of my roommate. Both of them were somehow involved with *Statesman*. We talked a little, and ever after I used to stop in at *Statesman* when I was in the Union to say "hi." After stopping in about four or five dozen times, I got to talking to Dan, the present photo director, so we talked photography and stuff. Soon after I became a staff photographer at the paper. School work began to seriously fall by the wayside.

To my benefit however, I didn't get deep into *Statesman* until the next semester. My college career was safe at least for a while. Through my second year I got more and more involved in everything except school work. I did more photos for *Statesman*, more remotes for the radio station and lots of job for AV in between. I was losing weight, sleep, and hair all at the same time. I loved it.

At the end of my second year I was firmly entrenched in the paper. I hadn't seen the inside of a classroom in at least two months. My grade report came in, and I was amazed. With all the crap I had been doing, I pulled a 2.97 for the semester. I was for

the first time in my life off probation!

Confident that I knew what I was doing, I let myself slide all last semester. By the end I was telling teachers I had contracted hepatitis in hope of getting incompletes or late withdrawals. No dice. I was all set to pack it in when an academic advisor asked, "Why don't you just apply for an extension?" I didn't know why I didn't. So I did. I got all my bosses to write real great notes about how great a guy I was, and you know what? They bought it, I mean it worked.

This past semester started off okay. Four easy courses, for 13 easy credits. Or at least it seemed that way. To make a too long story short, I'm sitting here writing this while I should be off somewhere studying.

This past semester has seen me go back and forth to NYC for examinations and interviews for my new career. I won't say what it is, but in my mind its living a real life instead of a college life. After all I gave college a six year trial and I just don't love it. If I did I'd be busy typing more excuse notes instead of this column.

In any event I would now like to thank all or most of those who have been with me and helped me along the way. After all I've gotten pretty far. I'm a member of WUSB so I've had practical broadcasting experience. I made supervisor level at SCOOP so I have practical experience not only in sound and lighting but also management. And here at *Statesman* I'm the photo editor.

Mitch Horowitz: Guess what? The real reason I'm leaving is because last week I got a proposal from the Violent Femmes to replace their old bass player Guess? I thought not.

Ray Parish: Don't leave the paper. It needs you. And you like it. Remember, no one gets any breaks around here, much less any recognition.

Tim Lapham: Never get yourself fired from a job, it looks bad on your resume. Get a new job and then quit. Take it from me, I've counted 12 periods of employment since I was 16. Call me sometime, we'll go to a con.

Dan Smith: Keep practicing the guitar. Photos you already know how to do real good. I'll see you this summer at least when we go to Joe's. Before I forget to tell you, DON'T LET HAVING YOUR OWN APARTMENT GO TO YOUR HEAD.

George Bidermann: Get a haircut! Your so called socially acceptable hair-doo went out with the sixties.

Jeff Eisenhart: Keep practicing on the computers. You're sure to get it down by the time you're ready to graduate.

Scott Finkle: Lucky you. You got out the real way, but I've got a job to go to. Can you say the same?

Letters

Health Questions

To the Editor:

As a student of SUNY at Stony Brook I am concerned about the situation that exists in the lecture center. You might ask: What situation? — which is exactly what I'm getting at. Are there really "huge amounts of dioxins, PCB's and super-toxic furans" circulating in the lecture center through the ventilation system? According to a recent flier that was circulated in the dorms this is the case. Should the students be tested for dioxins in their blood? I'm puzzled by this information, is it purely propaganda or is it fact?

My efforts to reach University President John Marburger, as the flier suggested, were of no help. I don't know if it's due to the fact that we have a new phone system on campus or if they are just not answering calls in his office. My point is that we as students, may have been exposed to something that little is known about except that it is dangerous. If we were or are being exposed, I would like some information about what it was, what if anything to do about it and what the school plans to do about it. These questions, I feel, should be addressed by the school's administration.

Hopefully, before I finish school next week and leave for home I will have some answers (and I don't mean a meeting at an inappropriate day and time like the last meeting held on Friday at 6 p.m. before Spring break).

Nancy Delle

Demo-Change

To the Editor:

Hello! This letter is an official announcement proclaiming the rebirth and re-emergence of the Democratic Party on campus. "Another political party," you groan, "...big deal!" Well it is. The Stony Brook Democrats (as we have titled ourselves) is not a political fringe group faced with little prospect for achieving social change. We are a group of independently-minded Democratic ideologues who believe that the extremist denomination of this campus's politics has gone on long enough. Stony Brook deserves a choice!

For too long, this campus has remained in a state of hebephrenia — totally oblivious of political reality, preferring to remain ignorant of issues until they have had devastating impact. The Stony Brook Democrats were created to deal with this lethargy.

As a group we have four major goals:

1) We wish to provide the campus with something it sorely lacks — honest political information. Unlike other groups on campus, we are not interested in playing the numbers game — we do not mind having a small core membership as long as they are capable and committed. Thus, we will not seek to advertise our views in such a manner as to gain the most conscripts — after all, what is the advantage in having over 100 members if only 10 are actively participating? The campus can rely on

us to accurately convey information on matters of import to it.

2) We wish to provide Stony Brook with a political forum for debate and reform. We realize that this campus has a heterogenous population and believe it only fair that individuals be allowed to explore, discuss, and advocate their beliefs publically. We look forward to such opportunities to meet with and discuss points of mutual interest with other political activists in the hope that we can all achieve a better understanding of each other and possibly set up the groundwork for future political cooperation. Additionally, we recognize that our own party has some serious problems afflicting it and we hope to be able to discuss and correct some of the worst maladies.

3) We wish to provide the campus with an active and vibrant political atmosphere. We plan to do this by holding various events on campus and by bringing politicians, labor leaders, and other important figures to this campus. By doing this, we hope to give students a better understanding of the personal motivations and goals that guide these individuals.

4) Finally, we will serve the campus as a lever for political action. Polling, campaigning, and rallies are all planned for the next academic term.

Stony Brook, the time to take responsibility for your future is here! Join us and together we will change the future.

David Stauber
Co-Chairman

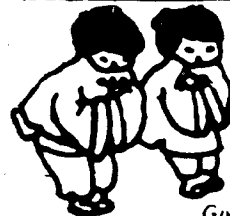
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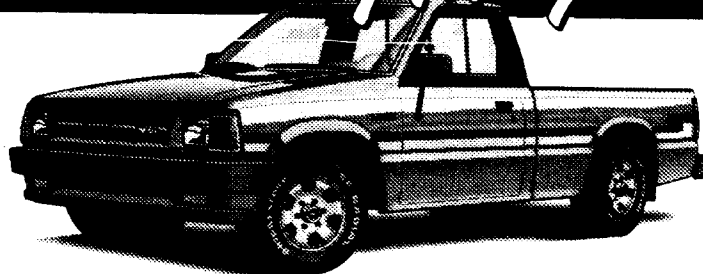
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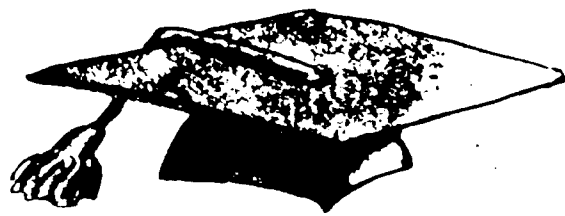
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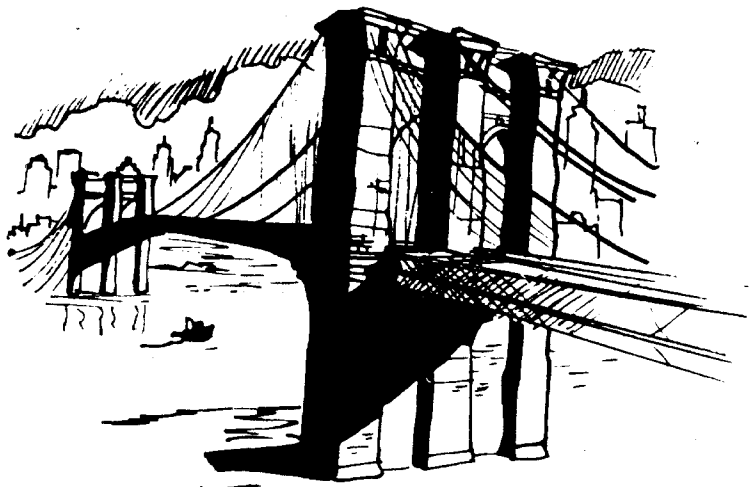
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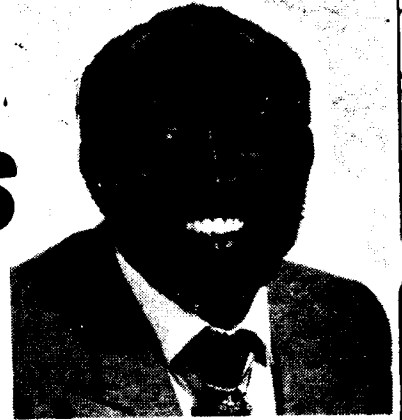
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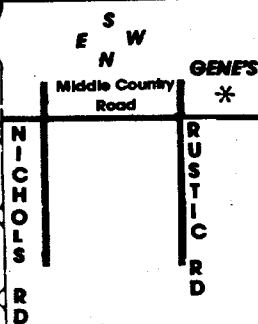
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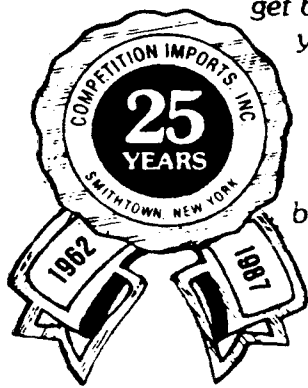
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Dreiser Suite 115, words can't express my year with all of you. Old & new. Thanks for always being there. You are a bigger part of my life than you all realize. And Paula (thanks for the jacket! Shari, its been different but very special. Beth it's only just begun. I'll miss all of you. Love forever, Lisa

GIL, Congratulations! Even though you're graduating, and think you're going to get rid of me, well you're wrong! One day you'll have to deal with me as your colleague. Your friend, JAIME

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Kelly E 204 Pat, Jerry, Adam, Sasha & Steve, thanks for sharing your suite & friend with me. I love you guys, Lisa

To Johnny Segovia in Greeley—I suppose as long as you have your own private lounge, a 4.0 is in the bag! Best of luck, see you in a few weeks! Cathy

Strawberry,
GET ME OUT OF THIS CAGE!! It was great getting to know you! HHash?

LISA we did it! I couldn't have hoped for a better friend than you. We have many memories behind us and a lifetime before us. I have to STUDY! Mush Mouse! Remember—All my love, BUNS

Melba Toast, we did it! Here's to all those great times and for being a super friend. Congratulations. Love Rat Partner

Kellee, the past two semesters have been fun, and I hope that you get everything in life that you deserve. I'll never forget you! Love always, "Dak"

Lyn To the best roommate around: GOOD LUCK in the Nursing School, keep in touch. I'll miss you, kid. Wiggly

Cheryl L. Stop ducking me! Congrats. And good luck next year! Keep in touch. Kool Blu

John, Thanks for all your help. It was always greatly appreciated. Looking forward to a lot of fun next semester. Let's live it up this summer! Love ya, Liz

Robe, I beat you to it! I love you! Pokey

Age Kris Nanc. I love you and remember STOP thinking what I'm saying. It was an amazing semester. Love, Michele

continued Thanx from PK
Chris Beach: My only advice. Don't procrastinate. Among us AV guys, its our leading fault.

Rob deBrauer: So anyway, Anthrax was doing an interview on WBAB when they mention me as a founding member of the group. Recognition at last!

CJ Herman: Seriously now make your best effort to get into show business. Personally I see you as a VJ on MTV. Really you'd be the best.

Josh Chase: I suppose I'll never get rid of you. Tell mom I said hi.

Irin Strauss: What's this rumor I hear about Vandergraph Generator getting back together again? Or was that The Partridge Family I was thinking off? Any insights?

Frank Burget: Without a doubt, you are the smartest person I met here at Stony Brook. And I vow never to call WLTV "W LIGHT" again.

Steve Miller: I've met alot of DJs, but you're the first one I ever liked. I don't know why, but what the hell.

Norm Prusslin: You are the main reason WUSB works. If only I knew about this place when I applied to Queens. I could have saved alot of time. Well a little at any rate.

Mike Cortese: Draw something once in a while. I couldn't kill you. Here's hoping next semester you get some idiot you can live with. One last thing, I think Robbie likes you, but I can't be sure.

Jim Quinn: Push for that sound system in the GSL. You'll get, I know you will.

Theatre Department (Jon, Jon, Paul, Paul, Pat, Jay, Hadlee, Lori, Robbie, Gus etc.) I should have been a theatre major. Call me if any of you guys need good pix.

To Everyone I Know: I have a New Year's party every Jan. 1. You're all invited forever

Paul J. Kahn

Charlie, Thank you for the most wonderful 2 1/2 years of my life. I'll love you always. Lily

SDT this past year has been the best thanks to you guys. I'll miss you all. Love, Kathleen

Ray I'm glad we finally found each other. Life will never be the same. I'm looking forward to the beach! Love always Kathleen

Robin, Norma, Anna. The past year since we got together has been great, and we've enjoyed the times spent as neighbors in F-2. We wish you all the luck in your futures and we'll miss ya. Love ya, Kathleen, Mary Lou, and Sue

Deb, Maribeth, Pat & Caryn, The past 3 years have been the best and will be treasured memories for us. The great times cannot be equalled and will never be forgotten. Best of luck in your futures, we know you will be successful in whatever you desire. You will be missed more than words can say. We love you, Mary Lou, Kathleen and Sue

To all the people who put up with my lunacy for all these years — especially my suitemates: I love all you guys. Contry to your beliefs — I'm gonna miss th is place! Thanks for the god times and the bad — memories that no one can take away. SDT- I love you girls — GooK Luck you're number 1! Love always, Laura (The BAS)

DEBs, here's why we've been waiting for — the long over due personal. I love you! Thank you for listening and understanding. You are my forever friend! Good luck to you. I don't know how you'll ever make it without me! Love your number 1 admirer, Laura

Phil, all the special moments have been ruled up in 4 super fantastic years. I've loved every second of it. You will be a success in anything you do. I love you. XOXO Michele

F2—It's been a great hall and a great year. Graduates — I'll miss you all, stay in touch so we can have more great times in the future. Undergrads—look forward to a great year next year. I will definitely miss th is hall! Best wishes to you all! Indra

Happy Jack, Hanny, see you in the Academy stay tuned for Police Academy IV

Jimbo L. (Guinea II), Well kid, you're on your own now. Friendships like yours don't come often. I hope it doesn't end here. Besides the EOB couldn't andle two guineas at once. It's all yours now. Stay out of trouble & stop leading w/ your face. See you at the seaport. Guinea I

Amelia, You look "maahvelous dahling." I'm going to miss you and your great sense of humor. Don't lose it! Even if you still write for *Statesman*. Best of luck and have a great summer. JEFF

Mary Lou, Like a "Ray of Sunshine" you have burst on *Statesman* and shined brightly. It has been a pleasure working with you and getting to know you. It may seem like hell at times but stick with your writing and it will pay off in the long run. Jeff

Uh, Uh, Scott. We finally survived this mess called *Statesman*. No more production nights! Best of luck in whatever you choose to pursue. Jeff

Mitch and Ray, "My good friends" it has been a pleasure working with you. Production nights have never been so smooth. Best of luck next year. Jeff

To the insomniac crew, Paul, Danny, and Alan, you guys are too much. Without you the paper suffers. Have a great summer. Jeff

Marge, Next time you wander off to Mexico, take me with you? Jeff

Carolyn, Where's my film? Jeff

George, "Flash take one-hundred copies to the lecture center." For some crazy reason I'm going to miss hearing that. Thanks for all the work and things you have taught me on *Statesman*. Jeff

To the typesetters, thanks for typing all this, and the intramural scoreboard throughout the semester. Have a good summer. Jeff

Berta, What will I do next year without my mother? I know I'll be visiting her at her new apartment (and not alone!) Love you, Paula P.S. Have suitcase will travel to London to the tower.

Lisa and Mons, Eduardo wrote me while you guys were away in London. He said he would be waiting at the Cancun Airport in Jan '88. It's a date! Love yas, P.

Lisa, Monica, Beth, Lisa, T., Dianne, Cheryl, Nina, congratulations! Stony Brook has brought us all together (I knew this place was good for something). You all deserve life's very best, and I will miss you all terribly. I love you guys. Good luck and you all better visit alot. Love ya's, Paula

Lisa, Teich, you know I just heard of this terrific little apartment, with flowers on the table in the enormously big kitchen. You can also hear the cute little doggie howling in the alley at 6 a.m. to get you up for aerobics. Ya interested? I love ya, Paula P.S. Good luck, J.Y.

Calvin, Did we make it yet? We're going for the blue and white. Good luck on finals. Your friend EMR

To Suite 304, Kelly B, Pebbles, Buckwheat, Robert, Christopher, and Jillian: Thanks for the good and the bad. Have a great summer. It's been real (what I don't know). See ya, next year. Love Edie.

A-2 Crew, We're finally here, the time to go our separate ways and others we're leaving behind. The past years have really been amazing. I've learned so much here but the main thing you taught me was the true meaning of friendship. Although our days living together our coming to an end, our friendships and memories will stay with us forever. I love you all like sisters. I'll miss all of you and our scenes at EOB. The best of luck! Jennifer

To the crescents, I'm with you all the way. EMR

Jeanmarie, thanks for being there. You are a true sweetheart. Hope to see in the summer. Love ya, EMR

Dearest Paul throughout the past sixteen months we've shared each others lives. The memories we made are unforgettable. You are a special part of my life and that can never change. If I could do it all again, sure there would be some changes but I could never replace you! Well now we're graduating and the future holds many uncertainties but nothing can come between the bond we created or the love we share. All my love, Jennifer

Langmuir A-2, You girls have been the greatest friends. I've had the most amazing times with you all. And I'll never forget our adventures at EOB. I wish you the best of luck and happiness always! I'm going to miss "you guys" alot next year. A-2 and EOB will never be the same. Congratulations! I love ya! Love Lisa G.

Langmuir A-2 girls, Well our four year party has come to an end. I'll never forget all the great times we have shared. I think we have been through everything together. Throughout all the good and bad times, we have always had each other to depend on. I can't begin to tell you how much you girls mean to me and how much I'm going to miss you. Friends forever Elena

H-Quad Council — It was much fun working and playing with you guys. Especially you Richard! Continue the success next year, or I'll come back and kick butts!! With all my love, Billy

TO KELLY D MEN, Congratulations on winning the McDowell Cup. You guys worked hard to come all the way back from 6th place to win it all. Thanks for showing us a great year. From Kelly D Women

To Dreiser 115 It's been a great year. It feels like I've known you all forever. Lisa T my future roomy, Shari favorite soap buddy, Carol new little neighbor, Paula — Danny European adventure mons Lisa M Stacey reunited John my biggest and bes' headache. Ninala Alyss I'll miss you I love you All Beth

Dear Stony Brook, the times that we have shared over the years will be missed. I have some fantastic memories that will last forever. To my friends, you are the best. Thanks love. WBN III

George, You've always been there for me and I consider myself lucky to have had you by my side. God knows you've seen me through the worst of times. I hope you know how much that meant to me and how much I love you and always will! Good luck surviving SB without me. Laura P.S. Oh! WTB? was me!

Gary, thanks for not running out on me. You're a C.O.O.L. partner and a special friend. Love Ei

To the old Kelly A-100 girls, Baby face, Hurricane, Donna, Eve, We've had some wild times girls. I'm gonna miss you all. Late night chit-town won't be the same without you. Hurricane, look out for senioritis. Baby face, leave my friends alone. Donna, take a deep breath and relax. Eve, I'll be your first patient for P.T. P.S. Keep the couch open, you never know when you'll have a visitor. Love Paul

Dear Powdy, Let's have a great summer. You're the best baby. I love you Rowdy

Gary, thanks for not running out on me. You're a C.O.O.L. partner and a special friend. Love Ei

Dear Jeff, Happy 22nd Birthday (5/15) and also Happy 13 wonderful months together. Thank you for making my senior year great and helping me in all my courses. I wish I had met you sooner! You are the greatest, baby. Love your honey bunny, beefalo, rowdy, powdy, baby, Elysa

Langmuir A-2 (Elena, Jen, Mado, Lisa G., Little Lisa B, Laurie, Elyse, Mara, Bev), we've had the best and worst of times. But we definitely rocked SB! You're the greatest friends! Debbie

Elena, my roommate and best friend. Four years of togetherness. I'll always love ya! Debbie

Elysa, Couldn't have done it without you! Get psyched for grad. school and MH. Debbie

Al, I'll miss you so! Thanks for being my SB sweetheart! I love you! Debbie

SB memories — orientation, E.O.B., football, TKE, Langmuir, Ammann A-1, James A-3, Benedict B-1, Tokyo's, Farrell boys, happy hours, Domino's, parties, drinking, sex, *Statesman*, EROS, BQ's, formals, phone bills, booze cruise, graduation, DAKA, fests, Rainy Night House, HSC, pit-hockey, 69 Hotline, strippers, classes, rabbits, roaches, bimbo, guys, and discos forever Debbie

J. - I'll always love you in my own special way!

Langmuir C-3 (and some D-2ers): We leave here with a special sense of belonging. Your friendships are as unique and special as each one of you. Remember the parties, TARAS, Lynn (R.A.), football, sex, chats, Vermont, etc. Remember ESPECIALLY the laughter and support we shared. I love you all. You know who you are!!! Good luck and keep the C-3 faith always! Love Laurie "Sweet"

Langmuir A-2, Thanks for making my senior year AMAZING!!! How many men, parties, E.O.B. nites, shotguns, and early morning rap sessions can one woman take? NEVER TOO MANY!!! Until we meet again (probably at E.O.B.) Good Luck, Congratulations, and keep partying! Your friend, R.A., and forever drinking "BUD"dy, Laurie "Sweet" P.S. Paul B., Congrats! LOVE YOU!! "Piglet"

Navid, Don't worry about Fahad. I'm cutting his tongue out! Good luck on your finals. See you in the summer. Love, Joe XXX

Jason and Gil, Happy Graduation. Good luck in law school. Gil, Jay, sing till the roof comes down. You were great in Gospel Choir. Joe

8118, Ace your finals! I miss you. See you in the summer. Love, Joe. XXX

Dear Shari and Liz, Did we really just meet last year? You guys are such great friends. I'm really going to miss you. Never forget C-3, D-3 EOB and LaBamba. Keep in touch. Love Sue

Dear Mary Rose, To a great roomie and friend Happy Graduation. Did you put a star on the door? C-3 D-3 double whammy! Sleep walk much? Keep in touch. Love Sue

Dear Jen, I'm so glad we became such good friends. How could I ever forget Che 132 and my puffy face in calc? I'm really gonna miss you. Let's always keep in touch. Love Sue

S. Were we born to study or what?!

Donna "wonna" thanks for the flowers. I hope you have a great summer and good luck living in Tabler next year. I'll come and visit Edie Pidie

To Harry, Glenn, Robert, Grace, Jenny, Chi, Charlene, Sunhye. It has really been great working with you all. I have personally enjoyed it. You guys made ASA fun and we made things happen together. This year/semester has been very special for me because of you guys. Comments: Sunhye, you're the best in cutting chicken. Charlene, when I need someone to haggle eggrolls, I'll call you. Chi, the most resourceful and wise one, congratulations graduate. Jenny, you're the coolest gal. Grace, "scheow ping gwure" fits you well. Rob, welllll, you're just hilarious! Glenn, Happy Birthday myyyy brother. Harry, you're definitely one of a kind. Best wishes to you all and may we have more great times together. Love you guys a lot, Alan

Cheryl, thanks for the best three years of my life. I leave S.B. with a lot of memories and laughs. Just remember that you'll always be my roommate, and don't think I'm going to forget you next year. I love you and thanks for everything. You're the best friend a girl could ever have. Love, Linnea

Steve and John — KD106 We leave a double edge razor and a book on how to treat women — The excellent dudettes

Curly, these last seven months were as crazy as they were fun!! There's not enough thanks I can give you for all you've done for me. I can give you kisses and a big heebukel! Besides, I owe you some interest!! May life never give you problems finding your underwear!! Happy Graduation!! Love Baldy

To my fellow S.C.U.M. mates, thanks for a scumcessful year!!! Have a great summer!! You're all a bunch of champs!! Love, Shimon Captain S.C.U.M.

Chris, roses are red violets are blue luscious is Celeste S. and Celeste B. in C32. Just kidding. Still friends?

To wrong and PMS SDT forever. I'll miss ya's a lot Love, Old Mom

Dear Carole, Cathy, Jana and Renee, I love you all very much. Thanks for putting up with me. Love, Raj

It seems like only yesterday when you bought me that rum and coke. You've given me memories that I'll never forget. Watch out for falling lights. Maybe I will wind up being your chauffeur after all. It ain't over yet. I love you. Me

Jaime, hey babes, what's up? Good luck in your finals! Happy Birthday! Edith

To Sunday P.S. staff, Thanks for your cooperation and patience during the past semester. It has been greatly appreciated. I'll probably be around next semester to bother you more. Thanks again, M.L.L.

Hi Millie, thank you for this wonderful semester. Your friend forever, Edith

To: Mark Headlum, just a short reminder of just how much I care. Get better. All my love. Millie

To: IO, You know what time it is! Your roomie!

Laura B-will the negatives ever stop coming?

HARPO, CRAPPY, DOOTIE-So you guys are leaving me. Will I miss the snoring, skidding and sliming? You bet I will! You guys are breaking up a good team. Bizz Buzz, shower curtains, Beard's party, "and bowling tool." Chinatown, emergency room trips. I think we're done it all. Three years Harpo, I can't believe I survived! It was easier than one with Dootiel Oh, Dis!! Kick butt at St. John's law Harpo! Crappy and Dootie, if you guys are New York's finest I'd hate to see the worst, good luck! I can't afford much more, my AIM check is running out! You know I love you guys, come back and visit sometime. Murf

DONNA-Congratulations! You did it in four years. I'm gonna miss hanging out in your suite! Good luck with everything. Love, Murf

Tony-such is a man judged to be true following pretzel logic.

Gabrielle P.-I think I'll stop walking now, could I ever tell you how great its been?

SSI 339 students-it's been real, it's been nice, but THANK GOD I'M OUTTA HERE! Dennis C.

Langmuir A2 girls: Graduation is here!! Can't believe we made it. Nothing will compare to these great 4 years spent together. The endless nights stumbling home from the Bridge, the very few nights we tried to study, the endless mornings with hangovers telling each other what we did the night before, the family dinners and 7-11 runs. We can go on and on but we would like to say is that you are great and we will miss you all so much. We want to wish the best to the girls who are graduating with us and the best to all our friends who are staying. We Love Ya Lisa(Bambi) Li' Lisa

Scott, Happy Birthday! May your birthday be as happy as you've made me. You're very special. Love Always, Ei

Tuka-just a little patience and understanding, ok? I love you. Don't let life get you down. Let's just enjoy this summer and have all those "times" you want. Yeah.

Jen, we've made it this far, and the fights are finally down to a low rumble. I'd like to make a great summer WITH you. Say "yeeesss, she is beautiful!" Love, Dave

To the Boys of Benedict E-2, you guys are the best. I'll always have a special place in my heart for the hall. I couldn't have picked a better place and a better group of people to spend my college years with. Kegs, kegs, kegs, lets party 'til the end. To the seniors come my individual wishes. ROB—you have been the best roommate I could have ever had. You have also been just as good a friend. Let's go Giants! Two years in a row. PHIL—from Lenny Beck to Lenny Dykstra you have always been a good friend. Since Ft. Lauderdale you have become a new person. Don't change back. Stay crazy. CARY-I will miss you when you are sober. When you're not sober is a different story. ANDY P-control your alcoholic intake! CHRIS-May you find a nice job where you belong—on a beach in California. JEFF B.-I hope I never make you mad while you're drunk. THOM-keep in touch. I'm going to need a good dentist. KEN AND SUE-Congrats and best of luck. It's not too late to change your minds. TOM-I hate the Celtics but you're O.K. Best wishes. TONY-Are you treating for subway series tickets? To the rest of the hall I'll be back to visit. JIM H.-Stop eating my cookies! Megna, Gottlieb, Garv. Jaime, good luck in your new schools. Let's drink till we drop. Jeff E.

JEANNIE-I don't have to say a lot. You know my life has been fantastic since you came along. See you in Manhattan this summer. I love you! Love, Murf

To all my friends and co-workers at Statesman—despite the tension that was ever created (here?...no...you're kidding...) from working the long hard hours we have, I love you all. Really. We've been through lots and I'm actually going to miss you all—yes GEORGE even you!! Jean...I hope you'll call me over the summer (ha ha ha ha ha)...Char...have a great "f---n" summer...sorry I klep-toed your glasses. MITCH—MARRY ME DAMN IT! Ray-if I ever have to stay up all night I'll call you (ha ha). Danny-you're the best. PATTY-WHERE'S MY SHOES?? let's do OBI-okay? Paul-you are a true technological masterpiece. Jeff-where have you been this semester?? Alan-I'm not neurotic-I swear, I'm just a bitch!! Bill-is that your name? No we weren't introduced but you are the best thing to look at in this basement. Amelia and Mary Lou-thanks for putting up with my ridiculous behavior-you guys are great to laugh with. Tell me this...I still don't get it...why do you don't?? Well...whoever I've left out OOPS. SCOTT-I love you-Happy our Birthday Always. To all the writers and typesetters-you make it happen! Thanks a lot. And last but certainly not least...GEORGE GEORGE. GEORGE-even when you're redundant and drive me nuts I can't help but admire your dedication-you truly are a special person-thanks for all you've done to help me! Love to all! Have a great summer! Keep in touch!! Marge

Dale-who's to say we can't transcend space and time. We can do magic. Amelia

Mitch and Ray, Don't bother nominating us for Deputy managing Editors because we hereby resign. Sincerely, Mary Lou and Amelia

You guys don't pay me enough to read all this good-bye drivel and then TYPE it!!! I Quit!!!! (see you over the summer on production nights) Katrina the Wave

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Cori C-maybe you don't remember, in fact, you probably don't remember, in fact, you most definitely don't remember why the ear-ring may soon be lost forever.

Debbie, I never thought the time would come when we would be separated. All I know is that you broke me into this place. You took care of me, you loved me, and I loved you right back. Next year will be different. Empty is the word I'm looking for. I will never forget you. I am looking forward to this summer. It will be our best. I think our love is strong enough so that even when we are most distant, deep inside we are closest. I thank God for the night I met you. He sent me an angel. I will always love you pretty lady. Al

Jean, it's been two very special years. I couldn't have made it here without you. I'm sure our future is bright. Remember its all in the Attitude. I'll always be there for you. Have a great senior year. I love you. Tom

Charlene, you are a panic to work with. It was a lot of fun getting to know you. I'll miss you but I won't miss tear sheets. May you find a lot of "sausages" in Brooklyn this summer. Take care, Jeff

Tina, brownies, nail polish, menus, no monies, the best, numb, fram, aerobics — You're one in a million. Love, Ei

TO CHRISTINE Thanx for making my first China weekend such a fulfilling experience. Good Luck! You will be missed. A. SHIN

DEAR NGA YI Thanx for your time and patience in doing our make-up during China weekend. We really appreciate it! You know who.

To all my fellow CSE majors: I've been lucky to have worked with the nicest and brightest group of people here at Stony Brook. Thank you all for making these past four years so memorable. The best of luck. Maria

John, Alias, Vic, First I'm so proud of your success, and so happy that we will be so close. Second, Happy Birthday and may all your wishes come true! And last but not least thank you for coming into my life and being my best friend and my love. There will always be a special place for you in my life and in my heart. Happy 1st year anniversary. And I know that when we follow our dreams individually it will still lead us together. I love you, your beer buddy forever. — Lisa

Bobby, All I can say is I love you, I'll miss you so much when you leave, but you know I'll always be here for you. Don't forget me. All of my love forever, Jennifer

Sue, Thanks for a great two years. Here's to our last, you're a great friend. Thanks for all the good times. Gretch, just think no more pillow talks. Thanks for always listening to me babble. You guys have to help me solve the problem with Patch — You guys know hes hot. Here's to our senior year and many more memories. I love you — Jen

Jen, thanks for always being there, year number two down! Gretch, thanks for all those great thursdays and awful friday mornings. Gre-gells, I'm really gonna miss you. I wish you the best. I swear I'm not a DB. Skipper, I'm really glad everything is back to normal. Suite 100, 104 the b-ball team and everyone else thanks for a great year. Take care and have a great summer Love always, Sue

To the crew It's been great getting to know you this year. We had so many fun times. Have a great summer.

Shiraz, We've been through alot. Many bad times but more good times. You have been there always. You are my closes friend. Happy 19th birthday. Love Liz

To Shera, Tinaj, Buckwheat, Jewels, Bev, Sharon have a good one Love Lizard Radar Hawkeye

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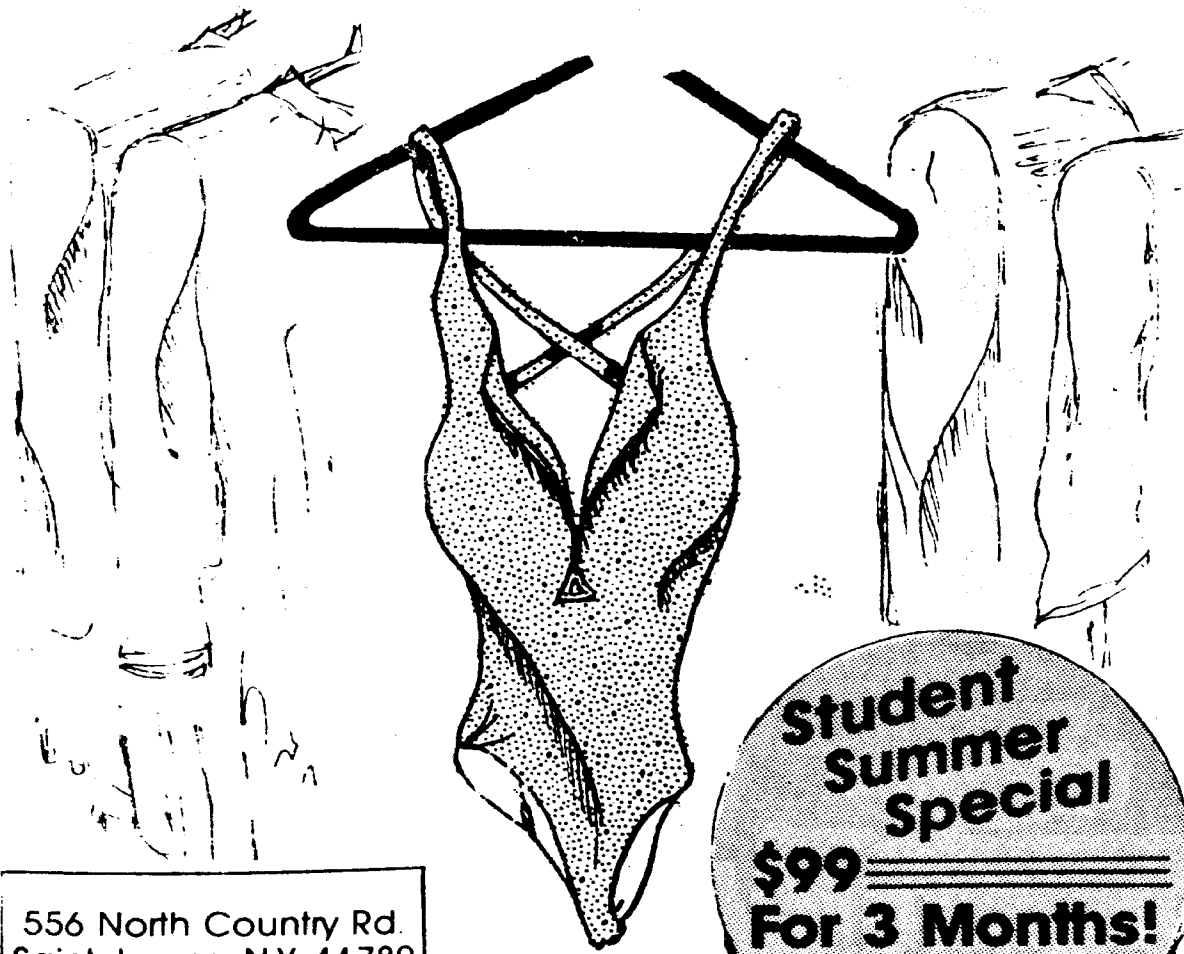
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RUB Don't worry! I don't think Dr. Frank made it into AED either! Good luck in Baltimore. Love John

Liz, We almost made it thru ECO 251 Good luck, "The Pres."

Sharon, Good luck Pres! Hope all your dreams come true. With love, Sigma Beta

Molly, We talked twice this semester a new record! Good luck! Keep in touch! Radical.

Good-bye Martha I'm a fat mangy dog. Biggest mistake of my life. Dave S.

To all the Statestaff, It's been great working with you guys (most of the time) Ha Ha! Take care and good luck in all that you do! Charlene

Patreasha! My darling, how can I ever say good-bye to you? Well, that's easy; I can't. And I don't intend to. I'll be here and I hope you will be too, wherever "here" is. I can say thank you, as inadequate as that is, it's the best I can do at the moment. Thanks, and take care. Love Danny P.S. Can I drown in your hair?

Lyle Hollowell the terminal professor offers his last words: thanks to all the students past and present who helped me become a better teacher and who showed they cared when it all fell apart. Thanks to the few nonstudents who joined them. God bless us all. Farewell.

Quintette my love, I'm not going to write one of those silly weepy personals about how wonderful these weeks have been. (Mostly because they haven't Ha, ha.) But someone once said that it is not the quantity of time spent that is most important, but the quality. It's been great. I know I'm going to see you later, but I'm having fun writing this, so humor me. Don't forget purple. (You probably forgot already, didn't you?) Well, so... I guess I'll let you go now. One more thought: I like you a lot more than a lot. Bye. Love Daniel

Statestaff: O.K., so my threats of leaving seem to just be threats. Well, I'll be back, but it'll be hell for you guys. Anyway, here are a few personal personals: *Paul*, I couldn't have done anything this year with-

out you. You've been more than an editor here, you've been a really good friend. Thanks alot and good luck. You know. *Mitchell*, another year gone by. Lots of hell but lots of fun. I'll see you soon, but I have just one thing to say to you. "These! these! I don't want no these!" *Raymond*, Oh, all right. I'll stay. For a while, anyway. Do me a favor and try and keep your wits about you. Thanks. *George*, It's been a good year for the music! I hope to hang out with you a bit this summer. *Jean and Sha Sha*, youguys are insane! (I don't know, it's all I could think of, I'm on deadline.) *Alan*, I'm going to miss that warped sense of humor. *Kathy*, Stick to your guns, kid. You'll be fine. *Scott and Jeff*, Hey! Pictures look great, what can I say? So what if they're 17 months old? It's been real, fellas. *Mary Lou and Amelia*, The ball's in your court now. Well I know you'll do just great. Have a good summer! *Carolyn*, last but not least sweetie! You're the most wacky person I know, but you're very sweet. Thanks so much for sticking

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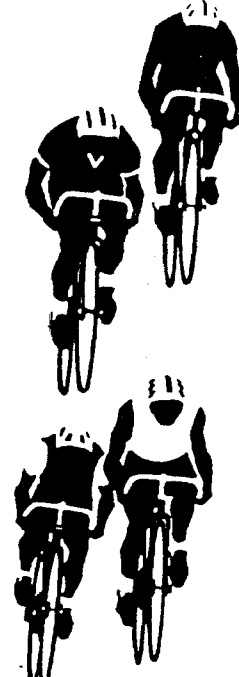
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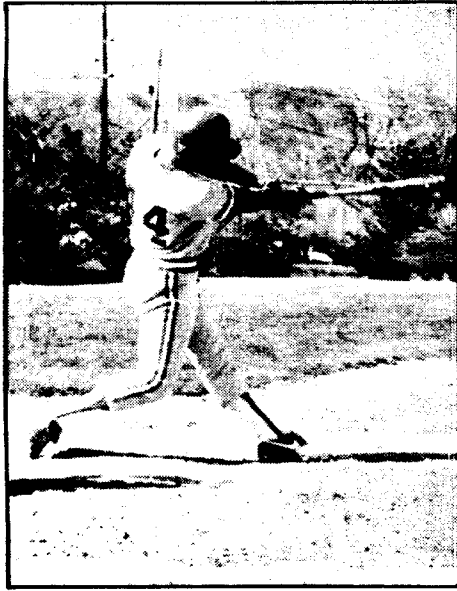
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In the winter, Sue Yarsinske (left) made All-American in the indoor nationals. She will also be competing in the outdoor nationals next weekend.

Dan Melore (above, center) took this pitch long but the Patriots came up short, missing by one contest to qualify for the Knickerbocker Conference Championship game at Shea Stadium.

Goalie Marcel Fisher (right) led the lacrosse team down the field and in the crease as the Pats finished with a 7-7 record.

And Chris Panatier (above, right) finished as the eighth leading scorer in university history while leading the Icemen to the playoffs before a loss to C.W. post.

