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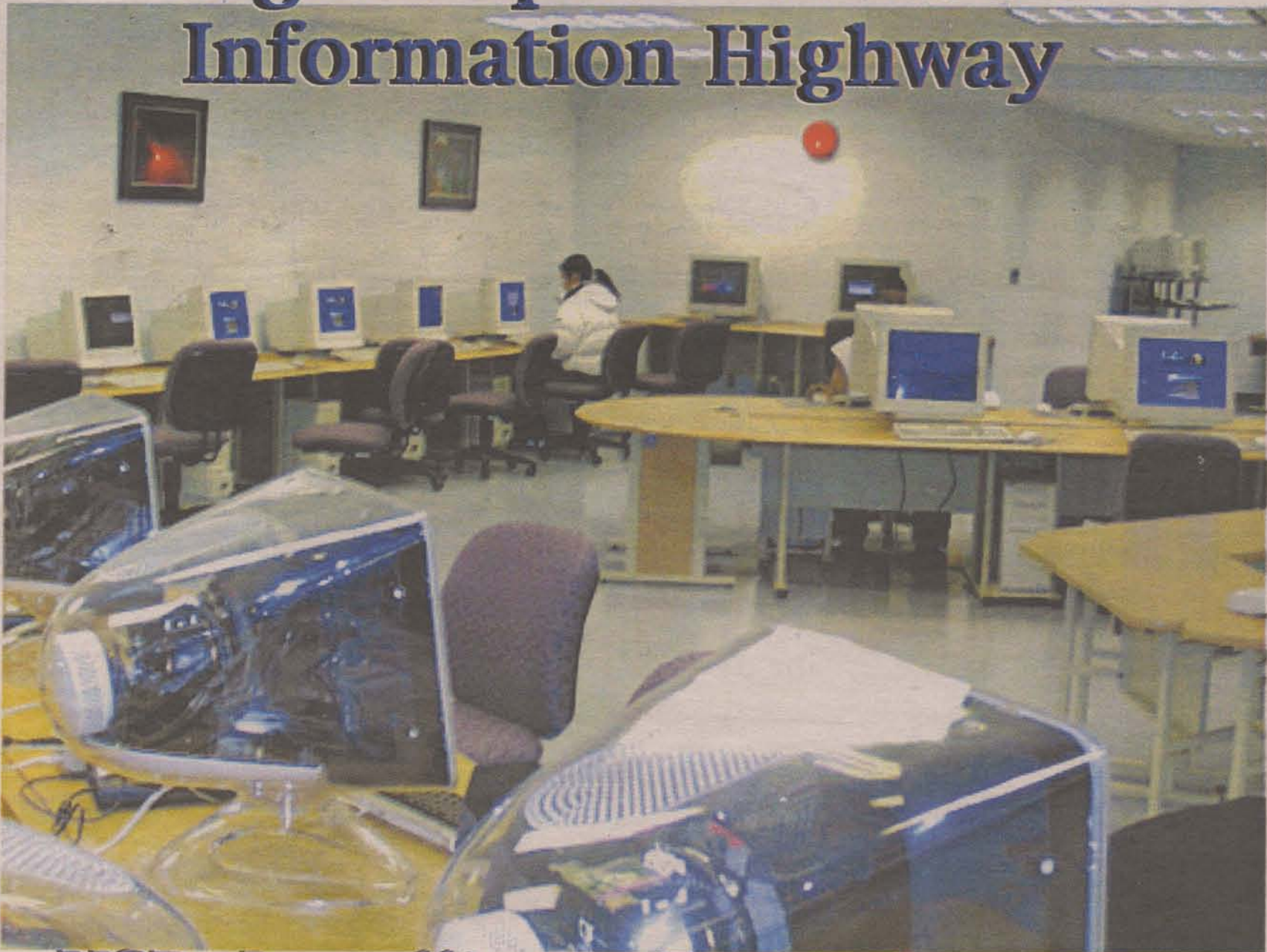
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Extending a Helping Hand

University Celebrates Year of Community Service to Aid Others, Enrich Itself

By JENNIFER KESTER
Editor Emeritus

In an ongoing effort to build a sense of community around the University at Stony Brook campus and its surrounding areas, President Shirley Strum Kenny pronounced 2001 to be the Year of Community Service.

"The purpose of the YOCS is to recognize and initiate community service projects by the students of the Stony Brook community," said Kaedrea Jackson, Polity vice president and undergraduate co-chair of the yearlong project.

Manny London, associate provost for enrollment management at the university and administrative co-chair of the project also pointed out that the Year of Community Service was made to coincide with the United Nation's International Year of the Volunteer.

"Service learning is an important part of a person's education - that is, learning how to volunteer and making volunteering an integral part of one's life, as a means of enriching one's own life as well as the lives of other," London said.

Although the theme officially kicked off last semester, the spring will bring a slew of related activities and events.

As part of the project, the film "Me and Isaac Newton" will make its premiere March 27 at 7 p.m. in the Staller Center's Main Stage.

The documentary by director Michael Apted (Coal Miner's Daughter

and Gorillas in the Mist) features seven of today's top scientists, including USB's own Patricia Wright, anthropology professor, and explores their scientific inspirations, their personal thoughts and their professional obligations.

Wright is one of the scientists who tells her story. A former teacher and housewife, Wright bought an owl monkey as a pet. Her fascination with the animal prompted her to venture to South America to study monkeys. There she began a preserve in Madagascar, and in the process saved a rainforest and helped a village become self-sufficient.

Wright will introduce the film and will field questions afterward. Free tickets are available today Monday, February 26 at the Staller Center Box Office.

In March, USB students will launch a fundraising campaign to help build a house for needy families with the nonprofit organization Habitat for Humanity. The university also will host two Habitat for Humanity days, March 21 and April 21, where USB students will volunteer their help to the organization.

Another highlight of the project is the April 4 visit of author Paul Loeb. A writer on citizen responsibility and volunteerism, Loeb will give a lecture in the Student Activities Center Auditorium during campus lifetime, 12:40 to 1:40 p.m. He will discuss his



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"The Shoe Project," which took place earlier this month, was one project in the Year of Community Service. Over 1500 pairs of shoes were collected for the project which were then donated to teach dance.

new book "Soul of a Citizen." The event will be one of the YOCS's major events, Jackson said.

The Year of Community Service is the second theme-based year for USB. Last year was dubbed the Year of Community, which sought to build a single community within the university despite the diverse people in it. According to administration, its success encouraged a second themed year. And with the university's hospital and its record of service

performed by clubs, organizations and individual students, faculty and staff, community service seemed to be the next logical step.

Jackson said that she decided to take part in the effort because she feels that community service should play a part in all people's lives. "The most important aspect of the YOCS, I believe, is recognizing the community service achievements of students and ensuring that community service will not be taken for granted after this year."

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A Thought From Rabbi Adam



We all have two inclinations: one for good and one for bad. It's like we have these two voices always involved in our decision making process. Sometimes, its easy to decipher which voice to follow, for one is obviously coming from selfishness, our "bad inclination". Other times it can be quite confusing, for they both seem equally "good". Such was the dilemma of Rabbi Menachem Nachum, the Rebbe of Chernobyl. He was very poor and was forever pressed to feed his household. One day he was presented with a gift of 300 rubles. Soon after, a Chassid came to seek the Rebbe's advice. He was deeply in debt and in dire financial straights. When the Rebbe heard that the Chassid's needs amounted to exactly 300 rubles, he concluded that the 300 ruble gift was not destined for his own family, but rather, for this man. "However," the Rebbe related, "as soon as I decided to give away the 300 rubles, another thought entered my mind: Is it proper to give the entire sum to a single individual? Why, such an amount could support at least six families! I found myself in a dilemma. Both options seemed righteous. Upon contemplation, I came to recognize that these two options were coming from two 'voices' within me, and the argument to divide the money among a number of families was not coming from the good voice. For if this was indeed my 'good inclination', why didn't he speak up immediately? But no, this voice spoke within me only after I decided to give away the entire sum! This gave him away. For when I first assumed that the entire sum was meant for me- he was silent. Only after, when I was about to give it away, did he wake up. Obviously, he did not say, 'Keep the money!' - oh no, he knew that I would recognize such a desire as selfish and reject it immediately. So instead he comes with an utterly pious and logical suggestion- anything to prevent me from doing the right thing!"

Linking Up

Campus Internet System Getting Ready for Upgrade in Response to Student Complaints

BY MARC NEWMAN
Statesman Staff

Five years ago Stony Brook began their commitment to high-speed Internet access, offering high-speed connections throughout the campus. Since then, the number of computers using the Internet at Stony Brook has increased exponentially, from 2,000 last semester to a near 4,200 this spring, bringing the network to near capacity.

Many students like, Hasan Rizvi, lament, "I have a cable modem at home, and the internet on campus is just a lot slower."

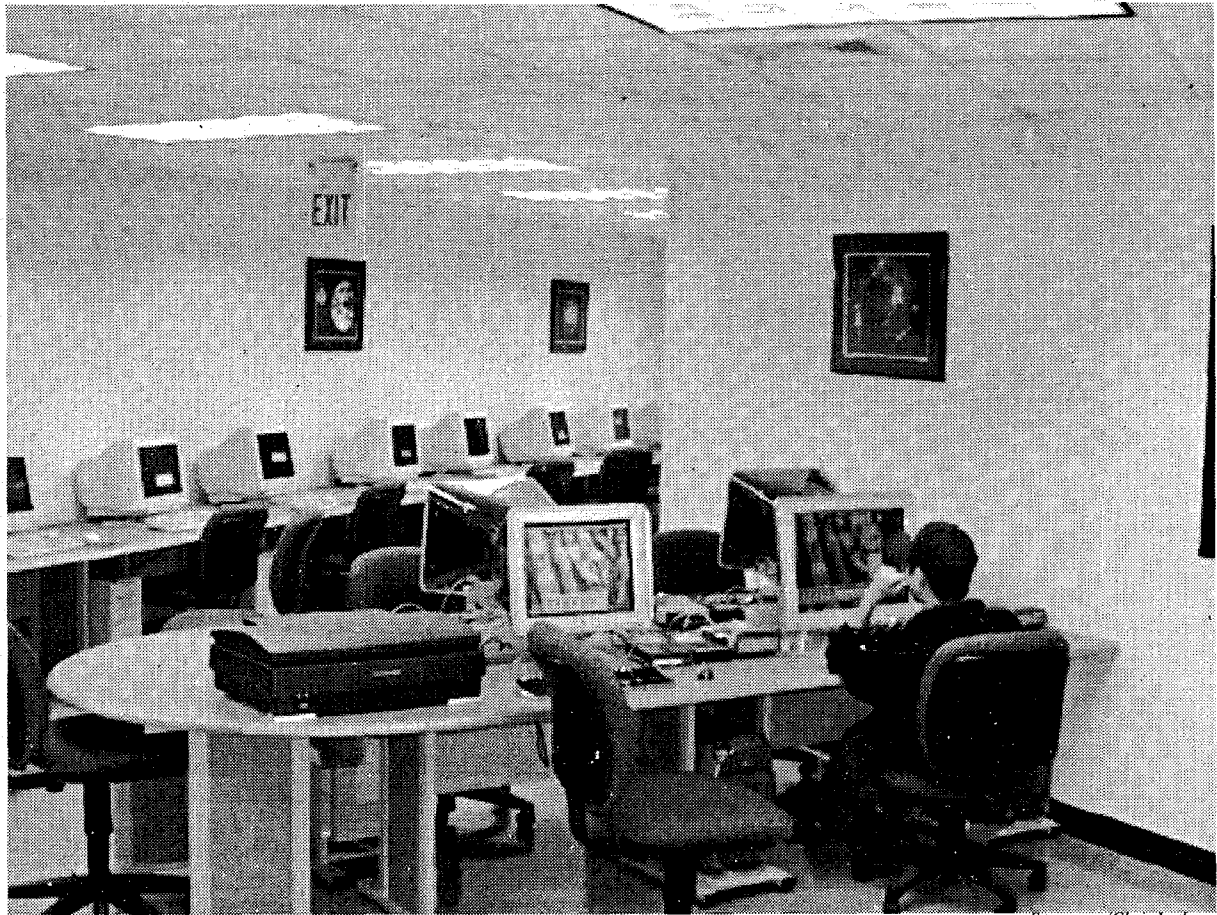
According to Behzad Barziadeh, head of network operations on campus, many complaints like Hasan's will disappear in the weeks to come. Barziadeh is responsible for installing a faster Internet connection that will supposedly triple the current Internet bandwidth.

"We're upgrading the T3 lines, which operate at 45 mega-bits per second to a newer OC3 connection," Barziadeh said. "[This] will operate at 155 mega-bits per second. We hope to be testing this new connection by the end of next week."

Stony Brook and other universities, including Cornell, NYU, Columbia and SUNY Binghamton, have a contract with a group of companies that make up NYCERNET. Stony Brook deals with Applied Theory, a subsidy of NYCERNET. Applied Theory owns the lines on which Internet data travels, between Stony Brook and 60th Street, in Manhattan. Stony Brook currently has an arrangement with Verizon to provide on-campus Internet connections via Applied Theory lines. When Stony Brook makes the switch from T3 to OC3 in the coming weeks, that arrangement will change significantly.

"We knew we had to upgrade our connection. When Cablevision offered us a contract that was less expensive than those of similar carriers, like Verizon, we took advantage of the opportunity," explained Chief Information Officer Richard Reeder.

This switch from Verizon to Cablevision began six months ago, when Reeder approved of such a change.



Statesman/Chris Latham

To help speed up connections to the Internet, the University has switched its carrier from Verizon to Cablevision.

"This new network not only offers us better bandwidth, but the complications of the older network will be eliminated," Reeder added.

The complication Reeder referred to concerns the network infrastructure, whose lines currently travel from Deer Park, to Garden City, and inevitably Manhattan's 60th Street. Problems with the infrastructure have led to downed campus Internet service in the past. Reeder said he felt confident that Stony Brook's current capacity levels, running from 80-90 percent during a typical week, would drop significantly once the upgrade was in place, to a figure closer to 30 percent.

Reeder noted that the new Cablevision Internet connection would provide students with a direct connection between the campus and New York City, making network outages like the one on February 6 less likely in the future.

"When there is an outage on campus, it's almost always to the fault of Verizon and not our network operators," Reeder explained.

He also suggested that some of the wiring upgrades taking place would explain bad Internet speeds students like Hasan have been forced to deal with.

"We're adding more fiber to the Roth Quad and Schomburg apartment buildings this semester, whose residents have been sharing bandwidth that's slower than that at other Quads," Reeder said. The Kelly Quad, Reeder pointed out, shared a similarly slow bandwidth, and that its fiber upgrades would be taking place in a matter of months, but that the details for their installation remain to be resolved. A construction problem prevents Reeder from enabling faster Internet connections at the Chapin apartment buildings. They are looking into methods of alternate

connections there, such as DSL or Cable modems.

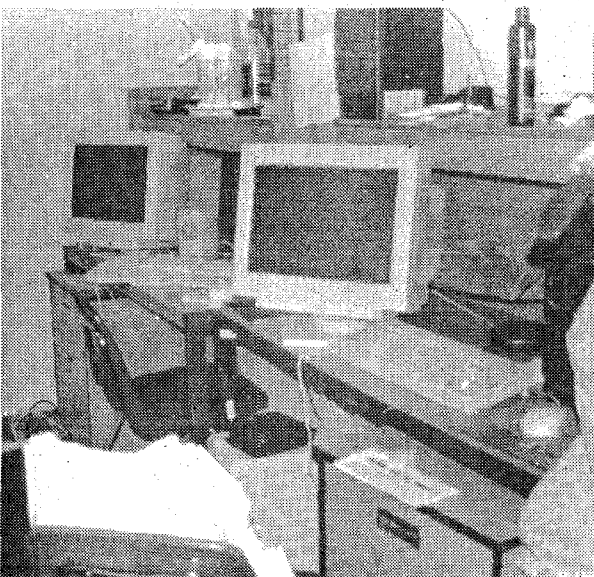
Barziadeh stressed that when you consider the 4,300 computers on the student network, and the small portion of money dedicated to Internet services on campus — by his estimates 10 percent of the \$100 technology fee each student pays per semester — that the Internet service on campus is still "pretty good."

Barziadeh went on to say that "speed is in the eye of the beholder." Students like Hasan pay \$50 per month for high speed Internet connections at home, while the amount a Stony Brook student pays on campus is "significantly less."

Speaking on the recent Napster court controversy, Barziadeh and Reeder stressed that the Internet connection on campus is "not for downloading music." They referred specifically to music and other materials that violate copyright laws. Barziadeh said that students who download these materials keep the Internet slow for others looking to use the Internet for "doing normal things, like checking the news or getting e-mail." He also noted that they can continue upgrades to make the Internet faster for students, but he compared the process to building lanes on the Long Island Expressway. "How many lanes do we have to build until there isn't any traffic?," he asked.

Finally, Barziadeh stressed the importance of checking Sparky e-mail. "Ninety to one-hundred percent of what we do on campus is for the students, and this is how I communicate with those who use the Internet on campus."

Those interested in Internet speeds can check out <http://status.noc.sunysb.edu/> and register any network complaints they have by contacting the network staff at resnet@noc.sunysb.edu.



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Polity Senate Votes To Impeach

Motions to Remove Polity President, Treasurer and SPAB Chair

By PAUL O'FLAHERTY
Statesman Staff

The Polity Senate voted unanimously to impeach Jonnel Doris, Polity president, Renee Johnson, Polity treasurer, and Andy Auguste, Student Polity Activities Board chairperson, Wednesday night. The Student Judiciary will now decide the matter.

In voting for impeachment, the Senate accepted the recommendation of the committee investigating the Student Polity Activities Board.

The committee recommended impeaching Auguste because of "various infractions of Student Polity regulations and gross negligence of the responsibilities of the position which he holds," according to a prepared statement read by Gina Fiore, the committee chairperson. The committee considered Doris and Johnson "a party to all infractions of SPAB" according to Fiore's statement.

After Fiore read the findings, Christopher Balk, also a member of the committee, proposed the Senate go into "executive session," where all non-senators must leave the room. The Senate remained in executive session for one hour. Afterward, the Senate voted to accept the committee's finding, including the recommendations for impeachment, and to turn the matter over to the Student Judiciary for judgment.

On Feb. 7, the Senate voted to form the committee to investigate SPAB's \$250 allocation to Minister David Muhammad. Muhammad was to give a lecture on the Feb. 7. Members of Polity cancelled the event because of its perceived religious nature. Polity cannot fund events with overt religious content.

During its investigation, the committee found several incongruities within the records of SPAB. The most significant were records showing nine different people interchangeably approving allocations of money throughout the fall semester of 2000. Polity rules allow only three people to authorize allocations: the organizations president, vice president, and treasurer, according to Balk.

After accepting the committee's findings, the Senate made the following allocations: \$50,000 to the End of Year Event planning committee, \$15,000 to the Commuter Student Association, \$5,700 to the Minority Planning Board, \$2,000 to the En Accion newspaper, and \$1,935 to Club India. The Senate voted against a proposal for \$15,000 to the Senior Activities board. The Senate also voted against a proposal for \$2,500 for the Senate itself. The money was for "Advertising, Food, etc." according to a list of requested allocations distributed at the senate meeting.

Most of the Senate's budget derives from the \$86.50 student-activity-fee charged to most students each semester. The money for the above allocations comes from a surplus due to greater than expected enrollment during the previous academic year. Polity's budget for the current academic year is \$2.2 million.

The Polity Senate will meet next on Feb. 28 at 8:30 p.m. in the Student Union bi-level.

Below is the prepared statement read by Gina Fiore, committee chairperson.

"Members of the Polity Senate:

"After meeting three times in open session, this subcommittee of Polity Senate went into executive session to weigh all pertinent evidence gained through our investigation of SPAB and the Polity Council. We the committee found various incongruities in the

manner in which SPAB conducts its affairs. As well, there is a definite divide between the standards that all other Student Polity clubs and organizations are held to and those held to SPAB. After deliberations, this committee came to the unanimous decision, which is represented by the following suggestions to this body:

"1) We the committee recommend the impeachment of Andy Auguste, chair of SPAB, for various infractions of Student Polity regulations, and gross negligence of the responsibilities of the position which he holds.

"2) We the committee recommend the impeachment of Renee Johnson, Polity Treasurer, for material violations of the Student Polity Constitution in the form of interpreting the Constitution; and wrongful acts of substance in the following forms: (a) Violations of a legislative act passed by the Senate. (b) Circumventing the Senate by not informing it of her actions. (c) Being a party to all infractions of SPAB.

"3) We the committee recommend the impeachment of Jonnel Doris, Polity President, for material violations of the Student Polity Constitution in the form of interpreting the Constitution and wrongful acts of substance in the following forms: (a) Violations of a legislative act passed by the Senate. (b) Circumventing the Senate by not informing it of his actions. (c) Alienating a vast majority of his constituency in the approval of the lecture of Minister David Muhammad. (d) Being a party to all infractions of SPAB.

"It was also decided that there needs to be changes made to the SPAB bylaws and the fundamental structure of the organization, in order for this kind of action to be avoided in the future.

"Signed, [by the members of the committee: Christopher Balk, Mike Bernardin, Christopher Efthymiou, Gina Fiore, Julius Shapiro, Ajmal Sheikh, and Adam Zimmerman]"

Learning the Vernacular New On-Line Magazine Made By and For English Majors

By CAROLE SIERRA
Statesman Contributor

English majors at the University at Stony Brook have established their own online magazine to encourage and show the work of other student writers.

The Vernacular.net, had its launch party Wednesday in Humanities to advertise the new magazine. Displayed in the lounge was a screen showing everyone who passed by the homepage of the website.

The students involved in the organization of the magazine are English majors and take participate in the magazine as a class. It is run "by and for English majors," as stated in the title, and Ira Livingston, the undergraduate director of the English department, heads the class.

The Vernacular.net has been in progress since last semester, and the launch party was done to show the final product of the effort the students put in to the magazine.

The English students involved in the organization put their heads together to come up with clever titles for the five different sections of the magazine.

One student said they liked the look. "I like the designs and each section's title is very witty." Two of the sections included are Writer's Block, a section that accepts poem submissions or any creative writing, and

Tossed Salad Reviews, which publishes reviews of movies, poems, books and more.

All the content in the magazine is geared towards English majors, and everything published has to be associated with English.

The magazine gives students an opportunity to publish their work. It also helps English majors who are seeking wider opportunities in a field that many consider to be strictly geared towards teaching. In the future, a section in the magazine will feature Stony Brook alumni who studied English who will give their testimonials on what exciting jobs they landed as English majors.

Although the magazine is directed towards English majors, the magazine has provoked interest in all students.

Jeanine Henglein, a psychology major said that it offers someone for everyone. "It shows the diversity of the Stony Brook community because everyone will contribute," Henglein said.

The magazine is currently accepting submissions for all sections. They can be handed in at the Vernacular.net mailbox in the English department office or via e-mail on the site.



The staff of The Vernacular.net held a launch party for the on-line magazine last Wednesday. The magazine is run as a class and is headed up by Ira Livingston, the undergraduate director of the English department.

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Editorials

Your Student Government at Work

What had been a relatively quiet second semester has become rather eventful in recent weeks. First, Martin Luther King III graced this campus with a speech on his father's dream. A few days later, some Secret Service agents dropped by to schmooze with the student who asked for Jesus to "smite" President Bush. And to top it all off, Senate last Wednesday voted to impeach the Polity president Jonnel Doris, Polity treasurer Renee Johnson, and Student Polity Activities Board chair Andy Auguste.

As most everyone now knows, the recent controversy surrounding the executive branch of Polity began with the invitation SPAB extended to Minister David Muhammad, a member of the oft-criticized, much-maligned Nation of Islam. Several students were outraged by the fact that student activities fees would have been used to fund a visit from a man whose organization has offended several groups of people in the past. Acting as the students' voice, the Senate unanimously voted at their February 7 meeting to form an investigative committee to look into SPAB.

Two weeks later, on February 21, that committee gave its full report to the entire Senate, a report which recommended impeachment for the three people listed above. The committees' members, made

up of three commuters, three residents, and chaired by the Senate co-chair, presented a litany of charges which they believed warranted that penalty. By a vote of 48-0, with 4 abstentions, the full Senate voted in favor of impeachment, and a trial will now be held before the Polity Judiciary, whose justices will decide whether to remove them from office.

The charges they put forth were many. The committee charged SPAB members with not taking proper minutes during meetings, failing to accurately transcribe allocation requests, and improperly using student activities fees when inviting Minister Muhammad onto this diverse campus. With regard to the Polity president and treasurer, the committee charged them with being a party to all infractions committed by SPAB, since SPAB is within the executive branch of Polity.

Moreover, Senate had also voted on February 7 to freeze SPAB's budget pending the committee's investigation. It was later discovered that neither the president nor the treasurer had executed that action, as per the Senate's unanimous mandate. Rather, acting on advice from the Polity lawyer, the two members decided that Senate did not have such power, although the Polity constitution gives Senate extensive control over all budgetary matters. Polity Judiciary, the branch responsible for interpreting the constitution, was never approached by the Council members, another fact which led to

their impeachment.

Suffice it to say, these are not the most harmonious of times for student government here at USB. Indeed, committee members last week told the full Senate that when the investigation began, they hoped to find no infractions whatsoever. As one committee member remarked, last Wednesday for not a happy day, nor a celebratory day for the Senate. Rather, it should be seen as a day where the Senate took actions it considered necessary to enforce the constitutional guidelines that they believed had been violated.

So there is in fact a distinct silver lining to this most recent campus controversy. The bright side to this situation is that our student government is working hard to alleviate the problems with which it has been presented. Remember, a vote for impeachment is not a vote for removal from office. Like a grand jury, the Senate last week simply decided that there was enough evidence for a trial to be held, and the Polity Judiciary will hopefully continue its history of objective, unbiased constitutional interpretations in deciding this case.

Again, this should not be seen as a happy event. But we can take solace in the fact that when this trial is held, the students' interests and rights, as protected by our constitution, will be given top priority; the way it should be.

Letter to the Editor:

Nation of Islam vs. Islam

(Re: A Controversial Mistake)
Your article on an error on a flier that caused the SPAB major problems included an error of its own. The author stated that a flier advertising the speech of David Muhammed, a Nation of Islam (NOI) minister, "featured a quote to Allah written in Sanskrit". The phrase was in Arabic, not Sanskrit. Sanskrit is an ancient language of the Indian subcontinent, while Arabic is the major language of the Middle East and is revealed in the Muslim holy book, the Qur'an.

Secondly, I would like clarify the distinction between the "Nation of Islam", and "Islam". They are two separate, diametrically opposing faiths. The Nation of Islam preaches black supremacy and anti-Semitism, while the Islamic faith is egalitarian and tolerant. There is a reason why there are only a couple hundred thousand members of the Nation of Islam, and why there are 1.6 billion people who follow the real Islam around the world, including people in China, Morocco, Pakistan, Russia, and the United States.

Members of the Nation of Islam quote more Bible than Qur'an - and they quote more hatred than Bible. Therefore, the word Islam in their name is a misnomer. The word Islam

comes from the Arabic root word 'salaamat' - meaning peace, or obtaining contentment via the complete submission to God. And as you know, Allah simply is the word for God in the Arabic language, as Yahweh is in the Hebrew language. Even Arab Christians use the word Allah. So Muslims do not see themselves as worshipping another God. In fact, we see our faith as the completion of all previously revealed religions- and that is why we demonstrate immense respect and tolerance for Christians and Jews, in particular.

As evidence of the Nation of Islam's perversion of the true Islamic faith, their members or supporters erroneously posted the phrase (in Arabic and English), "In the Name of Allah, Most Beneficent, the Most Merciful", at the BOTTOM of their flier. If you look at the Qur'an or any other Islamic text from the past 1,400 years, you would see that this phrase is only included at the TOP of any form of writing. It makes no sense to put a prayer that is performed BEFORE saying something, or that is posted BEFORE writing something, at the END of it. It's like writing your greeting in a letter at its end. But then again, the Nation of Islam today doesn't make much sense at all.

Finally, I would like to shed some light on the misinterpreted life of the

NOI's most famous former member, Malcolm X. Brother Malcolm died following a final name change; he became Malik El Shabazz. But it wasn't only his name that changed; his ideas did also. Following his dismissal from the NOI, Malik performed the pilgrimage to Makkah, or the Hajj, which is obligatory upon all able Muslims. There he stated, "My pilgrimage broadened my scope. It blessed me with a new insight. In two weeks in the Holy Land, I saw what I never had seen in thirty-nine years here in America. I saw all races, all colors, — blue-eyed blonds to black-skinned Africans — in true brotherhood! In unity! Living as one! Worshipping as one! No segregationists — no liberals; they would not have known how to interpret the meaning of those words."

We truly need to heed the message of this wise man. Malik's message has been reduced today to a letter on a baseball cap. All Americans need to take his message a little deeper into their heads, and more importantly, into their hearts.

Sincerely,
Arif Rafiq
Member, Stony Brook University
Muslim Students Association

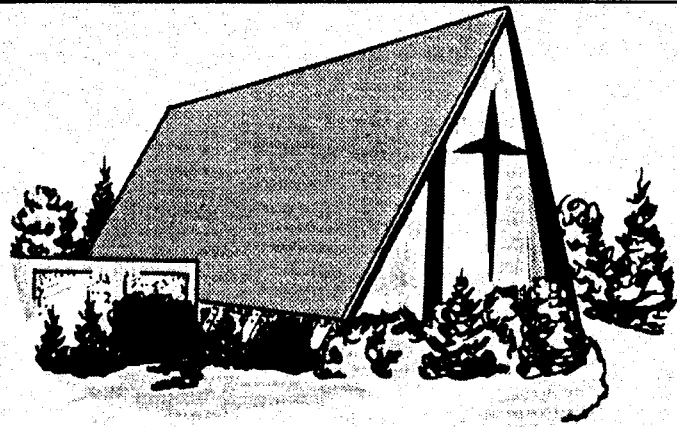
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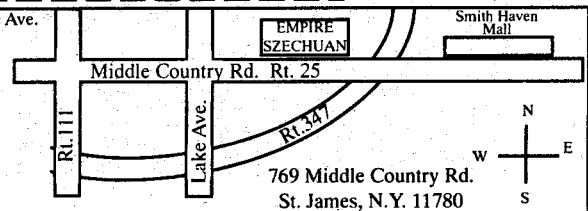
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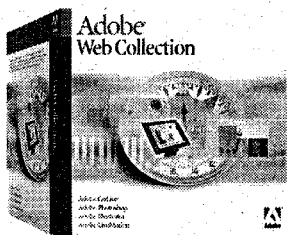
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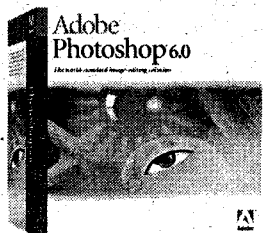
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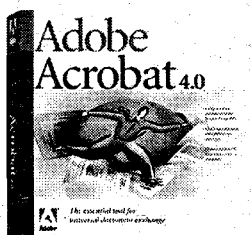
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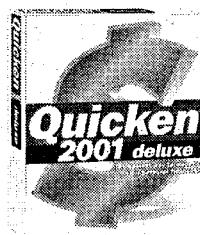
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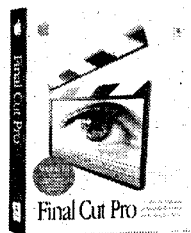
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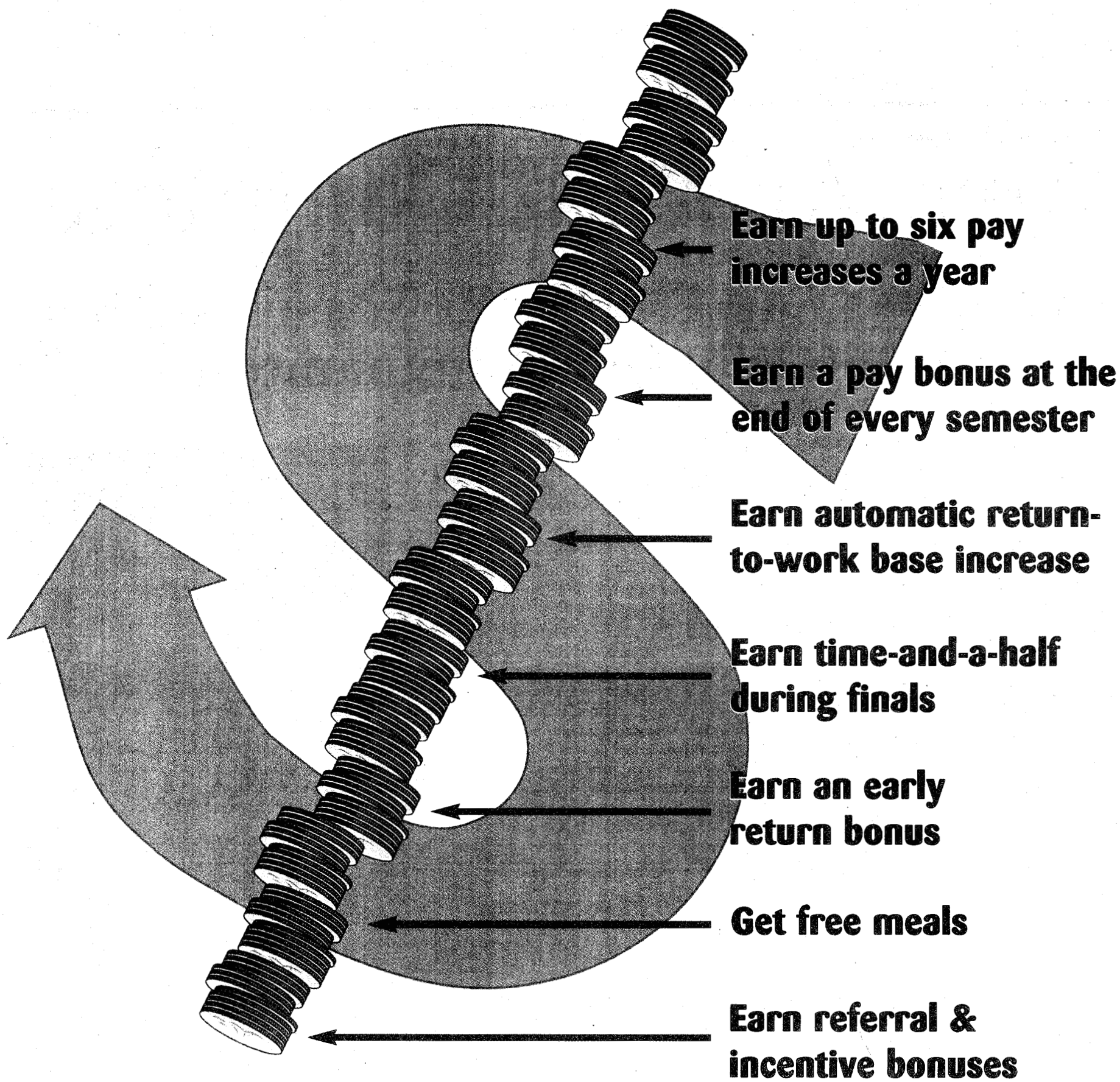
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Sports

Turn Around Complete Seawolves Cap Cinderella Season with a 66-56 Win Over Binghamton

By CHRISTOPHER HUNT
Statesman Staff

A new record 3,574 screaming fans along with spectators who tuned in to the Metro Channel, got to see a glimpse of the future along with the roots of the Seawolves success as they disposed of Binghamton, 66-56.

One week ago senior Leon Brisport's (#45) hand resembled a Mickey Mouse glove. But injuries would not stop or slow down Brisport, who dominated in the low post, lighting up Binghamton for 20 points and 10 rebounds, cashing in his 13th double-double of the season. Brisport, a transfer from Providence, in his only season as a Seawolf is on pace to complete one of best single seasons in school history. He will finish the year with over 450 points and 250 rebounds, leading the team in both categories.

Brisport, deemed the heart and soul of Stony Brook basketball, made a major impact on the program and helped turn the team around, now in the midst of a Cinderella season. "Leon Brisport just came in and gave us a difference appearance," Coach Macarchuk said.

The last home game of a school's basketball season is always Senior Day, where all the seniors will be able to perform in front of their home crowd. Macarchuk gave a gift to his team by starting all of his seniors, Terrill Ware (#11), Nelson Pena (#25), Rob Hartman (#24), Chris Balliro (#33), and Josh Little (#3), excluding Brisport who started all season. Although the intention was good, the move threw off the chemistry of the squad as the Bearcats sprinted ahead with a 10-0 run and were leading 13-1 before Macarchuk started making substitutions.

Little and Balliro who have been a part of USB basketball from the beginning, snatched their opportunity to shine in front of the camera. Balliro torched the net with 13 points, hitting a couple huge three-pointers that sparked his team's offense. "It meant a lot. I've been here through everything you could imagine, Division I games, Division II games," Balliro said. "It was nice for my final game to have a good win in front of all these people."

Little came alive in the heart-breaking loss to Lafayette scoring 11 points in 13 minutes after a nine-game slump. The school record-holder in three-

pointers scored six points off of two from behind the arc and served up five assists. "It was a great way to cap off my four years here," he said.

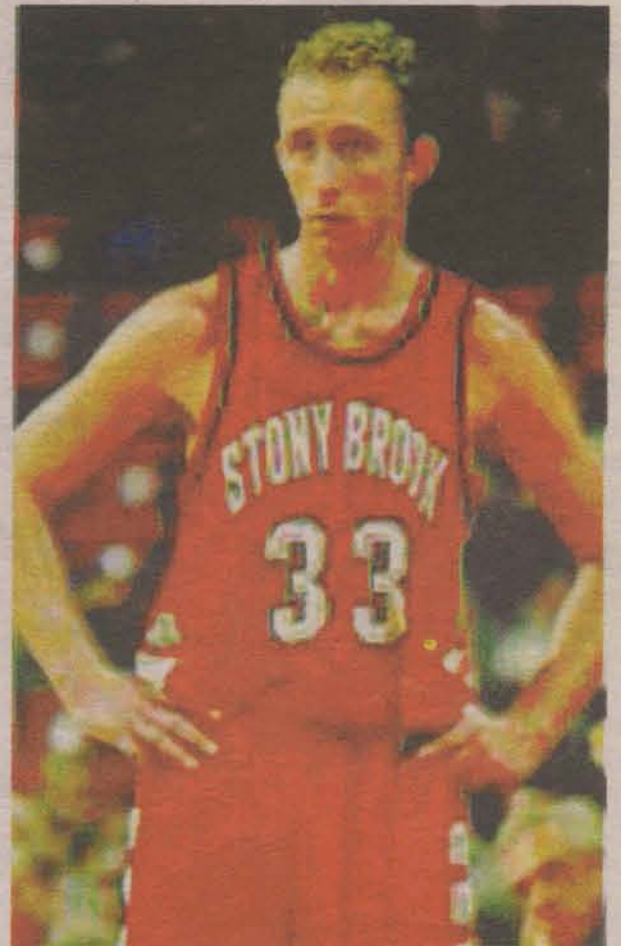
Even though Binghamton stormed out of the starting blocks, the Big Bad Wolves kept the game under control with a 16-2 run of their own lead by the senior trio of Little, Brisport and Balliro along with freshman standout D.J. Munir (#15). Stony Brook jogged into the locker rooms with the game back in their hands, 29-26 at the half.

Munir allowed the USB fans to glance into the future attempting to steal the spotlight from the seniors. He seemed to be unstoppable throughout the game, going to the basket whenever it seemed convenient. Munir was involved in the key match-up of the game where him and Binghamton's Mike Wright went head-to-head. Wright fouled out

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midway into the second half and finished with two points. Munir flourished with 14 points and five assists. He is one of the freshman looking to help the Seawolves make some noise in the America East Conference next season. "We want to try to win the conference... I think we can compete and try to go to the tournament next year," he said.

Stony Brook, a team that won just six games last season and came into this season hoping to just finish .500 has accomplished more than they even imagined. "We've won 17 games now... we were hoping to win 12 and 14 if we're lucky," Macarchuk



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Senior Chris Balliro scored 10 points in the last game of the season.

said after the game. "Seventeen wins is just far greater than of our expectations." The Seawolves have gained national recognition, getting noticed by various publications including the Chicago Tribune.

All of Macarchuk's seniors were thanked and praised after the game by fans and their parents who were cheering in the stands and waited for them with hugs and kisses after the game. Little, whose goal was just to play basketball after high school expressed how proud he is to be apart of Stony Brook's climb up the ladder. "It's just memories," he said. "To make it through all four years and especially to go out with a winning season like this is just great and I'm always going to be a part of the Stony Brook memory of basketball."