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Crossing the Line

Drugs Enhance Academic Performance

By SURAJ RAMBHIA News Editor

As students pile on ever increasing workloads, it often is the case that 24 hours in the day are not enough. College students are known for their late nights, writing for the next big paper and reading for the next big exam. This constant feeling of being overworked has led students to search for means of enhancing their functional capabilities under extreme working conditions, which causes students to go far beyond the simple use of caffeine or other various sugary substances.

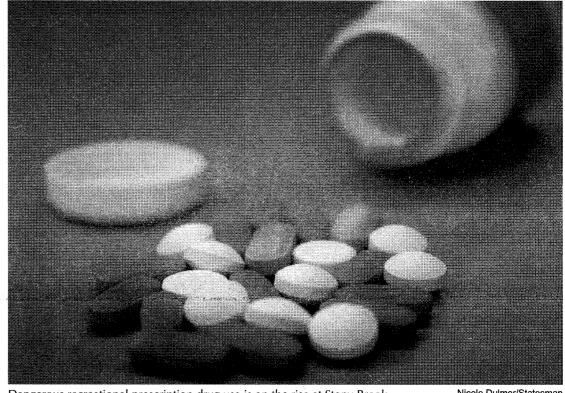
According to Ellen F. Driscoll, the Substance Abuse Counselor with SBU Student Health Services, there has been a rise in the use and abuse of prescription drugs on college and high school campuses. While Driscoll describes the use of certain drugs as "fads," the use of stimulants like Ritalin and Adderall to improve academic performance may be an entirely new phenomenon. Driscoll comments, "[Often times] the assumption is that the drug is safe." The reality of the situation is that these drugs are prescribed to people who actually have or are presumed to

have Attention Deficit Disorder (ADD).

Mary Behling, M.D., a psychiatrist with the University Health Service, described some of the medical basis for the use of these drugs. She said, "Drugs like Ritalin, Adderall, and even Stratera, a new drug we use, are useful as stimulants. They filter out unwanted external stimuli, allowing the individual to focus and concentrate." The problems with these drugs, according to Behling, occur when students take doses of a medication that are not prescribed to them. Behling asserted, "A 20mg dose which is therapeutic for one student may be extremely harmful for another." Side effects of these stimulant medicines range from, "decreased appetite, interference with sleep, general jitteriness as if one drank a gallon of coffee," to "acute paranoia and hallucinations."

It is clear that the abuse of ADD medications is very serious. However, as Driscoll described, "We need to do more outreach to educate the Stony Brook student body about the dangers of prescription drug abuse." Currently, there are no programs run by the University

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Dangerous recreational prescription drug use is on the rise at Stony Brook.

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Counseling Center which are specifically designed to bring about awareness of this growing problem on both the local and national levels.

Providing some more information concerning the implementation of this type of program, Anne Byrnes, Ph.D., Director of the University Counseling Center, presented her view by asserting the incredible medicinal uses of Ritalin and Adderall. Byrnes stated, "The fact is that people who actually need the drugs are greatly benefited by them." She went on to answer the original question of program availability, "The reason we don't have any programs specific for this issue is that students often petition for a program, and then don't come to participate in the programs that they initially asked for. Byrnes continued, "We do acknowledge that this is a serious issue and try to provide adequate educational services for abuse of prescription drugs in the programs that we already have for more generalized substance

Byrnes also commented on the need for more Health Educators with the University Counseling Center who deal specifically with substance abuse. Byrnes described one of her colleagues, named Peter Mastroianni, who deals specifically with substance abuse, is not work-

Mastroianni organized statistics obtained from the American College Health Association's National College Health Assessment as a snapshot of "SBU Students' Health and Wellness." The statistics convey important information regarding the social norms of the campus. For example, according to statistics that assess the use of preventative health measures, such as self-breast and testicular exams, cholesterol check, as well as biannual check of blood pressure, SBU students are on par with the nation. It is also important to note that on both local and national levels, with 375 students at SBU and approximately 47000 students completing the survey, just over 5% of students report ADD as a health-related academic impediment. Also, with regard just to SBU, the actual use of amphetamines, substances that make up the drug Adderall, are reported in this survey as very low, even though the perceived use of these drugs is much higher.

a program that deals specifically with prescription drug abuse, Byrnes made clear that the University Counselthey have enough support from the students. Byrnes or not. We're here to help the students. The issue at problems."

ing with the University Counseling Center any longer. hand is an allocation of resources." Byrnes described, "We see approximately 1200 students a year, and each student comes for multiple visits." Although Byrnes reported that the staff of the University Counseling Center has almost doubled in the past 8 years, allocating time properly will only allow more students to benefit from the services provided.

With regard to the abuse of prescription drugs, Byrnes also cited the issue of resource allocation. "Our policy on giving out Ritalin and Adderall has become very conservative. We just don't give them out anymore because of the abuse." Byrnes continued, "If we took the time to screen each individual thoroughly for substance abuse, we wouldn't be able to properly help the students who actually need the medication."

Corroborating this idea, Behling described an interesting fact about how people in the surrounding community are not able to obtain outpatient psychiatric services in a reasonable timeframe. Behling surmises, Using this information to further defend the lack of "People need to wait about 2 months for an appointment." Behling continued, "Here at the University, students sometimes are able to be seen on the same day ing Center will support such a program if they feel that they set up the appointment. If we screen students more thoroughly, we might not have the time to actually help explained, "It's not a question of helping the students students with other, and sometimes more prevalent,

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Redeemed Senate Hints at Reform

By WILL JAMES News Editor

On Tuesday night, at the first Undergraduate Student Government Senate meeting of the semester, Senator Esam Al-Shareefi took the podium with the intent of throwing out the handful of modest ideas he had conceived during the winter recess. What ensued, however, was a progressive deliberation regarding the place of the Stony Brook student in the Undergraduate Student Government, and the extent to which democracy will shape the workings of the legislative body throughout the new semester, as well as the future of student-run government.

Al-Shareefi's vision is based on the concept of giving club councils, such as the Sports Club Council or the Campus Media Council, some semblance of power. There is no indication as to whether the power is direct or advisory over the line budgets of the clubs within their jurisdiction. However, this is "just a way of cutting costs, while maintaining independence," said Al-Shareefi. "It would improve efficiency."

The idea is that each council, with representatives from each relevant club, would meet with the budget committee and have a chance to directly influence the amount of money each organization is allocated. Under the assumption that the clubs will be able to more accurately determine the costs of functioning, this system has the potential of increasing financial efficiency, and having money left over for the senate to use for the benefit of the campus.

Al-Shareefi's second proposal involved what were loosely termed, "students' rights:" the only consistent example is the inferred injustice in the constant construction occurring throughout campus unbeknownst to students, in conflict with their academic schedules. "We should have mechanisms to allow students to come to us with these problems," said Al-Shareefi. He

justified his cause by explaining that such interactions will "boost student participation in government" and solidify the worth of an institution that the average student considers irrelevant to academic life.

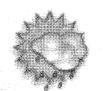
This theme of bridging the senate-student body gap, as construed in both of Al-Shareefi's ideas, was, after some debate, adopted by more of the senators. It was also connected to last semester's theme of increasing voter participation.

Senator Cheryl Lynch, who announced her retirement at the end of the meeting, was allowed to leave her post with a sense of satisfaction. "I'm optimistic," she confided, "and I know the budget will be out on time." Her closing words were a salute to a senate that has largely been considered to have cleaned up its act since last spring. Al-Shareefi's short speech, with its progressive core, was a testament to the possibility that the organization is done cleaning up the mess, and is ready to move forward.

Student Forecast: Feb. 2 - 8



Thursday: High 48/Low 35 Partly cloudy, still warmer than normal



Friday: High 49/Low 37 Mostly cloudy, showers developing early, continuing through the day



Saturday: High 48/Low 36 Partly cloudy, rain clearing out through the day



Sunday: High 47/Low 35 Mixed sun and clouds, possible showers in the afternoon and night



Monday: High 45/Low 31 Partly cloudy



Tuesday: High 41/Low 29 Partly cloudy, incoming cooler air overnight



By Britta Merwin

Wednesday: High 37/Low 26 Sun and clouds, cooler temperatures

Police Blotter

Compiled by Suraj Rambhia/Statesman 1/26-1/31



Over the past several days, motor vehicle accidents occurred at various places on campus: administration garage on 1-26-06 at 5:26 PM, Marburger Drive on 1-27-06 at 3:07 PM, University Hospital Garage on 1-27-06 at 3:11

Marijuana

The smell of marijuana was reported: Langmuir College on 1-26-06 at 11:34 PM, Irving College on 1-27-06 at 12:04AM. For the incident at Irving College, allegations were unfounded by the time the RA reached the scene.

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A broken sprinkler head was reported at Chapin Apartments on 1-29-06 at 4:29 PM; west campus physical plant (WCPP) responded. A steam leak was reported near room C0007 in the Hu-

manities basement on 1-30-06 at 6:44 PM; WCPP responded.

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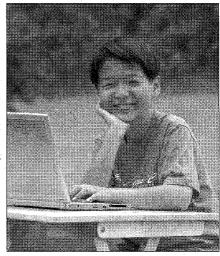
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Taking Responsibility for Illicit Drug Use

You have a big biology test coming body to the limit. up this week. Picking up the textbook a couple of weeks in advance and adopting responsible study habits just seems wrong. Not to worry- that's why we have Adderall, right?

Taking uppers as study aids is not only bad, but it's bad for you. There are plenty of students, the vast majority in fact, who hunker down and crack open their books when they need to. All nighters, facilitated by Speed, do not really help when it comes to test performance. Studies have shown that breaking down large studying tasks over long spans is much more effective than cramming the night before a test anyway. There is really no good reason to do it-unless you like that feeling of stressing your

That is the real reason people crush up drugs like Adderall and Ritalin for consumption. It's not in the quest to get those great grades that they couldn't achieve otherwise. Anybody who tells you that is

If a student wants to get straight As in the toughest biology classes, he or she will develop study habits that allow this. Being a top student means taking time aside each day to read, working with flash cards or other study aids and dedicating time to office hours so a professor or teaching assistant can better explain a concept. Students who want that high associated with last-minute stress and a drug are a different kind of beast all together. Those of us who

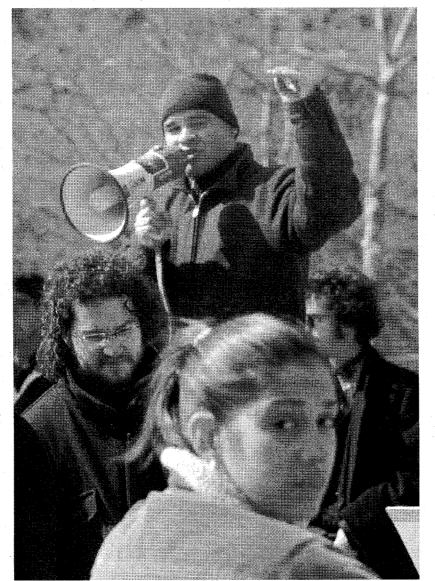
chose this option know better and it is not the responsibility of others to continually warn us of the dangers. Abusing drugs on this campus is a conscious decision taken by legal adults.

The best way to combat this problem is to try to limit the supply of these drugs in the first place. Aside from that, people who chose the route of Adderall and the like can be little helped. We have a responsibility to our health that is personal and must be respected as such. It is unfair to expect to be bombarded with presentations that include other students and administrators doing a dance to get us to change our habits. We must take responsibility for our decisions and it is up to everybody to accept this and move on.

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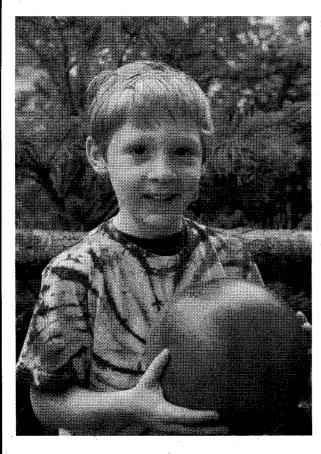
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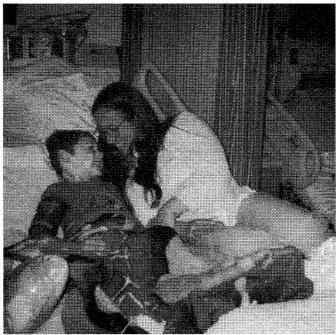
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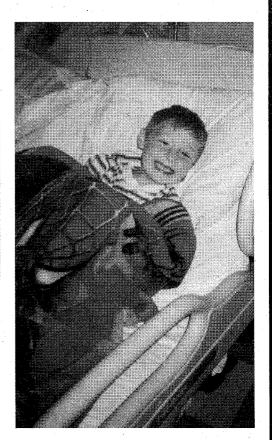
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Johnny Madonia (2000-2005)



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Johnny's father, John, has been a Facility Manager at the Student Union and the Student Activities Center for seven years and works regularly with students, faculty and staff on events.

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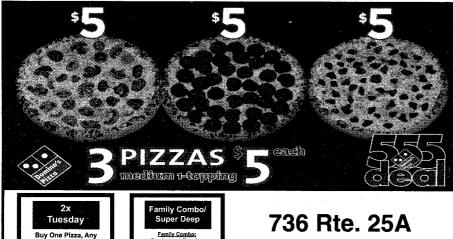
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Rockin' the Brook:

She Wants Revenge

By INUR MAMOOR
Asst. Arts & Entertainment Editor

Artist: She Wants Revenge Album: She Wants Revenge Release Date: January, 2006

Why this record was put out will have a few people scratching their heads in bewilderment thinking, "I have heard this before, why does this sound so familiar?"

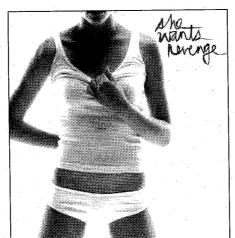
Well the answer to that question is because this LA two-piece sounds just like a bad Joy Division cover band.

She Wants Revenge's self titled album sounds as if they have listened to, processed, and now are regurgitating, all those neo-post punk bands, which are so popular today. No one can deny the influx of such bands in recent years, but what makes She Wants Revenge less appealing is the lack of passion. They just sound empty, void of that something which makes an album mean so much to the listener.

The droning vocals on *She Wants* Revenge do not have the effect of Ian Curtis' voice, but rather She Wants Revenge's sound makes you want to eject the CD.

Not to mention the below par lyrics, which are trying too hard to be envelope-pushing that they become sadly obvious and border on pitiable. If She Wants Revenge spent the same amount of time on their sound than they do on their image, maybe this CD would have something to offer. Oh, and it must be mentioned how the band name is also an iconic line from a certain post-punk song. Just another example of the bland, been-there-done-that feeling emanating from this band.

With music, one would hope that with the passing of time, sound would evolve. Bands like Joy Division, which were so influential, have undoubtedly left a mark in the music scene, but now bands need to take that influence and evolve it into something new and exciting. She Wants Revenge, who is obviously influenced by that era, need to do their own thing and need to produce a



Courtesy of She Wants Revenge

sound, while influenced by decades old music, sounds different and new.

If someone wanted to listen to that type of music, the post-punk sound, why would they pick up a She Wants Revenge CD when they can pick up a Joy Division CD or an Interpol CD? She Wants Revenge offers nothing new, they sound like a couple of guys who were picked up by a major record label, trying to cash in on a particular sound which is hot at the moment.

The sad part of this is that She Wants Revenge will dupe preteen emo kids into spending their parents' money on this lack luster CD.

If you want to listen to a great post punk album, listen to the pioneers because so far no one has been able to do it as good as them.

She Wants Revenge She Wants Revenge

- 1. Red Flags and Long Nights
- 2. These Things
- 3. I Don't Want to Fall in Love
- 4. Out of Control
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Bollywood Comes to SBU

Wang Center Film Series

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Indian cinema is known around the world for its glitz, extravagance, style, theatricality, music and dance. Indian films have a certain flavor that for over a century now has been entertaining audiences worldwide.

The film Lagaan (2002) was nominated for an Oscar in the best foreign film category. Aishwarya Rai, the most sought-after actress in Bollywood, the Indian Hollywood, made appearances at the Cannes Film Festival. Mira Nair, director of Vanity Fair (2004), recently made a film, Water (2005), which opened at the Toronto International Film Festival. Such personalities have forced an expansion on the limits of Indian cinema. Indian movies, music and culture are quickly being assimilated into western culture, and all the while, Indian films promise to thoroughly entertain and provide your money's worth.

But this semester, you can glimpse culture, witness pizzazz, and judge style for free! The Wang Center is having their third series of Popular Indian Cinema. Starting on February 1 and ending on May 3, movies will be shown on Wednesdays at 7:00 PM in the Wang Theater. All films will have English subtitles.

Kagaz Ke Phool (1959-Hindi), or Paper Flowers, is a movie about the movie industry, and takes a look at film personalities with their auras of allure and attraction, but lack of substance. Kagaz Ke Phool features a spectacular display of histrionics and awe-inspiring cinematography, and will be played on February 8. The major roles are played by Guru Dutt and Waheeda Rehman.

Mughal-E-Azam (1960-Urdu), or The Great Moghul, takes place in sixteenth century India. It is the tragic love story between a Mughal crown prince and a court dancer, whose love puts the empire in jeopardy. Mughal-E-Azam is considered to be one of India's ten best movies and one of the most lavish. An integration of history and myth, it will be shown on March 1.

Aradhana (1969-Hindi), or Worship, will be played on March 15. It tells the story of a woman who when dealt hardship, lives on and comes up above her suffering. The film is female-oriented, but is also treasured as a classic love story. Rajesh Khanna and Sharmila Tagore are the leads in this film.

On March 29, Purab Aur Pachhim (1970-Hindi), or East and West, will be shown. The movie examines the effects on an Indian nationalist when he unexpectedly falls in love with a westernized belle. Manoj Kumar and Saira Banu essay the roles of the main characters.

Zanjeer (1973-Hindi), or Chains, will be shown April 5. It tells the story of a police inspector who is extremely devoted to his job, and will stop at nothing to bring criminals to justice, especially because he has a personal mission. The film is full of action and reprisal. The movie stars the king of Bollywood, Amitabh Bachchan, who owes his success to this movie, Jaya Bhaduri, Bachchan's real-life wife, and Pran

Kannathil Muthamittal (2002-Tamil), or A Peck on the Cheek, follows a little girl's journey to find her biological mother, after being told on her ninth birthday that she is adopted. The movie examines relationships and is set in Sri Lanka amidst intense political conflict. The film is noted for its well-developed characters, captivating story, and outstanding cinematography and music, and stars Madhavan, Simran, and Nandita Das.

Paheli (2005-Hindi), or The Riddle, is taken from a story written by a Rajasthani writer, Vijayadan Detha, and is about the romance between a ghost and a virgin bride. The film boasts vivacious sets and locales, beautiful dresses, and great music and dance. Shah Rukh Khan and Rani Mukherjee play the major parts. Paheli will be shown on May 3, and it will end the series of Popular Indian Cinema for this semester. Come out and enjoy what the masses are already relishing. They're definitely worth a see.

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Watson to lead the team in scoring at half time with a whopping 5 points, and Mykeema Ford was held scoreless on 0-5 shooting. As a team, the Seawolves shot just 22% from the field in the first half, and an abysmal 10% from beyond the arc. Adding to the frustration was the officiating crew who called the game so tight that I thought I was watching Pac-10 basketball. This crew called more insignificant checking fouls and phantom charging calls than I have seen since when I lived on the west coast. The officiating got under the team's skin and hurt them down the stretch as Ford fouled out, while Smith, Orndorff, and Getz spent time on the bench with foul trouble. Coach McHugh earned a technical foul for giving the referee a piece of her mind. Stony Brook headed into the locker room down 18-36 and appeared as if they had no answer to the UMBC defense.

At the beginning of the 2nd half the Seawolves showed a little life when Ford got a quick steal and a bucket, but UMBC went right back to what had worked so well for them in the first half and eventually stretched their lead to 28 points. Stony Brook could not stop the

back-door cuts that led to too many easy buckets for the Retrievers. To the credit of UMBC, the coaching staff did a great job of preparing and executing a game plan against the Seawolves. Stony Brook plays a very aggressive, high-risk defense that has often translated into steals and fast-break points for the Seawolves. But several times during every game you see a Stony Brook defender over-commit and give up an easy basket in the paint. This style played exactly into UMBC's hands. Even if Stony Brook had been able to shoot better than 29% for the game, they still would not have kept pace with the Retrievers who seemed to score uncontested baskets at will. For the game UMBC shot 57% from the field and made 36% of their 3-point attempts. The loss itself stings, but the way in which this team was totally dominated in very facet of the game, save turnovers and steals, by a team that is currently tied for 7th place in the conference is cause for concern.

I had a chance to speak with Kelly Watson after the game and I asked her about the team's uncharacteristic effort. Kelly's performance was a bright spot in a gloomy game for the Seawolves. She led the team with 15 points, 2 steals, 4 rebounds, and an assist. She

made 3 of her 7 attempts from beyond the arc and was the only player on the team to come close to shooting 50% from the field. Kelly was visibly frustrated as she explained to me that the team allowed UMBC to dictate the type of game it wanted to play, and explained that the team's lack of experience with some of the recent adjustments to the defense were to blame for most of the lapses that led to easy buckets for the Retrievers. The bottom line, she said, was "that the team just needs to get better at playing zone defense." Kelly shot the ball with confidence and flow, something that the Seawolves' perimeter game has been lacking all season. And just as poor shooting seemed to be contagious for the Seawolves early on and ultimately led to their defeat, perhaps the good shooting of Kelly Watson will be contagious as well and provide the Seawolves with some alternatives when the opponent's defense focuses primarily on Jessica Smith in the middle. One can certainly hope this happens because with a little inside-outside balance, the Seawolves could have an intimidating offense. For the immediate future, the focus must remain on guarding the back door cuts if the Seawolves wish to remain contenders in this league.

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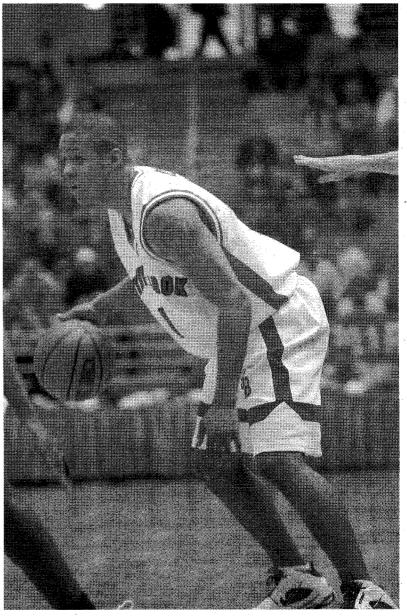


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Stony Brook Swimmers Easily Top Fairfield

By CANDACE ISHAMEL

The Stony Brook men's and women's swimming and diving team cruised to an easy victory over the Fairfield University Stags in their dual consisting of Maschi, Omer Ozcan, Jon Sigurosmeet this past Saturday. The Seawolves made a strong statement to their competitors, winning points in every event of the day. The men's team racked up a score of 182-57 while the women 3:49.53. commanded a score of 163-76.

win in the 400 yard Medley Relay. They went on to lead the meet, including a sweep of both the 50 Free and the 400 free relay. Overall, it was a strong performance by the Seawolves, as they only gave up one event to the Stags.

Perhaps the biggest highlight of the day was the 1650 yard freestyle in which senior Shirlee Manoogian broke a 23 year old school record. winning with a time of 17:29.19. Manoogian later picked up a second win in the 100 free. Kim Harris also racked up two wins in the 50 free and 100 backstroke.

On the men's side, the story is one of pure The team was led by double winners Jason Maschi come and show their support for the Seawolves.

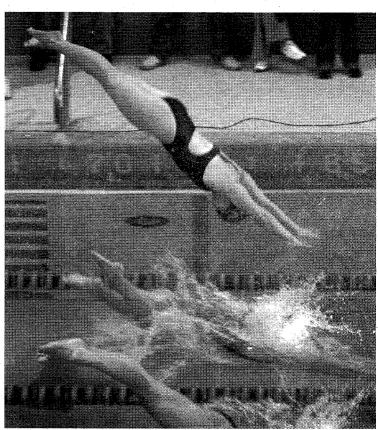
in the 50 free and 100 fly and Kyle Thornton in the 200 free and 500 free. The team also swept four events, including the 200 free, 50 free, 200 IM and the 100 butterfly.

The team also took both relays with the team son, and Rafael Labor in the 400 free with a time of 3:15.80 and Alexei Smirnov, Frank Schursky, Ruslan Safarov and Dan Piastuck with a time of

The Seawolves received a great show of sup-The women got off to a strong start, with a port from their fellow athletes when members of the football team showed up to lead the crowd in a rousing cheer. The relaxed attitude of the audience was supercharged by their presence and certainly added a level of intimidation felt by the visiting team.

This meet, however, was merely a preview of what the team will serve up next week when they head back to the pool for their final dual meet of the season against Binghamton. This will be their final competition before the American East Championships and the last time that this year's seniors will be competing at home.

The meet will be this Saturday at 2:00pm in the domination with first place finishes in every race. Sports Complex and this reporter urges everyone to



Women's Basketball Rips Maine 65-49, Falls Against UMBC 70-48

By Rob Dwyer Asst. Sports Editor

When the Seawolves took on the Black Bears of Maine last Wednesday night they most definitely had "it." Mykeema Ford lead the way for the Seawolves with 16 points to go along with 5 assists and 2 steals. Jessie Boylan added 12 points and 2 assists of her own, and the whole team contributed to out-rebound the Black Bears 44-42. Stony Brook took a 14 point lead into the locker room and never looked back. At one time they stretched the lead all the way to 28 before eventually winning 65-49. Morgan Patrick, a bench player who is beginning to

see more action, made her contribution by converting a 2nd place in the conference. couple of fiercely contested goals, and at one point set such a wicked screen for Mykeema Ford that everyone Sometimes you've got it. Sometimes you don't. in attendance cringed a little as the defender toppled to the floor. Jessica Smith and Dana Ferraro grabbed 13 and 9 rebounds. Respectively, the whole team was functioning as a well-oiled machine. The Maine offense was stymied and could not capitalize on the Stony Brook turnovers, nor their own offensive rebounds. These two areas represent just about the only things that the Seawolves did not do well in this game, and they were still able to overcome these lapses by playing extra tough defense. With the win, Stony Brook snapped a 7 game losing streak to the Bears and maintained their share of

When Stony Brook took on the UMBC Retrievers on Sunday afternoon the Seawolves looked like a completely different team. This team most certainly did not have "it." Actually, this team didn't have anything. If it weren't such an embarrassing defeat, I would tell vou that Stony Brook's shooting performance was comical. It was perhaps a bit ironic that on the day that Stony Brook honored the prolific scoring achievements of Mykeema Ford and Jessica Smith (both of whom surpassed the 1000 point mark for their careers), no one on the team seemed able to score. Jessica Smith tied with Kelly

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