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Sports

Second Chance At First Impression for SBU



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Jill George recorded eight double-doubles this season going into the playoffs.

By **CHRISTOPHER HUNT**
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For Stony Brook University, the America East Conference women's basketball playoffs are all about second chances—a second chance

for a successful season.

The Seawolves left for the Chase Family Center at the University of Hartford's Sports Center carrying the opportunity to start over and wash away a season gone sour.

SBU dropped their past two games and lost seven of their last 10 games.

But, all is not lost.

The Seawolves proved to be an explosive basketball team this season. After losing four of their first five contests, they went on a tear that put them in the position to be in the playoffs by winning eight of their next nine.

After teams are seeded and matched up according to their records, all of that—records, statistics, streaks—don't mean a thing. They're thrown out. It's a brand new season where the team that brings their "A" game that night wins.

The Seawolves have to play their best basketball this year if they play to advance. Coach Trish Roberts stressed defense to her team since training camp began but SBU needs to step up on both ends of the floor.

They are a team loaded with both potential and talent. Senior Jill

George, in her final season, led the conference in both rebounds and blocks being named to the All-Conference third team.

Erica Shipley enjoyed the best season of her collegiate career. She averaged 9.4 points per game and registered career highs in points (21), steals (5) and assists (7).

But, since her arrival sophomore Sherry Jordan the gas that moves this team. She leads the team in scoring and steals and is second to George in rebounding. Jordan is also third in the conference in scoring (16.8) and leads in steals (2.62).

With Jordan's success, her name became synonymous with SBU women's basketball. During stretches in the season and in games, Jordan carried the offensive load.

Although Jordan earned All-Conference first team honors, the playoffs are where she along with her team proves themselves.

On a team filled with shooters, she has been the most consistent player on an offense that's begun to look shaky.

They scored just 11 points in the second half against Vermont. The game reminded fans of many of the second halves this season where the

Seawolves seemed to just go through the motions.

SBU is a team that has the tendency to play not to lose. She's questioned their aggressiveness throughout the season.

Now is the time when the message should sink through.

Shipley, George and Jordan are Roberts key players and likely will play heavy minutes in the game against BU as they have all season. They may play every minute.

But they'll need to.

The playoffs are a situation where teams have to play like every game is their last—and it just might be.

A one-game playoff allows teams like Stony Brook, who aren't the best team in the conference, to steal a win from a better team and go on to create their own Cinderella season.

The Seawolves have been given the chance to re-invent themselves. They can make everyone forget about the losing streaks and the frustration—the tears and the questions. They can make themselves forget.

Everyone deserves a second chance. Here Seawolves, this is yours.

Pall's Five Goals Down Manhattan, 15-8

Courtesy of www.goseawolves.org

Kevin Pall scored five goals and Tris Gillen added a hat trick as Stony Brook posted a convincing 15-8 win over Manhattan on the campus of Sacred Heart University Wednesday afternoon. The win upped Stony Brook's record to 1-1 while Manhattan fell to 0-3.

Gillen opened the scoring with his first of the season 1:18 into the game. He added another tally 1:21 later that was followed by a man-up goal by Pall at the 11:57 mark to give SB a 3-0 lead.

Manhattan then sliced the lead to 3-2 but the Seawolves responded by scoring five of the next six goals to take an 8-3 lead at the half.

Sean Farrell kept the roll going early in the second half, scoring the first of the Brook's five third quarter tallies that stretched the lead to 13-5 after three



Courtesy of www.goseawolves.org

Kevin Pall recorded his 100th career point yesterday. With nine more goals he'll also reach the 100 goal mark.

periods. Freshman Mike Kirschner scored two goals in the third, his first two tallies as a collegian.

In the fourth quarter, Manhattan scored twice to cut the lead to 13-7 but Pall stopped the run with a beautiful goal, his fifth of the day. He took a pass from Farrell and whistled a shot behind his head that found the net.

The goal gave him 100 career points as he became the 13th player in school history, the fifth since the move to Division I, to record 100 or more points in a career.

He now has 91 career goals and stands nine goals away from becoming only the second player in school history to score 100 career goals.

Farrell turned in a fine effort with two goals and three assists - his first points in a Seawolf uniform. Co-captain

Denis Scannell was also outstanding, recording a goal and an assist to go along with a team-high 10 groundballs. Freshman netminder Phil Reed turned away eight shots to record his first win.

Stony Brook is back in action on Tuesday when it hosts America East foe Hartford. Face-off is 2:00 p.m.

Seawolves Notebook

Stony Brook University track and field's Jenny Payne earned Athlete of the Week honors for her performance at the ECAC Championships last weekend.

The senior's time of 17:13.47 smashed her own school record at 5000 meters, 14 seconds under her previous time.

Women's track has earned the award twice in the past three weeks.



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SBU Freshman Makes Citizen's Arrest

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When Stony Brook freshman Ebony Donaldson left the Union Deli after her Tuesday night closing shift, all she wanted to do was go home and study for her midterm. But as she started off toward her room in Eugene O'Neill College at around 11:30 p.m., she was accosted by five women who had been lurking about the Union for hours, waiting for Ms. Donaldson to finish her evening shift.

According to Ms. Donaldson, sisters Yvonne and Diana Belizario and three accomplices had come into the Union Deli earlier in the evening, verbal threatening her. The manager on duty demanded that the five women leave the premises.

The Union Deli manager also called the University Police at 11 p.m., as Ms.

Donaldson's shift was ending, to alert them of a possible confrontation. Ms. Donaldson feared that the women might try to harm her, but she had to leave the Union, as it was closing for the night.

Ms. Donaldson and fellow freshman Diana Belizario had been friends, the victim said, but recent conflicts over a mutual male friend had soured the relationship. Belizario and her sister, a junior, had verbally harassed Donaldson prior to Tuesday's incident.

Yvonne Belizario struck her in the face as Diana and the other women looked on, said Ms. Donaldson.

"We exchanged some words. The last thing I said was, 'I don't have time for this.' And then she hit me."

Donaldson also claimed that one or more of the of the Belizarios' companions was holding her as she was

struck. Campus officers arrived at the scene shortly after 11:30 p.m., Ms. Donaldson said, and allowed her to make a citizen's arrest. The two sisters are charged with harassment in the second degree.

The three other women present at the time of the incident are cited as witnesses to the altercation, but there have been no official charges pressed against them.

Stony Brook Police Deputy Chief Doug Little explained that the charges couldn't be upgraded to assault because there was no evidence of "real, obvious, physical damage" that would warrant such charge.

Also, Ms. Donaldson



Freshman Ebony Donaldson made a citizen's arrest after being harassed outside the Union last Tuesday night.

reportedly declined offers of treatment at the scene, but sought medical attention the day after the incident, complaining of a black eye.

Little did not want to comment further on a "pending case," but stressed the importance of the emotional damage that can be done in these situations,

and the need to combat verbal and physical violence between students.

"People don't have to like each other, but common respect is what we expect on this campus," Little said.

When that common respect is violated, Little said, students need to alert authorities. He pointed to Resident Assistants, Residence Hall Directors, the Counseling Center and the University Police as just a few of the many sources of assistance available on the Stony Brook campus.

"We have our share [of violence], like most other places," he said. "We want people to report to us."

Ms. Donaldson's brother, Stony Brook alumnus and current hospital employee Kevin Donaldson, was outraged by the attack on his sister, and echoed Little's sentiments.

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Advancement Office Seeks to Improve SBU



The Advancement Office is beginning a fundraising initiative which aims to significantly enhance SBU's financial situation.

By JEFFREY JAVIDFAR
Editor Emeritus

Will you remember Stony Brook ten years after graduation? If Vice President for Advancement

Bill Simmons and his staff have their way, you will.

Simmons is hoping that, around the time students return for their 10-year class reunion, perhaps even their accountants will take the

time out to learn about the University.

He and his office are currently laying the foundation for an ambitious and aggressive fundraising initiative, which will rely upon significant student involvement. He hopes that this program will raise SBU's fiscal status to the next tier of public institutions of higher education, among the likes of University of California Los Angeles and UC Santa Barbara.

"To Stony Brook's credit we are in many ways the peers of those new California Schools. Well, with the exception of fundraising," said Simmons. "They've relied heavily on private sector support, and in

the future we may have to do the same."

Simmons noted that in spite of the continuing rise in the costs of operations, he does not foresee New York State sustaining its financial commitment to Stony Brook at the current levels. Thus, the burden will fall upon him to make up the difference in the University's ever growing budget.

However, he will not have to do it alone. It is clear that the University and President Kenny support the Advancement Office's recent efforts, as they facilitated what Simmons called "one of the quickest

renovation projects" in the school's history.

After working for some time out of the "bowels of Harriman Hall," the University's Annual Fund and Donor Relations programs are now located in the first floor of the Kelly dining hall.

The Alumni Association,

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Kelly Dining Floats Trial Run of Bubble Tea

By RENE ATTIAS
Statesman Contributor

The Asian concept of Bubble Tea has recently gained momentum on the East coast, and has just arrived at SUNY Stony Brook. It's the latest product being introduced into the scheme of food and drink on campus.

Originating in Asia, this beverage first made its way to the West coast of the U.S., and now is appearing on the East. Teahouses that sell Bubble Tea are springing up everywhere, in a phenomenon that is beginning to take on somewhat of a coffee-shop trend.

This fad recently made its way to Stony Brook University, courtesy of Campus Dining Services (CDS) which introduced the product to an already wide array of beverages, including colas, juices, lattes, energy drinks and dietetic shakes.

Bubble tea, sometimes called "Chinese Cola," consists of everything but carbonation. It is made of a powdered mix that comes in wide variety of flavors. The university is currently offering Taró, Green Tea, Mango, Papaya, Coconut and Honeydew.

"Bubble Tea?" sophomore Jennifer Segal asked. "What the hell is that?"

Out of curiosity, students and several employees stood in line at the Kelly Dining Hall line for a free trial-size cup of Bubble Tea on Chinese New Year, the day of the product's premiere. Even university construction workers, on a lunch break, were heard throwing around the name as student urged a friends to taste this new kind of drink.

"This is so good," senior

Samantha Ramos said. "You can't leave until you taste it."

While Ramos loved the drink, she is watching her weight and was concerned with the ingredients.

The powder substance is mixed with creamer, green tea, water and crushed ice, and when shaken well enough, bubbles will appear at the top—hence the name, Bubble Tea.

At the bottom of the drink are black marble-sized tapioca balls that have been boiled to have the consistency of jelly, not as soft, but more chewy. These tapioca balls get most of the attention.

"They are the most exotic part of the drink," said Neil Saladino, 21. "You can either spit or swallow, but personally I



Bubble Tea was introduced in Asia, and has recently made its debut in the Western world. culture.

Courtesy of cnn.com

like to chew them." Lisa Ospatalli, director of marketing for campus dining, said.

These balls are slurped up with a wide straw from a 16 oz. domestic plastic glass. The balls are known here as

boba, because it has been widely asserted that the substance has a texture similar to that of the female breast. Some people enjoy the boba, chew and swallow the balls, while others choose to spit them out or simply ease them back down the straw and into the drink.

Unlike the other beverages available on campus, all of which are self-serve, the university dining service prepares each Bubble Tea drink individually before the customer. The catch is that Bubble Tea cannot

be purchased at leisure. "This drink is an up-and-coming trend," Lisa Ospatalli, director of marketing for campus dining, said.

Right now the drink is only available on Fridays from 11 to 5 p.m., but if Bubble Tea is popular enough, according to Ospatalli, a new daily coffee shop in the dining center will sell the product.

In contrast with the last new product introduced, Dippin' Dots ice cream, Bubble Tea has an outlook of success. "Dippin' Dots was a grab and go product," Ospatalli said. "This is made more personally, how the customer wants it."

A Bubble Tea survey was distributed to gauge the public reaction to Bubble Tea. The survey asked tasters to respond to queries like, "How was your Bubble Tea experience? What other flavors you would like to see sold at Bubble Tea Fridays? Will you purchase Bubble Tea again in the future?"

"We are trying to get the idea out there," Ospatalli said. "Bubble tea is an Asian concept that we are trying to introduce to a new culture."

Bubble Tea has been popular among the Asian population for a while now, Pamela Tang, 21-year-old native of Hong Kong, explained. She is thrilled to have the drink available on campus.

When Tang is home in Bay Ridge, Brooklyn, she frequents teahouses in what she calls Brooklyn-Chinatown, where Bubble Tea is the specialty.

"A lot of Americans don't know about this," Tang said at the Bubble Tea debut in Kelly. "I'm so glad they have it here. Now I can enjoy it without having to travel."

Bubble Tea Fun Facts

Other names: pearl tea, milk tea, bubble drink, zhen zhu nai cha, boba juice

Origins: 1990's in Taiwan

Main ingredients: milk tea and tapioca balls

About the milk tea: generally made from black tea and sweetened milk; sometimes green tea is substituted

About the tapioca balls: round, black, gummy, roughly the size of gumballs

Presentation: the beverage is traditionally served in a clear plastic cup with a straw wide enough to permit the tapioca balls to travel through

Nutritional: rumor has it that there are 100 calories per seven pearls, and there are at least 30 pearls per drink

Miscellany: the best Bubble Tea is shaken, not stirred



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A Thought
From
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The biggest unifying force in the world is love. It is an emotional expression that brings two seemingly separate entities together. Such entities can become one like two halves of a whole, or, if the love is strong enough, they can mold as one without compartmentalization—pure unity. Such togetherness can be a temporary coming together, or, if the love is strong enough, the unity will last forever. Generally, all the types of love in life can be categorically divided in two: Love of worldly pursuits, or the love of spiritual pursuits. The love of music, parties, and the opposite gender, generally, is a love of the physical. And the love of meditation, prayer, and moral self-improvement is a love of the spiritual. Be it a love of the physical or a love of the spiritual—love exists as the emotional bond that brings two separate entities together. For one's love of music allows one to get lost in a tune. Love of parties completely encompasses a person as a social being. And a love of the opposite gender can cause one to become totally infatuated with the other. Similarly, through meditation, prayer or moral self-improvement, a person becomes one with the world's spiritual essence—referred to by organized religion as a oneness with G-d. Generally, the love of the physical—the love of music, parties, and the opposite gender—is a love that, at best, results in two halves becoming a temporary whole. For after the party, "the party's over". One's love of music is constantly changing. One day they're in the mood for classical rock, the next day it's hip-hop. And the rule of college relationships is that they break-up. However, the love of the spiritual, is a love that, if done correctly, results in pure and eternal unity. For there is no two halves. But only a whole. And that, is real love.

Breast Cancer Conversations Offer Future Hope

By BRAD JERSON
Statesman Staff

Amidst increasing breast cancer rates in the area, residents of Long Island have demanded some answers to their ever-growing number of questions. This past Wednesday, as part of the Women's Health Series at Stony Brook University, a "Conversation about Breast Cancer" was held in the SAC Auditorium.

The event was sponsored by the Medical Arts Radiological Group, P.C. of Bayshore, and was co-chaired by Stony Brook professors Helen Lemay and Mary C. Rawlinson. "This entire year is being focused on women's health, establishing new research initiatives here at Stony Brook," Lemay said. This full-day conference provided an opportunity for people to listen to lectures by three experts regarding different aspects of the breast cancer process.

Dr. Barron Lerner, author of "The Breast Cancer Wars: Hope, Fear, and the Pursuit of a Cure in 20th Century America", spoke to a full auditorium regarding the issue of breast cancer activism and its role in society.



Courtesy of www.sunysb.edu

Dr. John Kovach was one of the many lecturers who spoke on breast cancer.

Following a post-commentary provided by Dr. Ruth Cowan, History Professor and Honors College Chair, attendees were given the opportunity to engage in an open discussion with Dr. Lerner.

From breast cancer activism, the focus shifted toward the different political aspects of the disease as Dr. Susan Sherwin, author of "No Longer Patient: Feminist Ethics and Health Care", lectured about "the feminist, medical, scientific, and commercial discourses surrounding breast cancer." Dr. Lisa Diedrich, a women's studies lecturer, followed with her commentary.

In the third session, Dr. John Kovach, the founding director of the Long Island Cancer Center, spoke about "breast cancer research in the post-genome era." Citing various studies and books, Dr. Kovach explained that technology used to explore breast cancer has definitely moved forward, although the causes of the illness are still a mystery. One particular area of focus was the difference between breast cancer rates in women from Asia and those in women from the United States.

"American women have a five times greater chance of developing breast cancer than those who grow up and live in Asia. When Asian women move to the United States, their risk multiplies by three," said Kovach.

However, Dr. Kovach remained optimistic because of the "stunning recent technological advances." He said that he believes that one of the most important things in battling the disease is a clear communication between scientists, politicians, and the public.

Psychology professor Dr. Marci Lobel spoke from a scientific perspective regarding the issues of communication and environmental impact, but later also spoke from the simple standpoint of being a woman. She said that many females "need to know why" breast cancer has stricken them, so as to not feel that they are "being punished for some reason."

Following this commentary and open discussion, all three speakers broke into different round table discussion groups in a more intimate session with attendees. A reception was held to conclude the day's activities.

"The speakers exceeded all expectation by creating an excellent dialogue between themselves and the people seeking information," said Lemay. "They were simply wonderful."

University Honors High-Achieving Resident Students

By TED LAI
Statesman Staff

Last Friday night, Mar. 8, the Division of Campus Residences held its annual Academic Achievement Banquet honoring high achievers at Stony Brook.

Students living in campus residences who earned a 4.0 GPA last semester and had an overall cumulative GPA of 3.8 were invited to the celebration that was held in the Benedict Atrium.

Three years ago, Jerry Stein, Dean and Director of Residential Programs and Education, started the Academic Achievement Banquet to recognize outstanding residential students at the university.

This year's event drew a large crowd of students, family members and invited faculty members. Each student was asked to invite to the dinner one faculty member who was most instrumental in his or her growth as a student.

"I asked my research advisor, Dr. Brigitte Demes, to come because she has given me so much help on my research project, junior Reeti Chawla said. "Without her help, I would not have been able to be doing what I am currently doing in the Anatomical Sciences Department at the School of Medicine. I thought that inviting her would be a perfect way for me to show her how much I appreciate her help."

With the Benedict Atrium transformed into an elegant banquet hall, the students and

their guests enjoyed the evening's festivities. The coat check and the professional wait staff that served the needs of all the guests added to the atmosphere of sophistication that the administration wished to provide for the students who attended.

After remarks made by Dr. Dallas Bauman III, Assistant Vice President for Campus Residences; Dr. Mark Aronoff, Deputy Provost; and Dr. Frederick Preston, Vice President of Student Affairs; everyone in attendance sat down to a buffet dinner.

Jerry Stein and Kate Baier, Student Success Committee Chairs, then presented the awards to the students. There were actually different awards given out to the students. The type of award was determined by the number of times the student was invited

to the achievement dinner.

Dr. Bauman shared his hope that more of the "repeat offenders" would return to the banquet next year.

"I think that this event is a wonderful opportunity to celebrate academic achievement on this campus," said Pratchi Kothari, one of the honored residential students at the banquet. "My parents and I really enjoyed the evening."

The night's goal was not only to reward resident students who excel here at Stony Brook, explained those who spoke at the dinner, but to reward those responsible for their success, namely family and educators.

"If you keep on achieving the way you have been, we will find a way to reward you," Dr. Bauman said in his closing remarks.

Branching Off: Campus Banking Services Switch

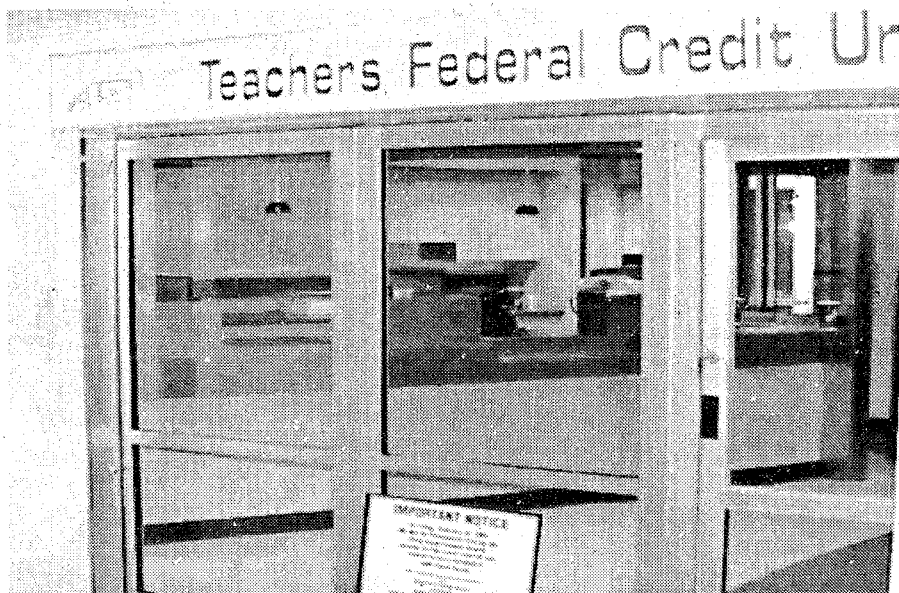
By EISHA BASIT
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With the closing of the North Fork Bank on Feb. 22, a new banking service has arrived in the lower level of the Student Activities Center. The Teachers Federal Credit Union (TFCU) is SBU's second not-for-profit bank, serving both students and faculty on campus.

TFCU has already been recognized as a campus banking service, holding an older branch in the Health Sciences Center. It currently provides a variety of financial services ranging from free checking accounts, saving accounts and vehicle loans to Visa credit cards, mortgages and equity loans.

TFCU was first established in 1952, primarily for Suffolk County educators, students and their families. As of now, it holds the title of one of the largest credits unions in the country, with a membership of over 100,000 and assets beyond \$1 billion.

Though it provides the same banking services as commercial establishments, it does so in a cooperative framework. Such a system



Statesman/Christopher Latham

The Teachers Federal Credit Union, located in the lower level of the Student Activities Center, has replaced North Fork Bank as SBU's not-for-profit bank.

allows credit union customers to become its owners, terming them "members." Since there are no stockholders, all profits are returned to union members in the shape of lower rate loans and higher saving returns.

Through its not-for-profit institution, TFCU benefits members by providing them with lower rates on loans and services and higher yield on savings. Members must first activate a savings

account with a minimum deposit of \$50 as a prerequisite to their many services.

TFCU extends its membership not only to the students, faculty and staff, but also to the families of each group. Banking customers even include members of Suffolk County school employees and students, Brookhaven National Laboratory, Good Samaritan Hospital, and many other large employees in the vicinity.

Aside from at the two full-service branches and three ATMs around campus, TFCU services can be found in ten other locations within Suffolk County. Various branches can also be found in Farmingville, Amityville, Bay Shore, Bohemia, Commack and Port Jefferson Station.

The SAC branch service will be open Monday through Thursday from 10 a.m. until 4:30 p.m., Fridays 10 a.m. to 7 p.m., and on Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. For interviews or additional information, contact the office of Rosemary Nicholls, VP/Marketing, Teachers Federal Credit Union (631) 698-7000 ext. 695.

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Atmospheric Aerosols Found to Brighten Clouds

BY GENE TULMAN
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Atmospheric scientists at the U.S. Department of Energy's Brookhaven National Laboratory (BNL) and Purdue University used model calculations to demonstrate how the microscopic aerosol particles from industrial processes increase the brightness of clouds, resulting in greater reflection of sunlight and cooling the Earth's climate. This work may explain the implications of the greenhouse effect, a global warming phenomenon.

The research team has combined satellite measurements of cloud brightness, water content and other variables with model calculations of atmospheric aerosols to study the brightening effect.

Scientists have long known about the brightening effect, claiming that it should be accounted for in assessing the magnitude of global climate change in the world.

"We're not saying that aerosols can counteract the greenhouse effect, but rather that we need to know how much of a cooling effect they have so we have a clearer picture of the greenhouse effect," Stephen Schwartz, atmospheric chemist and lead researcher, said. "To whatever extent aerosols are offsetting greenhouse

warming, then the offset is the unseen part of the greenhouse 'iceberg.'

It is difficult to measure the effect of aerosols because of the lack of knowledge of their concentration. Aerosols commonly result from emissions by fossil-fuel-burning power plants and various other industrial processes, and are typically found in the lowest three to four kilometers above Earth's surface, precipitating out of the atmosphere in about a week.

"Because of this short residence time, aerosols are highly variable as a function of location and time, which makes it tough to measure their concentrations on a global scale," Schwartz said.

The Brookhaven-Purdue team identified two one-week episodes during April 1987 when the modeled concentration of sulfate aerosol over the North Atlantic Ocean (far from any local sources of aerosol emissions) increased significantly and then decreased over the course of each week. These large variations in aerosol concentration and the fact that there were no high-atmosphere (obscuring) clouds during these events made them ideal episodes for studying the effect of aerosols on cloud brightening.

The next obstacle was to get the data on cloud brightness for that area over the same



Stephen Schwartz is researching the effects of aerosols on the atmosphere.

time period. For this, the scientists retrieved satellite measurements of radiance (how much light the clouds reflect) and optical depth (a value related to how much light is transmitted through the cloud), and used these measurements to calculate the size of the cloud droplets and the liquid water path (the amount of liquid water in the cloud).

Researchers were also able to analyze how these variables were interrelated.

The findings show that, for a given liquid water path, cloud reflectivity was, as expected, higher on the days with higher aerosol content than on the days with lower aerosol levels.

"If the effect is as widespread as we think it is, it would produce quite a substantial cooling effect on climate," Schwartz said. "This new study provides a method of quantifying the phenomenon globally over the past 15 years...Once this is done, we will have a much better idea of the true magnitude of the greenhouse effect."

Schwartz speculated about the concept of deliberately using aerosols to offset the greenhouse effect, concluding that such utility would not be practical in the long run.

"This is an attractive thought, but it cannot work in the long run — because aerosols are so short-lived in the atmosphere, whereas greenhouse gases accumulate over time," he said. "An ever increasing amount of aerosols would be required. We'd never solve the long-term problem."

The research team acknowledged that their results are based on model calculations rather than observations, and that these model calculations are somewhat uncertain. According to Schwartz, one key to assessing the overall impact of aerosols will be further development of the satellite-based measurements.

Bush Envoy to Return to Middle East Fray

BY RALPH D'AMBROSIO
Statesman Staff

President Bush announced that his special envoy, Gen. Anthony C. Zinni, would return to the Middle East during the week of March 10. This decision was made under pressure from Arab allies with the hope that the bloody and destructive conflict between Israel and Palestine can be put to an end.

While President Bush does not want to make any assurances that Zinni will be able to produce a cease-fire, or at any rate a cease-fire that will be obeyed by both sides of the conflict, he has said that Saudi peace proposal may have created a window.

Bush and other senior officials have said previously that unless Palestinian leader Yasir Arafat was able to stop the terrorist attacks by the Palestinians and Prime Minister Ariel Sharon eased his siege of Palestinian areas, Zinni would not be sent to the Middle East.



President Bush's special envoy Gen Zinni will attempt to produce a cease-fire in the Middle East.

With all of the violence that is currently going on in the Middle East, however, and a planned trip by Vice President Cheney to review options for moving against Iraq, Bush felt moved

to address the current conflict in some manner.

Several Arab leaders, including President Hosni Mubarak of Egypt and Crown Prince Abdullah of Saudi Arabia wished to see the return of Zinni to the Middle East. Sharon has also welcomed the arrival of Zinni. Arab leaders in general have been unhappy with the Bush administration's recent trend toward inaction in the face of a widening conflict between Israel and Palestine.

With Cheney attempting to discuss the effort to remove Saddam Hussein from power in Iraq with Arab leaders, the Vice President and the rest of the Bush administration could not ignore the current conflict.

Bush said that a major focus of Zinni trip will be to build support for a truce plan

that was made last year by George Tenet, the Director of the CIA. This plan would involve the Palestinians shutting down suspected militants and preventing attacks against Israel, particularly those orchestrated by suicide bombers.

Israel would have to correspondingly lift its broad travel bans on Palestinians. The plan also calls for Israel to pull back its military forces to where they were stationed prior before the fighting broke out in Sept. 2000.

Some European allies, as well as people in the Arab world, have suggested that the U.S. can not win a war against terrorism as long as many in the Middle East are inflamed over the violence between Israel and Palestine. Prior to the decision to send Zinni back, the Bush administration had resisted this notion. But Bush's move suggests that he may be willing to accept the possibility that it is in the best interest of the U.S. not to ignore the conflict.

SBU Alumni Relations Harrassment at Union

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which also operates under the auspices of the University Advancement, has recently expanded its staff and constructed an addition to its office suite. The new office is located on the first floor of Melville Library, across from the Central Reading room.

From there, Tim Kenney, the director of Alumni Relations, is charged with coordinating and executing major Alumni-related events and fundraising projects, such as Homecoming.

The Advancement Office's next initiative will, according to Kenney, be an inclusive endeavor, with a focus on bringing together alumni, current

students, the surrounding community and SBU's faculty and staff. The Office will also oversee all of Stony Brook's fundraising activities, with the hope that Simmons' office will lend its expertise and resources to the individual departments' campaigns.

The money raised will go toward capital building funds, student scholarships, establishing endowments and the University's day-to-day operating expenses.

"We at the Alumni Office are about creating opportunities for students, alumni, and ultimately for the University," said Simmons. "That will make this campus great and makes us grow."

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"This should never happen again. There are too many resources on campus for you to be resorting to violence," Mr. Donaldson said.

Ms. Donaldson missed two days of classes following the harrasment, including a midterm. She was excused for the absences. The administration has been working with her to facilitate a resolution to the incident, she said.

She will be meeting with President Kenny and other administrators some time next week to discuss the consequences of Tuesday's attack.

The victim filed an order of protection against both of the Belizario sisters, and the University has placed restrictions on all five women who were at the scene, requiring that they abstain from any contact, including communication via e-mail or phone, with Ms. Donaldson.

Yvonne and Diana Belizario are scheduled to be arraigned at the central court in East Islip on April 30.

"These students probably thought that Ebony had no support, and that nothing would come about [as a result of their harrasment], but they couldn't have been more wrong," Mr. Donaldson said.

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**Editorial****Change in Cell Phone Policy?**

The University Senate is the chief governing body of SBU. A separate entity from the Polity Senate, the University Senate is comprised of students, faculty, professional staff, and members of administration. This "cabinet" is responsible for formulating many of the university-wide policies and procedures.

The Undergraduate Council (UGC), one of the University Senate standing (permanent) committees, has the most direct impact on policies affecting students. According to its charge, this committee "shall review the educational process and recommend policy for improving the quality of undergraduate academic activities."

Recently, the UGC has proposed a change to the policy regulating electronic devices in the classroom setting. Educational institutions at all levels have been reviewing such guidelines in the wake of 9/11. Interestingly, while many schools have decided to relax previous restrictions, the proposed change by the UGC tightens ours.

As it currently stands, the statement reads: "Students are expected to secure in a closed container (and not, for example, wear on a belt or around the neck) and turn off (and not, for example, simply set to vibration mode) electronic communication devices, including cellular phones, beepers, speakers, and headphones during an examination."

To be sure, the statement does need a bit of, shall we say, modernization (after all, who would wear a cell phone around one's neck?). And as

you will see, the committee also wished to apply a standard to use of such devices during normal class time as well. So here is the proposal:

"Students are expected to secure and turn off electronic communication devices, including cellular phones, beepers, speakers, and headphones during class time unless otherwise directed by the course instructor. Any use of a cell phone or other unauthorized electronic device during an examination may lead to an accusation of academic dishonesty."

There are some positive elements to this proposal. Cell phones should absolutely be turned off during examinations; that goes without saying. And we like the fact that course instructors are given individual freedom in making their own exceptions to this rule, if it is passed.

That being said, however, we do take issue with some of the language. Many students have family and/or work commitments which necessitate open communication lines at all times, especially if one has young children at home. As 9/11 showed, emergencies can also come up at any time; after all, hundreds of us were in class when the Twin Towers were struck. Finally, the "unauthorized electronic device" clause in the second sentence is vague and undefined.

We hope the UGC will take these compliments/criticisms into consideration. Feel free to let us know how you feel on the issue. Call us at 2-6479, or log onto www.sbstatesman.com and post a comment on our message board. We want to hear from you!

Op-Ed**Munching on Brunch**By EISHA BASIT
Statesman Editor

Saturday morning: I roll out of bed at noon, thinking aimlessly about the day ahead, when, bam, the first pangs of hunger strike my stomach. I stand there debating my two options. Either I can crunch on some salsa and bistro chips lying in the suite, or I can make my way up to Kelly and try the "all you can eat" gig.

Lazy as I am, I opt for the chips, only to find that two days ago some random person in our suite had already taken the better share of them. So, where to now? Not Kelly, I say. I put it off as long as I can, doing odd little things here and there. Finally, when my stomach can't hold its obscene contents any longer, I decide to break the fast and prepare for an adventure.

And an adventure it always is. For all those wondering why I'm so hesitant about Kelly food, I'm actually not very particular about it. In fact, three days out of five, you'll probably find me in some Kelly food spot for a weekly meal.

It's only when the weekend hits that I begin to look at the dining spot with melancholy eyes. The word "brunch" always has the effect of conjuring up a dismal image for me.

Here I am walking up to the food spot: it's a pretty nice day outside, the birds are singing, and I might even be humming a Disney tune. All in all, I'm in a pretty good mood, and as I step into the building, the first thing I notice is this huge square blockade before the stairway.

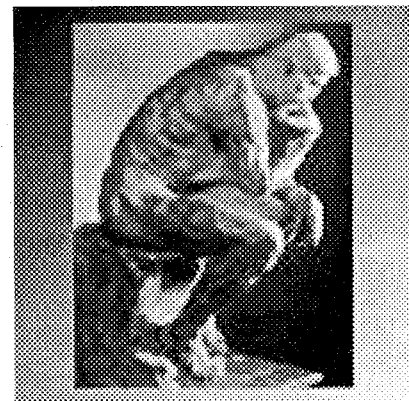
Logic tells me to take the other stairs, and I can't help but think, "Oh, another brunch tactic. Just in case I try to escape with an armload of food, I'll be sure to run into it." I pass it by without too much acknowledgement.

On the second floor, I pay the cashier and enter the food haven. For those who haven't ever been to Kelly brunch, the selection is actually not too bad; a little of everything for everyone.

My irritation first begins with the Kelly slogan of "all you can eat." It should really be extended to "all you can try to eat when we diminish the size of everything we serve." Perhaps it's just a trick of my eyes, but it seems that week by week the size of the drinking cups becomes smaller.

Whereas before I would take a cup of soda and smoothly walk away, I am now forced to juggle two or three of them and pretend that I don't really eat that much. Admittedly, I don't look half as bad as some of the guys, who, being twice my size, carry around four cups on their trays.

The self-service idea was perhaps the most ingenious accomplishment of Kelly, until one lands before the pizza station. I would attempt the self-service bit there, but the glass prevents me. Instead, I turn my eyes toward the server, who lounges behind the glass, gloomily staring at me.

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Weekend brunch at Kelly: something to think about.

Feminist Rant: Those Who Forget History are Doomed to Repeat It

By MARIE HUCTION
Statesman Editor

This week, I wanted to continue my discussion of Women's History Month. Why is a Women's History Month is needed, or, for that matter, a Black History Month or an LGBT History Month?

Why does any population group need special attention? Why is it that everyone is not included in the average history textbook? Why is a discussion about history a discussion about affluent white, heterosexual, European men?

Perhaps it is because history is written by those in power. Since affluent, white, heterosexual, European men have historically been dominant in Western society, they were the ones to fabricate what we now call history. These men chose who and what was important enough to record. They used their own skewed perspectives and opinions to pass judgment on everyone else then recorded these opinions as infallible truths.

It was the kings, prime ministers, popes and scholars who decided what would be passed down to the next generation and who would be forgotten. Subsequent

readings of history were equally subject to interpretation and omission.

Even today, the majority of scholars telling us about ancient civilizations and people are European men. History is edited at both ends, so it is no wonder that minorities and those without power are seen as having no history.

Women were neatly excised from recorded history despite their presence as half of the population. The queens were dismissed as consorts of kings; the artists were dubbed inferior to their male counterparts; the scholars were dismissed as unintelligent; the religious leaders were burned as heretics. Women were denied education, independence and free will. They were taught to be passive and silent. This silence allowed men to write a history without women.

Even those few women who did impact history and make their voices heard, women such as Eleanor of Aquitaine, Catherine the Great, Artemesia Gentilleschi, Dido and Joan of Arc, have all been neglected and demeaned by historians. The last twenty years has seen an

increase in awareness of women's and other ethnicities' contributions to history.

The Civil Rights and Feminist movements have questioned the artificiality of masculine European history. They have forced a re-examination of ancient events and the creation of scholarship that recognizes contributions by women and minorities.

This rediscovery of history has significantly impacted how textbooks and classes are taught, but there is still a major gap in knowledge. History, like current society, is still biased in its devaluation of women, minorities and those who do not fit conventional norms.

In order to combat this ignorance and create a greater recognition of the contributions of all humans, months have been designated for the most oppressed and stigmatized populations in Western history.

This explanation barely scratches the surface of the historical bias and why Women's History Month is so important, but it was my most valiant attempt in 500 words or less.

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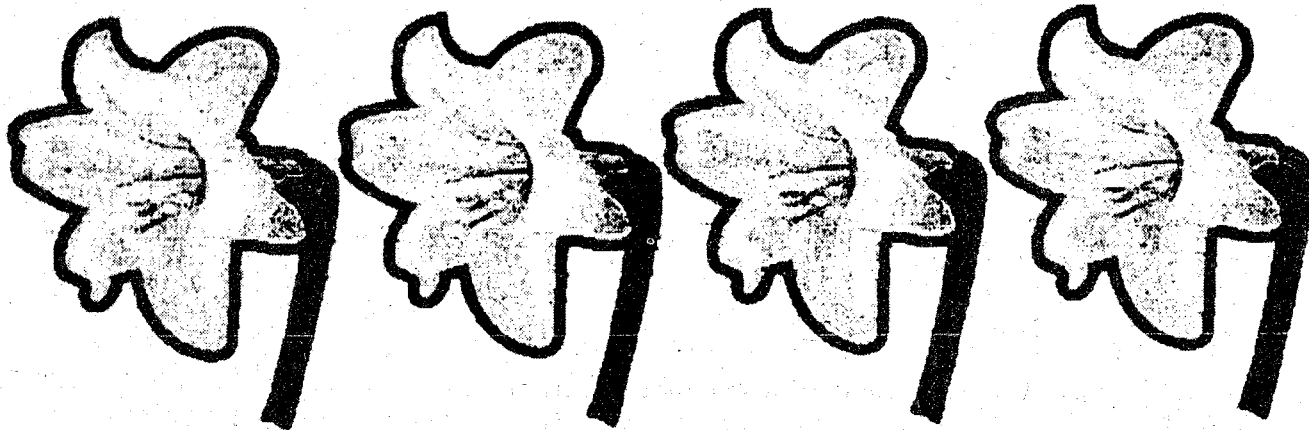
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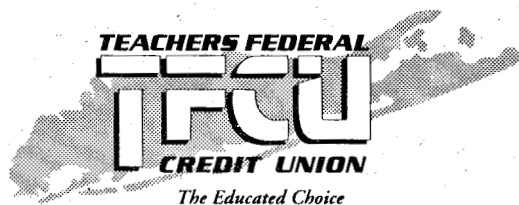
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The Kelly Brunch Experience

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Now, the regular pizza pie is cut into about eight pieces; this very same pie, on Brunch mornings, is cut into twice the amount. He asks, "How many?" I say two. Eating nothing else but pizza and tator tots there, I look down and realize it's just one regular slice.

So I ask for two more of the pseudo-slices. He hands them to me, watching my face, and finally can't hold it in any longer: "Eat enough pizza?" I want to say, "Hey buddy, perhaps this is all I can eat!" Instead, I say, "Well, look how small the pieces are!"

Aggravated, I walk out and decide to eat the food back in my dorm. As I begin to make my exit, one of the ladies stops me, stating that I have to eat all my food up here. When I ask why, she tells me that it's just not allowed and that the cameras are watching me. Why, oh why does it matter where I take my food if I have already paid for it? Of course, no one can tell me.

To rant about just one last bit of Kelly quality, I would like to move onto the subject of prices. I can't help but notice how the prices shift in the food spot day by day. This doesn't apply just to the Brunch, but all other times as well.

If last week when I went to Brunch, it cost \$6.45, this week it cost \$7. I don't

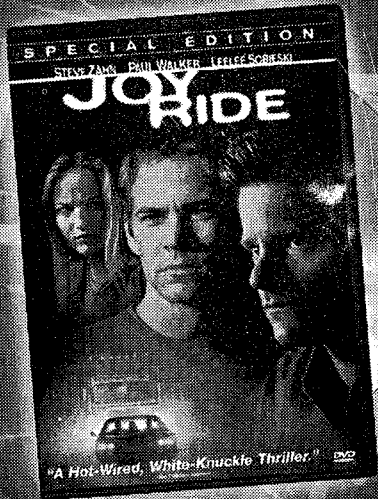
"Let people eat what they want to eat, let them go where they want to go, and above all, remember that the customer is always right."

care about the meager 35 cents lost. What annoys me is how the prices constantly fluctuate. A guy once asked the cashier how it was possible for him to pay three dollars one day for a protein bar, and four something the next. She responded that they're always changing the prices.

For a dining center that runs relatively well during the weekdays, there should be no reason to have such problems on the weekends. So to put aside the bashing for now, I would like to make a proposal.

I honestly don't believe the large masses of students would go out of their way to take advantage of the "all you can eat" slogan any more than they are now, so the diminishing food theme should be stopped. Run the Brunch like all regular restaurant brunches are run, with a very professional manner. Let people eat what they want to eat, let them go where they want to go, and above all, remember that the customer is always right.

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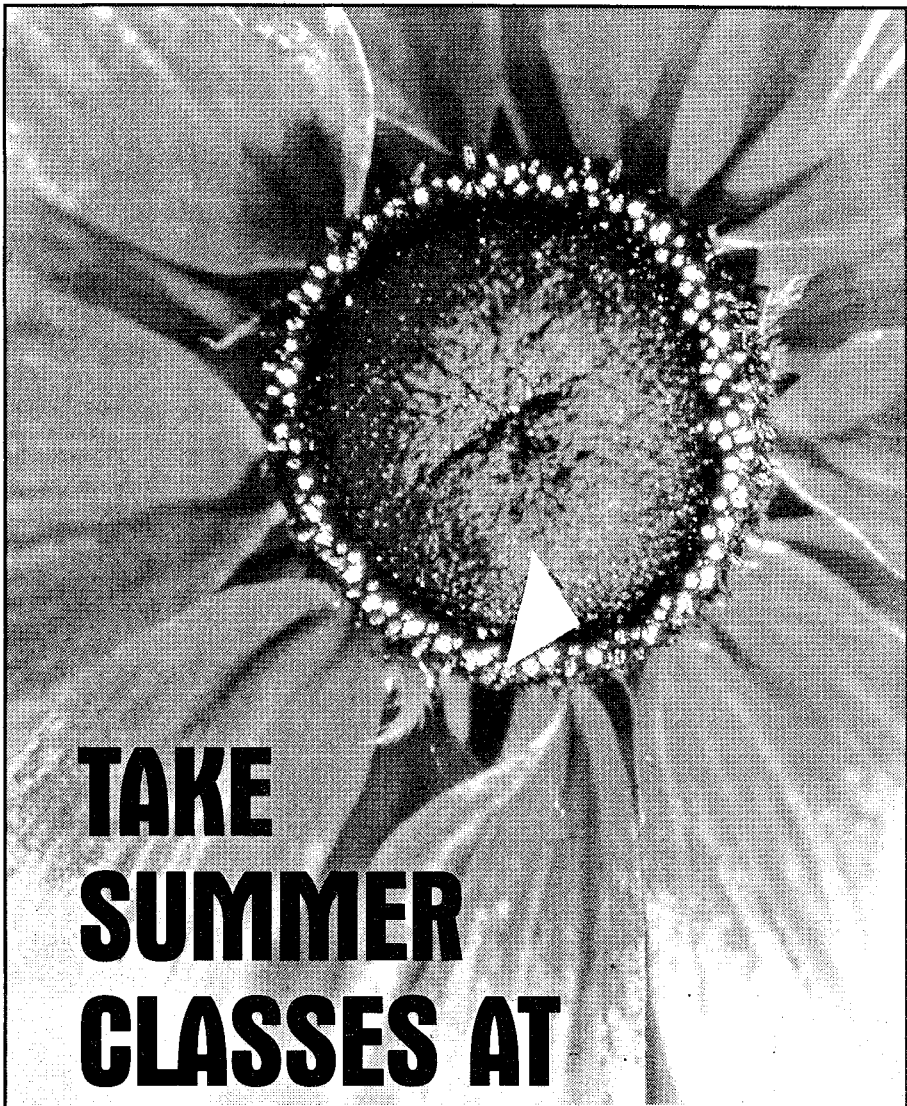
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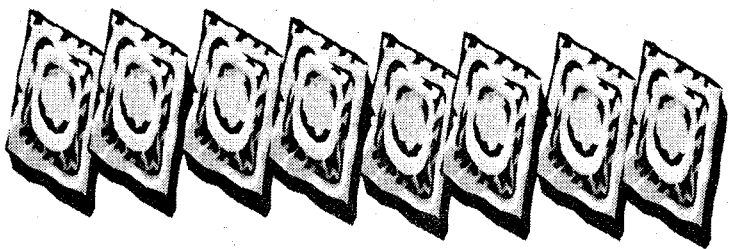
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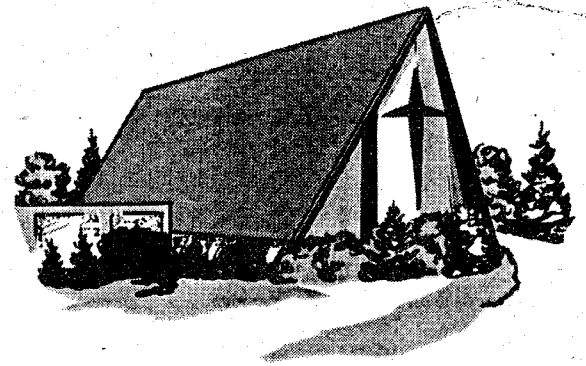
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Mike on the Mat: The Road to Wrestlemania X8

By MICHAEL ADLER
Statesman Staff

It's that time of the year again, when it becomes painfully obvious that the WWF does not understand the concept of Roman numerals anymore. That's right, it's Wrestlemania X8, or 18 for the uninitiated. In six days, the biggest event in sports entertainment will be held in Toronto, Canada. Rivalries will explode, feuds will be settled, and maybe, if we all cross our fingers, Pete Rose will get choke slammed. Here's a preview and some predictions for the major matches.

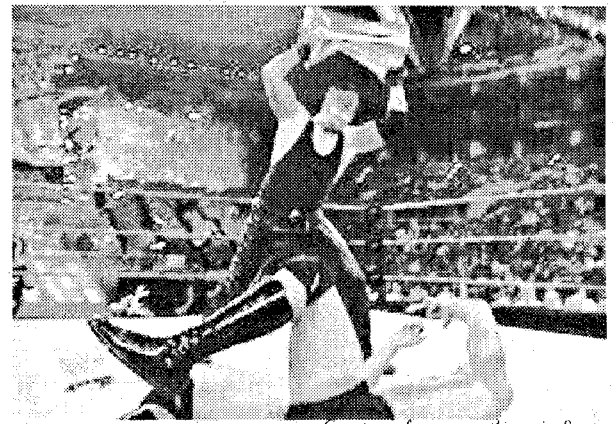
The intercontinental title will be on the line when William Regal defends the belt against Rob Van Dam. It's going to be the educated feet of RVD vs. William Regal's power of the punch. It doesn't really matter who'll win the belt in this one, it'll just be a pleasure to watch these two perform in the ring. Let's just hope this one doesn't end too early due to the brass knuckles. It would be a good push for RVD if he kicks out of the power of the punch.

In perhaps the silliest feud ever initiated in the history of

the WWF, Booker T will take on Edge in a match to determine Japanese shampoo commercial superiority. That's right, I said Japanese shampoo commercial superiority. This one started when Edge beat out Booker T for the spot in a Japanese shampoo commercial. While Edge is, as always, boring and overrated, Booker T will save the day and make this match decent. Extra points to the WWF if they decide to make this a shampoo on the pole match. The superstar who gets the shampoo first gets to squirt the deadly stuff into his opponent's eyes, thus disabling him.

In tag action there's a rumored four-way for the tag titles between Chuck and Billy, the Acolytes, the Hardys and the Dudleys. Ugh. This has all been done before, although I'm sure there'll be a few interesting spots where the Hardys and Dudleys nearly kill themselves. Of course this won't live up to TLC matches of years past.

I'm not even going to waste that much time on the Hogan-Rock main event match. Huge heat, legendary status of its competitors, zero in-ring skill. This one will be laughable.



Courtesy of www.wrestlemania8.com

WWF superstar Chris Jericho will be defending his title at Wrestlemania X8.

Undertaker vs. Ric Flair will be another clash of the titans. These two are past their prime, but are still capable of irregular greatness in the ring. Undertaker will slow the pace of the match, but we can always hope Flair will miss a spot off the top rope and do his chops.

A beer drinker squares off against a former alcoholic when Stone Cold Steve Austin takes on Scott Hall. As Hall is the only member of the NWO worth watching in the ring, this should prove mildly entertaining. Expect Austin to kick his ass for most of the match, only to have it nullified by an NWO run-in. Austin's neck can't take a Razor's/Outsider's edge.

Kurt Angle vs. Kane, eh, never mind. Kane needs to lose weight. End of story.

The main event SHOULD be HHH vs. Chris Jericho for the undisputed heavy weight championship. I like to think of their match-ups as HHH on steroids vs. HHH before steroids. I'm going to enjoy this one immensely.

In the end, Jericho's going to lose, but it's going to be a hell of a battle with a lot of blood, sweat and hopefully a few chair shots. My big prediction for this is a disgruntled Tommy Dreamer shoots interference as he tries to regain his dignity, and merely gets escorted out by security.

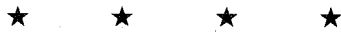
I'm predicting a lesser 'Mania this year, as most of the matches are weak at best, with little real heat in some of the feuds. Don't expect much quality wrestling, and Hogan's going to break his hip.

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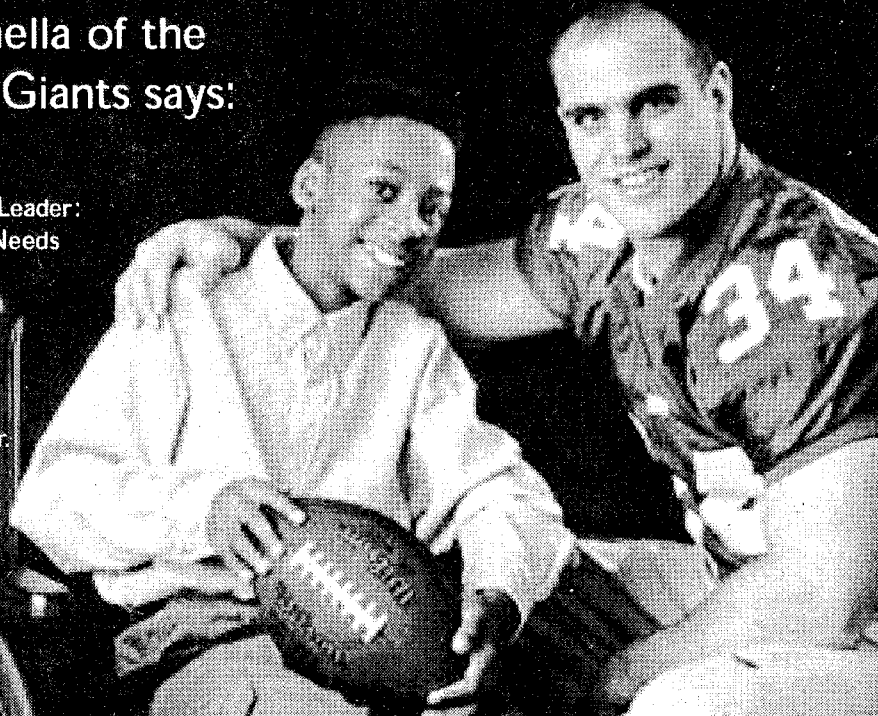
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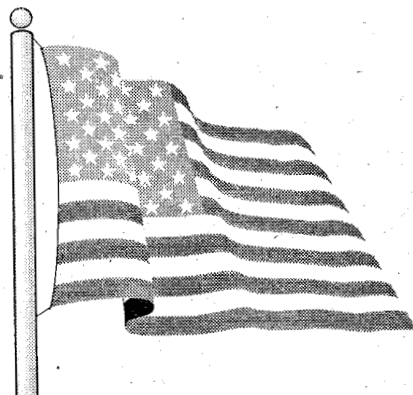
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Within the next week or so, the University will conduct a detailed survey of all SBU students to provide the necessary information for this plan. It is vital to the success of this study that students respond to the survey. A selection of SBU students will receive an e-mail from Campus Residences with a link to the URL address that will open the survey. The e-mail will also alert students to the three \$50 cash prizes to be awarded to randomly selected survey respondents. Please keep an eye out for this survey notice and take 10 minutes out of your busy schedule to help Stony Brook University with this important plan.



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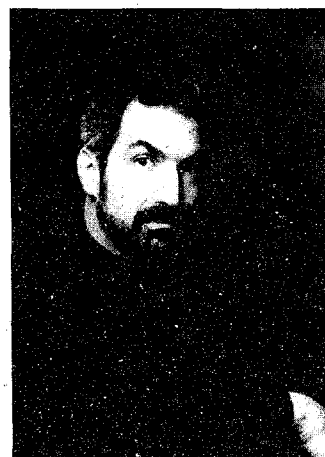


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***The Arab-Israeli
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Daniel Pipes

Wednesday, March 13, 2002
7:30 PM, SB Union Auditorium
Reception following lecture

Dr. Daniel Pipes is the Director of the Middle East Forum and a columnist for the *New York Post* and *The Jerusalem Post*. He is a frequent guest commentator on ABC World News, CBS Reports, Crossfire, Good Morning America, NewsHour with Jim Lehrer, Nightline, O'Reilly Factor, The Today Show, CNN and MSNBC. Dr. Pipes holds A.B. and Ph.D. degrees in history from Harvard University and is the author of 11 books on Islam and the Middle East. He spent six years studying abroad, including three years in Egypt, has served in the Departments of State and Defense, and has taught at the University of Chicago, Harvard University, and the U.S. Naval War College. Dr. Pipes also serves on the "Special Task Force on Terrorism Technology" at the Department of Defense.

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Mel Gibson Stars in His Third Major War Film

ALI KHAN
Statesman Staff

Based on the movie "We Were Soldiers", starring Mel Gibson and Chris Klein, two things can be ascertained: 1) Gibson loves playing the role of war generals, and 2) Hollywood is looking to milk all it can out of the war movie genre.

"We Were Soldiers", the latest release in the breed of war movies, throws the viewer in the midst of battle, giving audiences a feel of violent armed combat, all the while allowing for moments of honor and heroism to shine through. The screenplay is drawn from the novel "We Were Soldiers Once, and Young", an account of the battle written by Mel Gibson's real life character.

The film follows in the line of movies like "Black Hawk Down" and Saving Private Ryan, and is Gibson's third stint in the war movie scene ("Braveheart", "The



Courtesy of www.movies.com

Mel Gibson hopes to strike box office gold with "We Were Soldiers," his latest wartime drama about the battle in the Valley of Death during the Vietnam War.

Patriot"). Commendably, the movie doesn't get caught up in trying to convey a political message, but rather shows the struggles of men just attempting to survive.

The film tells of the first major engagement between American and North Vietnamese soldiers in the 1965 battle in the Valley of Death. We first get a taste of the life of the

soldiers at home, creating a certain humanizing effect, and then we see them outnumbered and fighting for their lives.

Mel Gibson plays commanding officer Lt. Col. Hal Moore. Accompanying him is the likeable Lt. Jack Geoghegan (Chris Klein), and Moore's right-hand man Sgt.-Maj. Basil Plumley (Sam

Elliot). The film takes place, for the most part, in Vietnam, with brief allusions to the atmosphere back in America. The American portion focuses on the struggles of Moore's wife, Julie (Madeleine Stowe), and Geoghegan's young wife, Barbara (Keri Russell).

As for the battle scenes, the "We Were Soldiers" action rivals that of "Black Hawk Down", surpassing it in some categories, particularly in that the characters are more fully appreciated. Omnipresent is the plethora of gore and visual assault expected of such films. In the midst of all the violence, however, the movie consciously points out acts of heroism, such as a scene where an officer dies in an attempt to rescue a wounded comrade.

Another important aspect of the movie is that it refuses to portray the North Vietnamese as inherently evil. They are only portrayed as enemies in battle, and regardless of their loyalties, we are reminded that they are

human beings. The movie is more faithful to history than most films of its kind.

The performances are quite strong. Surprisingly, Chris Klein puts his plain nature to good use in the movie. As for Gibson, he does his usual job of making Moore a cinematic legend. Because the viewer is given insight into the lives of the characters, we end up feeling for them, and appreciating them.

"We Were Soldiers" follows in a long line of war movies preceding it, but in no way is it any less effective. The movie keeps viewers on the edge of their seats, and presents an exhilarating and grueling experience.

It proves to be another success from the same group that brought us the Oscar-Winning "Braveheart". One thing has remained constant from then until now: the focus of the film is on the enduring quality of courage and spirit. All in all I believe the film merits 3 stars out of 4.

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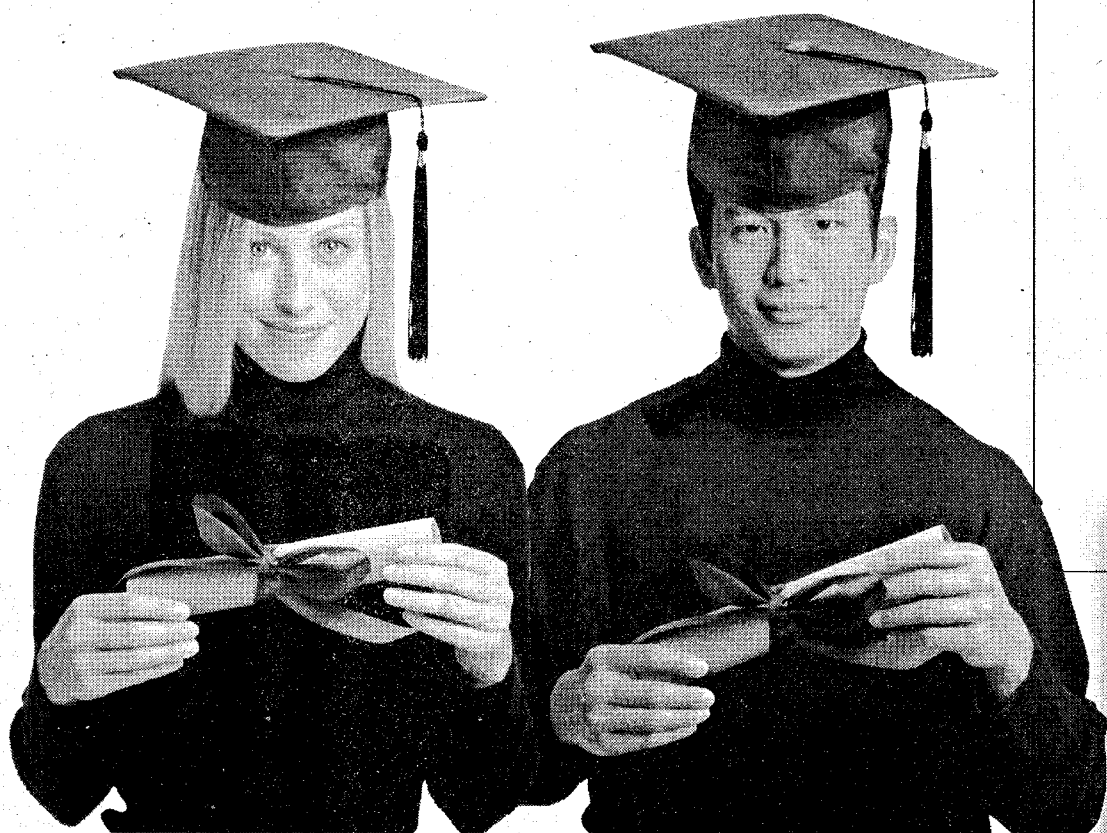
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