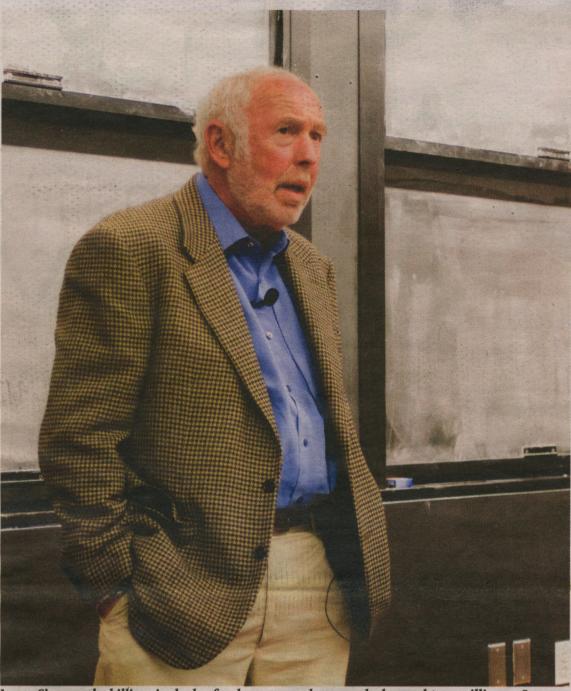
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James Simons, the billionaire hedge fund manager who recently donated \$150 million to Stony Brook University, stopped by the Math Tower on Wednesday afternoon to visit the math club. Photo by Efal Sayed.

Student clubs fight for their budgets

By Christian Santana Staff Writer

Representatives from a number of student groups and organizations, including the Animated Perspectives Club, Meteorology Club, Kumdo Club and Taiko Tides, gathered at the Undergraduate Student Government Senate meeting on Feb. 2 to appeal the loss of their line budget status.

According to the USG Financial Bylaws, "a line budget is the account given to a funded organization for the academic year to be expended by it in accordance with the laws of the USG." With line budget status comes various privileges that include the ability for clubs to request grants for events and assets.

However, a club's line budget status can be revoked for a number of reasons, such as the failure to host a minimum of one Student Activity Fee — funded on-campus event or failing to register with Student Union and Activities by the end of the first week of each academic year.

Jiyoon Kim, the vice president of Animated Perspectives, a student organization that caters to anime enthusiasts, was one of the club representatives who attended the meeting. Animated Perspectives' line budget status was revoked because it failed to host an on-campus event last semester.

In Animated Perspectives' written appeal to USG, Kim wrote that the club tried to host events in various spaces that were always occupied by other clubs. A screening of the 2009 animated film "Summer Wars" was to be conducted by Animated Perspectives in the Union Auditorium on Oct. 8, 2011, but the space was being used by the marching band at the time and the event was relocated to the Student Activity Center. Kim said he believes that his organization was not charged for booking the auditorium's space because of the mistake.

In light of this, Animated Perspectives decided to use the majority of its budget to fund a trip for 30 of its members to attend Anime Boston over spring break, which, according to the written status appeal, would cost the club around \$5,000 to \$6,000 of its allocation.

"We need this appeal done by [Thursday], if possible," Kim said.

"We have to pay for the hotel, the transportation, and the convention tickets." He also mentioned that the deadline for buying tickets is March

USG Treasurer Thomas Kirnbauer presided over the appeal processes for the clubs, saying that he "tried to help the clubs while still enforcing the rules."

"I went through all the clubs to see who was in violation of this rule," Kirnbauer said. "Any club found in violation was allowed an appeal process."

Some senators questioned the accessibility of the information contained in the bylaws to the clubs, with Sen. Lance Bertrand saying, "We didn't pull this information out of the sky. Was it available to them?"

Kirnbauer said that the USG made a sincere effort to communicate by handing out folders containing the bylaws and by also putting them up on the USG website.

In the end, however, all the clubs that made appeals that night were reinstated into line budget status. The motion to reinstate Animated Perspectives was approved by a vote of 15.

Intel finalist jumps obstacles for studies

By Seth Hoffman Staff Writer

Within the past month, 18-year-old Samantha Garvey has endured homelessness, been named a semifinalist for the 2012 Intel Science Talent Search and traveled to Washington, D.C. for the State of the Union Address.

Her family lost their home on Dec. 31, 2011, and on New Year's Day she found herself and the rest of her family moving into a local shelter, where they lived for three weeks.

But this does not mean she stopped going to school and doing her research at Stony Brook University. It meant the exact opposite.

"When she works in the lab, it is her way mentally out of reality," Rebecca Grella, who is getting her Ph.D at Stony Brook, for her work with exotic plant species, said.

With the help of Dianna Padilla, professor and lab mentor for the Ecology and Evolution department, Grella brought Garvey into the lab at Stony Brook three years ago.

"Dianna has also been pivotal person in Samantha's life, with the two of us pushing her to reach the highest heights," Grella said.

Padilla and Grella got the Toyota Tapestry Grant of \$10,000 in 2010 that helped with Garvey's research and other students into the lab in Life Sciences on campus.

"This grant gave us the ability to bridge the gap between university and high school and bring students into Stony Brook's lab," Grella said.

Samantha was interested in mussels—which she observed in Flax Pond in Old Field—and how they adapt to their environment around predators. Her results illustrated that

mussels settle where they are more threatened, and their shells grow thicker because of the presence of predators.

Garvey's eagerness intrigued Padilla when they met over three years ago.

"She was smart, eager and really focused on learning how to do research," Padilla said.

Congressman Steve Israel was the one to bring her into the national light after reading about her in *Newsday*, which coincided with her semifinalist Intel announcement.

He took Garvey to the State of the Union Address on Jan. 24.

She left New York at 6:30 a.m. that morning and went straight to meet with Dr. John Holdren, assistant to the President for Science and Technology. She went on to take a tour of the U.S. Capitol.

She then had dinner at the House Chamber and listened to Obama's address.

"For Samantha, it's important to see how policy-making works into the field of science," Grella, who joined Garvey for the trip to Washington, said.

Israel gave a statement on why he brought Garvey to the State of the Union.

"I hope my colleagues understand that we cannot praise Samantha's achievements while also advocating for slashing education budgets that allow students like Samantha, who face difficult circumstances through no fault of their own, to succeed," Israel said.

Social services found her family a three-bedroom-home, which they moved into the week of Jan. 23.

Even though she was not honored as a finalist in the Intel competition, Grella still believes in Garvey.

"She's still a winner," Grella said. "I would say she's made it to the Super Bowl."



Intel semifinalist Samantha Garvey conducted her research at Stony Brook University despite personal struggles.

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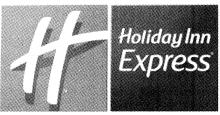


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President Stanley named best college president on LI

By Alessandra Malito

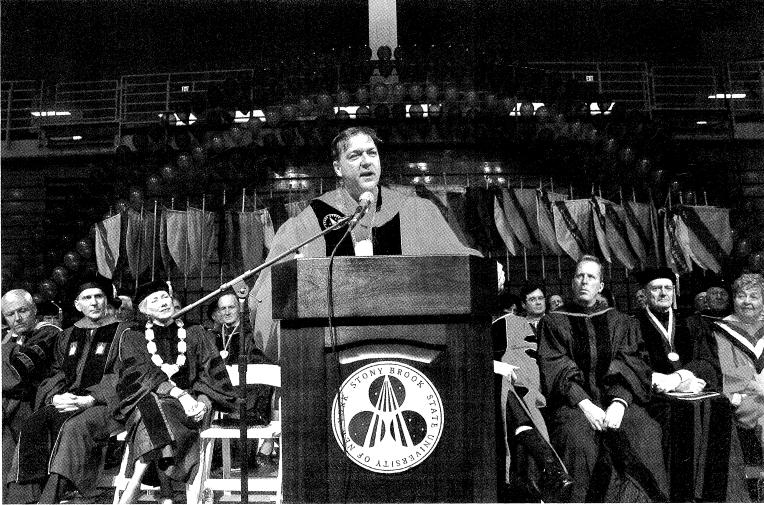
Samuel L. Stanley Jr., the president of Stony Brook University, was informed he was voted the best college president on Long Island by LI Press through an email.

Stanley, who is in his third year as president, has faced numerous obstacles while holding the lead position at Stony Brook. And he said the challenges are not quite over. Two such challenges were the budget cuts and the shutdown of Southampton.

"I think those were very difficult things," Stanley said. "The budget was the driver for a number of things. With budget cuts over three years, there's going to be an impact and tough decisions that are going to be made."

Southampton and facing budget cuts are still issues, though they are in the process of discussion. Southampton, which is a Stony Brook University campus in the East End used for marine sciences and an MFA English program, is still undergoing changes and there is much to do before he would consider that done, Stanley said. As for the budget, the university leaders are looking to find ways to cut costs without removing positions.

Having a team is how he got to be recognized as the best college president, he said.



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Samuel L. Stanley Jr., who was recently named best college president by LI Press, at his inauguration in 2009.

"When I talk accomplishments, it's really a team effort," Stanley said.

Such accomplishments include receiving a substantial increase in the amount of fundraising from years past.

things is the ability to raise

about money from private sources," he said. While there are sources of income such as the state and tuition, fundraising "is something that will be helpful for everybody."

Another accomplishment is the "One of the most important type of people the university has brought in since he came here.

"If you look at people like Ken Kaushansly [dean of the School of Medicine] and Dennis Assanis [Stony Brook University provost], these are really outstanding scholars," Stanley said.

Kaushansky shared the same sentiments.

"The vision and leadership shown by President Stanley to bring Stony Brook University to the level of a world-class educational and research is inspiring," institution Kaushansky said. "I am certain that, with Sam's leadership, the citizens of Long Island have only begun to reap the rewards that excellence in biomedical research, professional education and compassionate clinical care bring, as delivered by the people of Stony Brook medicine."

Stanley was recognized by LI Press for his research background. He has a rich history in biomedical research and has focused on infectious diseases, such as parasites and bacteria. His research has earned him the highest financial support from the National Institutes of Health.

According to his description on the LI Press's website, Stanley "continues to lead one of the nation's most prestigious research institutions into an era of even more groundbreaking discoveries, innovation and academic research integration." Stony Brook University was voted best university on Long Island by the newspaper, as well.

"I've been lucky," Stanley said. "I haven't had a lot of trials and major barriers, which is just luck more than anything else."

His training as a physician and scientist helps him look at situations analytically, he said. Another strength that helps him in his role as president is his optimism.

always thinking positively," he said. "What some people might see as a challenge I see as an opportunity."

As for his weaknesses, patience is something he said he feels he needs to work on the most, though he said he has many.

"I get impatient sometimes," he said. "When I'm interested in an issue and want to know about it, I tend to be impatient with my staff. I could probably work on that."

Stanley has received criticism before, as well as a lawsuit against him two years ago for the shutdown of the Southampton campus.

In August 2010, New York State Supreme Court Justice Paul J. Baisley Jr. ruled in favor of the six students who sued the university for shutting down Southampton, under Stanley's name. In October, the case went back to court. Currently, there are programs at Southampton.

"There's a real hunger for the place to improve," Stanley said of the university. "I think we're a great university but I think people are interested in getting better."

He said the environment at Stony Brook has been optimistic, similar to his own view.

"The other thing that's been great about the atmosphere is how great we've dealt with tough times," Stanley said. "Eighty-two million in budget cuts but I've rarely heard people complain. It's a great attitude to make due with less. Now that we're doing a little better, it's going to do well. There are tough times but I think we're going to come back even stronger."



Stony Brook University President Samuel L. Stanley Jr. walks by Southampton students.



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Quiz Bowl team buzzes on campus

By Chelsea Katz Staff Writer

Bowl team sits at a long table and waits for the first tossup question. They listen to a moderator go through a list of clues, waiting for that moment where the answer pops into their minds.

A buzzer sounds.

Bowl Team, or SBQBT, is an academic team that revolves around trivia and competes locally and regionally.

"Specifically, we go to Quiz Bowl tournaments throughout the area and hold practices where one guy reads out quiz bowl questions, while everyone else tries to answer them," sophomore math major and SBQBT copresident Robert Pond said.

competition that is similar them to leave campus to Jeopardy. However, the questions are considered harder, and the rounds are group events. Rounds are SBQBT only lost two out of filled with toss-up questions nine rounds.

that revolve around college course-related subjects. Due to the breadth of college courses, questions can be The Stony Brook Quiz about almost anything, from science to pop culture and more. Moderators give clues until a team "buzzes in" and gives an answer. In between toss-up questions, moderators ask bonus questions comprised of three short questions.

Currently, the team is small The Stony Brook Quiz and slowly growing. Junior Michael Bouklas, a junior earth science and education double major, enjoys weekly practices and says that most of the time the team practices trivia and jokes around.

> "The best part about SBQBT is going to tournaments," Bouklas said. "They last the whole day, but they're really competitive and tons of fun."

area and at other universities Quiz Bowl is a trivia such as Yale, which requires between 6 and 7 a.m. At one competition, specifically written for newer teams, the rounds are over, teams are put



The Stony Brook Quiz Bowl Team went to a competition at Princeton University.

The team most recently competed Princeton University on Feb. 4.

Competitions include preliminary rounds where The team competes in the teams are randomly placed into brackets. Each team plays every team in their bracket. (The bracket has no bearing on the strength of the individual team.) After preliminary

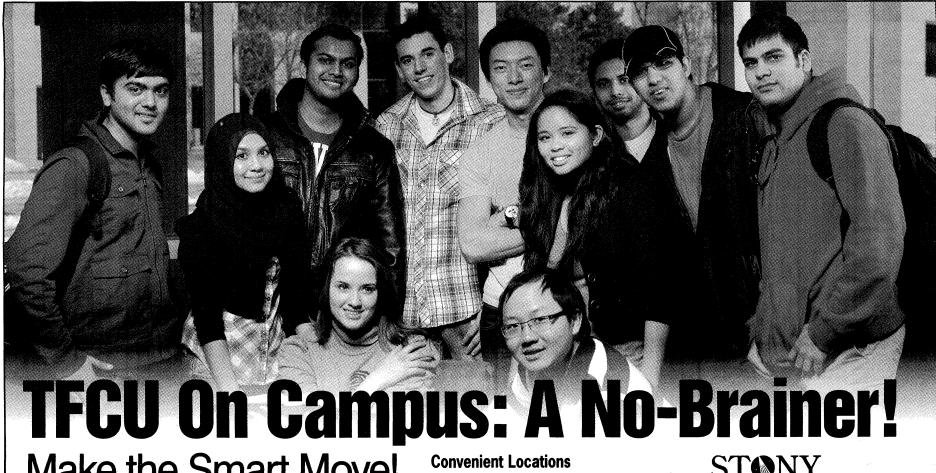
that day. The top two teams are announced and have a final Quiz Bowl round.

The SBQBT hopes to host a competition for Stony Brook students, other colleges or a high school tournament.

"I had started playing Quiz Bowl in high school my sophomore year and really got into it by my senior year," sophomore health major into playoff brackets based on Naib Mobassir said. "When how they performed earlier I came to Stony Brook, I was

disappointed to find it did not have a Quiz Bowl team, so I decided I had to do something about it." Mobassir also serves as co-president of the team.

Mobassir met Pond through a friend, who participated on quiz bowl forums and serves as the president of UCLA Quiz Bowl. Mobassir and Pond met up and found more people with similar interests. SBQBT was recognized in September



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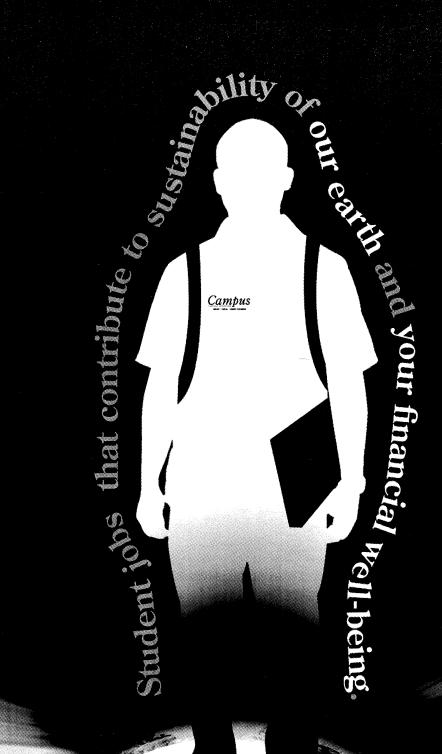


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Students heart Hart: Kevin Hart rocks Stony

Arts & Entertainment Editor

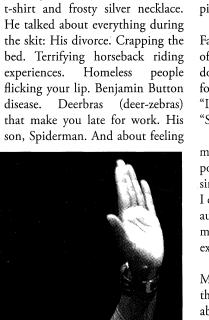
Ke-vin! Ke-vin! Ke-vin!

It was almost half-past nine, and Stony Brook students were through looking at the empty golden stage. They wanted Hart.

On Jan. 31, Kevin Hart came to Stony Brook's Staller Center. In a segment called "Let Me Explain," Philadelphia native Kevin Hart wowed his audience with sidesplitting giggles and raunchy

honesty.

Hart stood short. Gray-blue jeans, gray-blue jean jacket, black



Louis C.K. and Chris Rock.

What did he, a professional comedian in-the-making, get out of the performance?

genuinely happy for the first time in a while, to the point where he took a "happy walk," and even fed some

Hart has appeared in "Modern Family", "Soul Plane" and several of the "Scary Movie" films. He has done several stand-up TV specials for Comedy Central, including "I'm a Grown Little Man" and "Seriously Funny."

There were a number of honest moments in Hart's show. At one point in the first quarter, Hart said simply, "Lying ruined my marriage. I cheated." It was a moment of rare, authentic truthfulness that some members of the audience were not expecting.

Senior health science major, Marlon McLeod said, "I like the fact that he mentioned personal things about his divorce. As a comedian, I know that it's always the personal and most painful things that draw the most humor. It's therapy for comedians."

McLeod is the current president of the Comedians Guild, an extracurricular club founded in April 2011 with the purpose of promoting stand up and humor on campus. Hart, he added, is one of his favorite comedians, alongside

"I learned about the importance of stage presence and appreciating your audience. It is okay to talk about your personal life; more people will relate to it than you think. Vary the format of jokes so it does not become repetitive to the audience," McLeod said.

To be fair, the show was not flawless. Parts were a bit excessive. The vulgarity was somewhat overthe-top, and parts of the "prep the audience" Do-we-have-any-seniorsin-the-crowd maneuver expired after the second or third attempt.

Sophomore sociology and health science major Natasha Bankay said,



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Students erupted in laughter at Hart's comedic act.

"My favorite part of the show was when Kevin talked about going horseback riding with the family."

She added, "I didn't mind the fact that Kevin talked about his family life and divorce. However, I do believe that it was not an appropriate topic to joke about for an entire hour with college students. Although it was funny, it was not something that we could say we know very much about."

"It's always the personal and most painful things that draw out the most hu-

Marlon McLeod THE COMEDIAN'S GUILD, PRESIDENT

Students pre-gamed Hart's performance with the comedic genius of Joey Wells, Will "Spank" Horton and Na'im Lynn. The everentertaining habits of broke college kids were things they mentioned: soggy ramen noodles, scraping deodorant and the art of the "hanky panky".

"I thought that his opening acts were awesome. The guys were hilarious and they talked about a lot of things that we, as college students, can relate to," Bankay

These gentlemen used more "college humor" in their skits. Seniors that just don't care, cat lady hoarders, lousy roommates and the secret thrills of lambskin condoms made the cut.

"Alcohol should be called confidence."

"Ladies are just mean. If a dude comes up to them while they're dancing, they're all like, 'He's uuuuuuuuugly. Let's go to the bathroom." (Which, let's face it ladies, we've all done that at least once before.)

"The only thing black men like more than a woman with ass, is a white woman with ass."

It is safe to say that quite a large number of students had their cheeks and stomachs hurt from laughter.

USG Vice President of Communications Stephanie Berlin added, "He was hysterical. I thought it was money very well spent." Though she could nor tell The Statesman which performers students should expect in the future, she ensured they would we welcomed with open arms.

An exclusive interview with Kevin Hart

By Megan Spicer Senior Staff Writer

Through a series of twisted hallways through the arts side of the Staller Arts Center lays the green room. Normally, this palegreen painted room is reserved for actors or musicians while they wait to take the Main Staller Stage. Tonight, however, it is dimly lit, the only major light coming from the hallway and the TV provides white light. There is a certain energy in the room as comedian Kevin Hart, the latest act for the Stony Brook Concert Series, sits at the table that has been set up in the middle of the room and laughs with the other comedians that also performed at the night's event. A cameraman walks around filming Hart's life for his upcoming documentary about the tour. The Statesman's Megan Spicer got the exclusive interview after the show.

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Kevin Hart performed at Staller Center this Tuesday.

Megan Spicer: You've been performing places that pack out at 3,000 - 4,000 people. You have the ability to say no to certain places. With that in mind, why did you say yes to Stony Brook?

Kevin Hart: I love performing at colleges. These kids are the absolute best. They grow up with you and are loyal to you for four years and before and after. It's cool to be able to talk to them.

MS: After your divorce and other rough patches in your life, how does comedy help you overcome everything?

KH: Comedy helps in so many ways. It's my therapy. This gets me through everything in my life.

MS: If you weren't doing comedy, what would you be

doing in life?

KH: If I wasn't doing this I you've ever heard? would have nothing. Though, I love sneakers and would want work for Nike. Like, higher up in the corporation.

MS: What is something you've learned from doing comedy?

KH: I've been doing comedy for 15 years, and the first 10 or 11 years were awful. It took me a long time to realize that I had to stop doing what everyone wanted me to do and to perform what I wanted to do. I have to perform for myself and not for everyone else.

MS: What was it like doing a commercial with Dwayne Wade considering his height and your lack of height? (Hart is just about 5'3")

KH: Yeah, that commercial

was great. The dude is like 6'6".

He's as tall as I'm supposed to be.

MS: What is the worst joke about my lying.

KH: Worst joke? 'How do you make a tissue dance? Put a little boogie in it.'

joke.

KH: No, that's a horrible joke. MS: This show was part of the Stony Brook Concert Series that has featured such people like Jimi Hendrix and The Who and Jefferson Airplane up to last year when Bruno Mars performed. How do you feel knowing that you join the list of greats?

KH: That's great! I don't want to think about it and let it go to my head.

MS: During your show, you spoke about how you loved to lie. Does lying help your comedy?

KH: Me lying is helping me be a better comedian. It forces me to be honest with myself

MS: When all is said and done with your comedy career what do you want to do?

KH: I want to be with my MS: That's not that bad of a kids so whatever location puts me in that I'll be happy with it. When I'm done as long as I'm remembered as someone who did great things and accomplished great things as a comedian and puts me in the same conversation with Pryre and Murphy and Cosby, then I've reached my goal.

MS: What is the funniest thing that's happened to you?

KH: I got hit in the face with a buffalo wing while I was on stage. It was years ago, before I was a big deal. If that happened now it would be pretty embarrassing.

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Pilobolus brings innovative dance moves to Staller

By Chelsea Katz Staff Writer

Gnomen

Four men tumble onto the bare, green-lit stage in the shape of one gigantic ball. As three of the men begin to stand, one stays down. The dancers mix fluid extensions with abrupt inflections as they help their friend rise. Their stories begin to

"It was like a combination of

Cirque du Soliel, So You Think You Can Dance and the silhouette dance from America's Got Talent," Genie Ruzicka, a Coram local, said.

The Pilobolus dance company brought their innovative creations to life at the Staller Center for the Arts this past Saturday, Feb. 4. The company performed five pieces.

The Transformation

The curtain rises and shows a screen with the shadow of a girl laying down. The silhouette large

hand that takes up nearly half of the screen moves down from the top of the screen towards the girl. As the audience starts to grow anxious about the strange hand reaching toward the seemingly smaller girl, they begin to laugh as the mysterious hand begins to tickle the girl.

Then the hand literally takes away her head, and her headless body stands center stage, emoting confusion. The hand gives the girl her head, covers up her silhouette on the screen and turns her into a dog. After giving a few commands, the hand gives the girl her body back. The man jumps over the screen and leaves the girl with a dog's head. She joyfully wanders off the stage.

According to associate artistic director, Renée Jaworski, this piece was inspired by "celestial bodies," and its name is subject to change

until it officially debuts later in the year. Pilobolus' performance of this piece at Staller was a preview.

All is Not Lost

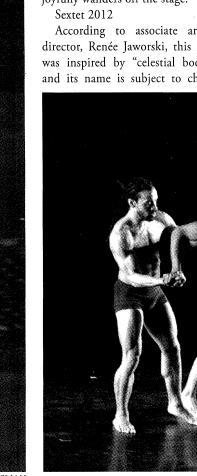
A large white screen is featured stage right. A Plexiglas table with a live camera underneath sits a few feet across the stage. Dancers in light blue, skintight jump suits lay down on the table. The dancers look at each other and make humorous faces. The dancers smile at each other as the camera underneath them catches their movements. They contort into symmetrical shapes.

All is Not Lost was created as a collaboration between Pilobolus and the Grammy Award-winning band OK Go in 2011 and was recently nominated for the 2012 Grammy Award for Best Short Form video.

"I think they're amazing," Chris Schmitt, a local from Suffolk country, said, who has seen Pilobolus in the past. "I always like to see them."

Orange lights brighten the stage with a circle of chairs in the center. The audience hears a combination of water droplets and R2-D2 from the Star Wars saga. It appears as if the dancers are waiting for something. As the dancers huddle around a suitcase, another dancer covers his colleagues with a white sheet. Pictures of nature are projected onto the white shirt.

The dancers come out from under the sheet. After spinning the chair on one leg, one of the dancers finds himself caught under a pile of chairs. He emerges, covered in chairs. The mood suddenly transforms from its original upbeat self to extremely somber. Two dancers walk on top of the chairs that are continuously placed in front of them. The recital



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Pilobolus performers, bathed in white light during Saturday's intense show on the Staller Center's main stage.

An interview with the associate artistic director of Pilobolus

By Chelsea Katz Staff Writer

Staff writer Chelsea Katz got the inside scoop in an exclusive interview with Renée Jaworski, the associate artistic director and performer in the Pilobolus dance company.

Chelsea Katz: Charles Reinhart, the director of the American Dance Festival, said in an interview with 60 Minutes that Pilobolus' dancing is based on "athletics, science and bodies." What would you say is the inspiration for Pilobolus' dance style?

Renée Jaworski: That and anything else that you can think of. We see are an inspiration. Nature. Anything that exists in this world is a part of it ... We did a collaboration with MIT Digital Lab last year and got a couple of smart people in a room with us to work with robots, and we created a piece with dancers and robots. It's a trio so there is one robot and two dancers, and that was technology-inspired. These robots, they're drones. They're the type of robots that have GPS on them, and they can kind of fly and go through tiny open windows when they're programmed. Of course, we thought it was the coolest thing in the world. They're quadrators: they've got four propellers on them. They're like little swarms flying around.

When they're together, they look like everything as an inspiration to us. People

birds, like flocks, like schools of fish swimming. So there, technology is inspiring. Although you do get nicked a little bit every now and then. The helicopters, they hurt, little slices here and there and blood ... but you keep

CK: In Pilobolus' featured video on YouTube, the dancers seem to be speaking during the piece. How do you feel that speech contributes to your performance?

RJ: It's not really speaking for the audience to hear, although they do hear. It's more for us because we're in our own little world up there that we're attempting to create onstage ... and what we're doing there, we're just having a conversation with each other. At the same time, we're having a conversation with the audience with our movements. It's a way for us to be in character, to interact with each other, to connect with each other. We're very verbal all the time. In the creative process, we talk a lot. We talk over each other; we talk around each other; we talk at each other. Through this company, I have learned that the verbal processing of information is really important to the collaborative process. You need to kind of spill your brain onto people so your collaborators can pick through it, the same way that you should let your collaborators spill their brain on other people so you can pick through it ... From that we are able to learn more

from each other and bring more to the table. So, yeah, talking is important. We just don't shut up. Sometimes we'll be talking on stage to kind of be like "All right, this is the fifth show in a row. We just had a 12-hour travel day, and we got to do this." Part of this is through talk. I look at my fellow dancers on stage and I just scream at them like "AH, let's get this going!" Like there's a fire burning. Find little things to make us laugh; we make each other sad, if we want the audience to feel a specific thing or to make each other feel this specific thing.

CK: According to Pilobolus' blog, the company has been nominated for the Grammy Award for Best Short Form Music Video for "All is Not Lost." Any

RJ: Oh, I'm totally pumped. I'm more excited to sit in the audience and watch the show. I think it's going to be very cool. This video that we did with OK Go was fun to make so it's nice to know that its appreciated the same way that we appreciate it. You know you work so hard on something, you spend hours thinking about it, growing a plot, falling on a Plexiglas table and getting so many bruises, and in the end other people look at it and go, "That was worth it." We think it's worth it.

CK: Out of all the numbers in tonight's performance, which is your favorite and why?

RJ: We're doing a preview of a new

piece. This is the first time that we're showing this piece. I'm most excited for this piece because we've never seen it in front of an audience except from our friends who love us. So they always tell us what they think, and that's great, but showing to strangers is a whole new process. And we get to see them miced and costumes. And we've been working so hard on it. I'm just super hard on it ... Tonight it's being born on the stage.

CK: If you could work with any dancer ever in history, dead or alive, who would you choose?

RJ: I've never been asked that one before. [Pauses] You know, I never actually performed with the founders of Pilobolus. That would be fun. Other than that, I would want to move with every one of the modern dance movers and shakers, but nobody in ballet. I wouldn't want to do ballet except Barishnykov. That would be hot.

CK: What advice do you have for dancers that are looking to join such an iconic dance company such as Pilobolus?

RJ: Well, work hard. Know yourself. When we're looking for people, we're not necessarily looking for people who can lift their leg up and spin around 10

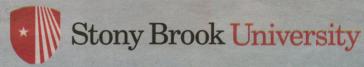
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Renée Jaworski (left) in the middle of a performance.

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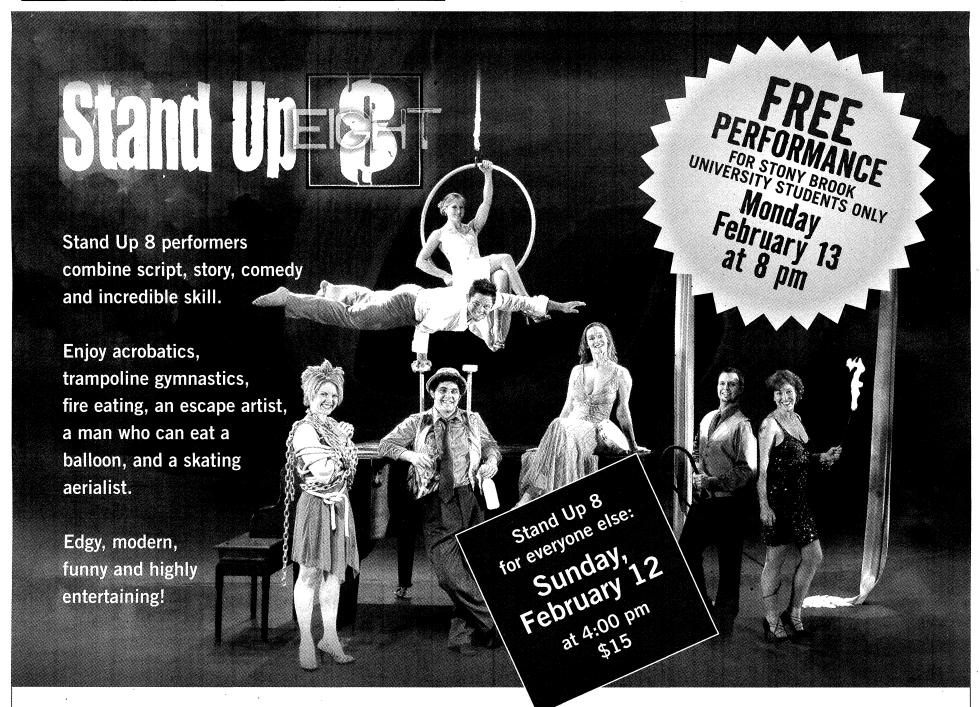
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SBU celebrates as the Giants take home the Super Bowl

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There are many memorable moments when getting together with family and friends for the Super Bowl. The New York Giants took on the New England Patriots at 6:30 p.m., and fans watched and waited to see which team will take home the trophy. But in order to cheer your friends, one must have a Bowl party foods for those who do not know what is usually on the menu. Traditional foods include, grilled beef satay, guacamole, french chunky

onion dip and buffalo wings to name a few.

University have their special way of celebrating on a day Residence Hall Association party at the GLS & HDV Center. As chitter-chatter for your team and high five filled the room, free food website has a unique Super students waited their turn to started. They expressed how they bring in the Super Bowl as if they were bringing in the

So what is in SBU's super bowl? Is it tasty finger foods, The students of Stony Brook a hero sandwich, tortilla chips, dipping source and maybe a pack of bud light? A great when the whole of the United view on a 50-inch flat-screen States probably has their eyes television or a normal 30-inch glued to the television. The running the Super Bowl XLVI, with a center table packed with threw the annual Super Bowl typical favorite Super Bowl meals is a typical way to start off the night whether you're at home or at a bar. This event is was offered as the line swung always so highly anticipated full tummy. The Food Network around the whole room, where that Stony Brook University decided to support it. Super get a plate before the game Bowl wings special all day at Roth Café, Kelly Dining Center and Union Commons for all students on campus for the Super Bowl only.

What do Stony Brook students do?



Spencer Hadel, 20, information systems major has, "the junkiest kind [of food]possible, like chicken wings, chips, soda, all that stuff together." He likes to sit around and hang out with people every year for this event.

Jazz Abreu, 23, English major said, "I get together with friends, eat, cheer, party and eat nacho cheese and Buffalo wings!" Abreu said that for the past two years she watched the Super Bowl at school but usually she would watch it at house parties or private parties.





Kevin Doyle 20, biology major said, "Hang out with friends and eat sandwiches and pizza," just to keep it simple.

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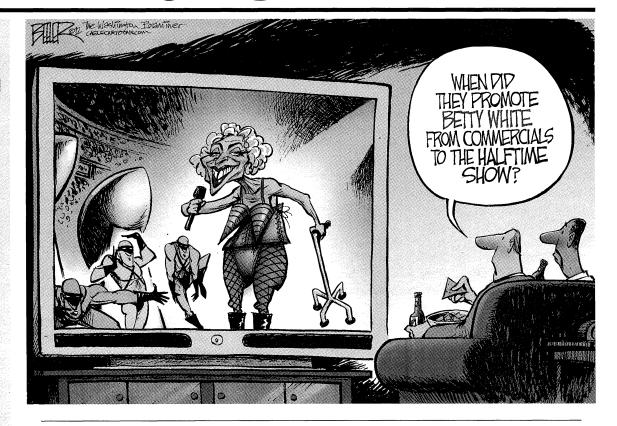
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American ethics in global conflict: Questions about our own morality

By Jonathan Bechor Contributing Writer

Just a few days ago, the UN Security council's resolution to back the condemnation of Syria by the Arab League was vetoed by Russia and China. The other nations in the Security Council released statements saying they are extremely disappointed in the measure.

In immediate view it looks clear, Russia and China are willing to let the bloodshed continue while Western countries want it to stop. Upon closer inspection however the situation is more complicated. There has been a tremendous amount of pressure in the recent weeks on Iran, a country which seems to be heading on a collision course with the west.

Syria is a very close ally of Iran, and taking Syria out of the picture greatly strengthens the position of the UN and its members on the issue of Iran. Removing one of Iran's only allies is a good way to put a great deal of pressure on the country. When it came to the Libyan conflict it was again advantageous for the west to get involved because they were ridding themselves of a potential loose cannon in the

area who has been and could be in the future a huge sponsor of international terrorism. Was helping the Libyan people just a bonus that we got while destroying an enemy, or was getting rid of a rival the bonus we got for helping people in

Now the more complicated question that begins to arise,

There are numerous wars around the world where we have not intervened, and some glaring examples are two allies of our country, Bahrain and Yemen, which are also falling under the fever of revolution. There have been wars in Liberia, Rwanda, the Democratic Republic of Congo, Sudan and many other places that have left millions

"Should we feel obligated to help any people that are being violently oppressed, or should we only intervene when it benefits us?"

one that even affects us here upon millions dead. Are we at Stony Brook and how we think, is whether we should feel obligated to help any people that are being violently oppressed, or should we only intervene when it benefits us? We really need to ask ourselves whether we want to be the police force of the world.

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obligated to go these nations and save these people who are getting killed sometimes in open conflict and sometimes in straight out genocide?

I am not going to try and answer the question because it is extremely complicated, and I think every person should wonder, if we help one nation of people shouldn't we help them all?

If we aren't going to help all people in need, wouldn't it just be better to not help anyone and save ourselves the resources and potential lives of our soldiers?

It is a very tough moral question that so far has not been addressed on a national level, but I think that it is a conversation that we as a country should have, and this next presidential election is a good time to bring the issue to the minds of Americans.

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Gemini (May 21-June 21) -- Today is a 7 -- You're really learning now. Consult with your team. Send off the paperwork for a raise in funding. Saving resources can be easy. Play with friends.

Cancer (June 22-July 22) -- Today is a 9 -- If you can put up with an offensive tone, you can do well. You're full of ideas for making money. Only use what you have, and keep your eye on the ball.

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Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) -- Today is a 6 -- Your best move could be a wellthought-out surprise. Just say what's on your mind. You're wiser than you may realize. Big stories are proof of that.

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Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) -- Today is a 9 -- Create new opportunities with your team for the next couple of days. If you don't have a team, join one, or invent one. Focus on abundance.

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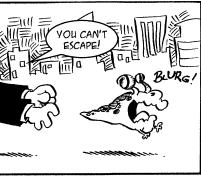
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By Catie Curotolo Staff Writer

Giegengack Invitational this weekend, senior Lucy Van Dalen broke records in the 1,000m and the Seawolves qualified for Eastern Conference Athletics Championships (ECAC) and two for the IC4As.

Van Dalen, from Waganui, New Zealand, finished in the country this season.

She set a new Stony Brook record by nearly five seconds and a new meet record by nearly six seconds.

The ECACs and IQ4As are the women's and men's outdoor track and field championships, respectively.

They will be held at Princeton University in New Jersey on May 11-13.

Sophomore Olivia Burne, junior Annie Keown and Carolina qualified for ECACs.

Burne took first place in the mile with a time of Dalen — next week, while 4:47.32, while Cortes took third at 4:48.48.

Keown placed second in the Boston, Mass.

3,000m, finishing in 9:52.03.

Senior LaQuashia Hall and junior Lorraine McCarthy also put in top-five wins for the Seawolves. Hall finished the 500m in 1:17.91, placing fourth. McCarthy finished the mile in 5:04.74.

Only one male runner for Stony Brook placed first, sophomore Eric Speakman. He won the 1,000m in 2:24.86 and missed breaking 2:42.53 — the fastest time in the SBU record by 0.18

> Senior Shamell Forbes finished fourth in the 1,000m, and sophomore Daniel Denis placed fifth in the 3,000m. Forbes finished in 2:29.50. Denis' time was 8:37.24.

> Freshman Terry Martin had a time of 8.41 in the 60m

> The men's 4x400 relay team finished in fourth place, with a time of 3:22.30.

> They will be running at the world famous Millrose Games at the Armory in Manhattan — along with teammate Van another group will go to the Valentine Invitational in

Seawolves light it up from beyond the arc vs Binghamton

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Jackson led the Seawolves off the bench with 14 points, and Dougher had 13. Every Seawolf who saw time scored and got a rebound, and nine different Seawolves contributed assists in the game, totaling 19. The Seawolves started the game sluggishly, going only three for eight in the first five minutes and allowing the Bearcats to keep it

Then the three-pointers rained down, as Jackson (2), junior Lenny Hayes (2) and junior Marcus Rouse contributed to five straight three-pointers, giving the Seawolves a 21-8 lead with 11:15 to go in the first. It was all part of a dominating 44-9 run that saw the Seawolves take a 50-15 lead into the half. It was a dream half for Stony Brook, which shot as good from three-point range as it did from the free throw line, hitting 75 percent from each. The team tallied 11 assists from five different players, including four from senior Dallis Joyner.

The shooting cooled off slightly in the second half, but not by much — the Seawolves

Sophomore Anthony Jackson scored 14 points vs Binghamton.

sank a program-record 14 threepointers. The win extended Stony Brook's unbeaten streak at Pritchard Gym to 12, dating back to last season.

It also clinched a winning record in the regular season for just the second time in America

Stony Brook is now 10-1 in America East play and holds a one-game lead over second-place Vermont. The Seawolves continue conference play on Monday night at New Hampshire. Tipoff is set for 7 p.m. live on ESPN3.com.

Men's lacrosse sweeps scrimmages in preliminary action

By Adrian Szkolar Staff Writer

Looking to prepare for the upcoming season, Stony Brook hosted a pair of scrimmages Saturday afternoon, beating both Sacred Heart and Lafayette in Kenneth P. Lavalle Stadium.

"It was a good first day," firstyear head coach Jim Nagle said. Nagle's team opens up the season against Fairfield on Feb. 18. "We saw some good things and bad things today. I thought we played well defensively."

Stony Brook started out strong in the opening game against Sacred Heart, scoring the game's first five goals. They would go on to win 12-4.

Sophomore Matt Bellando scored three goals for the awolves, with seniors Gra Adams and Kyle Belton netting two goals each.

After a short break, Stony Brook played Lafayette and kept up their strong play.

The Seawolves opened the first half of the game with an 8-2 advantage.

They would hold off Lafayette to win 12-6.

Bellando and Adams continued their strong play from the previous game, with each of them netting four goals apiece in the win.

"They did a good job. They capitalized on their chances," Nagle said. "I don't think they turned it over more than twice."

Nagle also praised goalkeeper and Ohio State transfer senior Ryan Keneally for his performance, as well as attack-



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Stony Brook hopes to look past its loss to Hartford in the America East conference game last season.

man and team captain senior Robbie Campbell, who totaled two goals over the two games.

"I though Keneally did a nice job, and Robbie played within himself and lead the team," Nagle

Newcomers juniors Sean Brady

and Jeff Tundo did not dress for the games.

Nagle said that both of them were injured but would not give timetables for their return.

"We want to be cautious with them," Nagle said.

A transfer from Duke, Brady

played 45 minutes and made 10 saves in the 2009 season for the Blue Devils.

He was dismissed from the team during pre-season last year due to an academic violation.

Tundo, a transfer from Ohio State, started 27 games for the Buckeyes over two seasons, totaling 43 goals and 27 assists.

The Seawolves look to build upon a heartbreaking season from a year ago, where the team fell to University of Hartford in the America East championship game 11-10.

Behind enemy lines The life of a Patriots fan living in Giants territory

By Nicole Bansen Staff Writer

· Going outside of a personal comfort zone can be pretty intimidating, especially if there is no way to prevent it from happening. For sophomore biology major Tori Smith, that was exactly the case this past weekend.

On Sunday, Smith was ready to represent the colors blue, red and white, just not in the same way most New Yorkers would.

Smith makes up part of the minority of people in New York who are New England Patriots fans.

The 19-year-old was born and raised in Massachusetts. She came down to New York last year to attend Stony Brook. In her hometown of Wellesley, Smith started watching football at the age of nine. Her family also roots for the Patriots, but it was her father who originally got her into the fanbase. "My dad's the big fan in the family," Smith said. "He's the one that made me watch the games and got me into the team. But, we also like [Tim] Tebow because we like rooting for the underdog."

However, as far as quarterbacks go, Tom Brady is her favorite. "Sometimes he has off games," Smith said. "But relative to the other QBs, he's pretty kick-ass."

Back in Smith's high school, whenever the Patriots would make it to a Super Bowl, the school would try to "pump up" its students. "They'd remind you about when the big game was on and try to get you psyched up," Smith said. "Here there's not really much of that."

Her plans for Sunday evening were to watch the game at a friend's house with some of her fellow rugby players. Prior to the game, she questioned how strange it would seem being one of the only Patriots fans attending.

"I know it's going to be weird when we actually have the game. I'm not going to have everyone wearing Patriots shirts. I won't have anyone cheering on with me. I'm going to be the only one to cheer for their touchdowns," Smith said. "I'm a little less excited and feel kind of awkward to show my pride. But even though I'm going to be with all the guys who are Giants fans, except for my friend PJ, I will still wear my [Patriots] sweatshirt proudly."

As unwavering as her Patriots pride is, she still expects her cheering to cause problems. "Basically if I cheer they're going to be like "F-this!" I feel like if I say anything, people are just going to bring up what happened four years ago."

On the night of the game, Smith showed up in her New England gear ready to cheer on her team. She greeted some friends and then sat on one of the many couches facing a large TV. After the Patriots got a safety within the first quarter, Smith shook her head. Upon the Giants getting their first touchdown, the whole room erupted with cheers while all Smith said was, "Well then."

Whenever the Giants had possession of the ball, Smith seemed to tense up and looked much more at ease when her team went on offense. * For the Patriot's field goal Smith smiled but did not audibly express her happiness. "Field goals are alright, but I'll really cheer when they get a touchdown," Smith said.

One of Smith's friends, Connor Beierle, sophomore mechanical engineering, was recognized as one of the many Giants fans attending that

He teased Smith about the current score in the game where the Giants were leading by six points. "I get to

make Tori feel worse about being a Patriots fan if they lose," Beierle said. "Just look at the score now. The Giants will still be ahead, and the Patriots will still be stupid. Win or lose, though, I'll still love Tori, but our friendship may involve more cursing after tonight."

In the second quarter right before the Patriots scored with a touchdown, some of her friends called her out on her team preference and someone in the room booed. However, Smith just ignored it and regained her confidence when the team scored. She and two other people in the room were the only ones to cheer. Everyone else just expressed their disappointment with exasperated sighs or groans.

Smith's boyfriend, CJ Kottuppally, a junior double majoring in political science and philosophy, also rooted for the Giants that night, even though he is typically a Jets fan. "If the Patriots win tonight, it's going to be a very quiet ride back," Kottuppally

Friends at school who know she is a Patriots fan like to bring up their loss to the Giants in Super Bowl XLII. Her teammates on the rugby team have said things like, "Hey Tori, guess what's going to happen again?" She argues back to the best of her ability, but sometimes it seems pointless since most of them are Giants fans.

Just bringing up the topic of the Patriots' loss in Super Bowl XLII makes her reluctant to talk. "I don't know what that was a few years ago, but that shouldn't have happened," Smith said. "It was kind of embarrassing. We had that whole streak going on. It was at least pretty good that I wasn't in New York at the

Her advice to the other Patriots fans living in New York: "Rep it proud, and don't be intimidated."

Men's ice hockey sweeps Robert Morris to move into third place



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Stony Brook's Ian Mauriello lines up for a faceoff against Robert Morris' Trey Milstead.

By Adrian Szkolar Staff Writer

Following an upset loss to Rutgers last week, Stony Brook bounced back and swept Robert Morris over the weekend at The Rinx, winning the two games 5-3 and 6-5 on Saturday and Sunday respectively.

"I'm very proud of the way the boys handled themselves," head coach Chris Garafalo said. "They didn't let anything rattle them."

In the first game, Robert Morris started out strong, taking a 3-1 lead after the first period thanks to goals from Wes Heinle (2) and Matt Javitt.

However, Stony Brook would fight back and tie the game in the second thanks to goals from junior John Jennings and sophomore Josh Brooks. With 13:55 to go in the third period, senior Bryan Elfant won an offensive zone faceoff and immediately set up junior Sean Collins for the go-ahead

Freshman Nick Barbera would give the Seawolves an insurance goal at the 6:34 mark.

Sunday's game would be a backand-forth battle. Neither team held a lead of more than one goal during the first two periods, and the game was tied 3-3 at the end of the second

In the third period, Stony Brook began to break away. Goals from Elfant and freshman Vincent Lopes gave the Seawolves a 5-3 lead. After Robert Morris' Kory DuMond scored a 5-on-3 goal to get the Colonials back within one, Elfant got his second of the game at the 5:46 mark after receiving a centering pass from Barbera. Robert Morris' Heinle would score at the 2:09 mark to make the score 6-5.

Stony Brook, however, would hold on in the final minutes to pull out the

The wins move Stony Brook to third place in the Eastern States Collegiate Hockey League standings with 14 points, one point ahead of fourth-place Rhode Island.

Stony Brook ends it's regular season with a two game home-stand at Rhode Island next Friday and Saturday. The third place team gets a bye in the ESCHL playoffs, with the fourth-place team having to play fifthplace Robert Morris on Feb. 17.

With the team ranked No. 17 in the national poll, Garafalo is hopeful that the team will be able to qualify for the national tournament.

"The truth is, the only thing we can do is control what we can control," Garafalo said. "We have to win every game, and after that's done, we'll see what happens."

Women's basketball continues to struggle in conference

By Anthony Santigate and Mike Daniello

StaffWriter and Assistant Sports Editor

The Stony Brook women's basketball team dropped their 10th straight game on Saturday to Albany. Senior Whitney Davis led the team with 16 points in the 57-47 loss to the Great Danes.

Junior Dani Klupenger had 12 points off of four three-pointers, and senior Tamiel Murray had a career-high seven assists. Albany outrebounded Stony Brook 46-24, 23 of which were offensive. The Seawolves did hold the Great Danes to 37 percent shooting and only turned the ball over eight times, but they could not come back from a nine-point second-half deficit.

Ebony Henry led the way for Albany with 16 points, and Julie Forster had nine points with a gamehigh 17 boards.

Albany started the game out strong with a 15-8 run, but the Seawolves would tie it at 19, powered by Klupenger, who hit three triples. A put-back from junior Taylor Burner gave the Seawolves their first lead of the game at 23-22.

Nine straight points by Albany gave them an eight-point lead and led them to a 33-25 halftime lead.

The Seawolves shot 43.5 percent in the first half and had an assist on all 10 field goals. Murray led it with six of her own. But the Great Danes out-rebounded the Seawolves in the

which led to 10 second-chance

Stony Brook trailed by nine early in the second half but then scored six straight points. Freshman Kellie Krueger hit a jumper to force an Albany timeout and to put the Seawolves within three.

Senior Destiny Jacobs hit a free



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The women have not been able to win a game within the last couple of weeks in their conference schedule. throw to put the Seawolves within two, but a Henry jumper put the Great Danes back up by four.

Albany went on a 14-2 run to take a 54-40 lead, and Stony Brook could not get closer than 10 the rest of the

Stony Brook also lost to the Binghamton Bearcats 55-46 on Wednesday night, despite Davis' 12point, 10-rebound double-double.

Junior Sam Landers added a season-high 13 points in the losing effort.

"I'm really happy with the energy and intensity we played with tonight," Stony Brook head coach Beth O'Boyle said. "Binghamton just made a few more plays than we did down the stretch."

Stony Brook's offense had a few highlights, shooting 41 percent from the floor. Landers' 13 points came largely in part from her 3-for-4 shooting night from three. Davis grabbed a career-high 10 rebounds on her way to her first double-double.

The Seawolves dropped to 4-19 overall and 1-9 in America East play. Krueger added an early four points, giving SBU a quick 6-3 lead. She finished with 10 points in the game.

Binghamton out-rebounded Stony Brook 47-34. Viive Rebane and Orla O'Reilly combined for 31 points to secure the Bearcats' win.

Stony Brook had multiple opportunities to turn the game around, but Binghamton made runs when they needed to, killing the

After a slow start the Bearcats went on a 9-2 run mid-first half, seizing control of the game.

They also ended the first half by slowing Stony Brook's momentum and taking a 26-23 lead into the locker room.

The Seawolves cut the lead down to one early in the first half before Binghamton scored eight of the next 10 points to take a lead midway through the period. After six straight points from Stony Brook, the Bearcats had another timely spurt, going on an 11-2 run to take a 48-37 lead with five minutes left.

Two Davis free throws got Stony Brook as close as they were going to get within six points but that was all Binghamton needed to take the win.

The Seawolves return to action on Saturday, traveling to take on Albany. Game time is set for 4:30 p.m.

SPORTS

Men's and women's swimming and diving drop final meet of the season

By David O'Connor Assistant Sports Editor

The Stony Brook University swimming and diving teams finished their regular season with two loses at Binghamton University on Saturday; the men lost 172.5-108.5, and the women lost 173-127.

For the men, freshman Cole Underwood finished in second twice in the 200 freestyle (1:47.21) and the 500 freestyle (4:53.25).

For the women, sophomore Allison Zelnick had her season-best effort in the 200 backstroke, finishing first with a time of 2:07.88. Senior Stephanie Gross scored first in the 100 butterfly. Junior Andjelija Sreckovic also took first in the 200 freestyle.

Senior Darcy Heuser had an eventful day as she managed three individual wins in the 100, 500 and 1,000 freestyle, in which she had a time of 10:28.98, a season best for the team. The next event on the Seawolves' agenda is the 2012 America East Championship meet in three weeks' time, Feb. 23-26, in Boston, Mass.

It will be the third time that the Seawolves will ship up to Boston after their meet against Boston University and the University of Maine on Nov. 5, 2011 and the Terrier Invitational Nov. 18-

High-scoring offense pushes the Seawolves' win streak to six games

Seawolves' head coach Steve Pikiell loves to tout his team's league-leading defense. But on Saturday night, it was once again the offense that took center stage as the Stony Brook men's basketball team knocked off the Albany Great Danes, 76-69, at SEFCU Arena.

Following up on an 80-48 demolition of Binghamton on Wednesday night, the Seawolves kept the offense hot, using an efficient second half to power past the Great Danes, who were handed their first home loss of the season.

Senior Al Rapier picked up a double-double, scoring 10 points and grabbing 12 rebounds for the Seawolves, while sophomore Dave Coley led the team in scoring with 17 points.

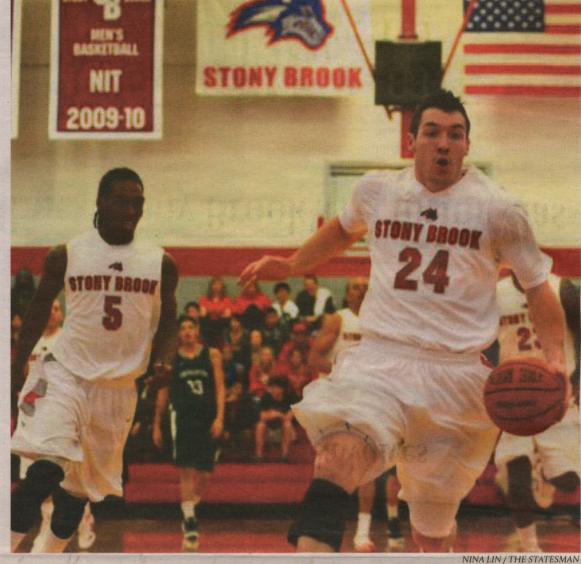
Senior Bryan Dougher continued his personal hot streak as well, putting up 14 points for Stony Brook.

Stony Brook started off hot, taking a 16-9 lead after a 9-0 run punctuated by sophomore Anthony Jackson three-pointer. Jackson scored 11 points, and was 3-for-3 from three-point

Albany went on a 9-0 run, led by Gerardo Suero, who had seven of those points, including a three-point play at 6:52 to put the Great Danes back on top, 23-21. The Seawolves trailed by three at the half.

Coley's efforts early in the second pushed Stony Brook back in front for good with a layup at the 16:58 mark.

Albany got back within two, but the Seawolves were able to maintain their distance, leading by as many as 11 with a little over two minutes to play. Stony



Sophomore guard Dave Coley (#5) finished with 17 points in only 20 minutes while junior forward Tommy Brenton added five points and six rebounds in the win against Albany.

enough throws in the end to complete the victory and hang on to first place in the America East.

Binghamton University had not won a game

all season when they entered Pritchard Gymnasium to take on the first-place Stony Brook men's

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Albany, N.Y. basketball team on Wednesday night, so it was understandable

if they found hope in a slow start

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Bearcats.

W, 82-48

W, 76-69

rapidly devolved into a plain old blowout, as Stony Brook pulled away in the first and cruised in the second to an 82-48 win over

last-place

for the Seawolves.

But that start

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Former lowa star headlines Stony Brook's recuiting class

By Adrian Szkolar Staff Writer

For the last two seasons, Stony Brook has had junior Miguel Maysonet and senior Brock Jackolski rush for over 1,000 yards each.

Despite the graduation of Jackolski, it looks like that streak might continue.

officially Stony Brook announced the addition of former Iowa University sophomore running back Marcus Coker on Wednesday, landing arguably the highestprofile player in the program's

Last season for Iowa, Coker rushed for 1,384 yards and scored 15 touchdowns. He was second in the Big-10 in rushing yards, trailing only Heisman

finalist Montee Ball

The six-foot, 230-pound Coker is expected to replace the production of the graduating Jackolski, who rushed for 1,418 yards last season, ninth overall in all of NCAA Division I FCS football.

Because Coker is transferring from an FBS school to an FCS school, he will be eligible to play for the Seawolves next

"We are excited that Marcus has decided to continue his education at Stony Brook University. His ability and skill set will fit well in our offensive schemes," head coach Chuck Priore said in a statement. "We're excited to welcome him to the Stony Brook football

assault incident.

According to the police report, the alleged incident occurred a little after an hour after midnight on Oct. 28, 2011 at Coker's residence. The victim, however, declined to press charges.

Coker was also suspended for the Insight Bowl for violating the school's code of conduct. It is unclear if the suspension was related to the alleged sexual assault incident. He subsequently left the school on

Shortly after leaving Iowa, Coker posted on his Facebook wall: "Welp so much for that. It was a good 2 years iowa..best 2 I could of asked for. Thanks again for the support. I really wish I Coker was investigated but could tell u guys wats goin on

punished for somethin I didnt do. Id like to think [thank] the coaches and athletic staff for everything. Hawk for life."

Priore told Newsday that he did a background check on Coker before accepting him into the program.

"After the research I did into the allegations, I was comfortable he would be somebody that would be a positive role model moving forward at Stony Brook University," Priore said. "He's a very good student in the classroom, a very reserved, quiet kid."

An astrophyics major at Iowa, according to the school's official athletic website, Coker is enrolled at Stony Brook and is expected to follow a similar academic track.

not charged in an alleged sexual cuz its really ridiculous to b While Coker will not be available for comment until spring practice in March, he said in a press release statement: "I'm very grateful to Coach Priore and Stony Brook University for this opportunity. During this process, I've become aware of Stony Brook's growing football program and outstanding academics. I'm excited for spring practice and the chance to help my teammates win a fourth straight Big South Championship."

In addition to Coker, the team also announced the signings of 10 other players, including freshman wide receiver Adrian

A transfer from Maryland, Coxson caught four passes for 90 yards and a touchdown as a red-shirt freshman last season.