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## BNL Bangs Out the Creation of the Universe

By KELLY BROWN  
Statesman Editor

Researchers at the Brookhaven National Laboratory (BNL) may be close to recreating a tiny version of the Big Bang, the explosion that scientists believe began existence an estimated 14 billion years ago.

Sam Aronson said that recent experiments using the Relativistic Heavy Ion Collider (RHIC) have brought scientists close to producing a small quantity of the thick, hot matter that is believed to have existed a moment before the Big Bang. Theorists hold that the early universe, which was smaller than the size of a grapefruit, underwent a transition to a new state of matter.

In this new phase, the universe was composed mainly of subatomic particles known as quarks and force carriers called gluons. After expanding to about the size of this solar system, the gluons forced the quarks together, forming protons and neutrons. It is the quark-gluon plasma that physicists at BNL are attempting to generate.

"Nobody's ready to call it THE plasma," Aronson said,

about the particle soup. "But we're seeing a huge suppression (in its production of subatomic particles) a strong indication." He said the scientists may have succeeded in recreating an ancient form of matter that is extraordinarily hot and dense.

The RHIC, a \$600 million machine, has a 2.4-mile length through which the nuclei of gold atoms (with 79 protons, 118 neutrons and no electrons, making them positively charged ions) are accelerated to nearly the speed of light and then smashed together.

The impact creates a tiny fireball, up to 10,000 times as hot as the sun, that theoretically liberates the quarks and gluons for a brief moment. These two ingredients then quickly regroup and produce showers of



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Thanks to new technology, scientists may be able to reconstruct the universe's birth on a small scale.

thousands of particles that the physicists study. Researchers said that the the RHIC is the first instrument ever made that uses head-on collisions of such high energy.

"We want to see the properties of this matter," said Wit Busza, a physicist at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. Busza helped design one of RHIC's detectors called Phobos. "Why is it so opaque? Why does it behave as it does? By answering all these questions, we'll be able to better

understand the original state of the universe."

But even as success seems tantalizingly close, there are new questions confronting the scientists. Some of the particle behavior defies expectations.

Steven L. Manly, a physicist at the University of Rochester who works on the Phobos detector,

explained the jigsaw-like nature of the research. "We're trying to figure out how this new picture fits together," he said. "It may be that we have an actual clue that something fundamental is different, something we just don't understand - yet."

BNL physicists said that the current experiments should help answer some long-standing mysteries and build evidence that RHIC has in fact produced a quark-gluon plasma.

The scientists' ultimate

goal is to unequivocally establish the claim that the quark-gluon particles were the start of our universe. CERN, a prominent European particle-physics laboratory, presented evidence that it had produced the particle soup in 2000, but fell short of proving the discovery.

RHIC workers said that they are in the early stages of going beyond the European work, in hopes of making a sound case in a year or two. But in 2008, the field will again become competitive when CERN introduces a more powerful machine to start quark-gluon experiments, the Large Hadron Collider.

Thomas Kirk, BNL's Associate Laboratory Director for High Energy and Nuclear Physics, said the investigation was pivotal in scientific progress.

"This universe came from somewhere," Kirk said. "Was there a beginning and will there be an end? These are the most profound questions you can ask and are the kinds of things we're trying to investigate."

## SBU Professor Elected President of APAP

By ANJALI DOGRA  
Statesman Editor

The Association of Physician Assistant Programs (APAP) recently chose Stony Brook Professor Paul Lombardo as its President-elect. Lombardo is the director of the Physician Assistant Program in the School of Health Technology and management at SBU. The organization's 131 member programs elected Lombardo, who will become president of the Association in November 2003, at the APAP's annual Educational Forum held Nov. 6 in Miami, Florida.

Lombardo is the first person ever elected to one of the top posts of the three leading national

organizations serving Physician Assistant faculty and practicing Assistants. Those groups are the APAP, the Physician Assistant Foundation and the American Academy of Physician Assistants.

Physician assistants practice medicine as members of a team that includes a supervising physician. Assistants are licensed health professionals who provide medical and surgical services. They conduct exams, diagnose and treat illnesses, counsel patients on preventive health care, order and interpret tests, prescribe medications and assist in surgeries.

The Physician Assistant

Program at Stony Brook, the Health Sciences Center (HSC), is part of the most comprehensive training in healthcare careers on Long Island. The HSC includes the School of Health Technology and Management, the only Schools of Medicine and Dental Medicine in the region, the School of Social Welfare and a School of Nursing.

"Paul Lombardo has built a pre-eminent Physician Assistant Program," said Craig A. Lehmann, Dean of the School of Health Technology and Management. "His vision has helped us establish our School as not only a leading training ground for careers in

healthcare, but also as an important community resource for education, information, and outreach."

Lombardo graduated from Stony Brook's Physician Assistant Program in 1973 and has been the department Chair and Clinical Associate Professor at SBU since 1983. He also holds a certificate in advanced emergency medicine from the University of Iowa and a Master's in Health Services Administration from New School University.

Lombardo received the American Academy of Physician Assistants Appreciation award for Distinguished Service to the

Profession in 1988, the New Jersey Society of Physician Assistants' Outstanding Service award in 1992 and the New York State Society of Physician Assistants' Educator of the Year award in 1997. He resides in Holtsville, NY.

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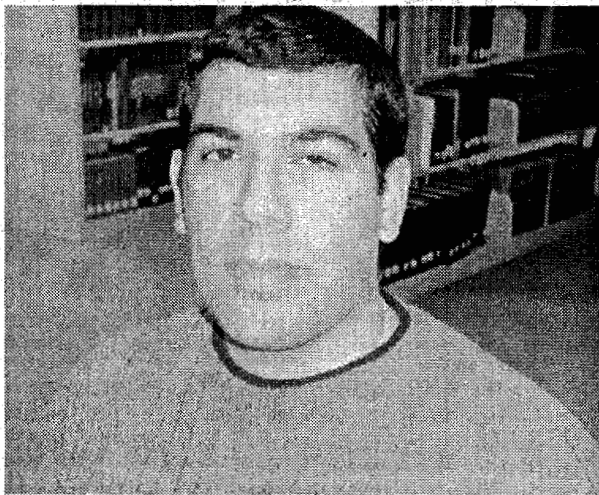
# Campus Voices: Should the WTC Be Rebuilt?

By Emy Kuriakose  
Statesman Editor



Statesman/Emy Kuriakose

**Deepa Nachiappan, Freshman**  
It should be rebuilt, but not as high. Something like a memorial should be in the building, though.



Statesman/Emy Kuriakose

**David Movahedian, Junior**  
For the sake of remembering the victims, the building shouldn't be rebuilt. Some other structure should be built in remembrance, as a memorial.



Statesman/Emy Kuriakose

**Jonathan Inbal, Freshman**  
The land is too valuable not to rebuild. It was an integral part of NY and it would be greedy of the families to demand that the plot of land go unused.



Statesman/Emy Kuriakose

**Matt Hanley, Graduate Student**  
It should be rebuilt as a multi-purpose center. Part of the land should be used for affordable housing, and some should go towards a park, for a memorial. Some should go towards commerce, also.



Statesman/Emy Kuriakose

**Oumou Diallo, Sophomore**  
It should be rebuilt. I don't think it should be in the same place though. They should have a memorial, but rebuild the Center somewhere else.



Statesman/Emy Kuriakose

**Vesela Kirova, Graduate Student**  
Yes, definitely. They should build it even stronger and bigger. It was one of the greatest symbols of prosperity. That's why it was so painful.

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BUDGET COMPARASION			
	2000 - 2003		
	TOTAL CLUB	TOTAL CLUB	TOTAL CLUB
	2000-2001	2001-2002	2002-2003
<b>MEDIA</b>			
CAMPUS NEWSPAPERS	46,600.00		
INSURANCE	8,500.00	7,500.00	7,500.00
BLACKWORLD	11,650.00	16,375.00	16,375.00
EN ACCION	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
FOCUS	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00
SPECULA	60,150.00	64,400.00	62,500.00
SB PRESS MED REF	12,825.00	37,125.00	37,125.00
WUSB	63,000.00	63,400.00	63,400.00
STATESMAN MED REF	23,300.00	28,875.00	28,875.00
STV	58,250.00	62,500.00	62,500.00
SHELANU MED REF	5,825.00	10,125.00	10,125.00
<b>TOTAL MEDIA</b>	<b>293,100.00</b>	<b>293,300.00</b>	<b>291,400.00</b>
<b>PROGRAMS &amp; SERVICES</b>			
<b>SAFIPC</b>			
COCA	34,550.00	16,871.35	12,500.00
HOMEcoming	8,200.00	6,041.27	3,000.00
OPENING WEEK	3,000.00	2,210.22	5,000.00
SAB REF REQUEST	58,250.00	62,500.00	62,500.00
SAB CONCERTS/P.S.	76,000.00	55,992.24	50,000.00
SAB COMEDY LECTURE	11,000.00	8,104.14	8,000.00
SAB MPB	5,000.00	3,683.70	0.00
SAB ACTIVITIES CONTR	18,000.00	13,261.32	0.00
<b>TOTAL SAFIPC FUNDS</b>	<b>214,000.00</b>	<b>168,664.24</b>	<b>141,000.00</b>
* from SAB			
** line funded by SAFIPC			
AV CONTROL	51,650.00	37,500.00	40,000.00
EVENTS STAFF	6,000.00	6,000.00	10,000.00
SAB STAGING	3,500.00	3,500.00	3,500.00
EVENTS REFERENDUM	69,900.00	75,000.00	0.00
AV EQUIPMENT	15,000.00	15,000.00	15,000.00
EVENTS EQUIP	23,300.00	25,000.00	25,000.00
<b>TOTAL AV - SECURITY</b>	<b>169,350.00</b>	<b>162,000.00</b>	<b>90,000.00</b>
<b>OFF CAMPUS REFERENDA</b>			
AMBULANCE CORPS	69,900.00	75,000.00	75,000.00
BLOOD DRIVE	11,650.00	12,500.00	12,500.00
S.B. CHILD CARE	34,950.00	37,500.00	37,500.00
NYPIRG	69,900.00	75,000.00	150,000.00
SASU	46,600.00	50,000.00	50,000.00
JSSA	23,300.00	25,000.00	25,000.00
JNIV RESP REFEREND	17,475.00	18,750.00	18,750.00
<b>TOTAL OFF CAMPUS</b>	<b>273,775.00</b>	<b>293,750.00</b>	<b>368,750.00</b>
<b>ROTH &amp; PSC</b>			
PSC CLUBS	60,500.00	62,500.00	62,500.00
IFSC (from #240100 PSC)	0.00	0.00	0.00
ROTH REGATA	11,650.00	10,000.00	12,500.00
<b>TOTAL ROTH &amp; PSC</b>	<b>72,150.00</b>	<b>72,500.00</b>	<b>75,000.00</b>
<b>OTHER</b>			
ANIMATED PERSPECT	1,000.00	736.74	1,000.00
BLK HIST SEMI FORM	1,000.00	736.74	750.00
BLK WOMEN'S WEEK	6,500.00	4,788.81	10,000.00
GAMING CLUB	2,000.00	1,473.48	1,700.00
SCI FI FORUM	5,400.00	3,978.40	4,000.00
SENIOR WEEK	10,000.00	7,367.40	0.00
UNITY PLANNING	0.00	4,420.44	0.00
SAB TICKET OFFICE	42,000.00	37,691.00	37,691.00
LEGAL CLINIC (Weekly)	22,750.00	22,750.00	32,500.00
PRINT SHOP	124,939.00	124,939.00	0.00
SENATE PROJECTS	600.00	600.00	600.00
SAINTS	2,000.00	2,000.00	0.00
STAC	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00
	<b>223,189.00</b>	<b>216,482.01</b>	<b>93,241.00</b>

Statesman obtained the Student Polity Association, Inc. budget for this year and the previous two academic years, which average 2.2 million dollars annually. This organization's budget was funded by the Student Activity Fee, a mandatory charge paid by all undergraduates. A full-time student pays \$173 a year and a part-time student pay \$14.40 per credit per academic year. Referendum groups have their budgets approved by undergraduates in a general election. These funds are fixed and cannot be altered by the government. Other clubs and organizations have line-budgets that are approved by the legislature and executive body each year.

STUDENT POLITY ASSOCIATION, INC.			
BUDGET COMPARASION			
	2000 - 2003		
DESCRIPTION	TOTAL CLUB	TOTAL CLUB	TOTAL CLUB
	2000-2001	2001-2002	2002-2003
<b>ATHLETICS</b>			
ATHLETIC TRAINING	1,350.00	1,323.00	0.00
CYCLING CLUB	200.00	196.00	0.00
FENCING CLUB	50.00	49.00	0.00
USB STEP CLUB	100.00	98.00	0.00
USB SPIRIT	100.00	98.00	0.00
USB DANCE TEAM	7,000.00	6,860.00	6,860.00
EQUESTRIAN CLUB	4,000.00	3,920.00	3,920.00
BALLROOM DANCE	2,600.00	1,915.52	11,915.52
CREW CLUB	23,300.00	25,000.00	25,000.00
HOCKEY CLUB	29,125.00	31,250.00	31,250.00
INTRAMURALS	104,850.00	112,500.00	112,500.00
CHEERLEADING	5,825.00	6,250.00	62,500.00
MEN'S RUGBY	17,475.00	18,750.00	18,750.00
WOMEN'S RUGBY	23,300.00	25,000.00	25,000.00
<b>TOTAL ATHLETICS</b>	<b>210,475.00</b>	<b>233,209.52</b>	<b>241,445.52</b>
<b>CULTURAL REF</b>			
ASIAN STUDENTS	5,532.89	5,488.10	5,488.10
AFRICAN STUDENTS	4,032.89	3,988.10	5,088.10
CARRIBEAN STUDENTS	9,782.89	10,738.10	10,738.00
CHINA ASSOCIATION	8,032.89	7,988.10	8,988.10
CIRCOLO ITALIANO	2,532.89	2,488.10	2,488.10
UNITY CULT CENTER	10,532.89	9,488.10	9,488.10
FRENCH CLUB	0.00	3,488.10	4,988.10
LGBT	5,032.89	4,988.10	5,488.10
GOSPEL CHOR	7,032.89	7,099.10	9,288.10
HAITIAN STUDENTS	6,532.89	6,599.10	7,488.10
HELLENIC	2,532.89	2,488.10	2,488.00
GUYANESE YOUTHS	4,032.89	3,988.10	3,488.10
HILLEL	6,532.89	6,488.10	6,488.10
FEM MAJOR LEADER	0.00	3,488.10	3,488.10
CLUB INDIA/SASA	4,232.89	4,188.10	4,188.10
JAPANESE STUDENTS	3,532.89	3,488.10	3,488.10
LATIN AMER STUDENTS	7,532.89	7,599.10	8,988.10
KOREAN STUDENTS	3,032.89	2,988.10	2,988.10
PHILLIPINE STUDENTS	4,532.89	4,488.10	4,988.10
WOMEN'S CONCERN	6,032.89	5,488.10	4,488.10
VIETNAMESE STUDENTS	2,032.89	1,988.10	1,988.10
<b>TOTAL CULTURAL &amp; ADVOC</b>	<b>103,074.89</b>	<b>109,333.10</b>	<b>116,600.10</b>
<b>ACADEMIC REFER</b>			
ANTHROPOLOGY	4,441.67	4,533.37	4,533.37
ECONOMICS	2,441.67	2,573.33	2,573.33
MATH CLUB	2,041.67	2,183.33	2,183.33
MEAS	5,941.67	6,003.33	6,003.33
MINORITIES IN MED.	5,941.67	6,003.33	6,003.33
PRE MED SOC	7,941.67	7,963.33	7,963.33
PRE OCC THERARY	2,191.67	2,328.33	2,328.33
PRE PHYS THERAPY	2,191.67	2,328.33	2,328.33
PRE PHYS ASST.	2,191.67	2,328.33	2,328.33
SB @LAW	3,191.67	3,308.33	3,308.33
UG CHEMISTRY	2,191.67	2,328.33	2,328.33
UG PHARMACOLOGY	3,441.67	3,553.33	3,553.33
<b>TOTAL ACADEMIC</b>	<b>44,150.04</b>	<b>45,435.00</b>	<b>45,435.00</b>
<b>ADMINISTRATION</b>			
Salaries	279,657.52	279,650.00	254,367.00
Health Insurance	39,220.00	39,220.00	43,000.00
Telephone	4,000.00	4,000.00	8,500.00
Office	19,000.00	19,000.00	22,000.00
Xerox	6,000.00	6,000.00	6,000.00
Payroll Taxes/Contributions	41,948.63	39,172.91	38,155.05
Auditors fees	8,500.00	8,500.00	18,500.00
Travel	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00
Training	3,000.00	3,000.00	6,000.00
Computers/Software	22,000.00	22,000.00	28,000.00
Temporary help	12,000.00	12,000.00	5,000.00
Liability insurance	46,000.00	46,000.00	82,000.00
Worker's Comp. Ins.	5,000.00	4,527.00	5,021.61
<b>TOTAL ADMINISTRATION</b>	<b>491,326.15</b>	<b>488,069.91</b>	<b>521,543.66</b>
* reclassification from last year			
LEGAL FEES	0.00	0.00	30,000.00
STIPENDS	52,500.00	52,500.00	32,500.00
Senior Week / Rep	0.00	0.00	12,000.00
Sophomore Rep	0.00	0.00	5,000.00
Junior Rep	0.00	0.00	5,000.00
Freshman Rep	0.00	0.00	5,000.00
ELECTIONS	10,000.00	10,000.00	8,000.00
ADVERTISING	6,000.00	6,000.00	6,000.00
INCOME TAX PENALTY	0.00	0.00	6,700.00
EARLY MOVE INS	0.00	0.00	2,700.00
COUNCIL PROGRAM	10,000.00	10,000.00	10,000.00
FURNITURE	0.00	0.00	4,000.00
MISCELLANEOUS	0.00	0.00	5,000.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>78,500.00</b>	<b>78,500.00</b>	<b>131,900.00</b>

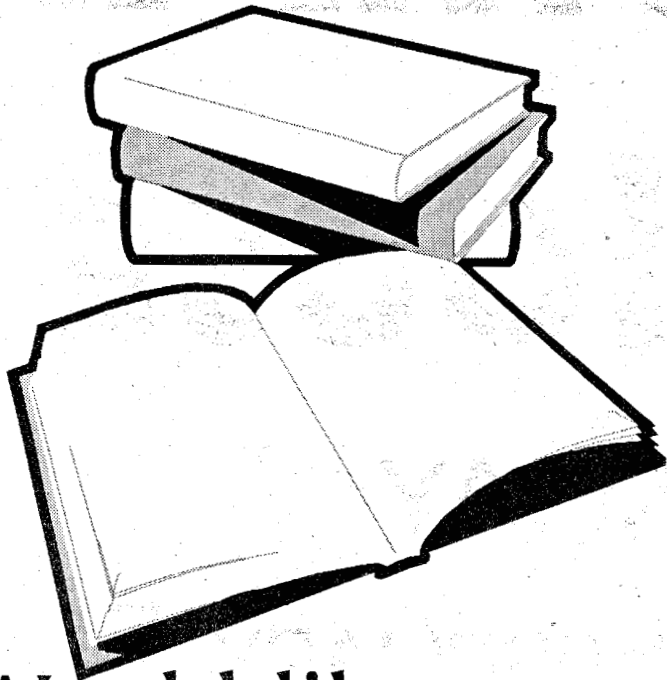
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DESCRIPTION	TOTAL	TOTAL	TOTAL
	2000-2001	2001-2002	2002-2003
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>2, 278,941.36</b>	<b>2,272,244.06</b>	<b>2,228,815.28</b>



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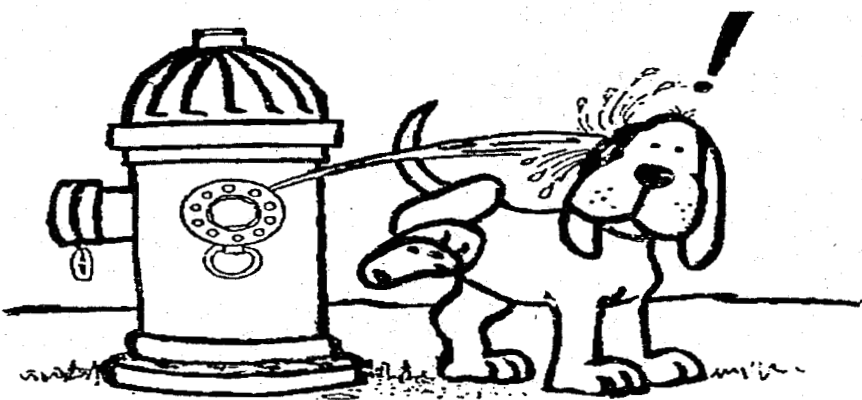


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# Towards Something Ugly

By ARIF RAFIQ  
Statesman Staff

"To win without fighting is best," wrote Sun Tzu, the great Chinese warrior-philosopher of the 4th millennium BCE, and author of the treatise "The Art of War."

"Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called the children of God," stated Jesus Christ, almost half a millennium later.

As the ugly smell of war from the West Wing and Department of Defense becomes increasingly pungent, it unfortunately looks as if president Bush will ignore the wise words of the ancient Chinese thinker and Jesus, whom Bush stated in a December 1999 GOP debate was the political philosopher or thinker he most identified with.

Most probably, Bush will follow the words of Paul Wolfowitz and the other neo-conservatives, signatories to the Project for the New American Century's statement of principles which calls for increases in US involvement abroad and in defense spending - a nice combination for war.

Clearly Christ is not the political philosopher with the greatest influence on our president — for if he truly was, we would not have protests against the Bush administration in Britain, France, Germany, Japan, Pakistan, Russia and South Korea; tens of thousands would not have poured into the streets of San Francisco and Washington, DC and dozens of prominent Catholic, Jewish, Protestant, and Muslim religious leaders would have not signed a declaration to say no to the potential war against Iraq; and 49 percent of Argentineans, 44 percent of South Koreans, 34 percent of French, 35 percent of Germans, 55 percent of Turks, and 69 percent of Egyptians and Pakistanis would not have unfavorable opinions of the United States.

Rather, it is the team of Perle, Rice, Rumsfeld, and Wolfowitz (the new American Clausewitz) that have won over Bush's mind. But their political philosophy not only clashes with the ideas of Jesus, it clashes with the values of middle America, with the hopes and aspirations of the downtrodden elsewhere, and it is leading us toward an ugly clash between our government and much of the rest of the world.

Oh, it's not just a couple hundred pro-Taliban demonstrators in Baluchistan, Pakistan who are burning effigies of our president; similar evocations of anti-US sentiments are occurring in the streets of Berlin, London, Moscow, Paris, Seoul, and Tokyo.

After September 11, the world outpoured its sympathy for the US. The sight of the two towers tumbling and the innocent civilians jumping out to escape the horrendous heat and fire showed the world the extreme ugliness of violence.

President Bush should have recalled the words of the late Yitzhak Rabin, "Enough of the violence! Enough of the bloodshed! Enough!" Rabin, a military general, saw that violence has its limits, that it cannot solve the world's endemic problems.

He died in the name of peace, while Bush will probably send young Americans to die in the name of neo-conservatism.

He will isolate much of his electorate — in addition to much of the world — and will face a tough ride in the 2004 campaign. We will see if the president — whose approval rating once at 90 percent after 9/11 is now at 61 percent is a good juggler. Can he handle a war with Iraq, a crisis with North Korea, a campaign against al Qaeda, defending the homeland, tackling a souring economy, the Israeli-Palestinian conflict, and a second presidential campaign all at the same time?

What if US troops get bogged down in the streets of Baghdad, and dozens are killed in street battles with militias loyal to Saddam? What if tensions between nuclear-armed India and Pakistan rise once again, perhaps even to the level of war? What if North Korea tests an atomic bomb? What if more American cities or strategic locations abroad are attacked by terrorists? What if the war between the Israelis and Palestinians goes further out of control? What if Karzai or one of his vice presidents is assassinated and a power struggle in Afghanistan ensues? What if the economy tumbles further? What if there is a scandal in the Bush administration, or in a major corporation? What if there is a global boycott on American goods? What if Dick Cheney has another heart attack? What if all this happens at the same time? And what will this mean for future of civil liberties and democracy in this country?

Can our military handle a war on two fronts? What about three? What if one of those is the US - the homeland? Can the State Department effectively conduct diplomacy with a handful of major conflicts involving the US going on? What will the "Arab street" think and do when they see the bodies of thousands of dead innocent Iraqis on Al Jazeera? And while all this is happening, how can the president do his real job -- you know, making sure Americans have jobs and are able to put bread on the table.

Call me an alarmist, if you will, but the realist in me tells me that something's not right. We are headed towards something ugly. And it's about time we rid ourselves of the disease of complacency and bring some sense back to our government and how it performs for us and how it deals with the rest of the world. The realist tells me that we need to get back to our ideals.

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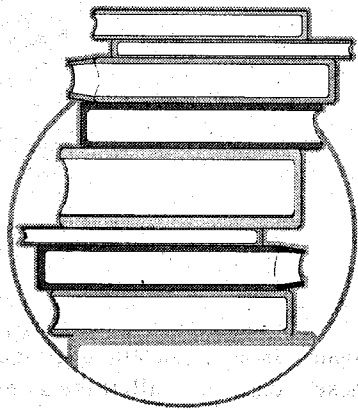
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# Stony Brook Stomps All Over Albany

## Seawolves Edge Great Danes in Double Overtime in Televised Game

By DANA GOMI  
Statesman Editor

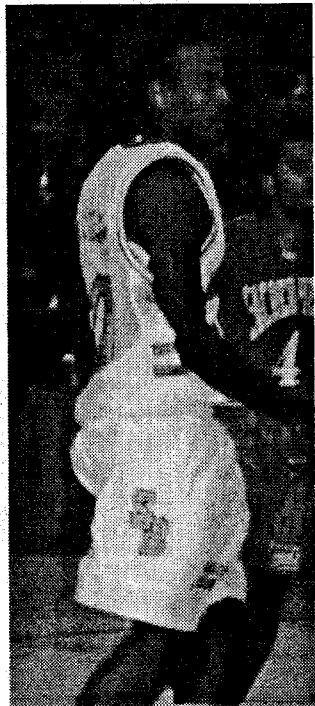
It took the Seawolves double overtime to knock off archrivals Albany in a 92-87 nail-biter on Sunday afternoon. Stony Brook's victory over Albany snapped the Seawolves six-game losing streak, and they notched their first victory in America East play.

Both teams got off to a slow start, but SBU used a late run to take a one-point lead into halftime. After the half, the Seawolves stretched their lead to seven.

But Albany picked it up and fought their way back into the game. Jamar Wilson came out fired up and led Albany on a 22-10 run. The run helped Albany to a five-point edge, 63-58.

With less than four minutes left in regulation and the Seawolves running out of time, SBU forward Jairus McCollum sunk two jumpers to level the game at 65 points. The Seawolves did have one last chance to win in regulation, but Bobby Santiago's shot came up a little short.

In the overtime, the teams battled to tie the score at 76. Once again, it was McCollum who helped SBU stay in the game, with six of



Statesman/Jeffrey Javidfar  
Jairus McCollum nailed key buckets in overtime as part of his 20-point performance.

his team-high 20 points. It wasn't over yet.

The Seawolves had another chance to win in the waning seconds, but they botched the last play and couldn't get off a clean shot.

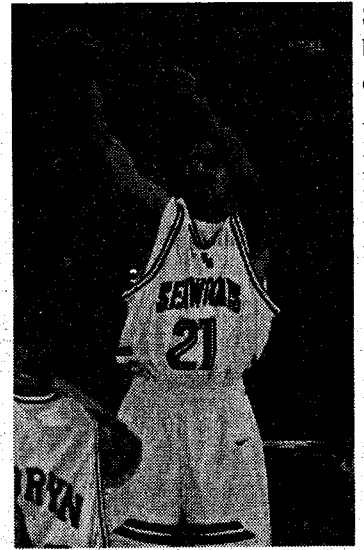
Albany held serve and forced the game into double overtime.

In the second overtime, forward Cori Spencer quickly scored five points, giving the Seawolves a five point lead over Albany. With less than a minute left in the game, the Seawolves prevailed as Hendrik Feist sealed the deal by draining three out of four free throws.

The win for SBU helped them up their record to 6-9, 1-4 in the American East Conference, while the loss dropped Albany record to 4-11, 1-4 in conference play.

Five players scored in double figures for SBU, which helped them overcome Albany and Wilson's 30-point performance. Cori Spencer finished up the game with 20 points, which came to a career high for him. He also had 10 assists and seven rebounds for his second double-double of this year. Freshman Santiago chipped in with 11 points and five assists and played a team-high 42 minutes.

But the starters weren't the only ones with a big performance. The



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Bobby Santiago played heavy minutes at point guard in place of the absent D.J. Munir.

Seawolves played Sunday's game against Albany without junior guard D.J. Munir, who was suspended for a violation of the team rules. Munir didn't even sit on the bench to watch his team beat Albany, but the Seawolves managed to pull through and won the game without their star point guard.

Seawolves bench outscored Albany's 31-4. Mike Orfini notched 11 and Hendrik Feist posted 10 points off the bench.

To their credit, the

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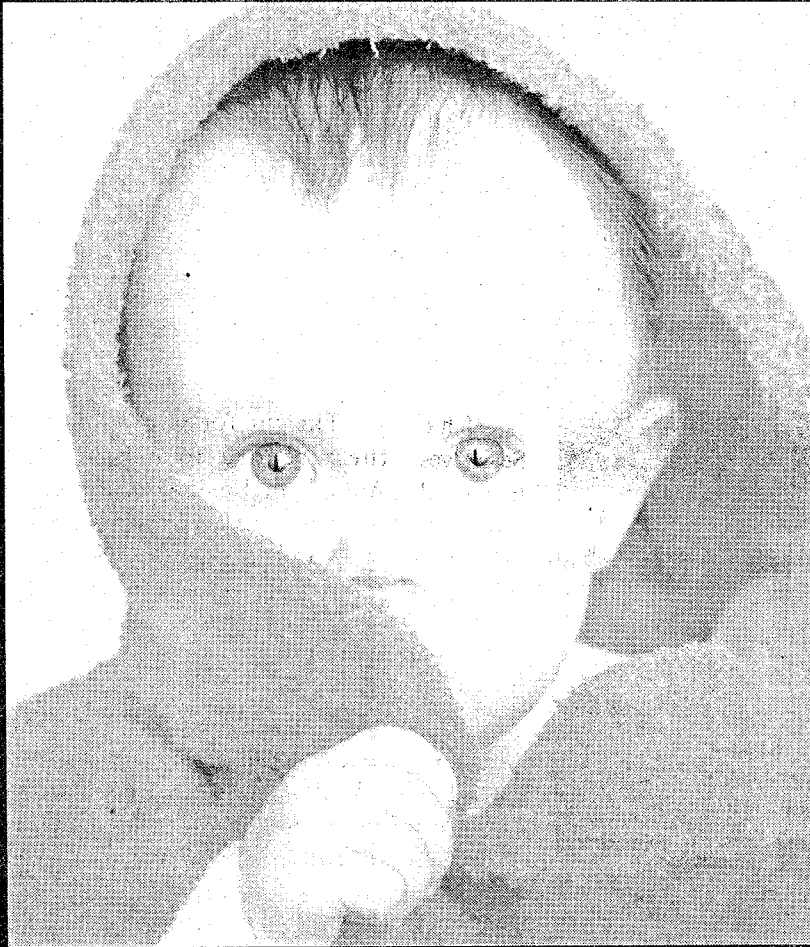
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# A Supreme Court Showdown

By PETER SCHMIDT AND JEFFERY SELINGO  
The Chronicle of Higher Education

The U.S. Supreme Court agreed to weigh in on the legal debate over affirmative action in college admissions, by taking up two cases involving the University of Michigan. But it remains to be seen whether the justices will put that debate to rest.

Nearly a quarter century has passed since the Supreme Court's last ruling on affirmative action in college admissions, in 1978, and in the intervening years, lower-court judges have reached very different conclusions about what that decision meant and what race-conscious admissions policies, if any, it allowed.

The justices' decision to consider the undergraduate case, *Gratz v. Bollinger*, was highly unusual, because the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit has yet to rule on the lawsuit. The Sixth Circuit ruled on the law-school case, *Grutter v. Bollinger*, in May, writing in a 5-to-4 decision that the school's admissions policy was permissible under the U.S. Constitution.

As is typical when the Supreme Court decides whether to hear an appeal, the justices issued no statements about their reasons for taking up the cases.

The University of Michigan had urged the Supreme Court to turn away both cases. "We believe these are very strong cases," said Mary Sue Coleman, the university's president, who has been on the job just a few months. "Our use of *Bakke* has helped create an educational environment that is second to none. This is a historic opportunity to

shape the future of higher education."

The request for the Supreme Court to take up the law-school case was filed by Barbara Grutter, a white woman rejected by the school in 1997.

Her lawyers argued that the Sixth Circuit court had erred in ruling that the government has a compelling interest in maintaining racial and ethnic diversity on campuses, and that the admissions policy at Michigan's law school was narrowly tailored to give just enough consideration to race without unduly harming nonminority applicants.

The lawyers for the university and for Grutter differed sharply in their characterizations of how divided the federal courts are over affirmative action in college admissions.

Grutter's lawyers characterized the level of disagreement among the federal courts as "sharp and substantial." Their description of the legal landscape was echoed in a separate brief, filed by the attorneys general of 10 states, that asked the Supreme Court to take up the case because the appeals courts "are split on a question of fundamental importance" and "cannot resolve that question on their own."

The Supreme Court's rules provide that the justices may hear a dispute before a circuit-court ruling "only upon a showing that the case is of such imperative public importance as to justify the deviation from normal appellate practice and to require immediate settlement in this court."

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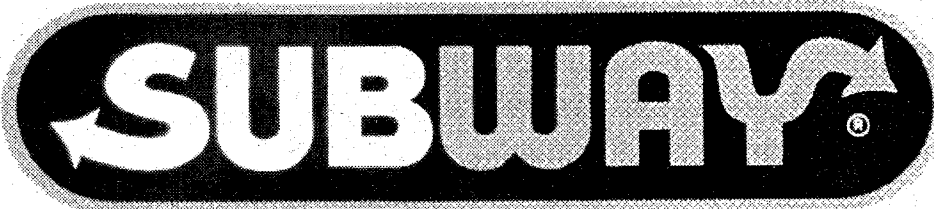
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## Bush Women Bring African Culture to SBU

By EMY KURIAKOSE  
Statesman Editor

African rhythms and beats will echo throughout campus this February as Stony Brook holds dance workshops and tutorials in anticipation of the dance performance of "Shadow's Child" by Urban Bush Women (UBW). The dance troupe, which is based in Brooklyn, is known for its expressive, athletic dances that "mine universal truths" and impart life's struggles and triumphs.

The performance, which is scheduled to take place on Saturday, Feb. 15 at 8 p.m., will be preceded by several workshops open to both high school and university students.

"Be fluid. Listen to the jazz. Get into its weight," said Jawole Willa Jo Zollar, founder and Director of UBW to her students.

Workshops to be held at SBU Tuesday, Feb. 4 include "Technique & Training in African Dance," "The Body as Dialogue," and "Celebration of Community: African Dance and Drumming." Participants are advised to bring bare feet and loose clothing.

The following day, the dance troupe and members of the National Song and Dance Company of Mozambique will meet and work with 60 students from Wyndanch Memorial High School and Milton L. Olive Middle School in creative movement classes accompanied by live drummers. Those who participate in the workshops

will receive discounted tickets to the troupe's Feb. 15 performance.

"Shadow's Child" debuted at Lincoln Center last July and is now on a 14-city American Tour. This project came to fruition through the collaboration of the National Song



The Urban Bush Women practice their routine before a big show.

and Dance Company of Mozambique and the Lincoln Center Institute. Inspired by the native culture of Mozambique, "Shadow's Child" imparts the story of a young girl who is relocated from her home in Mozambique to Florida. The dance details the conflicts she faces as a child struggling to be accepted by the mainstream culture of a foreign land, and the difficulties she has in a contemporary African-American society.

Founded in 1984 by Jawole Willa Jo Zollar, the Urban Bush Women have traveled throughout the United States and Europe, both entertaining and educating audiences. Zollar was

brought up in a traditional African-American family where singing and dancing were the norm. She works to nurture that culture in her students and audiences.

"What I know, is my history as an African-American woman," Zollar said on a PBS special. "I love teaching. I'm good at nurturing creative talent, pulling out of people what they don't know they have, breaking through the mask."

She has created more than 30 works since the group's inception. Some of her more famous compositions include "Song of Lawino" (1988), "I Don't Know, But I've Been Told, If You Keep on Dancin' You'll Never Grow Old" (1989), and "Praise House" (1990).

The Urban Bush Women will be complemented by the dancers and artists of the National Song and Dance Company of Mozambique, an organization founded by David Abilio, son of the king of the Makambanes tribe. A playwright, director and choreographer, Abilio is the first person to create a company dedicated to the culture of Mozambique.

The performance of "Shadow's Child" in the Staller Center at Stony Brook



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Vivid colors and native African apparel highlight the Urban Bush Women experience.

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Zollar said she encourages people of all shapes, nationalities, and talents to participate in her group's workshops. "The African idea is that you celebrate yourself through movement. If you had hips, that was a good thing because you had more to move," she said in an interview. "I look for people comfortable bringing their individuality to the table. I like opinions, strong ones."

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## Former University Hospital C.E.O. Dies

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Michael A. Maffetone, the former Director and C.E.O. of Stony Brook University Hospital and Vice-President of Hospital affairs passed away January 19, 2003.

Maffetone, who helped escort University Hospital to its place among the nation's 15 Best Major Teaching Hospitals, died in his Setauket home following a prolonged bout with illness.

"Mike was a dear friend and a central member of the Stony Brook family," University President Shirley Strum Kenny said. "He was bright, energetic, witty, creative, and determined to make our hospital the best."

Maffetone created Centers of Excellence in the hospital and restructured continuous quality improvement efforts with a new interdisciplinary Quality Council.

He also helped develop a provider-sponsored health maintenance

organization (HMO) for Medicaid, commercial and Medicare products.

He also expanded the hospitals network of affiliations and began working with the Suffolk County Department of Health Services to develop new managed care products and increased regional planning.

Maffetone received both his Bachelor's Degree, in Medical Technology and Masters in Immunology from Long Island University-C.W. Post College. He also acquired a Doctorate from Catholic University in Washington, D.C.

Maffetone, who began his career at the Community Hospital of Glen Cove and Syosset Hospital, most recently spent 10 years at Rush-Presbyterian-St. Luke's Medical Center in Chicago as a Senior Associate Vice President and Director of the Women and Children's Hospital.

He was a member of the American College of Healthcare Executives as well as the secretary of the International Clinical Laboratory Management Association. He published numerous articles and was a nationally recognized speaker on Total

Quality Management, automation, computerization and scientific topics.

While at Rush, Maffetone established a number of innovative programs such as a flexible budgeting system, which was later adopted by the Harvard Business School as a case study.

He also co-founded the West Side Science and Math Excellence Network, which has been nationally recognized for its unique approach to bringing a science and math-mentoring program to Chicago public schools through an alliance of public and private corporations. He was honored with the West Side Science and Math Excellence Network's Martin Luther King Humanitarian Award for this effort.

"Maffetone cared deeply about the people and worked hard to make sure that everyone who came to the hospital had not only the best of medical care, but also the sense of caring that people

need when they are sick or injured," Kenny said.

As president of the Carol M. Baldwin Breast Cancer Research Fund, Inc., Maffetone raised more than \$1 million for breast cancer research at Stony Brook.

He also led University Hospital to become the first hospital in the United States to voluntarily extend maternity length-of-stay, a policy that received national media coverage.

Maffetone is survived by his wife, Dawn, and his children, Elizabeth, Emily and Anthony.

He is also survived by his parents, Daniel and Clara, and his brothers, Dan and Stephen.

His family requests that anyone intending to send flowers should instead offer donations in Michael Maffetone's memory. These should be mailed to Michael A. Maffetone Community Service Award, Stony Brook University Hospital, Nicolls Road, Stony Brook, NY 11794.